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Checking In – Checking Up...

Have you ever thought about the number of places you find interesting, sometimes inspiring, things to read at a glance that aren't on a printed page or electronic screen—billboards, church marquees, the back of a truck or T-shirts, to name a few? I recently read the back of a T-shirt that said, **“Don't let the things that you cannot do interfere with the things you can do.”** When the young man walked past me I saw it was a John Wooten quote.

Think about this: We want our membership numbers to go up; we want our inactive numbers to go away, or at least down; we want no more disbanded chapters and lots of new ones; and we want our chapters to be trouble-free and initiating new members on a regular basis, right?

Fact: We aren't going to get back to 250,000 members overnight or even over a biennium; or suddenly stop members from going inactive; or bring to a sudden halt chapters voting to disband instead of reaching out for help. BUT—**“Don't let the things that you cannot do interfere with the things you can do.”** Your chapter absolutely CAN initiate **2** new members per year. Your state/province/district (S/P/D) CAN organize **1** new chapter—and if any S/P/D organizer needs help, our International Chapter organizer will be beyond thrilled to help! You absolutely CAN say “no” to going inactive or voting to disband your chapter. And everyone can show loving concern, grace and mercy—whatever it takes to make your chapter a wonderfully inviting place to be, in honor of our **7** founders. **2017!**

To that end, I am encouraged with what I hear and see happening in this busy convention season—good, inspiring things are happening! I want to tell you a great story about a provincial convention I attended this spring—a provincial chapter **becoming what it is to become** and being excited about it.

In 2008, Alberta's 18 and Saskatchewan's three chapters merged to form the Alberta-Saskatchewan Provincial Chapter. This year the first board member, ever, from Saskatchewan, presided as president at the first convention, ever, held in Saskatchewan! The three Saskatchewan chapters—Moose Jaw, Regina and Saskatoon did a wonderful job hosting the convention. Sisters came some distance from Alberta in unexpected numbers to support this first effort. It was such an exciting time—record attendance and several “firsts.” Plus, a new chapter received a charter, several chapters had impressive initiation numbers and two Scholar Awards were celebrated, along with a STAR Scholarship

and several other project recipients. They already have their **1** (new chapter) in the **“2017”** goal and several chapters have their **2** initiates per year for both years of the biennium. They are on their way! I was so happy to be in Saskatoon and a part of this convention. I kept thinking, “This provincial chapter is ‘becoming what it is to become’” and I am so proud of everyone concerned.

More importantly, Alberta-Saskatchewan pride in their achievements was on display. It was a great P.E.O. experience!

If we are to be good stewards of what we have been given—the opportunity to be a part of this very meaningful, worthwhile organization that does so much to promote the welfare of women in all walks of life—we **must be busy doing what we can do, not being deterred by what we can't do.**

So...how are we doing? Can we do it better? Will we? Yes!

Beth Ledbetter, President, International Chapter



On behalf of the P.E.O. Sisterhood and Cottey community, we extend a grateful thank you to Greg Hoffman for his exemplary seven years of service on the Cottey College Board of Trustees and a warm welcome to James R. Bickel upon his seven-year appointment to the Cottey board.



We are becoming what we are to become

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Gratitude from a PCE Recipient

It is hard to believe that six years ago I started college as a 50-year-old freshman who had never been on a college campus before. I never would have guessed the adventures that were in front of me. Since that time, I have received both my bachelor's degree in human services and a master's degree in organizational management and leadership.



Sheryl Johnson (first row, center) with sisters from PCE sponsor chapter ES, Houston, Texas

During both programs, I conducted research specific to individuals who have been living with domestic violence. As I completed my master's, I was promoted to director of the Family Violence Center and now serve as an active member of the domestic violence community both in Harris County and across the state.

None of that would have been possible without both the financial and emotional support that was provided to me by this P.E.O. chapter (ES, Houston, Texas). In fact, as I look back, the emotional support and encouragement through cards, letters and emails were almost more valuable than the financial scholarship itself. I sincerely appreciated the sense of being "adopted" by this group.

I am fortunate to be continuing in a field that I am passionate about. My education, that you helped provide, has allowed me a platform and a voice to better serve those in our community. I have trained other advocates, served on a state-wide

commission, enhanced services of the Family Violence Center and currently serve on two county-wide coalitions.

Last year, I was invited to return to my alma mater, Springfield College, as an adjunct professor. I now teach the same undergrad research classes that you supported me through! What a privilege! I've also become a role model to my family; I tell them, "If I can start at 50 and accomplish all of this... imagine what you can do if you start now!"

Ladies, thank you for inspiring me, motivating me and believing in me. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

—*Sheryl K. Johnson,*
2010 P.E.O. Program for
Continuing Education recipient

P.E.O. Becomes Jeopardy! Champion

In March, Claudia Stucke, charter member of Chapter BQ, Decatur, Georgia, appeared for three nights on the national television broadcast of Jeopardy! Her BIL Carl hosted a lively party at the local sports bar to accommodate the large group of sisters, friends and family that wanted to show their support for Claudia. The bar had an abundance of large TVs that allowed more than 50 guests to see Claudia win on her first appearance. Claudia was not only a winner on the show, but the chapter was also a winner as it benefited from an impromptu fundraising effort based on the BQ



Claudia Stucke with her BIL Carl at the viewing party where P.E.O.s, friends and family watched Claudia become a Jeopardy! champion

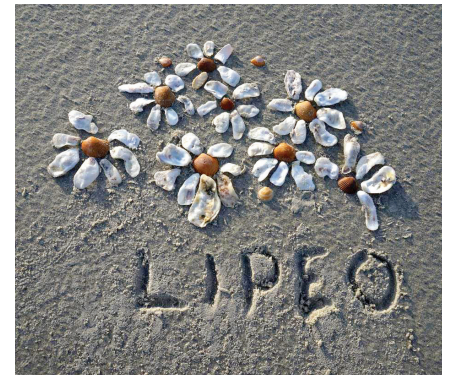
sisters' competitive spirit. Every chapter member and some of the other attendees bought a chance of guessing Claudia's take-away winnings for the evening and by the end of the night, more than \$200 was raised for the chapter. Claudia also is donating some of her winnings to P.E.O. Our sister is not only generous, but as Alex Trebek said on night three, very modest!

—*Barbara Alfano, BQ,*
Decatur, Georgia

Beach Art for My Sisters

I was visiting Hilton Head, South Carolina, and got inspired to create this on the beach with found shells.

—*J. Berta Morgan, AM-BV,*
Akron, Ohio



Shell art created by P.E.O. J. Berta Morgan on Hilton Head, South Carolina

Son Gains Greater Understanding of P.E.O.

Never before has my son shown the slightest interest in "mom's magazine," but the recent issue of The Record featuring Meghan Pierson captured my 13-year-old Boy Scout's attention. He now understands the similarities between my sisterhood and his brotherhood in Boy Scouts. I love that my son no longer sees P.E.O. as simply meetings I attend or a group that owns a college, but as an organization with active members working for the greater good. Maybe he will meet Meghan at the next World Jamboree!

—*Terri Fallin, EC,*
Omaha, Nebraska

P.E.O., The Star Within

by Kay Pittman Sutton, BA, Peachtree City, Georgia

I wrote this poem for the 2016 Georgia State Convention. It is about passing P.E.O. forward to family and friends. It is my story about becoming a P.E.O. as a daughter of a P.E.O. family legacy from my grandmother, to my mother, to me. It is also the story of every woman who has become or will become a sister in P.E.O. It is a reminder that all of us are the legacy of the original seven; from Original A each chapter and each sister took someone's hand and that legacy continues through each sister. It is also a reminder that there are women we know who are just waiting for someone to take their hand.



Kay Pittman Sutton

P.E.O., THE STAR WITHIN

I am reaching out to find a star
I know not where or just how far.
Though in the distance the star is dim
I know I can touch it, but I know not when.
A Star to guide, a Star to teach,
I see it now within my reach.

As daylight fades and the star draws near
I see the light becomes more clear.
It is brighter now and I can see
That little Star was meant for me.

I find my gaze in new surprise
The Star shines brightly in clear skies.
The Star is joined by a thousand score
And my heart wonders, how many more?

As I step forward the path is bright
So many Stars within my sight.
I reach up to touch the sky
A Star takes my hand, I wonder why.

I find myself in a resplendent swirl.
I remember the joy of that young girl
Who was not sure which way to go
When a star took her hand and helped her grow.

A young girl here, a woman there,
My heart wonders why they care.
A single Star can shine so bright
When it joins hands to share the light.
For those who wonder what their futures hold
The Star reveals the story untold.

Reach up to the sky so brilliant and bright
Reach out to the Stars and share your light.
Take someone's hand to guide and to teach
It matters not how far you reach.

It started with seven but now we know
We can do so much, the more we grow.
We had a beginning but we have no end.
Reach out to a woman, a daughter, a friend.
Take her hand and the Star within,
It is time to let her journey begin



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And that's just the beginning.

Whether it's your very first visit here or just your first in a while, the Cottey College campus is a sight to behold, and remember, for years to come.

Here, visitors experience an idyllic blend of lush foliage and inspiring architecture, while students discover an environment that's conducive to learning, personal growth and life-shaping experiences.

We welcome you to make plans now to spend time at Cottey College this fall. It's not only a lovely place to study; it's truly a special place to visit, again and again.

COTTEY COLLEGE

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BILs Visiting Cottey College

by Albert Leffler, Guest Editor, The P.E.O. Record

When first dating my future wife Kathy I learned she was something called a P.E.O. and had graduated from two colleges: a small private women's college in Missouri and a large state university in Texas. I knew a lot about the University of Texas at Austin (go Longhorns!) but had never heard of Cottey College in Nevada, Missouri. However, through those dating years and 45 years of marriage, it is Cottey College I know best.

"Our" P.E.O. routine was probably typical: Kathy would be off to her chapter meetings and I would occasionally set up chairs at home then disappear, and we would attend annual BIL socials. There were fundraising projects for scholarships for women and for Cottey, as everyone knew the college was owned by the P.E.O. Sisterhood.

It is fair to say my involvement and interest in Cottey was typical of many BILs. However, my "involvement" took a sharp turn when our oldest daughter Ambre chose to attend Cottey after graduating from high school. Almost overnight I learned a lot about Cottey, its history, successes and positive impact on young women's lives. I was pleased.

Trips to Nevada over Ambre's two years at Cottey never ceased to impress me both at the academic and social levels. I was thrilled then when our younger daughter Holly also decided to attend Cottey. For me, as a parent and BIL, this meant two more years of visiting Cottey. With Kathy, Ambre and Holly all P.E.O.s and Cottey grads, you can imagine that I am a huge Cottey fan.

But what about P.E.O.s and BILs who have not yet visited the lovely Cottey campus?

Susan Bokemeier, AE, Unicoi, Tennessee, and her BIL Denny had long dreamed of visiting Cottey, and over one spring break they finally made it to campus. I spoke with Denny about his perspective as a BIL and he talked about his surprise at the beauty and charm of the campus with its older and newer buildings all having a similar stately style. Even though it was spring break a Golden Key (student guide) was readily available and gave them a wonderful tour during the morning. Denny and Susan were MOST impressed by the outstanding lunch, as Chef Michael did not disappoint!



Susan Bokemeier in front of Hinkhouse Center on the Cottey campus



Denny Bokemeier with his restored FC Jeep.

A different Golden Key led the afternoon portion of the tour, and Denny said he and Susan loved the wonderful overall "feel" of the campus with highlights including the Wild Performing Arts Center and the Vanek Family Memorial Softball Field. The light and airy Blanche Skiff Ross Memorial Library, classrooms and labs they visited were "first rate." The Bokemeier's look forward to their next visit that will include the recently completed Judy and Glenn Rogers Fine Arts Building.

Denny recalled their trip to Cottey also found them staying at several P.E.O. Bed and Breakfasts, with the wonderful P.E.O. and BIL hosts setting the stage for the hospitality extended to them while on campus: "Everyone was so nice—we would do this again in a heartbeat—It was so easy to set up our visit and what a treasure P.E.O. has in this outstanding women's college. And take it from me, you just have to see the campus for yourself, and do plan to stay at as many P.E.O. Bed and Breakfasts as you can on your way." 🌸



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New winemaker brings home first medal

Elisabeth Grunwald of Nicole Reese Wines won a silver medal at the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition

by Rebecca Scott, Medford Mail Tribune



P.E.O. Elisabeth Grunwald at Pallet Wine Company in Medford, Oregon

Photo by Jamie Lusch, Mail Tribune

Elisabeth Grunwald of Nicole Reese Wines followed her dreams.

Three years later, she won a silver medal for her 2013 Syrah at the 2016 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, one of the largest wine competitions in the world.

"It's all about the journey," says Grunwald.

With her children, Sierra-Nicole and Braedon-Reese, as her inspiration, Grunwald started Nicole Reese Wines in 2014. She made her first vintage in 2012, which was bottled and released in 2014. The second was made in 2013 and released two years later.

Grunwald started at the boutique level, making her own chardonnay and syrah. "They are two of my

favorites because I can enjoy them all year long, and they're classic wines."

Winning a medal was the farthest thing from Grunwald's mind as she grew her business and brand.

"I took a chance last fall and sent the two wines to the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition. It was random. I didn't tell anyone, not even my husband," says Grunwald.

"When I checked my email, I was in total shock. I reread it three times and then thought, 'Oh my gosh! This is for real!'"

Her family was also elated by the news of her win. "It was great to show my kids there are successes in life when you work hard, and it motivated me to get out there even more."

Grunwald left the corporate world and a career in marketing behind. She relocated from Chicago to Southern Oregon in 2007 to pursue other interests.

"I decided it was time for a change and do something I was passionate about rather than go to an office every day."

Grunwald stumbled upon wine school and winemaking.

"I saw a brochure in the Valley View Winery tasting room for the Southern Oregon Wine Institute. I looked at it because I wasn't doing anything at the time, since we'd just moved to the area," explains Grunwald. "At first, I made a joke about it. Who goes to wine school? I took the brochure home and then thought this was a cool idea. I called Chris Lake, who's the director at the institute. He talked me right

into it. After 10 minutes, I was sold. I was going to wine school. It was the change in my life I needed."

Grunwald drove to Roseburg once a week for two years to study viticulture and enology at the Southern Oregon Wine Institute. She explored the vineyard and winery sides of the business and graduated in 2010. Grunwald decided the winery was a better fit for her, and from there she joined Pallet Wine Co. in 2011. She is currently an assistant winemaker but has done everything from bottling and processing fruit to lab work.

"I think it's important to encourage and help people as much as possible," explained Linda Donovan, a winemaker and founding partner of Pallet Wine Co. in Medford.

"I owe Linda a lot for being such a great mentor and providing me with the tools to be successful," says Grunwald.

"I was so proud she'd won," says Donovan. "Elisabeth has a young family and works hard. It's good to be recognized for having a great product, especially early in your career."

Growing up in the suburbs of Chicago, where the main sources of agriculture are wheat and corn, Grunwald wasn't exposed to the world of wine until she moved to Southern Oregon. "In Chicago, the goal was always to work in an office," she says.

But like many passions of an artisanal nature, Grunwald learned about food and cultural tastes as a young girl in the family kitchen.

"I cooked with my family," she says. "My mom and grandma taught me a lot in the kitchen, and my grandpa owned a butcher shop. I was exposed to different foods and had the opportunity to travel the world at a young age. I think this helped develop my palate."

"Wine is a great industry because everybody is happy and wants a life experience. That life experience comes together with wine. If you have good wine, you have friends," says Grunwald, smiling. "Winemaking in of itself is not glamorous, but I like a getting-your-hands-dirty job."

With wine currently in the barrel and new vintages such as a pinot

noir on the horizon, Grunwald isn't planning to slow down anytime soon. But even in the midst of growing her business, Grunwald wants to keep it intimate.

"I would love to open a small, quaint boutique. I appreciate the one-on-one aspect of my business. I like meeting new people, and more people, who enjoy my product," says Grunwald. "To me it's so exciting when you meet someone new and they think your wine is really good." 🌸

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Elisabeth's Nicole Reese wines on the bottling line

Elisabeth Grunwald, CP, Medford, Oregon

by Becky Frazier, Editor, *The P.E.O. Record*



Elisabeth Grunwald with her husband Greg, daughter Sierra-Nicole and son Braedon-Reese

P.E.O. Elisabeth Grunwald grew up in the Chicago suburb of Brookfield, Illinois. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Elmhurst College and went on to work in marketing in various Midwestern cities. For several years she and her husband Greg, a physician, lived in Columbus, Ohio, and were "living in the left lane"—they were young, career-oriented and had no kids.

Always fond of visiting the Pacific Northwest, Elisabeth and Greg finally decided to make the move to the small town of LeGrande, Oregon, in 2000. Elisabeth recalled, "My life kind of came to a halt. I went from working at this big corporate job to doing nothing so I found myself really getting involved with the community, my neighborhood and my church." It was women Elisabeth met at her church who introduced her to P.E.O. and she became a member of Chapter CO in LeGrande on April 15, 2003.

Elisabeth and Greg started a family and when Greg's work took them to Medford, Oregon, Elisabeth was anxious to find a new P.E.O. chapter. She knew one of her neighbors was a P.E.O.

and found a creative way to approach her. She says, "I was taking my kids trick-or-treating and while we were at her door I said, 'I heard you're a P.E.O., will you please take me to a meeting?'" From that introduction, Elisabeth was able to visit and transfer to her current chapter, CP, Medford.

Elisabeth finds great value in belonging to the Sisterhood. She says, "For me, attending P.E.O. meetings is almost like going to my own world. I am in a chapter that meets on Wednesdays during the day; I schedule those days off from my job. I'm so busy as a mom and with work...going to P.E.O. is always like my decompressing day." She continues, "All the women in my chapter have our own uniqueness but we all have this incredible common ground. Everyone's so nice and is concerned about each other's lives. Our chapter has an incredible connection, like a lot of chapters do—we all seem to have this tie."

Elisabeth's mother-in-law Sandi Grunwald is also a P.E.O.—in Chapter HY, Elmhurst, Illinois, and her best friend Lisa Pezza, is a member of Chapter CS, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Elisabeth is currently serving as her chapter's recording secretary. Last fall she hosted a meeting at the winery where she works.

While Elisabeth is busy with work at the winery and with her kids—Sierra-Nicole, 14, and Braedon-Reese, 10, she tries to find time for her hobbies, which include hiking, camping, playing tennis, quilting and traveling.

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5 Successful Techniques to Recruit Others to Achieve Goals*



by the Ad Hoc Committee for the P.E.O. Leadership Initiative

Whether your goal is personal or P.E.O.-related, these useful leadership practices for recruiting and motivating will help to push your goal to success.

1. Identify others who can help by asking yourself the following:
 - Who else cares about this goal? Who has passion, talents and strengths to help advance the goal?
 - Who builds team spirit and good collaboration?



- Who would benefit by being on a spirited team that makes a difference?
 - Who would find this challenge a great way to grow and develop?
2. Recruit others by naming their strengths. Paint a vivid picture of the positive experiences that they will enjoy and the differences they can make.
 - Describe how their specific efforts will advance the goal,



benefit another person, your chapter, a committee or board. Depending on the nature of the goal, the impact of their efforts may even extend P.E.O.'s shared mission of enriching the bonds of sisterhood and helping women across the world succeed.

3. Ask. "Will you...?" So many of us hesitate to ask. We might do the job ourselves instead of asking for assistance. We might say what needs doing, but stop short of asking directly for someone's help. We stand hopefully in silence and then wonder why no one steps up. Avoid imagining hundreds of reasons people might say "no" and letting your thinking stop you from asking; give people a chance to say "yes."

Your invitation might sound like this: "I know you're excited about supporting our P.E.O. philanthropies and you're really good at organizing people and projects. Will you consider pulling together our garage sale this year? Janet has volunteered the space already. Will you organize

the rest knowing we will dedicate the money to the projects?"

4. Fuel their hope of success
 - Anticipate and address concerns.
 - Express your confidence in them throughout the journey.
 - Let them do the job without interfering.
 - Ask what help they want from you and support them as you are able.
5. Celebrate successes, incremental and final. Appreciation, acknowledgment and connection are powerful benefits that engage and motivate volunteers. They also build volunteers' readiness to contribute in the future. 🌸

LEADERSHIP TIP

Leadership should be more participative than directive, more enabling than performing.

—Mary D. Poole

*Watch the full 15 minute video on this topic at peoleadership.org, adapted from Moving Your Boulder, the Leadership Development Initiative's workshop at the 2015 Convention of International Chapter.

A P.E.O. Sister Rules Mardi Gras in Mississippi

by Brenda Batey, B. Long Beach, Mississippi



Carol Crowder
Reeves, B, Long
Beach, Mississippi, will
reign as Queen of Hera
XXIX for Mardi Gras and
through 2016.

Carol will represent the Krewe of Hera, one of the largest all-female krewes on the Gulf Coast, at events and promote its glamorous image. A “krewe” is any group who bands together to host a Mardi Gras ball, ride on a Mardi Gras parade float and participate in social events throughout the year. The Krewe of Hera (queen of Olympus and wife of Zeus) was organized in 1985 and is known for their lavish costumes and elaborate Grand Bal that rival those of New Orleans and Mobile. Membership into the Krewe is by invitation only and limited to 500 women who fund its annual social activities.

Born at Keesler Air Force Base Hospital in Biloxi, Mississippi, Carol grew up an army brat. Her passion for learning was encouraged by her parents and fostered through travel opportunities due to her father’s deployments. The family had the chance to absorb the rich cultures and history of not only Germany, where they lived, but also England, France and Denmark. In the U.S., Carol lived in five different states. However,

she chose to settle on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, itself steeped in history and teeming with cultural offerings.

Carol has been married to David Reeves, M.D., for 20 years; they reside in Long Beach, Mississippi. They are active members of First United Methodist Church in Long Beach and have four children and five grandchildren. For 36 years, Carol worked as a nurse in cardiology and the intensive care units at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport, Mississippi, retiring in October 2014. Her expertise was recently tapped, however, to serve as President of the Medical Alliance Gulf Coast Chapter.

P.E.O.

Carol has been a member of Chapter B in Long Beach since 1996. Two of her sisters-in-law are also members and her husband’s family has a connection

to Elaine Skellie—one of the 15 founders of Chapter B in 1931.

Carol is proud that P.E.O.

has provided her a path to assist and encourage young women to pursue higher education. Through the years, she has served as corresponding secretary, and as chair and member of various committees, including: membership, social, ways and means and audit. For several years, she acted as chair of the chapter’s Educational Loan Fund and Program for Continuing Education committees. Twice she has been a delegate to state conventions and has attended quite a few more. Last November, 2015, she and Linda Reeves, her sister-in-law, hosted Chapter B’s 85th birthday party where they presented each member with a beautiful P.E.O. glass Christmas ornament they created.

The Lore of Mardi Gras

If you are not a Gulf Coast native, then you may not grasp the lore, or moreover, the lure of Mardi Gras, which means Fat Tuesday in French. The city of Mobile gets credit for the first festival in 1703, but no one cedes honors for having the most exciting Mardi Gras blowout! Begun as a religious holiday, Shrove Tuesday, the day before the beginning of Lent, still has religious overtones for many. The name “Fat Tuesday” resulted because it was the last opportunity for the devout to “kick up their heels” and be “fat” with feasting and fun before the austerity of the Lenten season, ushered in on Ash Wednesday. These holidays are celebrated world-wide in various ways, most notably in Venice, New Orleans, Mobile and Rio de Janeiro. Millions flock to Gulf Coast cities (New Orleans taking the lions’ share of revelers) to experience the Mardi Gras season, which today, has become a billion-dollar industry and has all those involved praying for good weather for the parades. The immortal motto of Mardi Gras is Laissez les bons temps rouler! Let the good times roll! 🌸

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P.E.O.: A Universe of Small World Connections

by Elizabeth E. Garrels, Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee

We've all heard and used the phrase "what a small world" to reference an unexpected connection, happenstance or coincidence with other persons or situations. "Small world" connections in P.E.O. seem to be common too.

Here is an almost unbelievable P.E.O. "small world" anecdote told by Miles Babb, son of Founder Alice Bird Babb, from one of his talks at a P.E.O. gathering. The date for this actual Chicago happening, described below, is unknown; one of Miles' last speaking events was at the 1960 convention of Iowa State Chapter.

"Let me repeat a little story Clarence Stafford, son of Mary Allen Stafford, used to tell. It seems he and my brother Max had an appointment to meet in the lobby of the Congress Hotel in Chicago one winter's morning.



Miles T. Babb

Clarence was the first to arrive and as he waited for Max to come he noted a lady sitting close by. This lady wore a puzzled expression and she also wore a P.E.O. pin. Finally she very timidly asked of Clarence some simple directional question.

"Clarence gave her the correct answer, then told her he noted she was a P.E.O. and that his own mother had been one of the Founders. Of course, the lady was pleased to know all this and soon they were engaged in conversation about P.E.O. in general. Just then Max came by.

"Well, Max was introduced as the son of another Founder. A look of suspicion crossed the lady's face and as I understand it, the introduction was acknowledged very coolly indeed. Knowing Max, as of course I did, I am sure he could and would have explained the coincidence to the lady's entire satisfaction had it not been for the fact that just at that moment, who should come bursting through the street door of the hotel but Dr. Charles Elliott, son of Franc Roads Elliott.

"Well, of course, Dr. Charlie was inducted into the circle and given the proper introduction as the son of a Founder. But this was one too many

for the little lady. With a flash of her eye and toss of her head, she dashed out onto Michigan Avenue."

Max Wellington Babb – (1874 – 1943) at his death, chairman of the board of directors of Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company, member of the executive committee of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; an attorney

Miles Thornton Babb – (1879 – 1967) at his retirement, industrial sales manager for Illinois and northern Indiana for Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company; a Lincoln scholar; an attorney

Clarence Stafford – (1872 – 1950) in his business career in Chicago, president of Rathborne, Hair & Ridgway Company (manufacturer of corrugated and wood boxes); later moved to Montana and engaged in ranching and lumbering interests

Dr. Charles Elliott – (1873 – 1939) Professor of Medicine at Northwestern University, well-known researcher and diagnostician; member of the Medical Council of the United States' Veterans' Bureau

Maybe not quite so historically dramatic or humorous, I'm sure there are many "small world" stories from P.E.O. experiences that we would all enjoy. We're excited to introduce the Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee's webpage, www.peo150.org. Please visit this site where you can share your own or a chapter's happenstance or unexpected P.E.O. connection. Recollections will reinforce how close we are as sisters, even in unanticipated situations!

Gallery of Presidents



Jan Billings

Arizona

The Many Gifts of P.E.O.

Jan Billings is a native of Arizona as is her husband and all three children.

She grew up in an Air Force family and when her father retired, the family returned to Tucson where she finished high school. Wanting to spread her wings, she traveled 120 miles north to Tempe where she attended and graduated from Arizona State University. Jan began her career as a buyer and later procurement manager for AlliedSignal/Honeywell. Retiring in 2002, she and BIL Bob bought their first of nine RVs, even selling their home in 2004 and traveling full time for a year. They have logged more than 120,000 miles and loved every minute of it. Jan was initiated into chapter BR, Mesa, Arizona, in 2001 and remains in the chapter today. She began her board service in 2008, having to leave in 2010. She rejoined the Arizona State executive board in 2014. She and Bob live in Mesa in the winter and travel to the White Mountains of Arizona in the summer. They have three grown children, nine grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Jan is a certified ceramics instructor, loves to quilt and is looking forward to taking up golf again in the summer of 2017!



Sara Chatfield

California

In a world where you can be anything... BE YOURSELF

Sara Chatfield was born and raised in the Mountain West. She received her B.S. in business administration and her MBA degree from the University of Wyoming.

A third-generation P.E.O., she has been a member for 36 years and has been a charter member of two chapters—AY, Green River, Wyoming, and VW, Santa Clara, California. She has also been members of S, Salt Lake City, Utah; IN, San Jose, California; and her current chapter—LD, Sacramento, California.

She has been married to her BIL Doug for 27 years and together they enjoy baseball games, old movies, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and their volunteer work as fellowship chairman for their church. They have two large dogs.

Sara's primary career has been in the movie theater business—serving as a general manager of multiplexes and later as an auditor/trainer/efficiency expert for client movie theater concession stands in the U.S. and Canada. She is currently retired with plans to return to work after her board service.

She loves polka dots, polar bears, playing bridge, baking and making note cards.



Dottie Ruth

Colorado

Hitch Your Wagon to a Star

Dorothy (Dottie) Ruth was initiated into Chapter K,

Anchorage, Alaska, in 1975 after being invited by her good friend, Nancy Bruce. In 1990 she transferred to Chapter AQ, Grand Junction, Colorado. Between the two chapters she fulfilled all the offices from chaplain to president; she also served on the Colorado History and Program for Continuing Education committees.

Dorothy, the fourth of five children, was born in Denver, Colorado, and raised on a mountain ranch. She earned a bachelor's degree in home economics education from Colorado State University (CSU). Her master's degree was completed at the University of Alaska.

Dottie and Bob, a teacher and fellow CSU graduate, have been married 51 years. After teaching in Longmont, Colorado, they moved to Alaska to teach in Cordova and Anchorage. After 20 years in Alaska the family returned to Colorado and settled in Grand Junction.

Both Dottie and Bob are retired and enjoy spending time with their family, son Doug, his wife, Misty and two grandchildren. Dottie is active in church, leads a women's Bible study group and is secretary/treasurer of the homeowners' association. After retirement from teaching she filled her time employed at various jobs and assisted Bob with his coaching activities.

In her leisure time, Dottie enjoys knitting, sewing, reading and crafting. In the summer she can also be found ATV exploring and relaxing at the mountain vacation home.



Gallery of Presidents

Jennifer Bream

District of
Columbia
Team P.E.O.
Let's Play!



Jennifer Bream was born in Bethesda, Maryland, and grew up in Fairfax, Virginia. She received her B.A. in communication studies from Virginia Tech and returned to the Washington, D.C. area where she worked in human resources management for Accenture's federal government practice. Jennifer met her husband Doug in high school and although they were not high school sweethearts, they were reunited after college and now live in Arlington, Virginia.

It was when Jennifer stopped working after the birth of her first child that she was introduced to P.E.O. by her mother and initiated into her mother's chapter, G, District of Columbia, in 2004. Jennifer has served as treasurer and president in her chapter, as well as serving on the District of Columbia Finance Committee and as co-chairman for the 2013 District of Columbia Chapter Convention. She is thankful for the many leadership opportunities that P.E.O. has given her.

Jennifer has been a full-time mom to her kids Taylor (12), Ellie (10) and Stewart (7) and spends much of her time on the soccer field, baseball field, basketball court and pool deck watching them play—and playing with them. After her youngest started kindergarten two years ago, Jennifer gradually reentered the working world as a part-time preschool teacher.

Jennifer enjoys hiking, camping, kayaking and skiing with her family. Her hobbies include running and reading, and she hopes to someday add golf and tennis back to the list.

Margaret Rose

Florida
Imagine.
Anything
is Possible.



Margaret (Peggy) Rose considers herself lucky to have been born in Miami, Florida, and to be a native of one of her favorite places in the world. She loves the warm weather, the South Florida lifestyle and the international flavor of the city. Peggy grew up in Miami Shores and is the youngest of four children. Introduced to P.E.O. by her mother, she was initiated into chapter M, Miami in 2001 and is currently a member of Chapter BJ, Miami.

Peggy graduated from Florida International University, earning a degree in hospitality management, and is currently the Director of Operations of a hotel in Miami. She enjoys her work managing a hotel as it is an exciting adventure where no two days are the same and she has the opportunity to meet people from around the world.

Peggy loves to travel and although she has visited many places one of her favorites is Queensland, Australia, also known as the sunshine state. An avid sports fan, she loves to attend any sporting event, especially football or baseball. She loves to drive anywhere in her Mustang convertible with the top down and the music playing.

Melinda Bigbee Garver

Georgia
Bee Long, Bee
Lieve, Bee
Come in P.E.O.



Melinda Bigbee Garver was initiated into her mother's chapter, GC, Hugoton, Kansas, in 1964. She attended Cottey College and Kansas State University, where she met her BIL Jim. They celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this year and have three children, Cathy Wenske, James Garver, David Garver and five grandchildren. Melinda is an interior decorator and owned her own design business.

Melinda has belonged to chapters FI, Topeka; BZ, Cottonwood Falls; DI, Emporia; EO, Leavenworth and DJ, Wichita, all in Kansas; and KX, Mason City and KJ, Marion, in Iowa. She now lives in Senoia, Georgia, and is a member of BA, Peachtree City. Melinda initiated her daughter Cathy when president of KX, Iowa, and her granddaughter Molly while president of BA, Georgia. In 2003, she was chairman of Kansas State Convention and on the Kansas P.E.O. Centennial book committee.

Currently, Melinda is chairman of Senoia Public Housing Authority, belongs to Senoia Literary Society, Senoia Design Committee and is active in the Senoia United Methodist Church choir and altar guild. She enjoys historic preservation, travel, sewing, knitting, reading and bridge.

Jane Ingram

Idaho

Potential Every One P.E.O. A Joyous Journey

Jane Ingram began her journey in P.E.O. in 1967 when she was initiated into Chapter S, Cheyenne, Wyoming, her mother and grandmother's chapter. She then became the first president of the Hastings College P.E.O. group. She graduated from Hastings College, Nebraska, with degrees in elementary and drama/speech education. She moved back to Wyoming where she married Mike, taught school for 36 years and raised her two children, Thomas and Daisy.

Jane was also given opportunities to coach speech/drama. During this time, she received a master's degree in literacy using a P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education grant. In Chapter N, Douglas, Wyoming, she served in various offices, on the state finance committee, and also attended state and international conventions.

Four P.E.O.s have inspired her to make P.E.O. a priority (her mother, Elinor Robinson, Past State President of Wyoming State Chapter; Irene Kerr, Past International President; Wilda Macy, a 73 year member Chapter N Douglas, Wyoming, and Shirley Robinson, Chapter C Cheyenne, Jane's stepmother).

After Mike's sudden death, Jane retired to Boise, Idaho, joining Chapter BU and serving in several offices and on the Chapter House Board of Trustees before being elected to Idaho State board. Today she travels, enjoys her three grandchildren, is involved with choir, church, theater and is a docent. Jane celebrates her 50th year in P.E.O. this year.



Ann Bowen

Illinois

Fired Up for P.E.O.—Going Above and Beyond

Ann Bowen was born and raised in Alton, Illinois. Dover, Ohio, was home for 17 years before moving to Mission Viejo, California, and returning home in 2004 when she transferred to Chapter JZ, Alton.

Her mother-in-law first introduced Ann to P.E.O. Both her BIL's great-grandmother and grandmother were charter chapter members. Ann was initiated into Chapter VA, Irvine, California. She will always cherish the memory of her mother (Chapter Eternal) and mother-in-law being present for her initiation. An aunt and sister-in-law in Missouri and Tennessee also share the joy of our sisterhood.

Ann served on the Illinois Budget and Finance Committee from 2009-2012. She had previously been a delegate to the 2007 Convention of International Chapter (CIC) in Minneapolis and worked with her mother-in-law at the 2011 CIC in Saint Louis.

The youngest of two children, Ann attended Illinois State University and is a member of Delta Delta Delta. She is employed as an accountant at a local public accounting firm.

Married to her high school sweetheart for 36 years, Ann and Andy love to travel and enjoy outdoor adventure which has included whitewater rafting on the Lower Gauley and New rivers in West Virginia and dog-sledding in Banff, Canada, as favorites. They are avid Cardinal baseball fans. With free time, she enjoys handcrafts from needlework to basket weaving.



Mary Lee McFarland

Indiana

The Gifts of P.E.O.

Mary Lee McFarland was born and raised (as one of six daughters) in Birmingham, Michigan. She earned a B.A. in social work from Michigan State University and married her high school sweetheart Craig. They moved to Indiana in 1976 and, through her dear neighbor across the street, Mary Lee was introduced to P.E.O. She was initiated into Chapter Y, Gary (now Crown Point), Indiana in 1979. Mary Lee and Craig have always considered her P.E.O. sisters and their BILs as their Indiana family.

Prior to her retirement in 2011, Mary Lee was employed as an adoption specialist for Lutheran Social Services. As an adoptive parent herself, Mary Lee considers working with birth parents and adoptive families a great gift to her life. She is an elder in the Presbyterian Church and a 1999 graduate of her Presbytery's Lay Pastor Education Program. She currently provides occasional pulpit supply and works as a volunteer for Franciscan Saint Anthony Hospital Auxiliary.

Mary Lee and Craig have been married for 47 years. Their immediate family consists of two adult children, Steve and Bonnie, son-in-law Brad Roy and two enchanting granddaughters—Campbell, six, and Payton, one year. Mary Lee enjoys playing golf and bridge, reading, painting, needlework, and especially visiting with family and friends around the country.



Gallery of Presidents

Cathy Palmer

Kentucky

**Dreaming
Impossible
Dreams;
Reaching
Unreachable Stars**



Cathy Palmer earned her bachelor's degree in accounting and her master's degree in public administration from Western Kentucky University. She married Alan W. Palmer in 1985, only seven months after their first formal introduction. Their favorite son, Christopher, born 08/08/88, is married to Jane Embry Watts, her favorite daughter.

Initiated into Chapter AD, Bowling Green, Kentucky, on February 26, 2009, Cathy served as recording secretary for 2010, chapter president for 2011 and 2012, joining the Kentucky State Board in 2012, having served one year on the state membership committee.

Retiring on June 30, 2015, after 34 years with General Motors, she found that six weeks of retirement was enough to suit her and she launched into a new career as a senior tax accountant with Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC.

Family passion for travel has taken Cathy to 49 of the 50 states, plus Canada, Italy and Greece. She is a member and past president of the Presidents' Club of South Central Kentucky and belongs to Kiwanis Club. She has been honored with awards for the Community Service Woman of the Year, Chamber Volunteer of the Year and a Jefferson Award for Outstanding Public Service.

In her spare time, she reads a book a week, and enjoys cruising top down in her convertible with the wind in her hair and the sun on her face.

Laura Parris

Louisiana

**Hats off to P.E.O.
What hat will
you wear?**



Laura Parris was initiated in 1992 into Chapter AY, Slidell, Louisiana, transferred and became a charter member of BJ, Slidell, in 2008. She served in most local chapter offices and as State Cottey Chairman for three years before joining the executive board. Family members in P.E.O. are Laura's mother Mildred Love in Chapter Eternal, her sisters Cynthia Hazel, Chapter AL, Reston, Virginia; Linda Mesler, Chapter AB, Andover, Massachusetts, and her daughters Melissa Gary, Chapter L, Lafayette, Louisiana, and Kimberly LeBon, Chapter O, New Orleans, Louisiana. Laura is married to BIL Kenneth Parris. Ken works for Shell Trading and Shipping with the title of MODU Assurance, Americas.

Laura received her B.S. from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, and completed a Master's in Education from the University of Portland in Portland, Oregon. Laura has taught in a number of schools as she moved many times with her husband due to his job. Her jobs included teaching, curriculum and grant writing, program development and Montessori Directress.

Laura has served on two local community boards for the last three years, Slidell Women's Petroleum Club and Slidell Newcomers. She enjoys scrapbooking, book club, bunco, bowling and water aerobics.

Patti Ferguson

Manitoba-
Northwest
Ontario

**In Franc's
Footsteps**



Patti Ferguson is a third-generation P.E.O., initiated into H, Winnipeg, where she has been a member since 1975.

Patti and her husband Dana are parents to an active family of five children (now young adults) and excitedly anticipate the arrival of their first grandchild this summer. They also look forward to celebrating a few children's university graduations, as well as a son's wedding this June, making this year a pretty exciting one!

Patti works as the volunteer administrator for a Winnipeg agency that provides support services to families who have experienced domestic violence, a position she finds to be both rewarding and meaningful. She annually recruits and trains more than 100 volunteer visitation monitors annually, to supervise and document weekly family visits.

In addition to her P.E.O. service, Patti volunteers on the board of The Active Living Coalition for Older Adults and for her professional association, The Manitoba Association of Volunteer Administrators. In her spare time she relishes family life, travel, reading and historical research. She has promised herself that 2016 will be the year she picks up her brushes and begins to paint again, and has registered for art classes this spring.

Susan McDaniel

Maryland

P.E.O. A Pattern To Follow

Susan McDaniel was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and graduated from

Governors State University, Chicago, Illinois, with a Bachelor of Arts in general studies.

Susan was initiated into Chapter AV, Gretna, Louisiana, in 1981, after a dear friend shared the gift of P.E.O. with her. After Louisiana, she moved to Northern Virginia becoming a charter member of Chapter AV, Burke, Virginia. An assignment overseas included time with the P.E.O. Group in London followed by a move to her current Chapter G, Glen Burnie, Maryland.

She has been married for over 40 years to her husband Jack whose United States Coast Guard career took them to many parts of the world. Susan started a small consulting company and hired Jack as general manager.

Susan has two grown children who are both married—Jennifer, BE, Fredericksburg, Virginia, and Christopher in Colorado. She also has three granddaughters (future P.E.O.s).

Susan enjoys quilting and painting with watercolors and is currently involved with a local quilting guild. Susan has recently taken up running and is enjoying competing in races. She loves being a grandma and playing with her granddaughters whenever she can.



Ann Seman

Massachusetts

Hope and Love: The Genetic Code of P.E.O.

Ann Seman is a fifth generation P.E.O. and former P.E.O.

Educational Loan Fund recipient. She was initiated into her mother's chapter, BB, Allentown, Pennsylvania. During college she was a member of Chapter C, Dover, New Hampshire, and is currently a member of Chapter AE, Boston, Massachusetts. She is following in her mother's footsteps—Lynn Reinhard is Past State President of Pennsylvania. Ann's grandmother, Betty Butterwick, Chapter V, Emmaus, Pennsylvania, is a 70-year P.E.O. and her aunt, Kathy Beals, is a member of Chapter G, Montpelier, Vermont.

Ann was born and raised in Allentown, Pennsylvania. She attended the University of New Hampshire where she majored in molecular, cellular and developmental biology. Ann pursued a master's degree in medical genetics at the University of Cincinnati in order to become a genetic counselor. Her first job was at Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor, Maine. She now works at both Boston Children's Hospital and Claritas Genomics, a genetic testing company.

Ann lives in Medford, Massachusetts, with her husband Chris and their 2-year-old daughter, Kathryn. In her spare time she enjoys traveling, reading, attending concerts and running. She has completed one marathon and participated in several overnight team relays.



Jayme Resnik

Michigan

P.E.O. The Sweetness of Our Sisterhood

Jayme Resnik was born sunny side up in the middle of the

United States in Towanda, Kansas, to parents who didn't really know what to do with a daughter who wanted to be involved in everything. Catching bees with her bare hands was one of her special talents, second only to sneaking critters into her pockets to surprise her mother on laundry day. From junior high on, Jayme has been involved in everything including cheerleading, class officer, photography, music, band, theater and sports. If there was a club to join, Jayme was a member. This passion for being with others through extracurricular activities set Jayme up for a successful career as a school counselor. Graduating with a master's in K-12 school counseling from Kansas State University, Jayme began her leadership role in the state of Kansas by being elected president of the Kansas Counseling Association.

In 2000, Jayme was initiated into Chapter BI, Minneapolis, Kansas, and transferred in 2005 to Chapter DX Michigan. Jayme has sat on many boards, from a local women's shelter to the county foundation. Jayme and BIL John have children Tori and Alex, their spouses Jake and Lindsey, and five grandchildren James, Landon, Jonah, Thalia and Arthur.



Gallery of Presidents

Kimberly Jackson

Minnesota

What is Your WHY?

Kimberly Jackson is a third generation P.E.O. and a second generation Minnesota State Chapter president, as her mother was president in 1996. She was initiated into her mother's chapter, EH, Woodbury, Minnesota, where she has been a member ever since. She has held every office in her local chapter except for vice president and was president twice. P.E.O. has always been her passion and focus.

On the state level, she served Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the Cottey College Area Chairman for three years. She was the chairman of the State Time of Remembrance for the 2007 Minnesota State Convention. Kimberly served on the State A & R Committee, Chairman in 2012, and on the Minnesota State 100th Anniversary Committee for the 2012 Minnesota State Convention.

Kimberly graduated from Cottey College in 1990 with an A.A. degree in liberal arts and from Georgia Southern University with a B.A. degree in sales/marketing in 1993. She worked in the corporate world for 13 years before changing careers; she went back to school becoming a Nationally Certified Massage Therapist with an emphasis on rehabilitation in 2008.

Kimberly and her husband Jon have been married for 12 years. Jon is VP of sales for Brown and Bigelow. Their favorite pastime is to spend long weekends at Kimberly's family cabin on Lake Lida, Minnesota. The cabin has been in her family for four generations. In her spare time she enjoys reading, knitting and crafting, but her love is primitive rug hooking. In 2012 she hooked 60 P.E.O. table centerpieces for the Minnesota State 100th Anniversary dinner celebration.



Anne Marie Kloppel

Montana

Celebrate the Stars of P.E.O., especially the ones we can't always see

Anne Marie Kloppel was raised in Montana. She was born in Great Falls and graduated from high school in Billings. She received her accounting degree at Montana State University, Bozeman in 1994 and passed the public accountant exam. Upon graduation she moved to Raleigh, North Carolina, and worked as an auditor for Arthur Andersen. In 2005 Anne Marie earned a master's degree in healthcare administration. She is currently the affiliate controller at Billings Clinic.

In 1995 Anne Marie was a charter initiate in Chapter BP, Raleigh, North Carolina. In 1999 she returned to Montana and shares membership with her mother in Chapter AE, Billings. Anne Marie was also a member of Chapter AC, Butte for a time. She is a fourth generation P.E.O. who is following her mother's lead—her mother was president of Montana State Chapter in 1981.

Anne Marie and her husband Steve have four children: daughter Katie (and son-in-law Zach) and sons Colton, Peyton and Easton. They live in Shepherd, Montana, where they enjoy outdoor activities. They are avid big game hunters. Colton is in college, and Peyton and Easton are in grade school. Serving on the state executive board, working full time and raising a family keep Anne Marie busy.



Anne Keast

Nevada

In P.E.O. You'll Never Walk Alone

Anne Keast, born in Asheville, North Carolina, became a P.E.O. in 2001. She received her B.S. in home economics from Berea College, her M.S., from the University of Kentucky, and her Ph.D. from Ohio State University (OSU). At OSU, a divorced single parent of a two year old daughter, she was assigned to the U.S. Department of Transportation Highway Safety Project which enabled her to obtain her degree. She wondered how this fit with her home economics degree, but they felt her background in writing curriculum could translate to the new subject matter. Anne's motto became, "Never say no to an opportunity because you never know where it will take you."

While working at the University of Arizona, she met and married husband, Bob, and moved to Corvallis, Oregon. She taught at Oregon State University, served as State President of the Oregon Vocational Association, was a school administrator in Bend, Oregon, and eventually moved to Las Vegas. Anne worked for nine years as a trainer at the Nevada Test Site. In 1990, the family moved to Carson City. Anne worked at Western Nevada Community College and the Department of Education.

Anne's volunteer work included serving on the National Accrediting Commission for Career Schools and Colleges of Technical Education. She has chaired the 9-1-1 Advisory Committee since 2007 which earned her the Volunteer of the Year Award.

Anne's daughter Stacey lives in Beijing, China, where she works with the underprivileged. Family interests include traveling, cultural events and ocean watching.



Caroline von Glahn

New Jersey

P.E.O. Rooted in Friendship and Education

Caroline von Glahn grew up in a P.E.O. home. A third generation P.E.O., Caroline was invited into Chapter JH, Hannibal, Missouri, in 1992. The next year she transferred to Chapter J, Ridgewood, New Jersey, where she remains.

Caroline attended Hope College in Holland, Michigan, where she met her husband Keith, a Jersey boy. Married in 1982, they have two wonderful P.E.O. daughters, Jennifer von Glahn and Carrie Jenkins. Carrie's husband Steve Jenkins is a beloved addition to the family.

Having moved 15 times in her life, getting involved in a new community meant finding a place to make music, local community theater for acting and directing and the local library to satisfy a real need to read. Gardening and playing hand bells also allowed for an easy way to make new friends.

A real estate agent since 2002, Caroline's flexible schedule has allowed her to serve P.E.O., Iron Mountain Stage Company and The Elm Ridge Cemetery as a board member. It has also allowed for travel around the world and trips into New York City for the opera and Broadway shows.

P.E.O. has been a joy in Caroline's life—bringing lasting friendships and supporting women's education.



Tamara Le

Northeast District

Blossoms & Bouquets: Growing Our P.E.O. Garden

"So Mommy. When you meet with the Ladies of the Stars, do you sit outside, look up into the night sky and make wishes?"

Tamara Le's then four-year-old, not quite ready to understand what Philanthropic Educational Organization meant, recognized the love and meaningful work the P.E.O. sisterhood "stars" brought to her mother's life. Perhaps the little girl will someday carry forward as a sixth generation P.E.O. her maternal ancestors' support for a woman's education—and wishes for an enlightened life.

Two Educational Loan Fund loans took Tamara from Iowa to China in pursuit of an M.A. in international relations—and from there to a career in Public Television, a life of public service and a commitment to create opportunities for women.

Tamara's work during the past decade has focused more specifically on empowering women who experience disabilities to pursue their wish for an education and pathway to independence and to take charge of their lives by coordinating resources, necessary supports, transportation and access and helping them advocate to change their world.

Serving as president of the Northeast District, Tamara's P.E.O. wish will be to gain new leadership skills, plant new blossoms, beautify chapter bouquets and develop gardens where none have grown before.



Lyn Wilhoite

Ohio

Be Always Blooming

Lyn Wilhoite has a special interest in gardening with native Ohio plants and her garden is designed to be a natural habitat for bugs and birds and butterflies. She grew up in Rocky River, a Cleveland suburb, and graduated from The College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, where she met her BIL David. They have two married children and two granddaughters.

Initiated in 1978 in Chapter DB, Cleveland, Lyn has been a member of four Ohio chapters; CS, Cuyahoga Falls; ET, Hudson and DZ, Springfield. She has transferred back to DB, where her mother is still active. Lyn served Akron Reciprocity, the State Cottey Committee and the State Unaffiliate/Nonresident Committee. Her sister and niece are P.E.O.s in Johnson City, Tennessee.

Lyn has enjoyed her career in volunteer service. An avid Girl Scout as a child, she enthusiastically accepted opportunities to be Den Leader for son Michael, and Girl Scout Leader for daughter, Sarah. A founding member and first president of PTA in Hudson, she then served on the school board for four years. She currently helps to tend the gardens at her church and volunteers with Family Promise to provide housing for the homeless. She enjoys playing golf, reading, travel and time with friends and family.



Ellie Phelps Ontario-Quebec **Star Power, Realizing Your Potential**

Ellie Phelps was born and raised in Toronto, Ontario. She attended all levels of education there, graduating as a registered nurse from Toronto General Hospital in 1967. Ellie met her husband at a youth retreat in Norval, Ontario, in 1967 and they were married in June 1968. They started their family of four in Orillia, then Parry Sound, and finally in Guelph. They remained in Guelph for 28 years where Ellie, as a stay-at-home mom for 17 years, did many volunteer jobs at her children's schools—as chairperson of the board at her church and Girl Guide leader for 25 years. This was a wonderful time in her life. Returning to work as a school bus driver and nursing in a long-term care facility, she finally retired in 2004 and they moved to London to be close to her daughter and grandchildren. Her two sons are married and each has two children. Ellie loves to have her six grandchildren around her as much as possible and has since named her car the “Nanniemobile” as she is a taxi service for all of them.

P.E.O. was introduced to Ellie in 2005 and she was initiated into Chapter M, London, Ontario-Quebec. Ellie has held several offices over the past 10 years and joined the Provincial Board in 2013 as treasurer. Being a member of the Provincial Board has been such fun and a great learning experience as well as a way to make lasting friends. Ellie has been a team player all her life, in family, running the household, outside volunteer activities, work relationships and now P.E.O. As a team, you share the ups and downs of chapter life and help women in the community to reach for their stars.

Ellie loves to quilt, sew, knit, read, walk, garden and create outdoor art.



Sandy Sothern Oregon **Step Up for Our Star**

Sandy Sothern is a native Oregonian, born and raised in Portland along with her two older sisters. Sandy defines herself as “a small community type person” but one with wide cultural vision. Both of her parents were immigrants, her mother from Sicily and her father from Scotland.

While working as a civilian employee of the Portland Police Department in 1967, Sandy met Officer Rick Sothern, who became her best friend. They recently celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary. Rick and Sandy have two children and five grandchildren.

Sandy attended Portland Community College and later worked in the health care insurance industry.

Next door neighbor Frances Johnston gave the gift of P.E.O. to Sandy. She was initiated into Chapter AW in 1990 and has held several chapter offices. Sandy served on the state membership committee from 2008 to 2013 and was elected to the state board in 2013.

Sandy has been a community volunteer and is active in her grandchildren's schools. She takes joy in reading with children. Other interests include walking, swimming and gardening. Sandy and Rick love to visit national parks and enjoy a trip to at least one new park every year.



Beverly S. Hammon Tennessee **Growth and Opportunities**

Beverly (Bev) Hammon was born in Bristol, Virginia, in the Grigsby Hospital which tradition says was the home of Colonel John Mosby, a.k.a. the Gray Ghost, the most prolific spy of the Civil War. She has lived in Piney Flats, Kingsport, Knoxville, Nashville, Cookeville and currently resides in Hixson, Tennessee. Bev graduated from East Tennessee State University with a degree in dental hygiene, a career which she enjoyed for 15 years before conducting practice management seminars for dentists and physicians. Today Bev manages her husband's dental practice via her home computer.

As a first generation P.E.O., Bev has come to embrace the organization and is dedicated to P.E.O. values and projects. She was initiated into Chapter AD, Chattanooga, Tennessee, in 1991 and has enjoyed 25 years of membership with her AD sisters.

In addition to P.E.O., Bev was a collegiate initiate of Kappa Delta Sorority, a member of the Tennessee Dental Hygienist Association serving on local and state boards, a charter member of the Academy of Advanced Studies, Canadian American Medical Dental Association and Southeast Tennessee Tres Dias, serving on their Secretariat board for two terms. She worships at Abba's House in Hixson where she served on the Project Esther Team catering to women in local shelters and on the Guatemala Medical Mission Team.

Bev enjoys traveling, snow skiing, crafting and creating on her computer. But above all, she adores time with her wonderful eight grandchildren and first great-grandson.



Lois Cartwright

Texas

Love Will Keep Us Together

Lois Cartwright, a fifth generation Texan grew up in the small East Texas town of

Woodville. While attending Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, she married her best friend and high school sweetheart, Skeets.

After several years in the oil and gas industry and living in New Orleans, Houston, Oklahoma City and Dallas, a transfer took her to Beaumont, Texas. Her love of history and the decorative arts was nurtured by volunteering at the McFadden Ward House Museum where she eventually served on the board of directors of volunteers. Her passion in this field led her to a second career as an interior designer. She was given the gift of P.E.O. in 1998, initiated into Chapter CC, Beaumont.

Following a move to Kingwood, she transferred to Chapter FR and held the consent to select a charter list that resulted in the organization of Chapter JE in 2012, where she is a charter member today.

Lois owns All About Style Interiors in Kingwood and is actively involved at Saint Paul's United Methodist Church, Houston. She and her husband enjoy time spent with their six godchildren and ten great-godchildren. She loves traveling with her husband and Houston Astros Baseball.



Beverly Prewitt

Virginia

Any Talent We Possess

Beverly Prewitt was introduced to P.E.O. and initiated into her current chapter, F, Hampton, Virginia, by her aunt Maggie Bowen in 1994.

Beverly grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, and during her younger years trained extensively in classical ballet. After receiving her BFA degree in dance at North Carolina School of the Arts she toured and performed in 46 of the states and seven countries. She often shared leading roles with her future BIL and enjoyed the years of traveling, performing and living out of a suitcase. After retiring from dance Beverly and her late husband, Ricky settled in Virginia. Beverly switched from wearing costumes to making them and worked for Busch Gardens Costume Design Center as shop supervisor for 19 years. Currently she works for Colonial Williamsburg's Costume Design Center as a cutter/ draper, creating patterns and fitting costumed interpreters and all 100 members of the Fife and Drum Corp. Beverly and Ricky have two sons, Aaron and Christopher, both Eagle Scouts. Beverly was thrilled to have her sister join P.E.O. Chapter T, Fort Thomas, Kentucky, this past year.

Beverly is active in her church having served in many leadership roles. In her spare time she enjoys sewing, reading, swimming and hiking.



Rebecca Daniel

West Virginia

Once Upon a Daisy: Chapter 55

Rebecca (Becky) Daniel is proud to be a lifelong West Virginian. She has called Parkersburg home for many years but has lived in locations throughout the state. So her hometown is really a home state, which makes her especially proud to serve as President of West Virginia State Chapter. Becky holds a bachelor's degree in English from West Virginia Wesleyan College and a master's and doctorate in secondary education and English from West Virginia University. She taught secondary English for 35 years. Since 1991 she has been an educational consultant for The College Board, conducting professional development for teachers throughout the country and internationally. She serves as a mentor to new consultants. To describe her attitude toward education, she adapts lines from Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales": "And gladly [does she] learn and gladly teach." Becky has been married to Dan since 1968. They are parents to Jon and Jennifer and doting grandparents to June Olivia. Their favorite recreational activity is ballroom dancing, especially bluesy fox trots. Becky is a member of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church serving as adult Sunday school teacher and lay leader. She was initiated into Chapter Z, Parkersburg, West Virginia, in 2000 and remains a loving member of that chapter.



Dede DeWitt

Wisconsin

**It Only takes
a Spark!...
Pass it On!**



Dede DeWitt, Chapter CG, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, was initiated into Chapter JO, Fort Madison, Iowa, in 1987. In 1989, her husband's career change prompted a move to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, where she has remained and planted roots.

Dede's family consists of her BIL of 38 years, Andy, and their two children. Their son Allen (35) lives in Madison, Wisconsin, and daughter Andrea (33) and her husband Bryan Filipowicz reside in Waukesha, Wisconsin, blessing Dede and Andy with two grandchildren, Parker and Sydney. Dede's mother Wanda Breese, Chapter Eternal, was a member of Wisconsin Chapters W and CE.

Dede holds a BSE from the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire. Her vocational career was a mixture of teaching in the Oshkosh School District and community volunteering. She answered the call in 1989 to serve as Chapter Advisor for Sigma Sigma Sigma National Sorority (Epsilon Kappa Chapter) at University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. In 2010 she "retired" from this volunteer position after 21 rewarding years.

Dede has been actively involved in community service in the city of Oshkosh. She has served as President of the Oshkosh Newcomers Club, a docent for the Oshkosh Public Museum and is an active member of First United Methodist Church of Oshkosh where she has served or chaired many committees for the church. Dede is currently the Chairman of the Board of Directors for Evergreen, a not for profit Continuous Care Retirement Community. In her leisure time, she enjoys relaxing and building campfires at their summer cottage in Eagle River, Wisconsin. 🌸



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Jane Bona, DO, Minneapolis, Minnesota,

received the 2016 Lead. Learn. Proclaim. Award from the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) for dedication and commitment to excellence. Jane is the principal



Photo by John Ashmore

of Immaculate Conception Catholic School in Columbia Heights, Minnesota. Jane and other teachers, principals, pastors, presidents, superintendents and organizations who serve in the nation's Catholic education system were recognized during the annual NCEA 2016 Convention & Expo in March in San Diego, California. The annual award honors those who have demonstrated a strong Catholic educational philosophy as well as exceptional ability, dedication and results.

Jane taught middle school social studies and developed curriculum for the Forest Lake, Minnesota, area schools before completing the administrative licensure graduate program for K-12 school principals through the University of Minnesota College of Education and Human Development.

Jane is deeply committed to quality education for all children, their teachers, parents and communities. She has served as principal of Immaculate Conception Catholic School since 2010 where she has strengthened the relationship between staff, families, alumni and the parish communities and implemented a strategic plan that has resulted in increased enrollment 84 percent, and increased fundraising 45 percent over five years. Under her leadership, the school employs a blended learning model of instruction that has enabled the integration of technology, along with the use of data-driven instruction, to create appropriate levels of learning for each student.

Jane has been a member of P.E.O. since 1989. She has shared her talents by serving on committees and as recording secretary, vice president and president.

Elizabeth Merritt, AQ, Orleans, Massachusetts,

was one of 87 independent booksellers who received a monetary prize from bestselling author and literacy advocate James Patterson. The prizes are awarded to bookstore employees who are making a difference in their store and their community. Elizabeth won \$2,500 for her efforts. She has worked at Titcomb's Bookshop in East Sandwich, Massachusetts, for 12 years; she maintains the adult book collection and organizes a book club.

Elizabeth was a children's librarian before she went to work at Titcomb's. A self-described avid reader, she is passionate about literacy. She plans to use her prize money to purchase books and attend a book conference with her husband Gilbert.

Jana Jae (Jana M. Owens), GG, Grove, Oklahoma,

was honored for her contribution to the music world in 2015. Jana, known as the "First Lady of Country Fiddle," was inducted into the Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame then later into the National Fiddler Hall of Fame. She is a world-renowned musician who started violin lessons when she was 2 ½ years old. After a successful career in music, including being a regular on the popular TV show "Hee Haw" and touring with her own band, the city of Grove, Oklahoma, set aside a day when they proclaimed March 17 "Jana Jae Day." Members of Chapter GG attended the ceremony and hosted a celebration dinner. In addition to her busy entertainment schedule, Jana founded



Grand Lake Festivals, Inc., a 501(c)3, in 1996 and hosts three popular music festivals in Grove, Oklahoma, each year. She also serves on various boards, actively serves her church and community and enjoys spending time with her family and friends.

Ouida Keck, AZ, Little Rock, Arkansas,

was named a Foundation Fellow by the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA) at their recent annual convention in San Antonio, Texas. The MTNA Foundation Fund Fellow Program honors deserving individuals who have made significant contributions to the music world and the music teaching profession.

Ouida, National Certified Teacher of Music and Professor Emerita of music, received a bachelor's degree in piano performance from Ouachita Baptist University (OBU), a master's degree in piano performance from the University of Arkansas and a doctorate in piano performance and pedagogy from the University of Iowa. She operated her own independent piano studio for 12 years and served on the OBU faculty for 30 years before her retirement in 2014.

Ouida was initiated into P.E.O. by Chapter BB, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, in 1983 where she served as chapter president and pianist at two state conventions. She also served as convention pianist in April 2016, for her AZ sister, Betsy Dietz, who was completing her year as president of the Arkansas State Board. 🌸



Georgia Knows It's OK to Talk About P.E.O.

By Rita Briggs, AF, Peachtree City, Georgia



Georgia State Chapter executive board and Tali with many Georgia P.E.O.s representing their chapters at the state capitol

Thanks to Tali Olmi, Chapter W, Atlanta, Georgians are hearing about P.E.O. from multiple sources.

Last July Tali spearheaded an entry into the Dunwoody, Georgia, 4th of July Parade themed "Honoring Educational Stars." With the help of Jo McBeth, also from Chapter W,



Tami Olmi

two cars were decorated and joined the rainy day parade with P.E.O. magnets and banners. The two of them heard people along the parade route comment, "I know a P.E.O." When they



Jo McBeth with a P.E.O.-themed car that drove in the Dunwoody 4th of July parade

women to help with their education! Look us up on our website!"

After the July festivities, Tali, along with Jo, recruited Melinda Schweer and Nancy England, both in Chapter AQ, Marietta, Georgia, and Nicole Tomaszewski, Chapter A, Atlanta, Georgia, to help create an entry for



Barbara Swann with Marguerite, the P.E.O.-themed scarecrow

came to life and entertained all who came through the gardens before Halloween.

Tali worked at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Georgia, in various capacities over the years. She heard many resolutions adopted recognizing groups and thought, "Why not P.E.O.?" After some research and talking with the chair of the education committee in the Georgia Senate, Tali arranged for February 16 to be the day P.E.O. in Georgia would be recognized. This day is when the state's first chapter was organized in 1935. The Executive Board of Georgia State Chapter entered the Senate chambers as Resolution 906 recognizing the accomplishments of the P.E.O. Sisterhood in Georgia was read and adopted. Senator Fran Millar introduced Rita Briggs, President of Georgia State Chapter, who thanked the Senate for the recognition. Many P.E.O.s from around Georgia attended this exciting event at the state capitol. 🌸

When they heard "What's P.E.O.?" they responded with a shout out the window "We give scholarships, grants and loans to women to help with their education! Look us up on our website!"

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the annual Scarecrow in the Gardens at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens. The scarecrow, named Marguerite,

P.E.O. is for a Lifetime

By Jan Loftin, Regional Membership Representative

You've heard the phrase "once a P.E.O., always a P.E.O."—but what does that really mean?

The day you became a P.E.O. you started on a journey in a unique sisterhood that was founded upon deep friendship, love and understanding, an organization that supports women's education and promotes self-improvement. Your chapter sisters promised to love and support you, knowing you will be a member of this sisterhood for the rest of your life, even if you choose to become inactive or can no longer participate in chapter life.

In the beginning, whether you're a young initiate or an older one, you are on the road to "becoming what you are to become." You will learn and improve leadership skills, how to run a meeting, how to organize and network. You will become more self-confident in all areas of your life, not just within your chapter. You will learn how to step outside your comfort zone, and you will keep stepping out of it, watching it grow bigger each time. Your leadership roles will increase and will lead you to lifelong friendships along the way.

As you grow in P.E.O. you will discover that no matter where you go in life, P.E.O. isn't very far away. If you're traveling, you can find P.E.O. in every state, province and district. If you're moving to another city you most likely

will find a P.E.O. chapter there. If so, you'll find sisters who are eager to welcome you and enfold you in their own P.E.O. world.

As you continue your P.E.O. journey, you may find that other interests compete for your time and if you haven't taken that step of "becoming" a P.E.O., you might end up going inactive. But does that mean you're out? Absolutely not! Your membership is for a lifetime. You can still stay in touch through The P.E.O. Record and your chapter's social meetings. You can even continue to support our projects and follow their impact on women pursuing and achieving their educational goals.

When you decide you want to be reinstated, all it takes is a note to your chapter and \$35. Or, if you've been invited to transfer to a new chapter, you can reinstate at the same time by stating your intention in your acceptance note and sending \$35 to your new chapter. The choice to reinstate your membership is yours alone and can be done at any time.

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As you get older and start slowing down you may find you need to give up some of your P.E.O. activities. Your health may even require you to enter an assisted living facility or move to be closer to family members who will manage your care. Fortunately, your ability to participate in chapter life has no bearing on the amount of support you receive from your P.E.O. sisters. You'll likely find caring sisters at your new location who will provide the loving concern that is such a unique aspect of P.E.O. Even when you can no longer actively participate, you can still support our mission of helping women achieve their educational goals simply by paying your dues.

As you can see, your P.E.O. membership is a gift like no other, one that can have an impact at every stage of your life. The more involved you become, the more benefit you will derive—and the more you will realize that P.E.O. is for a lifetime. 🌸





Opportunities Abound for ELF Recipient Lauren Williams

by Marilyn Book, Chairman, Educational Loan Fund Board of Trustees

Lauren Williams is a medical student at Rush Medical College in Chicago. She just finished her third year of medical school and will be applying to general surgical residency programs this fall. She finished her third year with honors in all core clinical rotations and hopes to gain entry to the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society this fall. While she is unsure where she would like to “match” for residency, she hopes to remain in an academic facility. Last year, Lauren received a \$20,000 P.E.O. ELF loan. With medical school leaving no time for outside employment and the high interest rates of government loans, she states that this has

been incredibly helpful in easing the financial burden associated with a medical education.

Prior to medical school, Lauren had broad and varied experiences ranging from community service to art exhibitions to international travel. In high school, she had the opportunity to act as an international representative for the Shagbark Girl Scout Council. This entailed a backpacking trip across Western Europe with other selected individuals culminating with a summit at the Girl Scout International House in Adelboden, Switzerland. While this was her first taste of international travel, it was far from her last.

Following high school, Lauren attended Elmhurst College where she majored in biology and minored in chemistry and art. After her first year of studies, she returned to Western Europe to observe, analyze and appreciate the healthcare systems of Germany, Austria, Italy and France.

This was an invaluable experience, giving insight into the complexities and interworkings of different payer models of healthcare. Just six months later, during the second half of her sophomore year, Lauren spent a semester participating in ecological fieldwork courses in Northern Australia. She studied rainforest ecology, marine biology and aboriginal anthropology. Additionally, she conducted an independent project assessing the utility and viability of wildlife rehabilitation at the Australian Wildlife Hospital which functions in cooperation with the Australia Zoo.

After returning from her time abroad, Lauren completed her required coursework while participating in a cellular microbiology lab studying tumor progression of breast cancer. She worked on this project during the last two years of her time at Elmhurst College. This work resulted in two journal publications and a poster presentation at a national conference.

In 2011, Lauren graduated magna cum laude from Elmhurst College. Following graduation, she moved to Northern Thailand to fulfill a Fulbright Scholarship during which she spent a year teaching English to roughly 700 Thai students each week at a very rural village school. Her students ranged in age from 11-19. While teaching kept her very busy, she was able to focus on her artwork after hours. Over the year, Lauren created a collection of anatomically themed artwork that was exhibited in Bangkok at the end of the grant period. She was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to display her artwork alongside that of many prominent and talented Thai artists. Lauren has continued to work with the Thai population, leading groups of 15-20 American high school students on six-week community service based cultural immersion trips for two summers during her first years of medical school.

Lauren has been very fortunate to have enjoyed such opportunities and greatly appreciates the support of P.E.O. 🌸



Lauren Williams leads cultural immersion trips to Thailand



Oh, What a Year This has Been!



by Dr. Jann Weitzel, President, Cottey College

Students and faculty welcomed back in August

New Judy and Glenn Rogers Fine Arts Building dedicated and opened for classes



Oh, my! We've been busy. Is it time for a nap yet?

WELCOME BACK!

Vacation College was a success with over 110 participants



Semester-long study abroad experiences completed in both the spring and fall terms

Hundreds of hours of **community service** completed by students

High school girls, numbering over 125, from across the country participated in the **summer workshop, emphasizing leadership and science**



Over 100 students participated in commencement, capping and other graduation week events



Many P.E.O. sisters visited campus and enjoyed meeting the students, taking tours and experiencing Chef Michael's creations in Raney Dining Room

Students traveled to Paris, Peru and Japan on spring break, in addition to locations within the U.S.



At Cottey, we never stop growing and learning. Our faculty continues to be involved in research and professional development, bringing back new content to their classrooms. Our students learn in the classroom and across the country and world as they grow as global citizens. Vacation College participants choose to spend a week returning to college to continue learning, experiencing and growing. And we look forward to Cottey Seminar in August, a time when members join us to learn more about leadership within our sisterhood.

Just imagine what next year will bring!



An IPS Recipient's Story of Survival and Forgiveness

by Barbara Olson, P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Board of Trustees

The downing of an airplane killing Burundian president Cyprien Ntaryamira on April 6, 1994, sparked the genocide of nearly 800,000 Tutsi, estimated to be 20 percent of Rwanda's entire population and nearly 70 percent of the Tutsi. You can imagine this carnage has had a lasting and profound impact on Rwanda and its neighboring countries including:

- A spike in HIV infection resulting from war rape
- Loss of infrastructure
- Economy crippled by severe depopulation

The emerging government struggled to establish a stable economy causing many to flee to neighboring countries for survival.

Enathe's Hasabwamariya's family spent three days hiding in the bush and tea plantations before they were captured and held in a house, which was subsequently burned. Of the nine

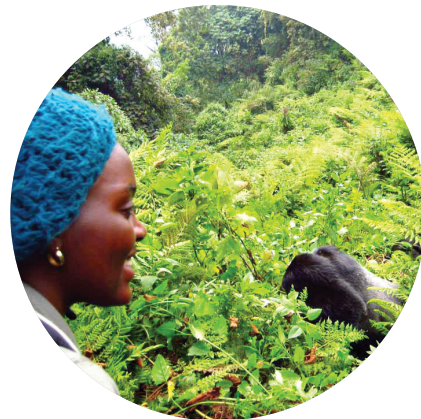
children in her family, only Enathe, then four, and her sister survived. The two sisters lived in refugee camps and later an orphanage for five years. As the orphanages were closed, they went to live with their grandmother and began living a "normal" life.

Enathe embraced the opportunities provided her, excelled in school and received a scholarship for undergraduate

work at the University of Rwanda to study biology. Today, with the help of an International Peace Scholarship (IPS) she is in the environmental studies master's program at Antioch University, with a focus on conservation biology.

When she returns, she will focus on the conservation of chimpanzee habitats in Rwanda. This is important work as chimpanzees are a main source of tourist income for Rwanda and conservation will ensure their survival.

Rwanda continues to heal through efforts of reconciliation between the Tutsi and Hutu factions of the country. Forgiveness is a powerful goal but difficult to accomplish. Can you imagine asking survivors to forgive their perpetrators countrywide? Enathe commemorated the 22nd year since the genocide against the Tutsi with a gathering of friends and schoolmates on campus. She shared her story of survival and together



Enathe observes a mountain gorilla in Rwanda



Enathe on her first day of grad school

they watched the documentary "As We Forgive" promoting reconciliation among her countrymen.

Enathe shares, "I wanted to take this moment to say thank you and the whole P.E.O. for your incredible support...Giving education is the best form of love and support anyone can show. Through your kindness and love, I saw hope and love among humanity, I used to be scared of humans because of what they did to me and my family during 1994 genocide... but you showed me that despite all hatred in this world, there are people of good heart...Twenty-two years ago, I should have died because of who I am...You have showed me that we are all one and that I believe in a peaceful world. I want you to help me spread this message to all P.E.O. chapters that I am now happy and have hope for the future because of their support."

We wish Enathe a long and happy life and success in the goals she pursues. 🌸



Enathe on graduation day, with her sister



Confronting Challenge with Resilience

by Patricia Loper, FZ, Eugene, Oregon

Ask Dianna Skelly about her educational and career goals and she will reply, “I want to make things better before bad things happen.” The bad things

would be the after-effects of an earthquake disaster along the Cascadia Fault in the Pacific Northwest. No one knows the timeframe for such a catastrophic event, however past history of the fault shows one occurs about every 300 years. It has been 305 years since the last event. The good things refer to activities and events that build resilient communities enabling them to recover from an earthquake popularly referred to in the Northwest as “the big one.” Talking with Dianna is fascinating and could be absolutely scary were it not for the confidence she exudes in guiding one to take action and be personally prepared. Dianna’s belief in the inevitability of an earthquake disaster, based on scientific evidence, is sincere and absolute and she believes humans can prepare for such an event.

Dianna has served in several volunteer capacities including: vendor coordinator for the Eugene Disaster Relief Trials 2015; contributor to the City of Cottage Grove’s Emergency Operations and Natural Hazard Mitigation plans; and chairman of the Membership and Marketing Committee for the Oregon Emergency Management Association. With assistance from a PCE grant Dianna graduated with a master’s degree in community and regional planning in June, 2016. Dianna believes her master’s degree work, coupled with her undergraduate degree, and

her volunteer work on local preparedness committees, has prepared her for work with state, county and local agencies to contribute to an infrastructure of government that will make Oregon communities capable of recovery. She is currently an emergency management assistant for Samaritan Health Services in Corvallis, Oregon, which includes five hospitals, 110 clinics and a geographic area that stretches from the Oregon coast to the Cascade Mountains.

Dianna prepared for a career that will enable her to support her family as a single parent with the same fiscal prudence she used to calculate how she would fund the two-year commitment to earn her master’s degree. Dianna and her two children rented a house close to the University of Oregon. Without a vehicle she traveled to school, errands and internship assignments by bicycle or bus. Her determination was fueled by her passion for this field and concern for her home state. Oregon does not have the same culture of preparedness as other states which face natural disasters far more often.

Before 2012 Oregon was not considered at risk in a Cascadia Fault event, but then scientific consensus changed to recognize the substantial risk. In her view governmental legislation is necessary to steer state, county and local governments toward a coordinated plan to network all emergency services. Corporations and businesses are also responding to emergency preparedness concerns



Dianna Skelly and Patricia Loper

by providing essential services and developing emergency response plans to restore critical operations for customers, assets and employees in the face of a disaster.

Dianna is ready to contribute her passion and knowledge in the emergency management field by helping to develop civic plans for resilience in the face of a catastrophic earthquake and/or tsunami along the Cascadia Fault. She will address these challenges with the same attitude with which she faced a mid-life return to college as a single parent. “There is no quit. There is no this is too hard. I will do this!”

A happy footnote to this story of challenge and resilience is Dianna’s initiation into Chapter FZ in March, 2016. She has graciously provided emergency preparedness training to her chapter sisters. 🌸



Celebrating Laureate Chapter Success

by Andrea C. Wade, P.E.O. Scholar Awards Board of Trustees

The P.E.O. Scholar Awards project is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year and is concomitantly marking the 5th anniversary of the Scholar Awards Laureate Program. Local chapters can qualify as a Laureate chapter in two ways:

- A chapter that has nominated a successful Scholar will automatically be designated as a Laureate Chapter for the year of selection.
- A chapter that makes a lump sum contribution of \$500 or more through their normal process will be designated as a Laureate Chapter, based on contributions received by the end of February each year.

This year more than 700 local chapters made contributions that qualified for Laureate Status—a record number of chapters!

Chapter K of Newton, Massachusetts, has qualified for Laureate status by making lump sum contributions of \$500 or more **six times** since the program was established, the current record. Chapter K president Linda Harding says that the chapter is proud of their history of strong support of all the projects, including the Scholar Awards. Chapter K member Charlotte Harrington has a successful P.E.O. B&B that is a primary fundraiser for the chapter.

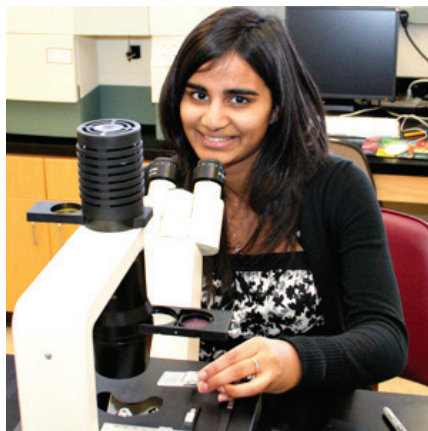
Chapter B in Atlanta, Georgia, has qualified as a Laureate Chapter through contributions **three times** and has also successfully nominated **19 Scholars** through the years. Chapter B president



Scholar Awards

Celebrating 25 Years

Rebecca Battle says that the chapter has been successful in finding highly qualified candidates at the Georgia Institute of Technology. The chapter has a committee that reviews candidates to present to the chapter. Once nominated, the chapter maintains close contact with applicants, always inviting them to come to at least one meeting to give a program about their work. This spring,



2014 P.E.O. Scholar Marian Hettiaratchi is now a member of Chapter B, Atlanta, Georgia

the nurturing of these aspiring scholars led Chapter B to initiate a 2014 P.E.O. Scholar, Marian Hettiaratchi. Members of Chapter B have also been asked to participate in a panel discussion at the 2016 Convention of Georgia State Chapter to talk about their successes. Rebecca says, "The whole chapter is completely involved in the process. This is a great sense of pride for us."

Chapter UD in Coronado, California, has qualified as a Laureate Chapter **five times** through contributions and has also successfully nominated **nine Scholars** through the years. Chapter UD has a team of members who contact local universities, requesting that they recommend high-achieving women enrolled in doctoral study. The committee interviews at least three potential nominees and recommends the one who they feel will "stand out." Once nominated, that chapter encourages applicants to stay in touch and to present programs at chapter and/or reciprocity meetings. The Scholars reciprocate with gratitude and a continued connection with the chapter. For example, 2015 P.E.O. Scholar Kerri Seger invited members of Chapter UD to attend the defense of her doctorate dissertation at Scripps Institute of Oceanography. President Jauhree Walker says, "It truly is a wonderful opportunity to provide funds to such worthwhile research by outstanding gifted young women."

Help celebrate the silver anniversary of the Scholar Awards by joining the ranks of Laureate Chapters who are "Supporting women...Changing the world." 🌸



Our Cottey STARs

by Janet Steury, P.E.O. STAR Scholarship Board of Trustees

Since the beginning of the P.E.O. STAR Scholarship project in 2009, 17 STAR recipients have studied at Cottey College. The five recipients who studied at Cottey in 2015-2016 shared their thoughts on the College and what they think makes a good STAR candidate.

The Cottey Experience

Hanna Bell, a 2015 STAR recipient and psychology major was sponsored by and is a member of Chapter AM, Nevada, Iowa. She says, "I love the small class sizes at Cottey because we get to have more attention from our professors and they actually know us. I take dance appreciation in the Rogers Fine Arts Building (RFAB) and the foyers are a great place to study."

Morgan Brown, a 2015 STAR and business major with an art minor was sponsored by and is a member of BQ, Winter Park, Florida. She said, "I love the people, the food, the traditions, the amazing opportunities and especially the new RFAB. I served as the freshman class publicity coordinator and in the fall, I will serve as a trained peer listener."

Grayce Navratil, a 2015 STAR and environmental studies major sponsored by GN, Kansas City, Missouri, commented, "I have classes in the RFAB and I love the open feeling of the building—it feels like I can really breathe in there. I love the beautiful chapel and I go often to play the piano."

Tania Arballo, a 2014 STAR and psychology major, was recommended by Chapter CV, Tucson, Arizona, and is supported by Chapter FC, Vail, Arizona. She said, "I work as a TA for the coordinator of the dance program

at Cottey. I love the RFAB and the walkway which connects it to Main Hall. I highly recommend the Raney Dining Room for visitors to Cottey—the food is delicious!"

Kirsten Bureman, a 2012 STAR scholar and international business major was sponsored by and is a member of JL, Springfield, Missouri. She says, "I love the RFAB but my favorite place is Robertson Hall and the Raney Dining Room where some of my best and most treasured memories occurred."

STAR Quality

Hanna says, "When searching for a STAR applicant, I would suggest looking for a student with a passion for their intended field of study and their activities."

Grayce advises, "Find a candidate you believe in which will help the chapter to write a moving letter."

Tania recommends, "Chapters should look for applicants who

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are self-motivated, goal-oriented, determined and who can manage their time wisely."

Kirsten recalls, "I found out that I was selected as a STAR Scholarship recipient just before I was initiated so it became a double celebration!" She continues, "I suggest that any chapter who is thinking about recommending a student for the STAR Scholarship should



From the left: Morgan Brown, Hanna Bell, Kirsten Bureman, Grayce Navratil, Tania Arballo

refer that student to Cottey. She will receive information from Cottey's Office of Enrollment Management and will be connected with an admission representative. The link to refer a student is cottey.edu/referstudent."

The STAR Scholarship is well represented by our five recipients

studying at Cottey. As we provide STAR Scholarships to outstanding high school senior women, we reinforce our commitment as Women Helping Women Reach for the Stars. 🌟

Award Winning Ideas



Chapter AA's Book Group. **First row, from the left:** Mimi Clunan, Linda Hopper and guest author C.H. Lawler **Second row:** Sandy Ainsworth, Pat Kimball, Susan Villarreal, Nancy Hubiak, Susan Carpenter, Harriett Howie, Janis Mayeu, Jane Cope

Book Group Strengthens Chapter

Chapter AA, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, formed small common interest groups in order to get to know one another better and foster a deeper spirit of sisterhood. The most successful common interest group in the chapter has been the book group. For more than two years now, the chapter's book group has met once a month to discuss a book chosen by that month's hostess. At the beginning of each gathering, the group enjoys refreshments and a short social time before discussing the book. Book group member Mimi Clunan says, "Laughter has become our biggest commodity and our strongest tie. It has drawn us closer as sisters and friends who share a love of books, P.E.O. and time together. If your chapter would like to know one another better and draw closer together as sisters, we recommend forming common interest groups—the time spent together and sharing stories and histories will enrich your lives and strengthen your chapter."

Girls Night Out

Chapter ES, Gold Canyon, Arizona, held their second annual Girls Night Out fundraising event this spring. Sixty-seven sisters and guests participated in the silent auction

and enjoyed the elegant buffet provided by Chapter ES sisters. Mother Nature blessed the group with the perfect evening for the alfresco dinner. Several dozen gently used handbags with special surprise gifts inside were sold to delighted guests. The sale of the handbags and donations from this special evening has allowed Chapter ES to make a generous contribution of more than \$1,900 to the P.E.O. projects. Chapter ES' Girls Night Out is already on next year's agenda as a highlight event.



Chapter ES' Girls Night Out in Gold Canyon, Arizona

Fun at P.E.O. Meetings Increases Attendance

Chapter F, Plattsmouth, Nebraska, has been tapping members' talents with vibrant, educational and entertaining programs following each meeting. Each year the chapter chooses a theme to work with, this year's theme is "There's No Business Like P.E.O. Business—All the World is a Stage."



Members of Chapter F enjoying a "lovely" time with an original musical skit, written by Darlene Briscoe and based on the Broadway musical "My Fair Lady." The ladies of Chapter F are wearing timely hats, which were collected and embellished by Darlene. Darlene, Courtney Finn and Charlotte Mars were accompanied by Edith McCaw on the piano.

Recently several members enjoyed a road trip for brunch in Nebraska City and a meeting and tour of the Nebraska P.E.O. Home in Beatrice, Nebraska. Later this summer, sisters will go on a tour of Omaha's historic Orpheum Theater.

With programs like these, Chapter F has increased attendance at meetings 20-25 percent. Each sister has been encouraged to step up to the challenge of sharing their interests, hobbies and talents, thus learning more about each other and enjoying new and inspirational programs.

Fellowship, Therapy and Bright Colors

Can you imagine a group of sisters laughing, chatting, sharing and mellowing-out while engaging in a childhood pastime? That's exactly what happened when Chapter AM, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, held a P.E.O. coloring party during one of their chapter meetings.

One of Chapter AM's members was introduced to this latest craze when she received an adult coloring book for Mother's Day. After experiencing how relaxing and addictive adult coloring was, she floated the idea of a chapter coloring event past her P.E.O. sisters who immediately jumped on board. And, when her BIL husband, a retired graphic designer, heard about the party he offered to create a P.E.O.-exclusive coloring page comprised of key P.E.O. symbols and images.

After the business meeting, sisters adjourned to tables to color their page. In addition to the bright pictures and good conversation the sisters also experienced what numerous studies have shown—that coloring is extremely relaxing and meditative. The party was a smashing success and word began to spread to sisters in other chapters who asked if they could purchase the page for their own parties. Chapter AM responded by making a PDF of the page and accompanying party guidelines

available for \$10 and contributing 100 percent of the income to the P.E.O. projects.



Chapter AM's coloring party

Afternoon Tea Inspired by Downton Abbey

Chapter DO, Mountain Home, Arkansas, hosted a tea and vintage fashion show inspired by the beloved PBS series "Downton Abbey." More than 100 guests, ranging in age from 7 to 90 enjoyed an afternoon of tea and whimsy.



Chapter DO's fashion show. **From the left:** Loweta Rogers, Laura Frasco, Kathryn Miles, Caroline Carroll

Each of the table hostesses decorated her table with a personalized theme, using her own linens, fine china and silver, vintage teapots, family heirlooms

and gorgeous centerpieces. Hostesses and several guests wore vintage clothing, hats or gloves reminiscent of a bygone era.

A selection of authentic English teas was offered, along with elegant sandwiches. Guests were treated to freshly baked scones, served with Devonshire cream and lemon curd and a delicious variety of homemade tea cookies and pastries. A team of BILs poured tea, passed refreshments and pampered the guests.

A vintage fashion show began with the Edwardian era and concluded in the 1970's. A silent auction featured original artwork, centerpieces, fairy gardens, embroidered clothing, pet services, a weekend getaway and other items donated by members, BILs and community partners. The event raised more than \$2,200 for P.E.O. Projects. 🌸



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Julie Long, CH, Allison Park, Pennsylvania,

wrote the novel "Rooville" about Southern California TV weatherman Owen Martin. When Owen is fired from his job, he is relieved to head home to Iowa. In his absence, his home town has become the center of the Transcendental Meditation movement and host to all things alternative. There are golden domes for mass meditations, a vegan café where the burger joint stood and all the shop doors around Town Square now face east. Owen also finds his family farm in danger. In a town divided between "Regulars" and "Roos" (gurus), Owen is clear where he stands until he falls for a levitator instead of the down-to-earth girl he had in mind. With old customs and open-mindedness clashing like warm and cold fronts, Owen gets caught in a veritable tornado. Can he save the farm, get the girl and reunite the town?

Julie was born in Fairfield, Iowa, a typical Midwestern town that happened to become the center of the Transcendental Meditation movement. For several years Julie lived in Southern California before opting for the rural life in Western Pennsylvania. Today she lives on a farm with her husband, extended family and an English bulldog named Wilson.

Mary Jedlicka Humston, OY, Iowa City, Iowa,

co-wrote "Mary and Me: A Lasting Link Through Ink" a book that explores the 30-year friendship between two women: one who had never learned to cultivate female friendships, and



the other who had managed to gather and maintain a large group of friends throughout her adult life. The fact that thousands of handwritten letters between them linked these two together is just part of the intriguing story. With nothing but a pen, paper and their thoughts, Mary Potter Kenyon and Mary Jedlicka Humston formed a lasting friendship through their letter writing, finding support, comfort, joy and sisterly love along the way.

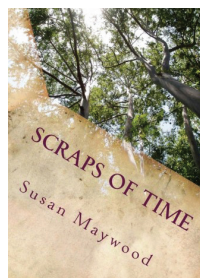
Mary is a former high school teacher. She has had over 150 poems and essays published at the local and national level in newspapers, magazines, books and online. Mary is a member of The National League of American Pen Women and The University Club Writers of Iowa City. Mary lives in Iowa City with her husband Jim.

Susan Maywood, QU, Ontario, California,

wrote a trilogy entitled "Scraps of Time," appropriate for middle and high school readers, but likely to appeal to adults who enjoy historical fiction as well.

In volume one, "The Hunting Horn," 13-year-old Sam and her older brother, Nathan, are transported back in time to Sherwood Forest during the time of Robin Hood.

In volume two, "Back in Thyme," Sam, back in her own time, wants to continue learning about herbal healing, which she had begun with Lady Marion. She finds a mentor and kindred spirit in Angie Foster. Sam discovers that Angie owns a mortar, an herb-grinding bowl, which Sam had last seen in Lady Marion's herb pantry. How did the mortar get from 12th century England to 21st century Delaware?



In volume three, "Harvesting Fruits from the Past," Sam and Angie learn about a valuable wheat strand which is now extinct and lost forever, or so it seems. They travel back to retrieve the precious seeds in the burial chambers of an Egyptian pharaoh, encountering native grave robbers with other plans for the chamber's treasures. The unexpected revelation of a family secret offers a few answers to Sam's questions about her gift and her life.

Susan Maywood is a retired school librarian, life-long reader and lover of historical fiction. She lives in Ontario, California.

Margaret Garrison, BR, Davidson, North Carolina,

wrote "Prez: A Story of Love," a campus love story about a powerful woman leader who unexpectedly falls in love at the same time she is diagnosed with a critical illness. The story takes the reader behind the ivy walls of academia into the real-life drama of the human heart.

Katherine Embright is chancellor ("Prez") of North Carolina's regional Wickfield University during an era just prior to the advent of cell phones and email. Early in the 1989-90 academic year she hitches a ride on a mountain highway, tangles with her aging board of trustees chairman and rides through the winds of Hurricane Hugo.

Katherine conceals a sudden cancer diagnosis, reminding herself that a woman CEO in 1990 cannot appear to be sick in a male-dominated business world. Even so, her biggest battle is with a bewildered heart when she senses growing feelings for married campus security officer Paul Stafford. Adding to her tumult are questions surrounding the



long-ago deaths of her father and young brother.

Margaret grew up in Concord, North Carolina. After completing an undergraduate degree at Lenoir-Rhyne University and becoming licensed to teach, she earned a Master of Arts degree in English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and worked as both a high school teacher and college instructor.

Anne Becker, MW, Saint Charles, Illinois, created

“Creative Cole Book” in honor of Cole Spiegel, the son and grandson of two of Anne’s P.E.O. sisters. Cole was recuperating at Lurie’s Children’s Hospital of

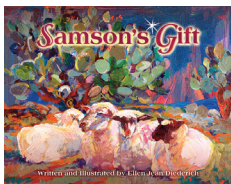


Chicago—a hospital that cares for children with very serious illnesses.

Anne, an associate professor at Columbia College Chicago, gave her class an assignment to design a book of whimsical drawings in which Cole, during his recuperation, could draw, sketch, color and write interpretive thoughts. The project was so successful that Anne decided to use the book as a model to be given as an aid to children during their stay at Lurie Children’s Hospital; she gifted more than 200 copies of the book to the hospital.

Ellen Jean Diederich, AE, Fargo, North Dakota, wrote and

illustrated the children’s book “Samson’s Gift.” A Christmas story for any season, “Samson’s Gift”



is the story of Samson, an orphaned lamb with an extraordinary coat of wool. Samson is a happy lamb who grows into a strong and handsome Merino ram but he can’t bear to part with his beautiful coat of wool—that is, until one star-lit night. Ellen’s

neo-impressionistic watercolor and acrylic paintings grace the pages of the book, which also includes a glossary of facts about sheep.

“Samson’s Gift” won the 2015 Gold Illumination award for excellence in Christian Literature for the Gift/Keepsake and Specialty Bible category.

Ellen graduated from Minnesota State University-Moorhead with a B.F.A. in fine art and a B.A. in art education.

Pat Breidenbach, J, Mitchell, South Dakota, wrote

“The Jacobsen Family, 1770-2014: The Ancestors and Descendants of Henry and Mabel (Wilkins) Jacobsen of Castle Rock, South Dakota.”



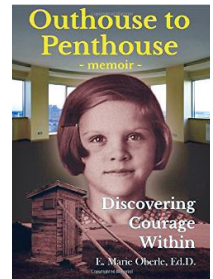
The family history of 596 pages and over 700 photos and documents of all kind deals primarily with the life of Pat’s paternal grandfather Henry, who left his native Hamburg, Germany, in May 1889 as a 10-year-old stowaway on a ship bound for America. When a teenager, he made his way from Brooklyn, New York, to Nebraska, where he worked on a cattle ranch and then ran a confectionary store before taking a job in Chicago at age 19. In Chicago he also studied voice and piano at the Bush Temple Conservatory of Music.

After marrying Mabel Wilkins of Saint Joseph, Missouri, and becoming the father of two sons, Henry went to homestead at Castle Rock located north of the Black Hills of South Dakota. The family history continues with Henry’s establishing a ranch, a post office, a country store with gas station, a community hall and a newspaper. Excerpts from his news columns of 1914-1928 provide details regarding the challenges of homesteading and building community, which later prompted him to enter politics.

Pat, a home economics education major, taught one year before becoming a stay-at-home mom until her daughter started college. She is now retired from a 20-year career as archivist for the Dakotas Conference of the United Methodist Church. She and her BIL George enjoy being grandparents and traveling. They live in Mitchell, South Dakota.

E. Marie Oberle, BM, Sarasota, Florida, wrote her

memoir “Outhouse to Penthouse: Discovering Courage Within.” This deeply personal story spans eight decades and tells the story of Marie’s



journey, starting with her feedsack-dress childhood in rural Kentucky during the 1930s. Marie recounts her transformation from a traumatized child and insecure young bride to a high-achieving educator and powerful woman who earned her doctorate degree while fulfilling her roles as a devoted wife and mother. Marie calls the book a celebration of her life, a salute to strong women and a love letter and legacy for her family.

Marie is now retired and lives on Siesta Key, Florida. She lost her husband and soul mate in 2011 to pancreatic cancer. Most important to Marie is her faith, her two children and her four grandchildren. 🌸

Centennial Chapters



Chapter AX, South Pasadena, California
Organized: June 24, 1915
Celebrated: June 27, 2015

First row, from the left: Pam Riley, Linda Kopperud, Kim England, Holly Bruce, Heather Cisneros **Second row:** Pat Bruce, Marilyn Coghlan, Hannah Nord, Kathy Reese, Janice Mangerino, Mary Smeritschnig, Susan D'Amico, Marge Novasel **Third row:** Linda Raye Bloom, Delores Koutnik, Barbara Palmer, Nancy Dege, Diane Wilken, Jane Schirmeister, Diane Larson, Tina Chou, Janet Eggleston, Donna Heselbarth, Polly Longthorne, Peg Jones



Chapter AY, Glendora, California
Organized: July 22, 1915
Celebrated: July 25, 2015

First row, from the left: Eleanor Shetron, Phyllis Six, Jan Davis, Carol Treacy, Diane Hill, Katheryn Carneal **Second row:** Kathy Collett, Lynn Edwards, Marilyn Edwards, Barbara Bolin, Karen McClain, Helen Storland, Linda Bergslien, Lois Coleman, Margy Turner, Sue Robinson



Chapter P, Oregon City, Oregon
Organized: March 4, 1916
Celebrated: March 1, 2016

First row, from the left: Anita Lynn, Mary-Elise Diedrich, Hazel Broderick, Sue Johnson **Second row:** Carol Lawrence, Joy Durkee, Linda Downs, Fran Hart, Marianne Richardson, Susie Fuller



Chapter AN, Galesburg, Illinois
Organized: March 4, 1916
Celebrated: March 17, 2016

First row, from the left: Beth Anderson, Judy Boynton, Diana Kessler, Bernice Neeley, Melissa Williamson, Beverly Soyangco, Mary Burgland **Second row:** Valerie Edwards, ML Dredge, Pam Fox, Chris Fulton, Lucille Morling, Donna Coffman, Mary King **Third row:** Mary Peters, Carol Lindstrom, Betty Anderson, Nancy Youngquist, Jane Johnson, Marcy Inness

Centennial Chapters



Chapter BB, Claremont, California Organized: March 18, 1916 Celebrated: March 19, 2016

First row, from the left: Catherine Miller, Barbara Patch **Second row:** Virginia Peelle, Janet Riser, Jean Motz, Carolyn Whitham **Third row:** Joan Irvine, Joan Wild, Joanne Arnold, Deanna Smith, Jane Compher, Mary Cavena



Chapter AO, Elmwood, Illinois Organized: April 13, 1916 Celebrated: April 25, 2016

First row, from the left: Peg Cox, Mary Ruth Webster, Janet McKinty, Martha Hudson, Mary Howard, Diane Slone, Shirley McCoy, Marilee Hurst, Cathy Meyers, Judy Rogers, Marilyn Callister **Second row:** Amy Davis, Vicki Warner, Michele Ewalt, Caren Ramsay, Charlene McKechnie, Chris Keimig, Julie Miller, Mary Ann Hanlin, Shauna Blum, Trudy Cline, Cindy Alcaraz, Amy Kepple, Terri Cosby, Chris Paternoga, Denise Hotz, Carol Kemper, Connie Johnston **Third row:** Pat Vaughan, Rachel Potts, Kathleen Conklin, Karen Mottaz, Beth Wrage, Jennifer Spafford, Kim DeSplinter, Bonnie McFall, Emily Webel, Janet Mottaz



Chapter CM, West Plains, Missouri Organized: April 13, 1916 Celebrated: April 13, 2016

First row, from the left: Kandi Phillips, Jeanette Grisham, Sara Deatherage, Regina Gleghorn, Joanne Lowe, Beth Peters, Jerris Armstrong, Linda Wade, Mindy Padgett **Second row:** Kay Garrett, Nancy Davidson, Kathy Grigsby, Coretta Richards, Kathleen Aid and Jan Dold



Chapter CN, Monett, Missouri Organized: April 13, 1916 Celebrated: April 12, 2016

First row, from the left: Carol Kay, Georgeanna Wormington, Bessie Nowland, Mary Young, Lois Klatt, and Caro Bellm **Second row:** Annalea Huntress, Peggy Roller, Bernadine Hobson, Charlotte Tilley, LouEllen Honeycutt, Edna Haynes, Betty Arnaud **Third row:** Jane Rogers, Maryal Hunt, Glenda Hemphill

New Chapters



Chapter JL, Dripping Springs, Texas Organized: November 7, 2015

From the left: Angela Fugate, Judy Brown, Marie Tarpley, Laurisa England, Linda Babboni, Beth Fuston, Jennifer LaRochelle, Julie Lintz, state organizer Betty Thomas, Carla Lehman, Deb Paciolla, Yvonne Davison, Lynne Myers, Sara Patterson, Shannon Craddock, Kris Hollingsworth



Chapter JD, Sorrento, Florida Organized: January 30, 2016

First row, from the left: Georgia Ullo, Kathleen Feldman, Mary Woolridge, Stacey Connelly, Regina F. Lindsey, Shirley Price, Sherry L. Watson **Second row:** Judi Schoen, Jayne Thompson-Meier, Terry L. Hill, Donna Snyder, Joyce Malone, Julie Planells, Renee Pease, Phoebe Mello, Sharon Carr **Third Row:** Sarah Hodgson, Kathleen Flanagan, Robyn Muzeka, Karin Letizia, Trish Bissett, Carol A. McGill



Chapter BK-HD, Plantation, Florida Merged: March 1, 2016

First row, from the left: Laura Dunham, Jo-D Roth, Anne Stracke, Sharon Brascalla, Linda Griffen, Carolyn Stewart, Joanie Guerra **Second row:** Cristina Gonzalez, Susan Zepko, Gloria Biramontes, Barbara Hall, Lou Ireland, Linda Rozema, Nancy Tarrant-Schauerte, Judy McLeod, Jan Patterson, Lori Spencer, Susan Norton, Cheri Markcity



Chapter FW, Minneapolis, Minnesota Organized: March 5, 2016


First row, from the left: Alexis Dutt, Theresa Exenberger, Peggy Nelson **Second row:** Elizabeth Bieging, Alysson Merkatoris **Third row:** Ashley Patterson, Marina Coleman, Nancy Huseby **Fourth row:** Stefanie Nordstrom, Stephanie Spencer Rivera **Fifth row:** Christina Cotruvo, Erika Cramer, Manda Bertrand **Sixth row:** Kristen Madrigal, Caitlin Mills **Seventh row:** Lauri Cushing, organizer, Patra Borden, Lauri Murphy

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 **P.E.O. polo shirt.** Short sleeve, 100% preshrunk cotton. Marguerite emblem on upper left chest. Available in white or yellow. S-XXXL \$34.50 + 5.15 shipping. Checks to Chapter CP, 975 Briarwood Dr. E. Wenatchee, WA 98802 allem@nwi.net.

 **Sterling P.E.O. necklace**—dainty. Measures 3/4 by 1/4 inch. 16 or 18" long. Specify length. Sterling. \$49.95. + 1.95 shipping. Check to Ch. K, c/o CJ Gray, 325 Eagles Walk, Gastonia, NC 28056


 **BIL Pins** All metal, die-struck 1/2" square with polished raised letters and military clutch back. \$10 ppd each. Check to Ch. L, 1400 Cedar Point Rd, Lagrange, KY 40031. marthahe23@hotmail.com


 **Daisy magnets** for car, mailbox and frig! Round, 7" white & yellow daisy w/ P.E.O. in center. \$11 ea + \$5.60 for shipping 1-10 magnets. Ch AN, c/o Monica Johnson, 107 Glenn Burnie Dr. Easley, SC 29642, buffjohns@aol.com

 **New eyeglass/computer** Cleaning cloth from durable microfiber. Cleans glasses, phones & computers. Daisies or fall tree 5 3/4 square. \$6 each, add \$1 P/H up to 4 cloths. Checks to Chapter HX, c/o Ann Thomas, 8432 Newcombe St, Arvada, CO 80005


 **Love binds us** luggage tag 4 1/4 x 2 1/2" yellow w/white daisy \$8 ppd. Payable Ch Q, c/o Eline McCain, 5214 E Goldwater Dr, Yuma, AZ 85365. (928-580-7434).


 **Yellow 4GB USB** Flash Drive with our P.E.O. logo. \$10 + S/H. Email Ch Z for order form. NVchapterZ@yahoo.com.


 **Seven Founders** full color, one sister on each card. 5 1/2 x 4 1/4" as seen in Jan/Feb 2015 Record. Pkg of 7 w/ env \$12 includes P&H. Checks to Ch DP, Hilde Weintraub, 209 Galaxy Way, Lompoc, CA 93436. 805-733-1699 or hilde.weintraub2@verizon.net.

 **Elegant Emblem holder,** magnetic, with engraved star, name, chapter letters and state \$12. Name and star only \$10. Can be made in a pin-back. All sales to the P. E.O. projects! Email Susan Keller at skeller68@charter.net for more info. Ch HZ, St Louis, MO.

P.E.O. rubber jar grippers — daisy or star, pics on website; \$3 each. Ordering info at www.peochapterbsva.org. Ch BS/VA.

 **Daisy pin guard** — to mark a special occasion or add beauty to our star pin, this 3/8" hard enamel, antique brass, white daisy pin guard with a 2" link chain has a safety pin attachment. \$20 ppd. Checks to Ch MQ, Christine Trimble, 2210 Heartland Ridge, Jefferson City, MO 65109. ct@dulletrimble.com.


 **"Marguerite" print** 4X6" \$10 ppd w/in lower 48. Ch EN, c/o Ellen Fischer, 1330 Sherwood Dr, Greenfield, IN 46140. Questions, call 317-462-4677 or ellen.fischer@sbcglobal.net.


 **Rhinestone letters** and multicolored spark let your love of P.E.O. shine for all to see. These iron-on rhinestone transfers can be applied to almost any fabric item. P.E.O. crystal 1 1/2x5" for \$4; multicolored spark 3x5" for \$8 or 1 P.E.O. crystal and 1 multicolored spark for \$10 ppd. Checks to Ch AX, Julie Cahoj, 15189 RD BB, Atwood, KS 67730. 785-626-5054.


Founders' Day DVD Flashback to 1869. Learn our 7 founders' personalities. See their fashions and how they lived. 19 min. of narrated slides, videos, and music. \$25 plus \$3 S/H to Ch DW, Gwenda McCall, 704 SW 38th Dr, Gresham, OR 97080. 503-667-5974


Personalized daisy throw


Does a sister need some special TLC? Give her a personalized fleece marguerite throw with a place for her sisters to sign. \$35 plus S&H. Info/order: Ch BO-BY, Sharon Sue Harvey, 479-876-8799, rmhssh7@gmail.com.


 **Daisy tote bag** Three pockets on 100% polyester bag; 12Hx14Wx6.5"D, lime, hot pink or navy, \$20 plus \$5.95 p/h. Checks to Ch J. Meredith Cole, 29103 Westwood Rd, Bay Village, OH 44140 mmolenar@gmail.com Combined shipping available.


 **Graceful, classic P.E.O. jewelry:** letters or star! Chokers = 16" @ \$20. Bracelets = 7 1/2" @ \$15. \$5 shipping up to 8 pieces. XW/CA. KarenTreaccar@gmail.com to order.

 **Painted daisy notes**—5 1/2 x 4 1/4" pkg of 5 w/ envelopes \$8 ppd to P.E.O. Ch OI, Anita Wild, 1025 Grove Terrace, Dubuque, IA 52001.

 **Marguerite purse hook.** Keep your purse off dirty floors & securely at your side. \$18 Check to: Ch MX, Connie Minnes, 3307 Douglas Wds Dr, Urbana, IL 61802.

 **P.E.O. APPLE iPhone covers** Beautiful, exclusive 3D design for 5/5s/6/6+. Must see. \$25 + \$3.50 s/h. Ch Y/NV. Page at pageshawken@yahoo.com or 702-677-0898.

 **Pin tin** for your emblem. \$15 ppd. 3 1/4" tin handcrafted in yellow and white. Print, solid or polka dot. Ch AB/WA. bevnkristin@gmail.com.

 **P.E.O. Founders bookmarks** — laminated bookmarks great for gifts. \$1.50 each ppd. Ch K, c/o Susan Kautzsch at smkautzsch@gmail.com.

P.E.O. songbook Create unique programs using these outstanding songs by Peggy Peppers, \$14 ea ppd. Ch AW, Dottie Van Hoesen, 4611 Arcola Dr, Lakeland, FL 33801. 863-665-5796 bobdotvan@aol.com.

Beautiful embroidered pin holder w/ member's name. 2.5 x 3.5" white w/gold embroidery. \$15 ea. Ch FK/OR. Email carturner@yahoo.com for order form.

P.E.O. coloring party page with P.E.O. symbols. Image and instructions for fun program are \$10 ppd to Ch AM/WI. Proceeds support P.E.O. projects. Contact Carol at: peocoloring@gmail.com.

Hy-Notes variety pk of 7 P.E.O. themed notecards from member's original artwork. \$15/pkg ppd, cks to Ch HY, K. Hanna, 256 Las Flores Dr, Bakersfield, CA 93305, hhanna1@bak.rr.com.

Marguerite postcard created by Ch E/ MN sister. Send Hello, Get Well, Happy Birthday, etc. Order pkg 25 (or more) for \$12 + 2.75 shipping. Shellief@mchsi.com

P.E.O. napkins perfect to hostess a chapter meeting! 25 beverage size, white w/gold P.E.O. imprinting; \$7.50 ea. includes s/h. Checks to Ch FC, Ann Delach, 5405 N Seminole Ave, Tampa, FL 33604. Anndelach@hotmail.com for photo.

Restyled "Sisters of the Heart" mug with P.E.O. star on a field of marguerites, yellow interior and handle. \$12 + shipping. Orders to Ch D/RI c/o Betsy Fitzgerald, 11C Vicksburg Pl, Newport, RI 02840 or BetsFitzPEO@gmail.com.

Marguerite bangle bracelet. Top-quality silver alloy. Adjusts to fit any size wrist. The perfect gift for yourself or a special sister. \$18.50 ppd. Send check and shipping address to Ch FO, Debra Maul, 115 Causeway Blvd, Belleair Beach, FL 33786 flpeofo@gmail.com.

The center of P.E.O. – calligraphy note cards. 6 cards/envelopes for \$10 ppd. (6 1/4 x 4 1/2). Checks to Ch EP/WI, Barb Sackett, W1309 Alpine Rd, Brooklyn, WI 53521 barb@countsunlimited.com.

Steel ornament for your garden, wall, or door. 2 designs in yellow or gray. Drilled holes for hanging or hardware for hanging on a garden stake. 10x10" P.E.O. inside a flower or 8x14" P.E.O. script. \$20 ea +\$10 S&H. Ch CA jled30@gmail.com re: PEO yard sign.

P.E.O. garden flag draws you into the world of P.E.O. with a marguerite-laid path and an open gate which bears a P.E.O. sign and entrance to a garden with a beautiful sunrise, offering the opportunity of a bright P.E.O. future. \$19.99 plus \$2.50 S/H. Send check to Chapter BX, 33039 Vicksville Rd, Franklin, VA 23851 eatonjoym@gmail.com

"Sock it to your sisters"! Back by popular demand, MO Chapter FD is offering P.E.O. socks custom made for us in the USA of light weight white sensura knit in size medium or large. Our original anklet style has a reversible cuff with yellow heel and toe. If worn up, the cuff shows P.E.O. (the official logo) and if folded down, it has our daisy with yellow stars on either side. Our golf sock is in bright green and yellow with a green heel and toe. The logo "P.E.O. Daisies Do Tell" was created for MO past-president Lu Lockwood. The price of \$10 per pair for either style includes P&H. Send check payable to Chapter FD, c/o Linda Larson, 849 Waterford Villas Dr, Lake Saint Louis, MO 63367 636-625-0081. Please call with questions or for a quote on a volume order.

Homes

P.E.O. Chapter House Celebrating its 50th anniversary, **Colorado P.E.O. Chapter House** is situated near the famous Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs. A Colorado state project since 1966, the chapter house provides medically independent retirement living for P.E.O. sisters and those recommended by a P.E.O. Seven residential apartments and five guest rooms are on easy-access ground level wings with enclosed walkways to common areas. Three home-cooked style meals are served daily in the main dining room. Affordable overnight guest rooms for traveling P.E.O.s, their families and friends and a gathering place for area chapters and guests are also part of our services. For more information, go to www.peochapterhouse.org, email colopeco@msn.com, write to 1819 W Cheyenne Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80919 or call at 719-473-7670.

At the Nebraska P.E.O. Home, licensed as an assisted-living facility, TLC is the secret ingredient whether it's in the home-cooked meals, the private room with bath, the beauty salon, the Daisy van trips, or the very attentive staff. Active members of P.E.O. and P.E.O. sponsored relatives are eligible for residency. Contact Tracy Magill, Administrator, Nebraska P.E.O. Home, 413 North 5th St, Beatrice, NE 68310 or call 402-228-4208 to check on your room.

Independent retirement living in a P.E.O. community. Explore the Idaho P.E.O. Chapter House at www.peochapterhouseidaho.org or call 208-459-3552.

Books

Sisters in the Kitchen Cookbook – Over 300 of our favorite recipes — Perfect gift for officers, initiates, friends, family or your kitchen—\$19.00 ppd to - Ch. FE, Diane Golden, 2525 E. Schrock Rd, Waterloo, IA 50701-Reduced prices for multiple books—email jndgolden@gmail.com.

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Tech TIP...

The Cloud

by Lucy Thoms, Digital Communication Specialist

There is a never-ending stream of buzzwords in technology—big data, the Internet of Things and net neutrality are just a few that have made waves in the past year. But one has been around for a while and yet still remains an elusive concept: the cloud.

What is it?

The cloud allows you to access programs and data from any computer or device with an internet connection. This can mean data storage, like DropBox or Apple's iCloud, or it can mean document applications like Google Drive or

Microsoft's SharePoint. The main benefit of the cloud is convenience—you can log in to an account on any device, in any location, and be able to access your files.

How does it work?

Cloud storage companies have data centers with servers connected to the internet. When a user uploads a file through a browser or an app or makes a change to an application, that information goes to the data server, which records it. When the user wants to retrieve the file or information, it is sent back from the server to the user.

What are some examples?

The cloud is more prevalent than you think. Web-based email providers like Gmail and Yahoo are cloud-based because they run through a browser. Photo services like Flickr and Picasa conveniently store images.

Is storing information in the cloud safe?

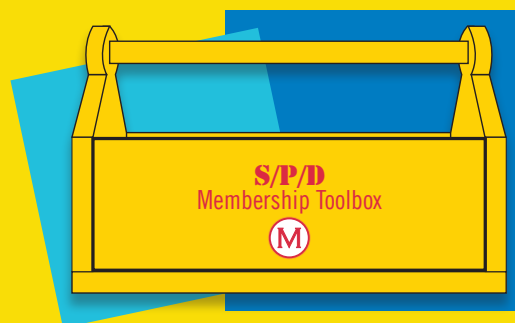
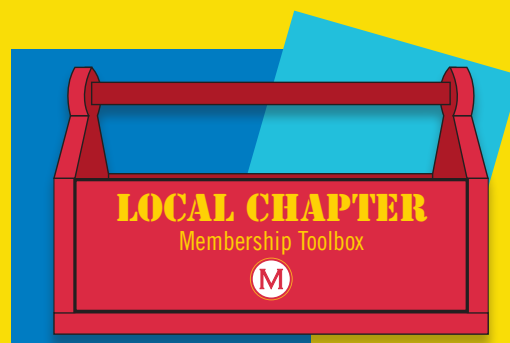
Almost all cloud-based services are, at the very least, username and password protected, and many have additional forms of security built in. As always, do some research and use your best judgment. 🌟

Membership Toolboxes

The Membership Toolboxes are great resources for your state/provincial/district chapter or your local chapter membership committees. As we move towards the **2017** biennium goals of

2 new initiates per chapter each year,
0 new inactive members and **0** newly disbanded chapters,
1 new chapter in each state/province/district, and loving concern in honor of our
7 founders, these tools are all the more useful.

To access, log in to the member website and hover your mouse over the Membership menu; click on Membership Toolboxes. In the Local Chapter Membership Toolbox, you will find resources for chapter health, new members and sisters in transition, as well as issues of the Hot Spot and chapter activities. In the State/Provincial/District Membership Toolbox, s/p/d membership committees will find convention workshop resources, planning documents, Regional Membership Summit resources and issues of the Hot Spot.



Gifts and Contributions

Our P.E.O. projects can only succeed with the continued support of our membership. Local chapters and individual donations to these projects determine the number of women who are helped each year and the amount that is available to award. Every dollar counts—our projects depend almost entirely on P.E.O. support.



Continue to make your donations as listed below and remember individual gifts to P.E.O. projects and P.E.O. Foundation qualify as a charitable deduction for United States income tax purposes.

- Chapter gifts to projects and P.E.O. Foundation are payable to your state/province/district chapter (s/p/d) and should be sent directly to your s/p/d treasurer or paid assistant. Chapter gifts are not tax deductible.
- Individual gifts should be made payable to the intended project or P.E.O. Foundation and sent directly to the treasurer of International Chapter in Des Moines.
- Individual gifts for Cottey College are to be sent directly to Cottey.
- Online donations may also be submitted to the project of your choice through the P.E.O. website.

Reference Listings Available Online

On the member section of the P.E.O. International Website, click on Resource Library, then Listings & Directories to find listings previously in the CARE issue: Bed & Breakfast, Gatherings Away from Home, Honor Roll, Reciprocity & Group Contacts and TLC.

Bed & Breakfast—Information for B&B contacts is listed in the September-October Record and in this section of the website.



TLC—P.E.O. members or their families are welcome to contact TLC chapters when hospitalized or in need of assistance. Information for TLC contacts is listed by state, province and district based on the city designation and for areas near colleges and universities, when available. If your chapter wishes to be a TLC participant or needs to update a current listing, please contact mknee@peodsm.org.



Leadership Development Initiative Looking for Qualified Volunteers

The Ad Hoc Committee for Leadership Development is looking for qualified volunteers to help expand the Leadership Development Initiative library of resources. Please look



for the “How to Help LDI” link at peoleadership.org. A comprehensive Volunteer Guide details the opportunities. Of special interest are “finders,” who will search for existing resources that are targeted and succinct, get permission for use and submit for approval.

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State, Provincial and District chapters are invited, if desired, to honor the organization of Alaska State Chapter with a love gift to help establish and strengthen our new state chapter.



Individual members may also make non tax-deductible gifts designated for Alaska State Chapter. All gifts should be sent to the P.E.O. Executive Office separate from any other transmittals with the notation that it is a love gift for Alaska State Chapter.

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Make plans now to visit Cottey College where the welcome mat is always out. If you are planning a fall foliage trip, consider a stop at Cottey. Visit any time of the year and enjoy the stately charm of the buildings, the new Judy and Glenn Rogers Fine Arts Building and state-of-the-art classrooms and labs. Be sure to join us for Chef Michael’s outstanding cuisine.

Let us arrange a personal tour for you with one of our Golden Keys where you can experience the rich history of the campus firsthand. Campus tours must be scheduled online on the Cottey College website. To learn more about or schedule a tour, visit cottey.edu/peo/campus-tours.

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