

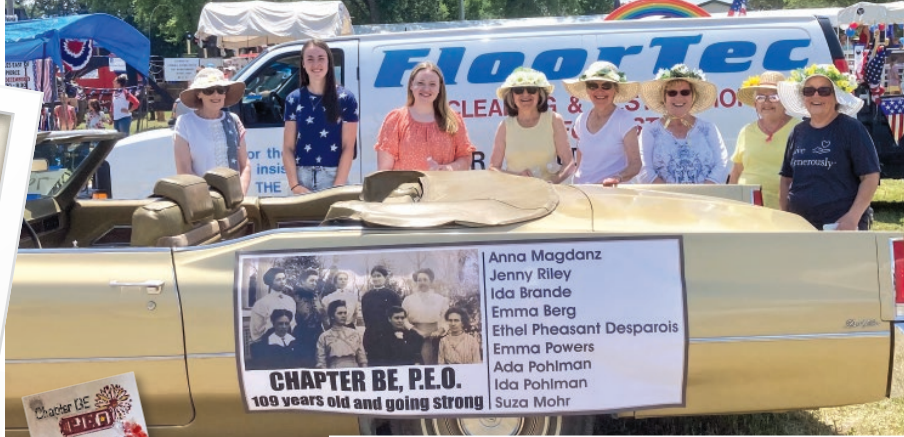
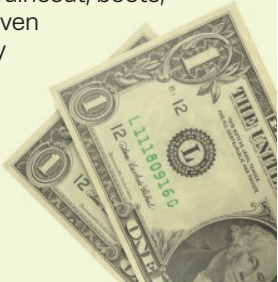


Dollars FOR MARGIE

Chapter AY in Toledo, Ohio, has an honorary member...and she is a DOLL! Marguerite (Margie) Star joined the chapter 16 years ago after her creator, Cheri Gosline, returned from the Ohio state P.E.O. convention. At a breakout session for Ways and Means, delegates were urged to consider using any talent they possessed to formulate a fundraiser. Cheri thought of her sewing and embroidery skills and decided to make Margie.

Cheri and Margie introduced a creative and clever way of raising money for the chapter. Sisters have to pay a \$1 fine if they come to the meeting wearing the same item of clothing as Margie. Whether it's a raincoat, boots, sneakers, sunglasses or even her P.E.O. pin, sisters pony up \$1 if they are dressed the same as Margie.

Over the years, Cherie has made an entire wardrobe and even given Margie a cat and a dog.



Small Town Chapter Raises P.E.O.'s Profile in Grand Parade

Chapter BE, Pierce, Nebraska, participated in their small town's 150th birthday party extravaganza, culminating in a grand parade on July 4. That day marked the end of a week of activities of every imaginable stripe for every age. As one of the oldest organizations in Pierce, Chapter BE (organized in 1912) decided to join in the festivities. The committee found inspiration in the new P.E.O. history book, "We Who Are Sisters," where they found photos of P.E.O. chapters doing exactly what they had planned – participating in a community parade. The chapter quickly found sisters with classic convertible cars and printed two banners with slogans for each car—one set with a historic photo of the chapter's nine founders read, "109 years old and going strong" and a second modern sign with the slogan, "There is no place like P.E.O."

The chapter created bookmarks that noted the P.E.O. website and all of the P.E.O. projects with Smarties candy taped to each. Four sisters walked alongside the decorated cars and handed out more than 550 informational bookmarks to women and girls along the parade route. Their daisy-covered hats created quite a stir! Project recipients, P.E.O. officers, members and one BIL rode or drove the cars. In spite of the sweltering heat, a very good time was had by all. More importantly a lot of people learned about P.E.O.!



Yard Signs Honor Golden Girls

When the 2020 Kansas state convention (like all s/p/d conventions) was canceled, sisters in **Chapter AG, Newton, Kansas**, were disappointed there would be no Annual State Golden Girl Luncheon. They met via Zoom to discuss other ways to celebrate their Golden Girl, Pat Morton. They decided to make a yard sign and have it ready the week of convention. Then they individually sent cards and took Pat treats or tokens to let her know they were thinking of her. The chapter was so pleased with the sign that they started offering personalized signs for sale to other chapters as a P.E.O. fundraiser. The chapter continues to offer signs for sale as an option to celebrate a Golden Girl or any other sister deserving special recognition. ★