

Heartline



Ohio State Chapter P.E.O. Sisterhood

Heartline Instructions

Notes to Chapter President:

1. Please have the Corresponding Secretary read the President's letter at the meeting following receipt of the Heartline.
 2. Copy the Project and Membership Committee articles for each chairman - to be read as soon as possible and filed.
 3. Give the officer-specific information to the appropriate officers.
 4. Share the remaining articles with the chapter as soon as possible at subsequent meetings and/or electronically.
- The Heartline should be kept in the President's file box for one year.

From the President . . .

Dear Sisters,

For many of you, the new program year is just getting started, but for the Executive Board of Ohio State Chapter and the state leadership team, we've been at it almost since the closing gavel tap at convention in Bowling Green! In July Organizer Nancy Shelton and I attended the Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Seminar in Des Moines, IA. What an inspiring weekend of Sesquicentennial celebrations, leadership training, and idea sharing with our International Executive Board members and representatives from all of the other State, Provincial, and District chapters! In August we gathered with the state committees and Reciprocity leaders for the Family Leadership meeting in Worthington. And as I type this, Vice President Marty Billing and Organizer Nancy Shelton have safely landed at the Dayton airport following an exciting Cottey Seminar in Nevada, MO. All the while we're getting excited for Official Visits in the Northeast Quadrant this fall and the Fall Membership Workshop in the Southeast Quadrant!

While each of you gear up for the coming year, keep an eye on the challenges issued at Convention – bring one new member into P.E.O. and personally commit to their preacceptance and postinitiation counseling, celebrate the 150th anniversary of P.E.O., and tell us what you or your chapter are doing to light tomorrow with today. www.ohiopeo.org has more details about the 2018 Convention, and tools you can use to work towards these goals.

As we each focus on lighting tomorrow with today, you'll likely find that at one moment, you are manning a lighthouse for all those around you, and another moment you are simply maintaining the single wick of a tiny oil lamp, taking one small step at a time. Both are necessary, and both are easier to manage with P.E.O. sisters by your side. Happy fall, sisters!

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Kylie

Light tomorrow



with today!



IN MEMORIAM:

The Executive Board of Ohio State Chapter is saddened to announce the death of Past State President **Virginia "Ginny" Black**, AG. Ginny entered Chapter Eternal on August 25, 2018. A P.E.O. for 60 years, Ginny served as state president, 1972-1973, with the theme *To Kindle Others We Ourselves Must Glow – Through Loving Attitudes, Responsible Actions and Understanding Concerns.*



IN MEMORIAM:

The Executive Board of Ohio State Chapter is saddened to announce the death of Past State President **Lois Orr**, AM-BV. Lois entered Chapter Eternal on August 21, 2018. A P.E.O. for 40 years, Lois served as state president, 2007-2008, with the theme *Stitching Together Our Goals and Our Dreams.*



OHIO CHAPTERS ... ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE

For almost ten years Ohio P.E.O. Chapters have been ***Celebrating our Ohio Sister, Sue Baker***, and her service on the Executive Board of International Chapter by donating to a scholarship fund that will be presented to her when she completes her service. This fund is the P.E.O. Foundation Sue Baker Fund 8213. It is a permanent fund. The only thing pending is Sue's decision for the fund's designation and our total gifts! We will all be surprised when we find out!

A challenge was put forth at the 2018 Convention of Ohio State Chapter to increase our chapter gifts to the fund from \$2.00 per member to **\$5.00** per member. The chapters who participate will be recognized June 1, 2019 at our state convention.

Please send your gifts now! Time is running out! Look for ***P.E.O. Foundation Sue Baker Fund 8213*** on the current Ohio Chapter Gift Transmittal Form and designate your donation. Sue will receive the fund from Ohio State Chapter when she presides at the 2019 Convention of International Chapter in Des Moines, Iowa where we will also celebrate 150 years of the P.E.O. Sisterhood! Our Sister Sue has made Ohio proud! Show your support for Sue and donate your chapter's gift of \$5.00 per member today!

Thank you to all chapters for your many creative ways you are celebrating our P.E.O. Sesquicentennial. Thank you to the many chapters who requested the Planned Chapter Events and Program Ideas and the program of Chapter FH at convention.

Congratulations and thank you to all the chapters and individuals who have donated to the 150 Fund. Since last reported in the 2018 Spring Heartline, thirty-three additional chapters have contributed at least \$150.00 to the 150 Fund. The accumulative reports can be viewed on the Ohio P.E.O. website.

Congratulations to all, we are on our way to 100%!

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True to our theme, **“Light tomorrow with today!”**, Cottey College continues to shine brightly! Cottey is thrilled to announce that it was ranked sixth in Best Women's Colleges in America and first

among Best Regional Colleges-Midwest by College Consensus in 2018. In addition, Cottey was listed at 49 among all colleges in the U.S. out of 990 ranked institutions.

Given this wonderful news, I encourage chapters to actively focus on identifying prospective students to attend Cottey. A great way to stay connected and keep up with updates to share regarding Cottey is by subscribing to their new official blog “WeAreCottey”. Head to www.wearecottey.com, click “Subscribe” and stay up to date on comings and goings with incredible Cottey students, faculty, staff and alumnae.

To aid you in your Cottey recruitment and promotion efforts, there are two dates that we would ask P.E.O.s to put on their calendars. “C” for Yourself (CFY)

October 19-21, 2018 and April 26-28, 2019. During Cottey's “C” for Yourself! weekend students spend two nights in a Cottey suite, meet faculty and current students, experience Cottey's stellar facilities and student life, and receive the latest information about admission and financial aid. There is a \$50 registration fee for the event. You may find more information at cottey.edu/visit/c-for-yourself.

Lastly, it is important our chapters communicate with our current Cottey student, Taylor Hill. A finalized list of current Ohio Cottey students will be distributed to reciprocity groups and posted on the Ohio P.E.O. website after classes begin so chapters can send cards and good wishes.

Thanks for your support of Cottey College and our Ohio Cottey students.

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2019 marks the 70th anniversary for P.E.O.'s International Peace Scholarship Fund (IPS). IPS was created to support international women studying in the United States or Canada with plans to return home with advanced degrees. In April 2018, the IPS Board of Trustees awarded nearly \$2.1 million to 190 recipients from 70 different countries.

Your chapter can get to know a remarkable international woman and help foster peace in the world by becoming an IPS Partner in Peace. With a \$500 donation sent in one lump sum, the IPS Board of Trustees will match your chapter with an IPS recipient with whom you can form a special bond. Donations must be mailed to Beth Cox, Executive Assistant to the Treasurer, Ohio State Chapter. They must be received by January 31 and include a Chapter Gift Transmittal Form as well as the Partners in Peace form found on www.peointernational.org under IPS.



Scholar Awards

What an amazing convention with outstanding speakers! Hailee Yoshizaki-Gibbons, EQ, PSA recipient, delighted us with a speech combining her family's story of their matriarch and her PhD study of the women who care for our elderly with disabilities.

Put August 20 on your calendar if you have already identified a potential candidate. That's when nominations open. If not...start asking who might know a Scholar. You have until November 20 to submit nominations. In the newest class of 100 Scholars there were 85 PhD candidates and 15 in professional degree programs. Their biographies are on the PSA page on www.peointernational.org.

Eleven of these were awarded named scholarships. I am proud to announce that Caitlin Doyle (nominated by Chapter DP/OH) was selected as the 2018 Presidential Endowed Scholar in honor of Sue Baker! Caitlin is enrolled at the University of Cincinnati in the PhD program in English literature and creative writing. She has received significant notoriety for her poetry. If you wish to learn more about Caitlin's work visit www.keyreporter.org/PbkNews/PbkNews/Details/2547.html

The P.E.O. Partners in Peace Named Scholarship is a gift of at least \$12,500 from an individual, a chapter or group of chapters, or a state/provincial/district chapter (also due by the January 31 deadline). The donation pays for the entire scholarship for an IPS recipient. The IPS trustees make every effort to match Named Scholarship donors with students who are nearby geographically, but this is not always possible.

I encourage local chapter IPS chairmen to access the international website regularly. The bimonthly *Take a Minute for IPS* and *Moments for Peace* provide up to date information that can be shared at local meetings and offer an opportunity to learn more about the recipients from around the world who are benefiting from the International Peace Scholarship Fund.

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As you are identifying potential candidates, consider asking these questions: Does she meet the eligibility criteria (these are found on the international website); has she published or presented her research findings; what impact might her research or specialization have in the future? What sets her apart from others in her field?

For those chapters who are very active in finding potential candidates, please note that the PSA board of trustees recommends that local chapters not submit more than 1-2 nominees per year as multiple candidates may lower the likelihood of selection.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you might have about the PSA.

Thank you for your energetic and generous involvement in this project!

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OHIO Scholarships

Congratulations to our 114 Ohio Scholarships recipients for the 2018-2019 school year! We are grateful to the chapters who submitted candidates. Please keep in contact with these women as they head back to school this fall. They will benefit from your continued support and encouragement!

It is already time to start interviewing potential candidates for Ohio Scholarships for the 2019-2020 school year. The committee has been working diligently to improve the application and processes!

New for this year:

- Application deadline is February 1, 2019.
- Application must be typed. Utilize your chapter's Technology Contact sister if you need help downloading the application and forms.
- Application packet may be submitted electronically, as an email attachment. Your chapter will save on copies and postage! Your chapter will receive an email confirmation of receipt within 48 hours of submission! Please see the new Instructions to Sponsoring Chapters: Electronic Submission for the information. Note: mailed applications will also be accepted this year.

Greetings from your Amendments and Recommendations Committee!

You will soon receive the 2018 review of your chapter bylaws, standing rules, and chapter policies with an instructional cover letter. It may be tempting to put these documents aside. We encourage you to begin the process of updating your bylaws sooner rather than later. Two documents on the Ohio P.E.O. web site (www.ohiopeo.org) are great resources: 1) 2018-2019 Sample Bylaws and Standing Rules and 2) Sample Wording and Suggestions for Chapter Policies. This committee can also assist you so please contact us with your questions. We are here to help.

Chapters wishing to propose an amendment to the Ohio State Chapter Bylaws & Standing Rules must submit proposed amendments in writing by December 31, 2018 to the Chairman of the Amendments & Recommendations Committee. Proposed changes to the P.E.O. Constitution must be submitted in writing by December 31, 2018, so that

- All Ohio Scholarships documents on the Ohio P.E.O. website have been revised. Please read each new document completely and discard ALL OLD applications, Instructions to Chapters, and FAQs! Outdated applications will not be accepted.

Encourage your chapter to give generously to Ohio Scholarships this year! With your donations we can award more scholarship money to these amazing, deserving women striving to "Light tomorrow" with their ambitions to make this world even more wonderful!

There was an error on the 2018-2019 Ohio State Chapter Directory that was distributed at convention. The correct email address for Kristen Gebhardt, EE, Ohio Scholarships Chairman, is ohioscholarshipschair@gmail.com.

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such proposals may be forwarded to International Study and Research no later than January 15, 2019. Proposed amendments must be passed by a written two-thirds vote of the chapter. If you have any questions, please contact the Chairman of the A&R Committee.

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It's STAR season! Have you begun your search? Your STAR might be the amazing young woman who does everything well; academics, athletics, the arts, community service, and is a leader. Or she might have a compelling story of achievement; overcoming adversity, or her choice of future career. She might have responded to a need in her school or community by creating and/or implementing a program to fulfill that need. Utilize your community connections, guidance counselors, or even newspaper articles to find your STAR!

Once you have narrowed your candidates down to your chapter's selection, get to know her really well. This enables you to write a better, more personal, chapter letter of recommendation. You know she is a STAR, but you also have to make the committee see why she is a STAR!

UN/NR Committee

Summer Picnic or Wine and Cheese? Ohio is Lighting Up Tomorrow Right Now!

Thumbs up for our Convention Unaffiliate Telethon! Thanks to the enthusiastic sisters who made 77 calls to unaffiliates or nonresident sisters. While making calls, sisters often talk about chapter health. Some are working hard with the Membership Committee or a SIS (Sister in Support) to revitalize, and we are contacting new names. Other sisters said they did not want to call because their chapter already had "too many" members to comfortably hold meetings in their homes. I also learned it is difficult for sisters to make a "cold call," even to a P.E.O.

If calling is difficult for you or your chapter, www.peointernational.org has a tool in the "Local Chapter Membership Committee Toolbox" called "Easy Steps for Making a Cold Call." From these steps you can create a "script" for what to say until you feel comfortable enough to go "off script." Keep the goal of your call in mind – inviting the woman to meet you - face to face, and as soon as possible!

Advise her to find individuals who truly know her well enough to write a letter which exemplifies why she is outstanding. Tell her to avoid persons who only write generic letters of recommendations.

Lastly, have her email you a head and shoulder picture from her Senior pictures or take one yourself when you interview her. Then it will be readily available to email to the state committee next spring when she is awarded the scholarship. You worked hard to get your STAR, and she deserves to shine at convention.

Your chapter can submit your candidate between September 1st and November 1st. If you have not received confirmation of submission after 10 business days, contact star@peodsm.org.

Last year 760 young women were awarded the scholarship for a total of \$1,900,000. Ohio chapters submitted 46 young women from which 15 were chosen as STARS for the 2018-19 academic year. Well done, sisters! Let's challenge ourselves to have an even better year this year!

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You will have a chance to practice calling, as P.E.O. International is again asking us to Phone Every One of our local unaffiliate sisters in January, 2019. To ensure your nonresident sisters are called, please have your corresponding secretary update phone numbers for your nonresident sisters by September 15, 2018.

As summer begins to fade, take time for a wine and cheese get together, or a coffee to meet potential members or unaffiliate sisters. Or a potluck picnic or BIL pizza party. Ohio chapters provide many welcoming opportunities to meet new sisters, but if your chapter is too big...we can help you "split!" Nothing is better for Ohio P.E.O. than new chapters! Please reach out and meet our unaffiliate sisters and women recommended so they can help Ohio light tomorrow today!

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This time of year always brings with it a great anticipation of the beginning of our P.E.O. program year with a time for gathering and working to meet chapter, state and International goals of the year as you plan to **Light tomorrow with today!** The Executive Board of the Ohio State Chapter has challenged themselves and you to work towards positive net growth in Ohio; and to raise awareness of P.E.O. among our members and the public.

First plan your 150th celebration event – take the opportunity to tell members and guests the story and accomplishments of P.E.O. Secondly, “*Each one, bring one*”... invite someone to membership; counsel them well and nurture them to insure P.E.O. is meaningful to them. And thirdly, share your P.E.O. story of your successes with friends and associates; send a story of interest to the P.E.O. Record or to a local news source. ***Let your light shine!***

Prepare to celebrate the upcoming 2019 biennium by helping **Our State** participate and achieve the following challenges set forth by International Chapter:

2019

- **2 initiates per chapter each year**
- **0 new inactive members and 0 newly disbanded chapters**
- **1 new chapter in each s/p/d this biennium and 1 in progress or organizing**
- **9 gratitude, grace and generosity**

Sisters, with **Gratitude** for the gift of P.E.O. and the opportunity to serve women in achieving their highest educational potential and a **Grace** to serve with humility and love, **LEAD forward** in the name of P.E.O.

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Reminder: Fall Membership Workshop for Southeast Quadrant Chapters Saturday, October 20, 2018

David Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
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Morning Session

C, N, V, X, AV, BA, BD, BX, DE, DH,
DK, DX, EF, EU, EW, FA, FE

Social Time: 9:30 – 10:00 AM

Workshop: 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Afternoon Session

G, U, AB, BH, CU, CW, DD, DL, DQ,
EA, EB, ED, EH, EL, EZ, FD, FF, FI

Social Time: 1:00 – 1:30 PM

Workshop: 1:30 – 3:30 PM

All Ohio chapters are welcome to attend!