

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,

I don't know about you, but I'm still buzzing from the excitement of January. P.E.O. turned 150 – and feels just as young and vibrant as ever. Chapters and Reciprocities have celebrated Founders' Day in grand style, and the celebrations will continue through this spring! We received a deluge of donations from chapters making their end-of-year gifts to the projects - THANK YOU! And sisters in Central Ohio are preparing for the 2019 Convention that's just around the corner.

Many of you are wrapping up your terms as officers and many of you have accepted the challenge to continue on or to take on a new office. For that we are grateful and we thank you. Don't forget to hold an officer transition meeting so you can transfer supplies AND knowledge. Even if every officer is the same as the previous year, it's a great time to set goals, dream about the future, and make a plan for those dreams! Oh, and one small detail – an officer transition meeting is required. So have fun with it!

As the P.E.O. year begins anew on March 1, we look towards the completion of the Annual Reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. They must arrive by March 10th so please let us know if we can assist. It's also super important for your outgoing corresponding secretary to enter the Report of Election of Officers of Local Chapter and the S/P/D Convention – Delegate and Alternates Report on the International website, www.peointernational.org. We can't file our reports until you file yours, so please help us get that done! We are also waiting to see the results of your hard work this past year. I have felt your efforts to *Light tomorrow with today!* through initiations, reinstatements and the identification of applicants for our P.E.O. projects!

As I write this it's February and the weather is annoying and unpredictable. I've always been an avid reader but even more so in the winter and your President's Letters are my current favorite read. Who needs fiction when I can read about chapters that are having an amazing time together in fellowship, in fundraising, in learning, and in simply having fun? Thank you for opening this window into the lives of your chapters. You're doing awesome things to *Light tomorrow with today!* We couldn't be more proud.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Kylie

Kylie Smith, CU
President, Ohio State Chapter





The 92nd Convention of the Ohio State Chapter *Light tomorrow with today!*

May 31-June 1

DoubleTree Columbus-Worthington
Columbus, Ohio

The 2019 Convention of Ohio State Chapter is coming soon to the DoubleTree Columbus-Worthington. Your hostess chapters are busily preparing for your visit, May 31-June 1! It'll be a jam-packed weekend that guarantees to be informative AND fun!

This is our first year using a new registration program that is also used by International Chapter – Cvent. If all goes according to plan (it will, we're sure of it), registration will open on Friday, March 1 with online access at the Ohio P.E.O. website: www.ohiopeo.org. Registration will close Friday, April 26. To help you make your plans, convention details will be posted on the Ohio P.E.O. website in the next couple of weeks. So keep an eye out! Everyone must register online, including delegates, alternate delegates, visitors, BILs, speakers, escorts, and other guests. You will be able to pay for your registration by credit card or by mailing a check.

Come for a day, for an evening, or for the whole event! The Projects and Sales Rooms will be open Friday and Saturday. The Time of Remembrance will take place Friday afternoon following the first session of business. A membership workshop will be presented on Friday BEFORE the first session of business and we're squeezing in lots of time to share ideas with sisters and socialize. There will be a cocktail hour before the President's Banquet on Friday evening, and special guest speaker Fran Becque, Ph.D., will share the history of P.E.O. during the banquet. Start off Saturday morning with a sunrise yoga session for a \$25 donation, or you may donate and respond with a hearty *Namaste in Bed* (get it?) After the closing business meeting on Saturday, the Projects Luncheon is sure to be amazing as we hear from project recipients, honor our Golden Girls, and celebrate anniversary chapters!

Please plan to join us for the 92nd Convention of Ohio State Chapter. You won't want to miss it!

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Chapters C, N, BD, DE, DH, DK, ED, EU, EW, FI
Liz Slemons, DE, and Joanna Macklin, DH, Co-chairmen

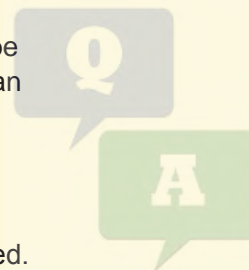
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

During the Questions & Answers period at Convention, the International Representative and the State Organizer will answer questions about P.E.O. policies and procedures, and local, state or International topics. Please send your questions to:

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All questions must be received no later than
May 1, 2019.

The Organizer may contact you if clarification is needed.



Sale of items at Convention

No items may be sold at convention except those sold by the hostess chapters. However, chapters who wish to display their chapter fundraising items along with order forms may do so by making a reservation for display space.

To reserve display space in the sales room, please contact:
Marty Billing, (937) 390-1248
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Reservations must be submitted no later than MAY 1 in order to provide ample display space.



Ladies, **Welcome HOME** to Des Moines, Iowa! Please join us in celebrating 150 Years! Plans are underway for Ohio delegates and visitors to attend the 2019 Convention of International Chapter. Chapters eligible to send delegates have been notified and should provide names of delegates and alternates to OSC, VP Marty Billing by March 31. Watch for information and registration materials in the March-April issue of *The P.E.O. Record* and access the International P.E.O. website frequently for convention postings. All delegates will be receiving information during a workshop at the Convention of Ohio State Chapter at the DoubleTree/Worthington on Saturday, June 1st at 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. You will receive specific information about travel to Des Moines, the plans for our State Dinner on Wednesday, September 11, the special plans for honoring our very own Sue Baker, the president of International Chapter. For questions, please contact OSC Vice President, Marty Billing or OSC Organizer, Nancy Shelton. We're looking forward to a great turnout and a great time together! Join us in Des Moines.

Welcome HOME!



Educational Loan Fund

For my article this month, I turned to *The P.E.O. Record* to see what information I could glean from the ELF Loans article. Wow, it is just the information I want to share.

When we think of candidates for ELF loans, we typically think of women who are working toward a bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree. Well, at least I do. Don't forget to think about women who are working toward an associate degree or women that are in a non-degree accredited program. While this demographic may not be front of mind, there are many women who begin to further their education through this type of academic curricula. These degrees and programs are often more cost effective. They also allow a faster track to employment and can be a springboard toward an advanced degree.

Cottey College is pleased to announce that Ali Miller of Stillwater, Oklahoma has been awarded the Joan K. Bradshaw Scholarship. This scholarship was established in 1978 by the Ohio State Chapter in honor of Joan K. Bradshaw, the president of International Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood 1987-89. The income is used for a scholarship for a gifted student with preference to an Ohio student.

Ali shares that "Cottey is my home. This is where I was meant to be because I can shine and excel and not only am I encouraged to do so, but I am able to do so with the support from my professors and peers". We should be proud to know that our sisterhood is supporting such a great college.

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The maximum loan amounts for a non-degree accredited program and associate degree is \$12,000. All applicants must submit the ELF application 6-24 months prior to graduation or course completion date. It is important that you begin the application process right away with the candidate as most programs are less than a 2-year duration.

Take the time to read the ELF Loan article in the January-February 2019 issue of *The P.E.O. Record* and get more information about how you can help women to reach for the stars.

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SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

DID YOU KNOW?

Chapter DB, had the first Bed and Breakfast in Ohio! The first listing of the B&B Network appeared in *The P.E.O. Record*, April 1981 issue: West Shore suburb. Easy access to airport, turnpike and public transportation. Jane Bellows, 293 Saddler Rd., Bay Village OH 44140. Chapter DB, Ohio.

CELEBRATION FOR OUR OHIO FOUNDER ON JANUARY 26. Twenty-seven P.E.O.s and BILs were present for the wreath laying ceremony in remembrance and honor of our Ohio P.E.O. Founder, Marie Suela Pearson Penfield. It was held Saturday, January 26th at Suela's gravesite in Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland, Ohio. Our Ohio ceremony will be added to the six gravesite ceremonies of our founders in Mt. Pleasant, Pella and Newton cemeteries in Iowa. These wreath laying ceremonies will be highlighted as part of our Sesquicentennial Celebration during International Convention in September. Thank you to all who participated.



P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship

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. Thank you, Ohio chapter sisters for *Lighting tomorrow with today* through your support of IPS. Ohio had 30 PIP awards that are shared by 13 students studying throughout the United States from abroad.

To become a PIP chapter you must make a \$500 donation and complete the "Partners in Peace Form" (found on the international website under IPS). IPS Board of Trustees (one of which is our very own Jan Knuckey) will match your chapter with an IPS recipient with whom you can form a special bond. Donations must be received in the P.E.O. Executive Office before the March 1 deadline. Chapters are notified of their IPS student in September.

The P.E.O. Partners in Peace Named Scholarship is a gift of at least \$12,500 from an individual, a chapter



150 FUND: Since last reported in the 2019 Winter Heartline, twenty-eight additional chapters have contributed to the 150 Fund. They are: A, P, AG, AL, AO, AP, AR, AS, AV, BE, BK, BO, CD, CE, CP, CV, CW, DB, DD, DE, DL, DQ, DV, EH, EL, EV, FB and FI. Nine additional individuals have also contributed to the 150 Fund. They are: Sheridan Scott N, Darlene Miller CE, Lois Dale CW, Cynthia Krause DK, Merry Ann Sauls DK, Carolyn and David Dunkin EA, Patricia Reagan EF, Pauline Fritz FA. Thank you, too, to all chapters and individuals who have made additional contributions to the 150 Fund. Over 89% of Ohio chapters have contributed.

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

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or group of chapters, or a state/provincial/district chapter (also due by the March 1 deadline). The donation pays for the entire scholarship for an IPS recipient.

Please encourage your 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.

In closing, I welcome chapter stories about the relationships you have developed with your IPS students. Please email your chapter stories, photos, etc. so that I can include them in the Projects Room display at Ohio State Convention May 31-June 1.

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Scholar Awards

A total of 945 completed nominations from chapters across the nation were received for this year's P.E.O. Scholar Awards. Each of the three PSA trustees reads every single one of the qualifying applications prior to making their decisions. These P.E.O. sisters who serve as the trustees have highly recognized credentials in various sectors of higher education. They are extremely well qualified and trustworthy for this important role!

The number of Scholars chosen annually is typically 100 . . . but not this year! In honor of the 150th celebration of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, the PSA board will be selecting 150 recipients for 2019.

Thank you to each of the Ohio Chapters who submitted PSA nominations. It is a highly competitive award. These are the women who *today are most certainly lighting the tomorrows of many*. They are changing the world. For some of these women, the



STAR Scholarship

Well done sisters in submitting your STAR candidate through the new format on the website. It certainly was a surprising and exciting season this year! A very special thank you to Joyce Cunningham, Chapter AM-BV who was first to brave the application process Labor Day weekend. She copied the new format for me to distribute to the rest of the chapters, so you would not go into the process blind.

However, our job isn't done yet. We need to maintain contact with our STAR candidates. After all, if she was exceptional enough to sponsor for the STAR, we want to Light her Way to P.E.O. If you haven't already gotten a digital head and shoulder shot, please have her send one to you. When she is selected as a STAR, you will be ready to forward her picture to me to shine on the STAR display at State convention at the end of May. Additionally, confirm when her

monetary award might fund research, art, projects, or writing that would not otherwise be funded.

If you have made a nomination, consider supporting your candidate through emails, cards, and other caring ways, both during this waiting period and following the selection. Invite her to a chapter program or guest event. Ask her to provide a program to your chapter about her field of study.

Thank you, as well, to each of you who, by your \$500 donation to the PSA, have become a Laureate Chapter. Your chapter delegate to the Ohio State P.E.O. Convention in June will receive your certificate of recognition for this generous donation.

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

Thank you, again, for your involvement in this project. I look forward to talking with you when you stop at the PSA display at convention!

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school's scholastic/academic awards ceremony is being held and ask to honor her achievement by personally awarding the scholarship to her. Remember, the international committee will notify recipients and chapters by April 30th.

Did you know that your chapter can fund a named STAR Scholarship by donating \$2,500? Just have your treasurer indicate on the transmittal form on the STAR line that it is for a named scholarship and the name of the person being honored/remembered. In addition, fill in the section at the bottom indicating the person to be honored and notified. However, there is a deadline of December 1st to have a named STAR scholarship for the year.

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Sunbury is Lighting Tomorrow!

Sixteen new initiates and one transfer will be forming Ohio's newest chapter! Chapter FM, Sunbury, will be organized on Saturday, April 13th at 11:30 am.

(Location yet to be determined.) These energetic women have planned and worked for a year to become our newest sisters. Welcome to P.E.O., FM!

There are always a lot of questions about P.E.O.'s policies regarding Circularization - the use of P.E.O.'s mailing lists and directories. Please take time to check out the revised section in the Instructions to Officers of Local Chapters (IOLC) regarding Circularization. After careful review of current Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations, changes have been made to the approval process:

- Local chapter fundraising mailers/email within the boundaries of a state, provincial or district chapter **NO LONGER** require s/p/d board approval for circularization

- Fundraising across s/p/d lines **STILL** requires approval of the Executive Board of International Chapter to assure that we are in compliance with the IRS guidelines
- Local chapters must still follow all Fundraising Guidelines in the IOLC

A new webpage with all of the Circularization information in one place has been designed at peointernational.org in Resource Library, Local Chapter Members. A privacy policy has been included in the Circularization Policy and is published in reference to using P.E.O. member contact information.

Membership Committee



This time of year always brings with it a great anticipation of the beginning of our P.E.O. program

International is implementing a campaign titled **“Every Sister is a VIP” (Very Important P.E.O.)**, in an effort to show a loving concern for each sister. Each sister was thoughtfully given an invitation to join P.E.O. for a lifetime, and it is each of our responsibilities as sisters to ensure all members know they are valued.

Show a loving concern for your non-participating members with a birthday greeting, Holiday card, personal note, or phone call just to let her know you are thinking of them.

Show a loving concern for your inactive sisters with cards and invitations to programs and socials. Remember to keep information current for each of these members.

Show a loving concern for your non-resident members by staying in touch. Remember each year to send a new Notice of a Member in Your Area. Encourage these sisters to visit chapters in their area. Sisters, you have done a remarkable job of choosing and inviting VIPs to join your chapters this membership year. You have helped sisters reinstate their membership and others to find new P.E.O.

homes through transfers. You have worked hard to reach out to your local unaffiliates inviting them to your meetings and socials and with invitations to transfer. Through these efforts you are showing a loving concern to each sister. We would not be the great organization we are without the work of our individual members.

Sisters, as stated in the November – December edition of *The Record* **“Aim to ensure everyone feels a part of the chapter, no matter what their age or their level of participation, as it exemplifies the greatest of our virtues . . . Love”.**

Sisters are priceless at any age.

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From IOWA to OHIO...COLD was just another 4 letter reason to CALL!

What were you doing during the Polar Vortex that blanketed Ohio from January 30 to February 1? Many Ohio P.E.O. sisters who were stuck inside had an *IDEA* . . . Phone Every One of the Unaffiliate sisters on the list provided to their chapter to wish them a Happy 150th Founders' Day. Many reported to me about their calls during the *COLD*. One sister reported that she knew most everyone should be at home when the thermometer registered -6 degrees. Some sisters confirmed to me that an 80 plus year old sister did not want to be active, but the point of Phone Every One

was to *TALK* with our Unaffiliate sisters, to express our loving concerns, and to let them know they are not forgotten.

Many thanks to all of our Ohio chapter sisters who made a *CALL* and have reported their results. It is not too late! Many sisters are still planning to send a *CARD* for Valentine's Day. For our P.E.O. Sisterhood – now in its 151st year, it is still all about one very special 4 letter word...*LOVE!* Happy Spring!

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Program for Continuing Education

“PCE” Funding Grants Today...for a Brighter Tomorrow” – the leading statement on the PCE portion of the P.E.O. website. How well that meshes with the Ohio State Chapter theme – *Light tomorrow with today!* Thank you to Ohio chapters for continuing to assist with brighter tomorrows for PCE applicants with the gift of a PCE grant today. An additional \$8,900 was awarded to five applicants in the past months, bringing the total amount of grants since March 1, 2018 to \$50,900. Well done Ohio Chapters!

Accessing the members-only section of the P.E.O. International website under Projects, PCE, Chapter Resources for PCE will provide chapter PCE chairs with valuable resources and inspiration. The seven

tips for success are a great starting place: find a candidate, verify her eligibility, learn her story, communicate her need, review her income and expenses, focus on the application, and mentor the candidate and celebrate her success. Several successful applicants mention how rewarding it is to receive congratulations, encouragement and support from their sponsoring chapters even after the grant is awarded. Remember that applicants may be great candidates to become a P.E.O. sister.

See you in June at convention in Columbus!

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LOCAL CHAPTER OFFICERS AREA WORKSHOP (LCOAW)

Saturday, April 6, 2019

Northwest Quadrant Chapters

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

315 S. College Drive, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402

Morning Session: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Chapters I, O, T, AA, AG, AL, AQ, AS, BN, BO, DM, DN, EJ, FG

Afternoon Session: 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Chapters E, S, AI, AP, AT, AY, BE, BP, CJ, DF, DT, ER, FJ

This is an opportunity for newly elected officers, continuing officers and chapter membership chairmen to meet with the Executive Board of Ohio State Chapter to learn the latest information and ask questions. Please plan now to attend this required workshop.