

Spring 2022 Messaging

Every Sister is a VIP (Very Important P.E.O.)

The ideas shared below are excellent for members of all ages, experience and levels of involvement. In particular, be sure to keep your members, who because of age and health, are no longer able to participate in chapter life the same way they could in the past. During the Listening Tour in January, members discussed the importance of engaging these sisters who have contributed over the years in meaningful ways. A small gesture goes a long way in letting your sisters know that you are there for them, and that once a sister, you're always a sister.

APRIL

- * Create a "goody bag" for your chapter's convention delegate(s). This can contain small items like mints, travel-size sanitizing wipes or hand sanitizer, her favorite snack/candy, and a card signed by your chapter thanking her for attending and bringing back to the chapter such important news.
- * Shower your collegiate sisters with items they could use as they begin studying for finals snacks, pencils and pens, stickers, door decorations, and a stress reliever item. If you have a sister who is a Cottey student, order a finals week care package before April 20, 2022, on the Cottey website https://cottey.edu/peo/support-students/
- * Have a Spring potluck picnic with sisters, family, and friends. Have a bouncy house for kids, hire a local band, hold an auction to raise funds for the projects.

MAY

- * Volunteer with a local veteran's organization to place flags or poppies on headstones in a local cemetery. This outdoor event can include family and friends, as well as non-participating members.
- * Bake a festive pie and deliver to one your non-participating or homebound members to kick off the berry season.
- * Whether you're looking for a breath of spring air or inspiration and fun with sisters, a trip to the local plant nursery is so much fun. Plan ahead, call the local nursery and make arrangements for your visit. Often an employee will give you a tour and offer ideas about spring planting. Group visits are best taken during the week. Invite guests, non-participating and inactive sisters.

JUNE

- * Plan a trip with chapter members plus non-participating members to a local ice cream parlor for a sweet treat.
- * Brighten the day for a sister that hasn't attended meetings in a while with a handful of fresh-picked flowers and a jar of sun tea. Leave it at her house with a container of sugar she can add to sweeten the tea to her taste.
- * Get ready for summer reading and visit a used bookstore to load up on those books you love to read. The entire chapter is invited. Arrange a book reveal after a chapter meeting. Each sister can review one of her books. Exchange books and even have more to read. Spread the fun with invited guests, family, inactive and non-participating sisters.

