

# The Hot Spot<sup>M</sup>

Membership Newsletter for Local P.E.O. Chapters

January 2018

## MEMBERSHIP MOMENT

### Project Applicant Chapter Discussion

Sponsoring project applicants is a rewarding experience for every chapter, especially when the “applicants” become “recipients.” But has your chapter thought about the possibility of these applicants and recipients becoming P.E.O. sisters? These women already know what wonderful work we do and have felt the loving concern that embodies our Sisterhood. This would be a great opportunity for them to give back by becoming a part of the organization that gave them that support during their educational journey. At an upcoming meeting, initiate a discussion about your current applicants. Is the chapter on board with sponsoring one of them for membership?

*Convention of International Chapter Membership Workshop*

### Find the Project Applicant

At Convention of International Chapter in Charlotte, one of the seven practices of a P.E.O. with vitality highlighted in the Membership Workshop was to be intentional about finding the project applicant.

Sponsoring project applicants is a great way to add vitality to chapter life. All of your chapter members can work together to find the applicants, interview them, help fill out their applications, and then support them as they continue their educational journey. Supporting women’s education is one of the outstanding attractions of our Sisterhood, and working on this together can bring your chapter members closer together as they

learn more about the projects and the application process.

One chapter recently sought applicants at a local community college and came up with so many interested students they had enough applicants to share with other chapters! It became a total chapter project that involved several meetings outside of regular business meetings. The result was a win-win for both the chapter members and the students who were helped through our projects.

**Note:** be sure to follow your state, provincial or district guidelines for finding project applicants. The spark this activity provides is priceless!



### Red Toolbox Spotlight

#### Chapter Health –

##### Dues Reminder Hot Spot

Dues can be collected anytime during the year, so don’t wait until February to send out your notices. Check out the [Dues Reminder Hot Spot](#) in the Chapter Health section of the Red Toolbox. There are some great suggestions for making dues collection a fun activity. In the process, be mindful of those sisters who are having financial difficulty or indicate they may be considering inactive status so you can respond accordingly.

## Upcoming Events

### Wear Your Pin Day – January 21st

Here’s an easy way for all members to participate in the upcoming Wear Your Pin Day (Founders’ Day 2018). Add a P.E.O. frame to your profile picture on Facebook to share with others about P.E.O. What a great way to virtually wear your pin! The frame will be available on Facebook early in January 2018.



Wear Your Pin Day

January 21<sup>st</sup> is also **Phone Every One Day**, an opportunity to contact your nonresidents to wish them a Happy Founders’ Day and make sure you have their current contact information.

