



# Colorado State Chapter Encourage~Inspire~Reward

"Smile from your heart; nothing is more beautiful than a woman who is happy to be herself."  
Kubra Sait



## 2019-2020 Theme Message Recap

**P.E.O. A Heart of Change – Inspire, Encourage, Reward** – the main thrust of this message is that **we P.E.O.s offer changes to many with a lot of HEART!**

We have two distinct paths: the first path is that of fulfilling our mission – raising funds and finding recipient's for our various international, state and local philanthropies; it is truly amazing what an afternoon of playing bridge, slinging beer at a local October fest, or having an open donation

wine/appetizer party can raise in funds! We then turn around and are able to give chosen recipients the reaps of the bounty as we **inspire** them with our available grants, loans and scholarships – we **encourage** these women along their educational path, and we **reward** them ultimately by having their dreams fulfilled – and somewhere down this lane we, collectively and separately are **inspired** by their individual stories, **encouraged** to find more women to also use these invaluable benefits and **rewarded** indefinitely by the fact that we supported one more person not only by making a profound difference in her world but our own.

The second path is our hidden gem - **sisterhood** - our **heart of change**– we are inspired by our own chapter members to be a bit more accountable to not only them but to ourselves, we are encouraged, supported and boosted by our fellow sisters, likewise we give this back double fold and lastly we are deeply rewarded by finding rock solid friendships and by the knowledge that if our lives change and a new chapter awaits us – we have friends already made and adventures ready to share.

So **my charge to each of you this year and beyond** is to find your **passion, be your own heroine** in P.E.O. - maybe for you that is heading up the local chapter fundraiser for a specific project, and finding a recipient for such – or maybe it is reaching out to the non-participating members in your chapter with an extra call or card or it could be by “taking the call” and being involved on a local or state level committee or even seeing yourself on the state executive board!

I leave you with this quote from Out of the Heart, A Century of P.E.O. “ Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life – Proverbs 4:23 - **Ladies, you each hold a heart of change, use it to inspire, encourage, and reward not only others in your world but yourself!**

Janelle Rodriguez, CSC President, "Excerpts from Incoming Speech 6-9-19"

Look up on a starry night and behold the array. Be part of that brilliance for stellar young women — become a P.E.O. STAR Scholarship Constellation Chapter! A chapter that makes a lump sum contribution of \$500 by January 31 or more will be designated as a Constellation Chapter and will receive a certificate at their state convention beginning in 2020 along with being noted on the



We are searching for fellow sisters that enjoy and understand social media of all types to meet and brainstorm on an ad hoc Technology Committee - first meeting to take place in October!

For all interested - Please contact Janelle at edustars7@gmail.com

We're pleased to announce that registration for the 74th Convention of International Chapter has re-opened - go to the **P.E.O. International website to get all the INFO!**

IF you are attending as a CO State Visitor, please contact Janelle via email for info on attending the Colorado State Dinner, Wednesday, 9-11-19 at the CO Delegation hotel Hilton Garden Inn, West Des Moines



*Joint Cocktail Reception begins at 5pm with MI and GA  
Cost for Dinner \$35 per person*

A lasting tribute at the P.E.O. Executive Office in Des Moines, Iowa

Maintaining and preserving the birthplace of P.E.O. in Mount Pleasant, Iowa

**P.E.O. International Projects and Cottey College**

*Celebrate*  
P.E.O. 150 Years!

As of June 15, 85.1% of local chapters have made a contribution toward the goal of 100% participation.

**Reminder: 150 Fund donations must be received in the INTL Executive Office no later than August 10th!**



*Happy Fourth of July!  
2019-2020 State Chapter Executive Board  
Janelle ~Shari~Lia~ Paisley~Cori*