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Membership Newsletter for Local P.E.O. Chapters

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MEMBERSHIP MOMENT – Turn this crisis into a FUN-raiser

Since our chapter meetings have been cancelled for this month, create a fun-raiser. Each sister likely has a stack of magazines or catalogs that you have not read. Count how many there are and put aside a dime for each one you go through and recycle. Besides cleaning up that reading material, go through your jewelry box and for every daisy or star you find, add a quarter to your 'next meeting stash'. For every sister you call and have a conversation with during the month, subtract a nickel. This has to be a true call not leaving a message. Don't forget your nonresidents who don't live close to their home chapter when you are making those calls.

Sing the Opening Ode while washing your hands for 20 seconds. Just think – at your next meeting, no one will have to refer to the written words!

Living your Objects and Aims

Extending Loving Concern – Especially Now

In these uncertain times of continuing concern about the COVID-19 virus, the bonds of sisterhood are even more dear to us. Following guidance from the International executive board, all chapters have cancelled meetings and in-person social events. As we self-quarantine and socially distance ourselves, consider the following ideas for keeping in touch with your sisters.

♥ A lot of chapters currently communicate electronically via email or chapter Facebook pages. Ramping up your social media can help you stay connected. Make sure to include your nonresident members and inactives in your communications.

♥ Consider going back to personal phone calls. Reestablish your telephone tree if you are no longer using it.

♥ You can also simply call the next sister in your yearbook and have a phone chat to brighten her day and see if there is a need that you can fill. Call until you get someone and ask her to call the next one in the book.

♥ Visit the Cottey website and take a virtual tour.

♥ Ask your chaplain to send an

uplifting quote to the chapter members.

♥ As you are preparing meals at home, use this time to think of a sister you haven't seen in a while. While waiting for something to cook, give her a call.

♥ Learn about your sisters by creating an online quiz. What is her favorite pie, magazine, TV show? Has she ever had a broken bone, ridden a horse, flown a plane? The possibilities are endless.

♥ Start a card chain. Mail an uplifting card to one sister and ask her to keep the chain going.

♥ Does your chapter use technology? Set up an "I miss you" conference call just to keep in touch.

♥ If you are in the low risk group of sisters (under 60 and healthy), consider making yourself available to high risk members who might need a grocery run or other assistance.

It is more important now than ever to express a loving concern to our sisters. Make sure every sister knows she is a Very Important P.E.O.!



Local Chapter Membership Committee Spotlight

[Choosing to Become an O&A Woman](#) is excellent reading during this unusual time in P.E.O. Making our Objects and Aims a daily part of your life may be just what you need to help you deal with the stresses of our current situation.

