

The Hot Spot

Membership Newsletter for Local P.E.O. Chapters

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MEMBERSHIP MOMENT – Know Your Core Why

As P.E.O.s we often focus on the HOW – the busy and wonderful activities and procedures of P.E.O. which are reflected in the points of the star. We also jump right to the WHAT – the results and constructive outcomes we want to see happen. But in order for all this energy to radiate productively into the world, it needs to come from one direction....our hearts. We need to be solid in our core for WHY we are P.E.O.s. We need to remember WHY we choose to get involved, to keep in contact with our sisters, and to invite others to become P.E.O.s. HOW things get done and WHAT effects we see in the world will fall into place and last longer when we know WHY we are P.E.O.s.

You will find the [Know Your Core Why Handout](#) in the Local Chapter Membership toolbox on the International website. Think from your heart. WHY are you a P.E.O.?

Loving Concern and a Special Message for Our Newest Sisters

Welcome to the P.E.O. Sisterhood!

You may have been in a holding pattern since mid-March because we could not conduct meetings and initiate you into our Sisterhood. Now that we can meet again and can initiate new sisters, your postinitiation counseling is as important as ever. The chapter president will also ensure that a three-year mentoring program is put into effect for you.

But what can you, as a new initiate, do to fully become a P.E.O.? The following is a checklist of activities adapted from Oklahoma State Chapter. During your first year or two of membership, we encourage you to enrich your P.E.O. experience by checking off each of the following:

- Read *The P.E.O. Record*.
- Meet each of your chapter sisters.
- Read about the P.E.O. Founders and the history of P.E.O. Check with your chapter president for books she has in her supplies.
- Substitute as a guard or other officer at a meeting.
- Give a report on one of our P.E.O. projects.
- Visit your P.E.O. websites – both International and your own state, provincial or district (s/p/d) – ask your president for the username and password and for the s/p/d website address.
- Attend your state, provincial or district convention.
- Make it a point to visit with a different sister and really get to know her.
- When we can have programs at our in-person meetings again, think about sharing a talent or interest by giving a program.
- Offer to give a virtual program sharing your talents or interests.

As you attend your chapter meetings and participate in socials and fundraisers you will learn more about P.E.O. More importantly, you will form a bond with your new sisters.

Even if you have been a P.E.O. for a while, make it your goal to check off each of these activities this year.



Local Chapter Membership Spotlight

When you log onto the [International Chapter website](#), click on the membership tab on the home page. Take time to read the [New Member Resources](#). This information may remind you of some of what you heard during your postinitiation counseling.

Under that same membership tab are lots of other resources for you to peruse and return to time and again. Our website has an abundance of information at your fingertips. Enjoy!

