

# Colorado State Chapter Knit Together in Sisterly Love to Promote Educational Opportunities

**“If you’ve never been thrilled to the very edges of your soul by a flower in spring bloom, maybe your soul has never been in bloom.”**

— Audra Foveo



**They do say that April showers bring May flowers...**I know I would love to see some moisture and beautiful, colorful flowers soon! Perhaps, some daisies in the form of P.E.O. sisters!

I really do not know what happened to March! How very quickly time flies. And this month we are going to be spending some time in training of local chapter officers! As you begin to settle into your new office, we are here to help!

Your Colorado State Executive Board will offer  
**Local Chapter Officer Training via ZOOM on the following dates/times.**

Training will be offered for all seven local chapter officers’ positions at each session.

Thursday, April 15th - 5:30 to 6:30 PM

Friday, April 16th - 9:00 to 10:00 AM

Wednesday, April 21st - 7:00 to 8:00 PM

Saturday, April 24th - 9:00 to 10:00 AM

*Please email [Paisley.Huntoon@LFG.com](mailto:Paisley.Huntoon@LFG.com) for a copy of the ZOOM link to any of these sessions. RSVP's can only be accepted up to two days before the event!*

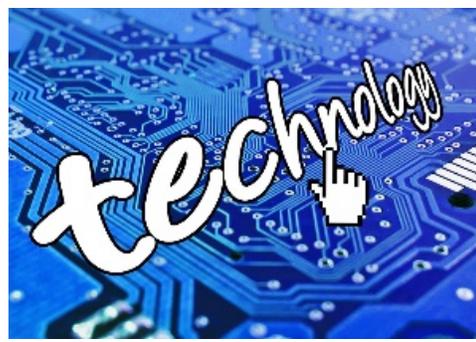
**PLEASE NOTE that the final training will be IN PERSON!** Our Organizer, Paisley Huntoon has worked tirelessly in finding a place that will accommodate a SMALL group of officers for this training.

**We will have one in-person training on:  
Thursday, April 29th - 6 to 7PM  
Parker Library \* Event Halls A&B**

*Only fifty sisters will be allowed to attend this session, so please RSVP to [Paisley.Huntoon@LFG.com](mailto:Paisley.Huntoon@LFG.com) at your earliest convenience!*

# Tech Nugget

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Colorado State Technology Committee



I know you all must be getting as tired of Zoom virtual meetings as I am. However, Zoom appears to be a useful tool for keeping our Sisterhood together. I suspect it will be with us even after pandemic lockdowns end because it provides a means for reaching out to our homebound or out of town chapter members. Since the Colorado State Chapter is planning on using Zoom Webinar (which will look different than regular Zoom meetings—you will only see the one speaking and not a gallery of people) for the state conference in June, I want to encourage everyone to check which version of the Zoom software application they currently have installed on their computer or tablet. Zoom does not update itself like many other apps do, especially apps on your smartphone. If you join Zoom meetings using your smartphone, I believe, like most smartphone apps, Zoom updates itself automatically.

To check which version, you currently have installed on your PC (and I believe this procedure is the same for a MAC), follow these instructions:

While you are in a **Zoom meeting** look at the bottom toolbar—the toolbar has the microphone at the left end where you mute/unmute yourself. Click on the small up-arrow (^) next to either the microphone or the video camera icon; then select **Audio Settings** or **Video Settings**. This opens Zoom's **Settings** dialog box.

Next, look at the list of keywords down the left side; they start with **General**, **Video**, etc. Close to the bottom will be the word **Statistics**. Click on **Statistics** and at the bottom of that screen will be your current version. Usually, it will be a number like **5.5.X (12345.5432)**. As of the writing of this column, the current version is **5.5.4**. However, Zoom is constantly upgrading its product and I suspect, by the time you are reading this, the last number of the first three may be higher. (The numbers in parentheses following the first three digits are not important.)

On a tablet, either an iPad or Android tablet, I believe the toolbar is similar, but is at the top of the screen instead of at the bottom. However, once you are in Zoom's **Settings** dialogue box, it looks similar, and the procedure is the same.

If your computer/tablet does not have the most current version, you will need to update it. There may be an **Update** button right on the **Statistics** screen. If not, you will need to wait until you **Leave Meeting**. What appears when you exit a meeting is a mostly white screen (with a couple blue areas and text on it) and your picture or initials will be in the upper righthand corner. Click on your picture/initials and a short menu pops down on which you will want to click on **Check for Updates**. When you click on this, if the most current version is not on your computer, the latest version will download and update your Zoom software. I would recommend performing this procedure at least once a month. If you will be your chapter's delegate to the State Conference, be sure to update your Zoom software before joining our virtual state conference.

If you have any other Zoom questions, I am my chapter's "Zoomie," and I will attempt to answer your chapter's tech questions or concerns about Zoom or hybrid meetings. You can reach me, by email is best at [ann@q.com](mailto:ann@q.com). I am looking forward to Zooming with many of you—see you in June!

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Convention of  
Colorado State Chapter  
will begin (virtually)



Friday, June 4, 2021 and run through Sunday, June 6, 2021.

Our Cvent registration will go live on April 20th. If you are a delegate, or voting member of convention, you are the ONLY ones allowed in the Saturday meetings.

**ANY** sister who wishes to register for convention, may do so on Cvent. There is **NO CHARGE** for convention this year unless you wish to purchase a hard copy

of the Proceedings and that is \$15.

The Saturday meeting will begin at 7 a.m. Yes, it is a ridiculous time to begin, but as International is helping all s/p/d's in their conventions, and there are 16 on this same weekend in June, we have the 7 a.m. (8 a.m. Central time for International HQ in Iowa) start time. The annual CPCC (Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation) meeting will begin at 1 p.m. MST.

There will be **Zoom links** for these meetings forthcoming as all the delegates/alternates get their information recorded with International (This is where the Corresponding Secretary is inputting the names of their chapter officers AND delegates/alternates and for any chapters have an International delegate, those as well).

There will be a **MANDATORY** practice for all voting delegates on June 2, 2021 at 1 p.m. MST until 3 p.m. As we come closer to the convention, there will be more instruction. **We cannot emphasize enough that all delegates and alternates MUST be in the International database and reported by the Chapter Corresponding Secretary.**

We want to thank you for your patience in learning about the first (and hopefully only) virtual state convention. We know this is a process in learning about new technology. My mother always told me that I should learn something new everyday and to never stop learning....I think I have learned more this year that may last a lifetime! **Stay with us and stay tuned!**

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**We would like to share this poem**, read at new Chapter JN's Organization on February 27, 2021 and was written by Karen Percy, Chapter U, Windsor.

Thank you, Karen for a wonderful tribute to P.E.O. and the Sisterhood!



### **P.E.O. Villanelle**

This voyage is ours, grow with me and tell me what you know.  
Hold hands with the women before you, open hands to those who'll come.  
Think of all the women lifted, we are what the world will show.  
We're needles on the branches of Franc's strength, reaching high to sew.  
Unwavering Mary, eidetic Alice Babb; the sweetened fruit, the ripened plum.  
This voyage is ours, grow with me and tell me what you know.

We are colors on Suela's hats, not offed by flurry or blow;  
Hattie's attentiveness, Ella's aim; mastered with matching aplomb.  
Think of all the women lifted, we are what the world will show.  
With Hattie's advice, Alice's laugh, we challenge the tug to feel low.  
Ella's honesty, Suela's charm, we're the song that began in a hum.  
This voyage is ours, grow with me and tell me what you know.  
Loyal like Alice Coffin, fair like Franc Roads, education rises, spirits aglow.  
Family-first Mary, humble Alice Babb; faced with adversity, never succumb.  
Think of all the women lifted, we are what the world will show.  
From state to state, country to country around the world we go,  
helping women everywhere, commitment and kindness we strum.  
This voyage is ours, grow with me and tell me what you know.  
Think of all the women lifted, we are what the world will show.



### **Shout out to the Colorado State Cottey Fund**

for the giving of scholarships this year!  
**A total of six students received a total of \$83,830!**

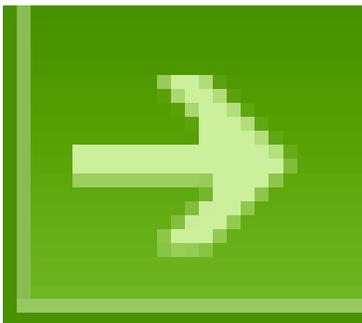
**Wow!** What a great way to continue our mission of educating women!

**CO State Scholarship Fund**  
awarded **35 scholarships** worth a total of \$83,000 with many of the women pursuing non-traditional degrees in Cosmetology, EMT, Graphic Design, Auto Tech, Agriculture, Physical Therapy, and



Equine Studies!

**Scholarships awarded were eight \$5,000, eight \$2,500, nine \$1,500, nine \$1,000, and one \$500 scholarship.**



### ***Q & A Zoom Sessions***

**KENDY CUSICK-RINDONE, VP of Colorado State Chapter will hold**

Q & A Zoom sessions on Monday, April 19th at 4:00 p.m. and Tuesday, April 27th at 11:00 a.m.

If you have questions or just want to get to know your future Colorado State P.E.O. President, please email her for a Zoom link at [peopansy@gmail.com](mailto:peopansy@gmail.com)

**SHARI FOX, President of Colorado State Chapter will hold**

Q & A Zoom Sessions on Friday, May 21st at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 22nd at 10:00 a.m.

If you would like to chat with Shari or have questions, please email her at [sistersoflove5@gmail.com](mailto:sistersoflove5@gmail.com)

**Thank you for your patience in understanding information concerning Convention this year!**



We continue to learn new things from International on “how” it will look/work. Stay tuned....

We look forward to the next few months in preparation for convention. There will be the launch of our “online” boutique where you can purchase your P.E.O. swag. That link will be posted on the Colorado P.E.O. Website soon, so visit to see what you might need that will usher in that next P.E.O. meeting or just become part of who you are as a P.E.O.!!

This Colorado Executive Board has worked non-stop to keep up with happenings for convention as well as performing all the duties that come with the job!  
This is an amazing team!

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**Knit Together in Sisterly Love,  
Shari, Kendy, Paisley, Cori, and Patty  
(lovingly known as the “e” team-Thanks to Jan Kulhanek)**

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