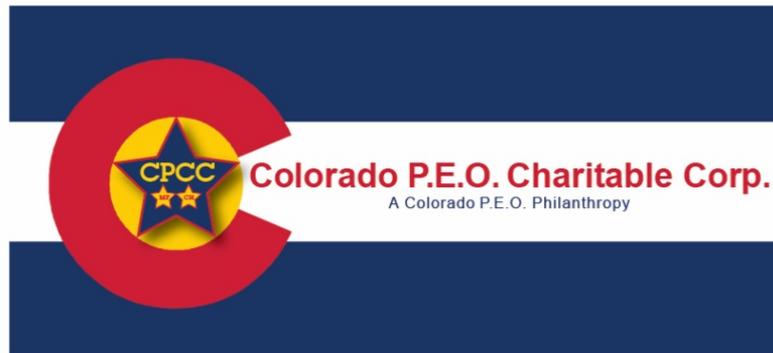


Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation

Mid February 2022 Newsletter



News from Susan Strain Miller, W/La Junta, CPCC Chair

We know that chapters are working on their yearbooks for the 2022-2023 program year. We've been receiving several questions about what they are to do with the Chapter House as well as which projects they should consider for annual/individual donations, do they continue to need a Chapter House liaison and many other good questions. As always, we appreciate your questions and hope you'll find some answers here.

Q: Are Share the Care and Marguerite fund the same thing?

A: Share the Care and Marguerite Fund are two different and separate "projects", both overseen by CPCC, and both having a committee of Trustees who administer them. I have found the easiest way to explain the projects of CPCC is by thinking that the five projects managed by CPCC are five different buckets of money.

Chapter House
Endowment Fund
Share the Care

Marguerite Fund
Marguerite Fund Christmas Shower

Share the Care is part of the Chapter House and was established in 1968 to provide assistance for Chapter House residents whose financial position impeded residency at Chapter House. Share the Care continues to help our sisters who were former residents at the time Chapter House was closed. At this time Share the Care is only being used for our former residents and we continue to appreciate donations for that project. There are no provisions in the Bylaws for any other usage of Share the Care funds.

Q: Is there a special Marguerite fund just for the Marshall Fire victims?

A: Marguerite Fund provides assistance to Colorado P.E.O. members and non-members in need of aid for a period of time and requires a P.E.O. sponsor. Victims of the Marshall Fire fire may apply for assistance from the Marguerite Fund according to the application process. There isn't a special procedure just for the fire victims, but the Marguerite Fund Trustees are eager to receive applications for fire victims as well as others in need of financial assistance.

Q: Now that Chapter House has been sold, do we just delete it in our yearbook planning, and do we still need a sister appointed as a Chapter House contact person?

A: You are correct that the Chapter House has been sold. The Golden Lotus Foundation (they have a website) will use the building as The Asian-American

Heritage Center and the grounds will be overseen and maintained by the City of Colorado Springs Parks and Recreation Department.

The Chapter House continues with a new intent still to be determined. Share the Care, a separate project which was associated with the Chapter House, continues by providing rent assistance to recent Chapter House residents and is still a very good project to support financially. Having a contact person in your chapter for the Chapter House is still a good idea.

Q: How are the funds from the sale of the Chapter House going to be distributed?

A: As for how the proceeds from the sale of the Chapter House will be used, that decision has not been made yet. According to the Bylaws all proceeds of the sale of the Chapter House are to be held in the Chapter House operating fund of the Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation for future use as approved by the membership and consistent with the CPCC Articles of Incorporation. Once the CPCC Board of Directors approves a resolution as to how the proceeds are to be used, it will be presented to the membership at an annual meeting for approval. Discussion on this is ongoing within the board and suggestions from the membership will be reviewed as well. Until the board has made their determination and readies a resolution for membership vote of approval the proceeds will remain invested and drawing interest.

Q: I'm the current project chair for our chapter. We're working on the new yearbook. Our decision, after eliminating the Chapter House, was to add CPCC. That leads to adding it to our "Colorado State Philanthropies" section. I've checked out the website and the paragraph does not reflect the recent sale of Chapter House, of course. I also think that the Marguerite Fund is not the only one under the CPCC umbrella. Could you help by giving the pertinent facts about CPCC that we could work into a short paragraph for our yearbook?

A: Even though the Chapter House property has been sold, the project still remains until the CPCC Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws are amended. Therefore, donations are still accepted for the Chapter House, if one so desires. We are still getting bills paid for past Chapter House expenses and still need funds in that account. We are, however, almost there when those expenses will all be eliminated.

Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation is a Colorado State Philanthropy, and I would list all five "buckets" under that if you have the room in that section of your yearbook. If not, how about listing Chapter House and Marguerite Fund under CPCC. The Chapter House includes Share the Care and Endowment Fund, and the Marguerite Fund includes the Christmas Shower.

Q: Where would I find information on Share the Care and the Endowment Fund? Can you provide information on those for me?

A: One can always find information on Share the Care and the Endowment Fund on the Colorado P.E.O. website under the CPCC tab. There you will find the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws for CPCC. Everything one would want to know, and more is there. The website does need some updating due to the sale of the Chapter House and proposed changes to the Bylaws will be presented at the upcoming annual meeting of CPCC for membership approval. Until then, the answers to your questions are current as posted below and are copied directly from the bylaws found on the website.

ARTICLE XI SHARE THE CARE FUND Section 1. Purpose. A fund entitled Share the Care was established by Colorado P.E.O. Chapter House, Inc. in 1968 through action of the Board of Trustees. Support by the membership was confirmed at the following convention of Colorado State Chapter when a contribution of \$1,000 was given from Colorado State Chapter funds. Share the Care Fund was established to provide assistance for Chapter House residents whose financial position impedes residency at Chapter House. Section 2. Funding. Voluntary contributions to Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation designated for the Share the Care Fund, from any source, shall be processed and deposited into an account designated for Share the Care funds. Contributions to Share the Care are

deductible by donors in computing taxes imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of the United State

ARTICLE XII ENDOWMENT FUND Section 1. Purpose. The Endowment Fund provides funds to be invested for support of the Colorado P.E.O. Chapter House. Earnings and growth can be used for designated purposes in the operations according to policy of Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation. Section 2. Funding. Voluntary contributions to Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation designated for the Endowment Fund from any source shall be processed and deposited into an account designated for the Endowment Fund. Contributions to the Endowment Fund are deductible by donors in computing taxes imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of the United States. Section 3. Administration. The Endowment Fund shall be invested according to the investment policy of Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation. The financial records and accounts of this fund shall be kept separate and apart from the books and accounts of other funds of Colorado P.E.O. Charitable Corporation and shall be listed separately on financial reports



Colorado Marguerite Fund

The Marguerite Fund Trustees are pleased to report that in January they had 19 recipients receiving monthly assistance, with one receiving her final check in January. The Trustees had their semi-annual meeting in January and approved assistance for 15 recipients, with four receiving their final check in February.

You can find the application and guidelines below as well as a donation form.

[Click here for an Application and the Guidelines](#)

[Click here for the Donation Form](#)



CPCC Board of Directors Meetings

The next scheduled meeting is March 12th at 9:00 am.

According to the CPCC Bylaws, *meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open unless executive session is requested. A visitor is to notify the Board Chairman of her intent to be present at a meeting.*

Procedure for attending a board meeting via zoom:

The board chairman is to be notified by email of your desire to attend the meeting within one week of the scheduled meeting.

- *A link for the meeting will be sent to you within two hours of the meeting start time.
- *When you are admitted to the meeting, please turn on the video and audio, update yourself with your full name and your chapter letters.
- *Once you have been recognized by the chairman to introduce yourself, turn your video and audio off.
- *You will be muted throughout the meeting and there is no chat feature available.
- * Visitors to board meetings do not have a voice or vote.

Please note: The link to attend the meeting is individual and is not to be shared with others. If notification of a desire to attend has not been received prior to the meeting date as noted above and an individual link to the meeting has not been sent to you directly, you will not be admitted to the meeting. No one will be admitted to a virtual meeting if not signed in at the time the meeting is opened.



THANK YOU!

Thanks to all of our sisters and friends who have linked their City Market and King Sooper purchases to CPCC. When you associate your card with **ES330** in the Kroger Community Rewards program, the company donates directly to CPCC.

To support CPCC while going about your daily lives: Establish or access your City Market or King Soopers loyalty card's on-line account, search for Community Rewards, and associate your card with this code – **ES330**

Share this information with your friends and family members.
Especially the ones who shop!

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