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Membership Newsletter for Local P.E.O. Chapters

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MEMBERSHIP MOMENT – Spotlight Sisters

Have fun this year and introduce an activity to help you get better acquainted with the sisters in your chapter. At each meeting highlight one P.E.O. sister and turn the spotlight on her to tell the chapter a little bit about herself. Does she have unusual hobbies, or travels, where did she meet her significant other, etc. Have her include little-known facts about herself. Your chapter social chair can arrange who that sister will be in advance and even list her in the yearbook for the month. That way she will be prepared and able to plan ahead. Our P.E.O. sisters have wonderful and diverse backgrounds and learning more about each one enables us to learn some fun facts about one another. This builds a closer bond with each sister and helps us learn more about newer members.

Sisterhood

The Bigger Picture

Some of us might never have had the experience of a sister growing up. We may have been a single child or had brothers. How wonderful it is to have a network of sisters not only in our local chapters, but also in our states, provinces and districts. We really are bigger than the living room in which we meet for local chapter meetings!

We are a special and unique group of women, dedicated not only to the Sisterhood and our projects, but to each other. We have a special bond that no other group possesses.

We exist because we believe in enriching women's lives through education. We respect each other and have high P.E.O. ideals. We may come from diverse backgrounds, but we are a wonderful example of a place where respect and diversity are lived every day. Respect for all women is the key to our belief in promoting educational opportunities for women.

As sisters dedicated to the one goal of educating women, we freely give precious time and money and in the end that determines our future. This truly is the empowerment of sisterhood.

The women of P.E.O. each come to a chapter with an interest in our sisterhood and in improving educational opportunities for women. Great chapters just don't happen overnight; their sisters must diligently work at it. Some women were born to be leaders and others were trained to be leaders. If you have not had the opportunity to hold a chapter office, please do so. We need to focus on building resilience into our Sisterhood. Each one of us has natural talents to take on the challenges and step up to the plate. We will never grow as individuals until forced out of our comfort zone, and it is an adventure worthy of the ride!



Local Chapter Membership Toolbox Spotlight

As we go forward this month with new officers, remember we are also in the process of appointing new committees for the year. Transition meetings are so important to instruct your membership committee on their responsibilities. There is a helpful resource in the Local Chapter Membership Toolbox, [Membership Begins with Me](#), to guide your committee throughout the year. Check it out as you prepare your activities for the year.

Small Interest Groups

This is a wonderful time of the year to be planning your chapter's small interest groups. Some chapters have enjoyed mahjong, bridge, book clubs, movies, museum tours, hiking or walking or just having breakfast or lunch. Let your imagination be your guide. This is a wonderful way to get to know your sisters better and form lasting bonds.

