



Nebraska State Chapter P.E.O.

June 2025

Topic: It's June and time for me to move on (after convention)

Last year, when I was getting ready for my year as president of Nebraska State Chapter, I was looking for quotes from super heroines. My favorite quote came from Wonder Woman, who said, "Be the woman who fixes another woman's crown without telling the world it was crooked."

I shared that same sentiment during my incoming speech, last June, with a quote from my grandma; "Only tell a woman that something is wrong with her outfit, if it can be corrected. Tell her that her slip is showing but don't tell her she has a run in her stockings." (A little longer story was told, but you get the gist!)

I want to take this time to thank a couple of women, who are behind the scenes, at Nebraska State Chapter, helping me to keep 'my crown' straight, at this time, and letting me know when my slip is showing. Sometimes, they do this without even telling me!

Leann Drullinger (our fearless webmaster) spell checks and grammar checks all of the publications that go onto the state website, or get emailed out. She has caught things, corrected them without losing a beat. I am so grateful because even though I am a writer, there is a reason why there are editors. Sometimes, you can't see your own mistakes. (Thanks, Leann for the catch last month! It stood out like a sore thumb when I opened the May Newsletter this week!!!)

And isn't that the way it is with life; sometimes we don't see how we treat others, or know that we have hurt someone, because it is too close to us. Sometimes, we are too concerned about ourselves that we forget that there is a domino effect in everything we do, good or bad. We all need those people in our lives, who can lovingly tell us that our crown is crooked, or tarnished.

I also want to thank Joyce Victor for putting so much time and love into the Convention Program Book. She has spent many hours, inputting, editing and emailing to make sure the Convention Book is as perfect as it can be. I am so grateful for her keen eye and patience as we worked to hit our deadlines.

I received a note, at work, just the other day from one of this summer's counselors. It was the kindest, most thoughtful note I think I have ever received. She is a long-time camper and a first-year counselor. She wanted to share with me a memory of camp. It was ten years ago and her first summer at camp without her mom. She remembers that I went out of my way to make her feel welcome and I had said that I could act as her mom for the week, if she needed it. She continued to write, 'I want to be just like you when I grow up!' WOW!!! I have to be honest; I do not remember that moment when I made her feel the warmth and love that camp is supposed to emulate. BUT...she remembers and that is what counts. She remembers how, an innocent act on my part, changed her anxiety at being alone, into an opportunity to grow.

We never know how the most innocent of acts can change someone's outlook. As we look at growing our outreach through P.E.O., be the One; be the ONE who inspires; be the ONE who supports others; be the ONE who fixes a woman's crown without telling the world it was crooked.

Thank you to all of those women, who have straightened my crown without me knowing it, or straightened my crown with that loving concern that didn't make me feel embarrassed, or humiliated, but definitely humbled and loved.

Go out and Be The ONE!

See you at convention!



Board Notes



CELEBRATING THIS YEAR

- * Monthly board meetings where officers combined their Superpowers to make Nebraska P.E.O. stronger
- * 42 Visits to chapters to encourage them to use their Superpowers
- * LCOW workshops to bring out the Superpower of the new chapter officers to lead
- * Superpowers were shared and goals were made to power through the Kryptonite and come out even stronger

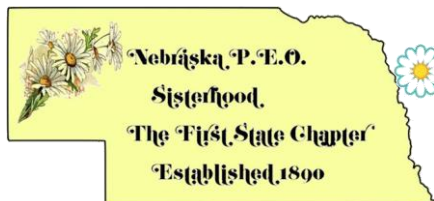
COME TO CONVENTION AND CELEBRATE WITH YOUR SISTERS!

2024 Honors Luncheon

Planning for this year's Honors Luncheon for convention has been a complete joy! We will celebrate 7 Honor Chapters and many, many individual honorees for 50 plus years of membership. I am sure the Younes Center will have delicious luncheon prepared for us and I sincerely hope you enjoy the program and especially the slide presentation. It has been so fun receiving all the photos for the PowerPoint and nice to put a name with a face. We will have a little reflection of how the world was in 1975 as a tribute to the Golden Girls (those initiated in 1975). These honor chapters and individual honorees definitely have super powers and have done great things for P.E.O.!!

I had a committee with "super powers" to help me. A big thanks to Betsy Thomas, BY and also to Carmen Jirovec AI, Kathy Anderson AI, and the rest of their chapter members. If you see them, let them know what an awesome job they did with the preparations and table decorations!

Can't wait to celebrate with you at the luncheon and convention!!



REMINDERS! From Vice President Jean Matheny

- * Delegate Report of State Convention must be given to your chapter within 8 weeks following convention. If your chapter does not meet between now and then, consider holding a special meeting to complete this requirement. See the section on Special Meetings in your president's book for details.
- * Please check to see that SOMEBODY in your chapter has sent a Chapter Information Form (CIF) to Joyce Victor jovictor@outlook.com This is a helpful tool for the state officers as they perform their duties. Even though the deadline has past, EVERY CHAPTER should turn this in. The form is included at the end of this newsletter to help you in completing the form and getting it turned in. Thank you!



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RESIDENT NEWS: Nineteen residents are living in and are enjoying our beautiful Home. Our most recent admission is Linda Stindt, FM/Beatrice. Linda had been living in Pickerell, NE.

NEW PLANTS: Once again, many thanks to Chris Graver, Chapter EF, Omaha who shared that Nebraska Monarchs has a giveaway of native Nebraska flowers and grasses for businesses and non-profits. Our Home was selected as a “winner” and we received 32 beautiful starts for a variety of native Nebraska plants many of which are flowering during spring, summer, or fall. They are spreaders and pollinators – some attract bees and others attract butterflies. Will be great fun to see them grow.

NEW STRUCTURES: Nic has been busy building two new structures at our Home. He is working on a third. For now, we have a new entry/exit from the basement chapter room which includes a new, secure railing. He has also built a new arbor on the north end of the front yard. The clematis is already growing and will be beautifully covered soon.

CONVENTION WORKSHOP, FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025: Delegates and visitors to convention in Kearney will be treated to a “history” Workshop about our Nebraska P.E.O. Home. You will likely learn several bits of information that are new to you.

REMINDER FROM THE MAY NEWSLETTER -- 2025 Nebraska State Chapter Convention: Very soon we will be gathering at the Younes Center in Kearney for our annual state convention. There are some things we want you to know about what you will find in our delegate packets and display table for the P.E.O. Home.

--The UPDATED Adopt-A-Resident and Adopt-An-Employee form--each year, the assignments are updated and likely changed. The assignment runs from July 1 to the following June 30 each year. Chapters must complete a new form each year. There will also be a suggested gift list.

--The delegates will also receive an updated general donation form in their packets. You can make copies as needed. **A donation form must accompany ANY kind of donation to the Home.**

--Information about the recently approved “Purposeful Living Chapter” donation --it mirrors the International Projects having a “partnership” donation possibility. **Why is it called the “Purposeful Life Award”?** It is because our residents come from many places, work backgrounds, and interest levels. Their purposes and interests do not end – they grow, and new interests are discovered. Residents have purposeful lives. Whether it is cooking, gardening, reading, exercise, musical talent, taking day trips, playing games – and more, our residents, staff, and volunteers build relationships that help them to learn, grow, and find new interests and friendships in their lives.

The “Purposeful Life Award” will be given to chapters and individuals who donate a monetary gift of a minimum of \$500 (in a lump sum) during the 2025 – 2026 year. At the 2026 convention. those chapters and individuals will be recognized at their “chapter delegate” seats. They will also receive a certificate of having made this special donation. The period to be recognized for these special donations, at the June 2026 convention, begins AT CONVENTION – through March 10, 2026. A special donation form must accompany this specific gift.

“Purposeful Life Awards” can be given in subsequent years as well. Perhaps your chapter will set a goal of donating a minimum of \$500 annually to support our Home and receive recognition at the following

convention. After this initial year, these special gifts can be given between March 10 and the next March 10 so names can be compiled for convention documents. These gifts will support the purposeful lives of our residents.



We live with purpose so our residents can live with purpose.

YOU ARE AN AMBASSADOR: Are YOU spreading the news about our fabulous P.E.O. Home? All Nebraska P.E.O. Sisters are a line of communication about our Home. Though Nebraska women have priority, residents do NOT have to be from Nebraska – but Nebraska P.E.O.'s are given priority. **(You will learn SO MUCH MORE about our Home at the Friday night workshop at the 2025 Convention in Kearney!)**
[See page 18 of the 2024 *Convention Proceedings* for wording of residency eligibility.]

NEBRASKA P.E.O. HOME WEB SITE:

Chapter Committees can always find news on the site AND in the Nebraska State Newsletters to share at local chapter meetings!

<https://www.nebraskapeohome.org/>

ALSO, use the information in Nebraska State Chapter P.E.O. Newsletters for chapter reports – they are archived for one year on the Home-specific website.

TOURS of OUR HOME, please know these things: Always make arrangements through our Home Administrator: Shari Little – contact info below:

--Monday through Friday works best – morning is rather busy, but afternoon or evening certainly works. Only one weekend, per month, could work as well, ask Shari.

Contact Shari Little, well in advance, please. nebraskapeohome@outlook.com

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING: The Nebraska P.E.O. Home is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization. Your donation may be tax deductible. Check with your financial planner or tax preparer to see if your donation may be eligible to be deducted from your taxes.



Thank you for loving our Home with your donations, visits, prayers, and care. Your love built our Home, and your love maintains it.

2025 Instruction Page for Chapter Information Form (CIF)

Due to Joyce Victor by April 15th, please!

Please use these instructions to create your own chapters' information form. In most cases you already have a form from the previous year that just needs to be updated and then sent.

The page that follows is an example only. It is **NOT** a fill and print page. The format that your chapter uses **DOES NOT** have to be exactly as the sample sheet. **Providing the information is what is most important.**

Section 1. Type Current Year, City, and Chapter Letters

Please be sure your chapter letters are on each page of the document that is sent.

Section 2. Meetings Format:

Example: Chapter XY meetings will be held the fourth Monday of each month (except second Monday in November.) This information is found in your local chapter bylaws.

Section 3. Regular Meeting Dates: List the date and time of each regular meeting. Put each date and time on a separate line.

Section 4: Chapter Officers / Co-officers: Please list all seven officers and any co-officers. With each officer list first and last name, phone number including area code, and email address.

Section 5: Project Chairs / Cottey College / Nebraska P.E.O. Home:

Please list the project chairs for the following:

ELF, IPS, PCE, PSA, STAR, Cottey College and Nebraska P.E.O. Home.

With each full name list the phone number including area code and email address.

Please email to: jovictor@outlook.com by April 15th.

If you have questions please contact Joyce Victor at the email address listed above or call 308-380-7107.

The list of active members of the local chapter is NO LONGER NEEDED.

Chapter Information Form (CIF) Example Page Only – NOT a fill & print

Section 1.

Year: 2025 – 2026

City: Countryside

Chapter Letters: XY

Section 2. Meeting format found in your local chapter bylaws and standing rules.

Chapter XY meetings will be held the fourth Monday of each month (except second Monday in November.)

Section 3. Regular Meeting Dates:

January 6, 2025 7pm

February 3, 2025 7pm

March 3, 2025 7pm

List all 12 regular meeting dates from March 2025 through February 2026.

Section 4. Officers and Co-officers:

Include first and last name, phone number including area code, email address

President: Joyce Victor 308-380-7107 jovictor@outlook.com

Vice President:

Recording Secretary:

Recording Secretary Co-Officer (If Used):

Corresponding Secretary:

Corresponding Secretary Co-Officer (If Used):

Treasurer:

Treasurer Co-Officer (If Used):

Chaplain:

Chaplain Co-Officer (If Used):

Guard:

Guard Co-Officer (If Used):

Section 5. Local Project Chairs for ELF, IPS, PCE, PSA, STAR, Cottey College and Nebraska P.E.O. Home

Include first and last name, phone number including area code, email address

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IPS:

PCE:

PSA:

STAR:

Cottey College:

Nebraska P.E.O. Home: