

the
GEORGIA P.E.O.
monthly newsletter

PEERY'S POETIC POINTS OF INTEREST

Be a Star—Delegates are readying for Phoenix
Sisters & Fun galore—I truly mean it
The window is open for GA Scholarship application
So find women need funding for matriculation
Officer feedback for Official Visits are due
So that your visiting officer may review
in prepping for Visits for the Fall
We're looking forward to meeting with Y'all



INTRODUCING THE P.E.O. HUB LANDING PAGE

We are excited to announce a new intuitive and secure online experience for P.E.O. members—the P.E.O. Hub! This new feature will provide an easy way to update membership information, access directories, find personalized information about your chapter and more. Beginning on August 4, the Hub's unique dashboard, personalized for each member's role, will replace the P.E.O. International website member homepage after login. The resources on the website will continue to be available and can be accessed from a link on the Hub navigation. Watch this brief overview video for a sneak peak of what is to come!

[P.E.O. Hub Overview](#)



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CIC REGISTRATION is CLOSED as of July 31st.

CIC AMENDMENTS

- **SHARING YOUR OPINIONS** ABOUT AMENDMENTS WITH DELEGATES TO CONVENTION OF INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER (CIC) **IS NOT ALLOWED**. If you are compelled to share your opinion, you may send them to your state president for proper distribution



- **DEBATING AMENDMENTS** OUTSIDE OF THAT POINT OF BUSINESS WITHIN THE CONVENTION OF INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION (CIC) **IS NOT ALLOWED**. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE REQUIRES THAT DEBATING OF AMENDMENTS TAKE PLACE IN THE PRESENCE OF ALL ELIGIBLE TO VOTE UPON THE AMENDMENTS.
- YOU CAN DISCUSS WITHIN A CHAPTER MEETING OR ONE TO ONE WITH ANOTHER P.E.O. MEMBER, BUT KEEP THE DEBATING FOR THE CONVENTION FLOOR
- **PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF AND ADHERE TO THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE FOR THE STATE OF GEORGIA**
- **THANK YOU.**

RECIPIENT RECRUITMENT

In compliance with White House policy, public schools will no longer be able to assist chapters with advertising for P.E.O. funding sources. The institutions will continue to accept our funding for our recipients, but they will not advertise our funds on our behalf. Local Chapter GA Scholarship and Project/Cotter Chairs will need to pivot in their processes to provide their own advertising when recruiting potential recipients. Keep in mind and adhere to the P.E.O. regulations in the Instructions to Officers of Local Chapters (IOLC) regarding social media, publications and publicity and send to your Board Buddy Sister for review before publication.



ATTRACTING & ENGAGING THE NEXT GENERATION OF P.E.O.S

Theresa Hutch, BO, GSC VP

One of the most frequent questions board members get when visiting chapters is regarding how to attract new members. During the convention of Georgia State Chapter, Kathleen Blake, A, PSP and Katie Frick, U/WY, PSP gave a fantastic program addressing this subject, "Attracting & Engaging the Next Generation of P.E.O.s." This presentation would make a fabulous program for local chapters and it has been added to the GA website. Go to Resources>Program Library. It is listed under Chapter Health.



SCAVENGER HUNT

Peery Moran, AI, GSC President

If money for college is what you seek, upon which page should you heed?

UPCOMING OFFICIAL VISITS & BOARD BUDDY CALLS

Laura Cox, BI, GSC Organizer

Official Visit: You should have already been contacted if you are having an official visit this fall. Presidents, please give your officers their portion of the feedback form so they may complete and return to their visiting officer (Due August 1st). They may email (or snail mail) their form to their visiting board member. This information is helpful to us in determining your chapters needs before our visit.

Board Buddy Call: If you are **not** having an official visit this year your board buddy will schedule a call with the chapter presidents. This year we want to be different from the official visit questions. A new agenda has been prepared that will focus on our mission statement: **Motivate, Educate and Celebrate Women.** Your board buddy will be sending this form to you in August and scheduling your call for the fall. Share with your chapter and begin thinking 'how do we, as a chapter, meet our P.E.O. mission statement'?

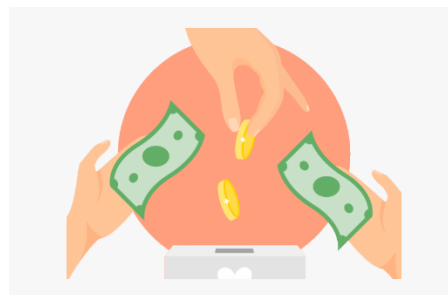


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From the Treasurer's Ledger:

Amy Pinnell, U, GSC Treasurer

As chapters begin their fundraising this year, here's a quick reminder on how to submit donations to our Projects and the P.E.O. Foundation.



Note: Georgia State Scholarships are held in the P.E.O. Foundation and should be submitted with a **Chapter Contribution Form** as outlined below.

Chapter Contribution Form

- **Chapter Checks:** Any checks from your local chapter must be made payable to **The Georgia State Chapter** and sent to me (your state treasurer!) along with a completed **Chapter Contribution Form** specifying the fund.
- **Deposited Donations:** If a donation is made *to* the chapter (via fundraisers, gifts, or for GA Scholarships), deposit it in the chapter treasury. Then, write a chapter check to **The Georgia State Chapter** and submit it with the **Chapter Contribution Form** noting the intended fund.

Just remember:

Chapter check = Chapter Contribution Form = Send to me

Individual Contributions

- Personal donations should be sent **directly to the P.E.O. Foundation Office** using the **Individual Contribution Form** and noting the fund of choice.
- Or donate online at: peointernational.org/make-a-gift/#donate.
(*Bonus: Credit card fees are covered by International—yay!*)

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Cecile Morrison, AP, Chair & STAR; Shari Ulrich, BI, PCE & IPS; Nicole Rutkowski, BW, ELF & PSA

STAR NEWS FLASH!

The STAR Scholarship application has been updated and simplified! The biggest change to the process is that applicants will now upload their letters of recommendation, rather than sending email requests to their recommenders. New resources/instructions are available to provide guidance to both local chapter members and applicants. These documents can be found in the Resource Library on the member side of the International website. Remember, if your chapter has more than 1 STAR candidate, refer one to a chapter who hasn't found one.

[STAR Application Instructions 2025](#)

[STAR Local Chapter Resource 2025](#)



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MEMBERSHIP MOMENT:

Michele Williams, BW, Chair of GA Membership Committee

The new restructuring of the Georgia State Membership Committee is a wonderful tool to help all chapters in Georgia grow, problem solve, and succeed. Without membership, we don't have a sisterhood and without the sisterhood, we cannot support our P.E.O. Projects which help women around the world advance through education. Membership isn't just about our Projects, however. It is also about the care and concern we have for one another as sisters. Membership begins at the Local Chapter level and is the heart of it all. With that said, here are the **GOALS** of the GA Membership Committee for Local Chapters:

- G:** Get to know your members. Socials, Get to Know You games, etc
- O:** Outside Small Groups. Game night, Brunch Bunch, Wine and Dine
- A:** Activate the Member's Strengths. Utilize talents and trainings
- L:** Loving Concern for Each Sister. Cards, Phone calls, Check ins
- S:** Support Each Other. Officers, Chairs, Shut-ins, New Member Mentors

The Membership Coach assigned to your chapter will have many ideas and resources to share with your chapter about these GOALS. Please reach out and utilize our Membership Committee members as well as the GA State website! We are here to help you and your chapter succeed and grow.



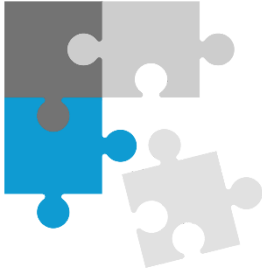
SISTER SPOTLIGHT:

Chapter Anniversaries 6 th Chapter BO-2011 16 th Chapter BE-1997 16 th Chapter BK-2003 21 st Chapter BF-1999	Founders' Milestones 9 th Franc Rhodes Elliott death 1924 24 th Suella Pearson Penfield born 1851
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MAKE THE CONNECTION

Rita Briggs, PSP, AF, Unaffiliate Coordinator



I hope this summer is going well for your chapter. Your membership chair received an unaffiliate list at the convention in May. Hopefully you have been able to contact most of those sisters listed. Now it's time to take the next step. Any information you glean from your contacts needs to be forwarded to Rita Briggs, Georgia State Chapter Unaffiliate Coordinator (see roster for contact information) so the updates can be entered in the International membership database.

Simply identify your chapter and the name of the unaffiliate on your list with what you discovered. Is she attending your next meeting? Does she have a new phone number or email address? Has she moved and has a new address? Does she want a day(night) chapter? Does she need a ride to meetings? Is older and not interested in transferring (she could be a Darling Daisy)? Does she not want to be contacted anymore? Is she attending her chapter meetings virtually and not interested in transferring at this time?

Please make every effort to complete this task by August 15, 2025.

GEORGIA STATE SCHOLARSHIP

Sally Reis, A, Chair

The Georgia State Scholarship application opens on August 1st. Application, Chapter Recommendation form and flyer can be found on the Georgia State PEO Website. Each Chapter can sponsor up to four (4) candidates.

If you missed the Town Hall meeting on the Georgia State Scholarship in July, we will be adding the recorded zoom meeting to the website and encourage you to watch it. If you have any questions on the application process, please send an email to the GA State Scholarship Committee (see roster for contact information). Applications and Chapter Recommendations must be submitted by November 30th for consideration.



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COTTEY NUGGET

Liz Holder, J

Is your chapter working with local high schools to identify scholarship candidates? If so, consider talking to the counselors and coaches about Cottey College too. You can order materials [here](#) to share with the counselors. There is also a wealth of resources available on the [Promote Cottey](#) website.

Calling all chapters Cottey chairs! Have you reviewed your materials from your packets from Convention 2025 or are they sitting in a pile on your dining room table? Your packet resources are helping tools for counselors and scholars as well. If you need additional resources, contact your Cottey Committee. Cottey classes will be starting August 26th!

The Southeastern Suite is an addition to Cottey offering two single room and four double room sleeping arrangements, a kitchenette and common space for socializing. The Southeastern Suite gives opportunity for engagement in the community without the feeling of privacy being invaded. With a recent launch of a video displaying the joys students Aurora Cassiopeia Zwilling, a pre-med major and Madeline Scheett, an international relations major, both shared their experiences living in the suite at Cottey College. Madeline shared “I would like to thank the P.E.O. 's for their endless support of our suite.” In an effort to support our Southeastern Suite at Cottey College each of our membership regions will be responsible for engagement with our suite at different parts of the year. The assigned region will be responsible for care of the suite and supporting our scholars. From popcorn to toiletries, and encouraging notes, our scholars will appreciate anything chapters provide.

Laura’s Board Buddies - Fall/Halloween/Thanksgiving

Peery’s Board Buddies - Winter/Christmas/End of Semester

Lisa’s Board Buddies - Valentine’s Day

Amy’s Board Buddies - Spring Break/Easter

Theresa’s Board Buddies - May Day/End of Semester

💰 This month’s tradition is Emanon. This is a nightclub-style class fund-raiser complete with skits, spooks of campus happenings and songs. At this event, the sophomores, juniors, and seniors show their appreciation and love towards freshmen. One thing’s for sure...you are sure to laugh!

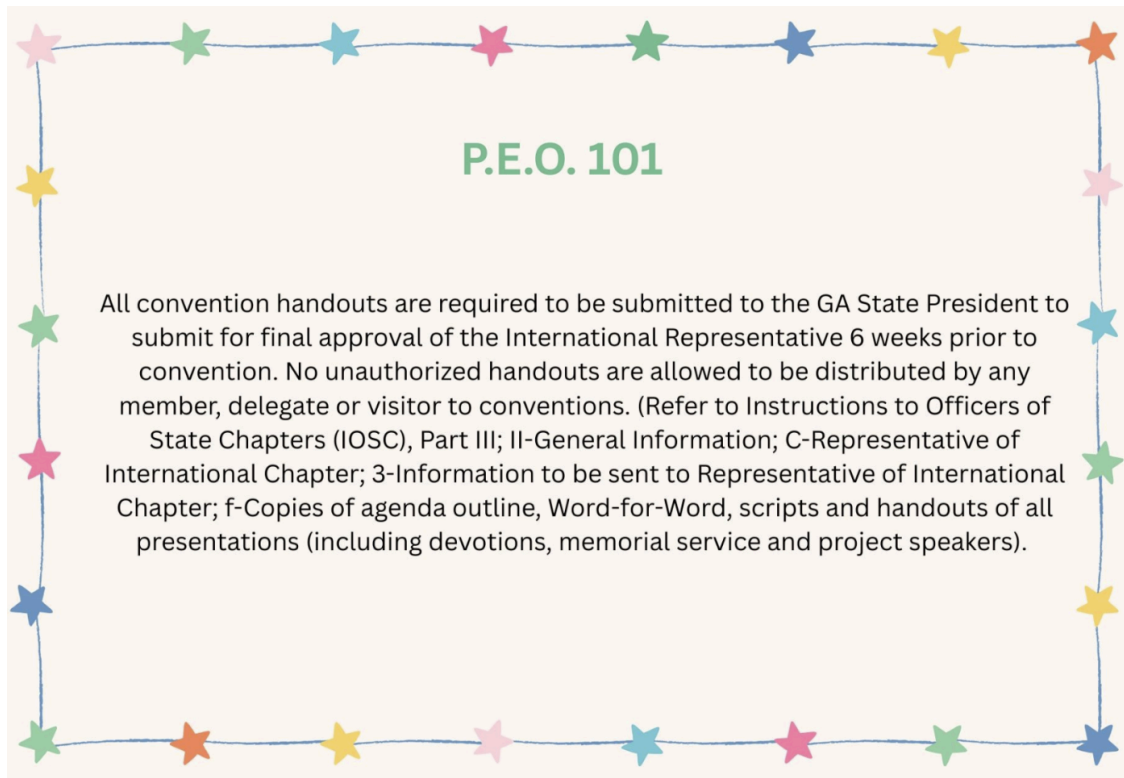


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Remember our Georgia “🍊” Julia Holmes, Her mailing address is:
Office of Student Life
Cottey College
1000 Austin Blvd.
Nevada, MO 64772

August correspondence chapters: ALL CHAPTERS

September correspondence chapters: E, M, V, AF, AO, AX, BG, BO



P.E.O. 101

All convention handouts are required to be submitted to the GA State President to submit for final approval of the International Representative 6 weeks prior to convention. No unauthorized handouts are allowed to be distributed by any member, delegate or visitor to conventions. (Refer to Instructions to Officers of State Chapters (IOSC), Part III; II-General Information; C-Representative of International Chapter; 3-Information to be sent to Representative of International Chapter; f-Copies of agenda outline, Word-for-Word, scripts and handouts of all presentations (including devotions, memorial service and project speakers).

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Aug 1 - Nov 30 | Georgia Scholarship applications due |
| Aug 15 - Oct 15 | STAR recommendation form submission period |
| Aug 20 - Nov 20 | PSA application submission period |
| Sep 4-6 | Convention of International Chapter Phoenix AZ |
| Sept 15 - Dec 15 | IPS Eligibility Forms acceptance period |
| Sep/Oct/Nov | Official Visits to be scheduled by Visiting Officer |



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STATE BOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

President	Peery Moran, AI
Vice President	Theresa Hutch, BO
Organizer	Laura Cox, BI
Treasurer	Amy Pinnell, U
Secretary	Lisa Lane, AY

