## **FUN FOUNDERS DAY GAME**

Every year we set aside a program to honor our founders. I hope all of you will enjoy this fun program as much as our chapter did.

## ITEMS NEEDED TO PLAY:

- Name tag for the presenter that says "GAME HOSTESS"
- Name tag for volunteer assistant that says "VALUABLE ASSISTANT"
- A bell for each team (3 or 4)
- Chalkboard and chalk or large pad of paper, easel, and marker
- Smartees candies for the winning team
- Dum Dum suckers for the losing teams

OBJECT OF THE GAME: Team with the most points at the end of the game wins.

## TO BEGIN:

- 1. Ask for a volunteer to be your "VALUABLE ASSISTANT" who will keep track of the scores. Put on her name tag and give her the equipment to keep score.
- 2. Have the other sisters number off 1 to 3 or 1 to 4 (depending on how many teams you want).
- 3. Have them cluster into teams.
- 4. Have each team choose a captain in charge of ringing the bell when their team is ready to answer the question.
- 5. Give each team a bell.
- 6. Explain to the teams that the first team to ring gets first chance to answer the question. If it's the wrong answer, the other teams can jump in and ring to answer.
- 7. Explain to the chapter that a right answer will be worth +1 point and a wrong answer will be worth -1 point.
- 8. The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.
- 9. Don't tell them what the prizes are, but assure them that EVERYONE will get a prize!

## READ THIS POEM RIGHT BEFORE YOU ARE READY TO PLAY:

Our founders were seven proper, young girls
Who wanted a bond based on Christian rules.
They wrote an oath, chose an emblem, oh my,
No one dreamt it would grow to be worldwide.
Each year we've honored these famous women
Portrayed them, studied them, wrote songs for them.
Surely they wouldn't object to a game
As long as we mention all of their names.
Prepare for competition, try to win.
Hand your captain a bell, let the games begin.

- 1. What year was P.E.O. founded? [1869]
- 2. P.E.O. was founded as a sorority at what college? [Iowa Wesleyan College]
- 3. Where was the college? [Mt. Pleasant, Iowa]
- 4. Who was the first president? [Alice Bird]
- 5. What was the original emblem? [Star]
- 6. How many meetings a year are we required to hold? [15]
- 7. Name the P.E.O. educational philanthropies (there are 5):

Educational Fund

P.E.O. Scholar Awards

International Peace Scholarship Fund

Cottey Junior College

Program for Continuing Education

- 8. Where are the P.E.O. headquarters located? [Des Moines, Iowa]
- 9. How many issues of *The P.E.O. Record* are printed each year? [6]
- 10. What is the title of the book that depicts the first 100 years of P.E.O.? [Out of the Heart]
- 11. At one time the original founders all wore identical "what" to the meetings? [Hats]
- 12. Our founders made matching "what" to show off their pins? [Aprons]
- 13. If a member touched her pin it was a sign of "what"? [Distress]
- 14. The founders used a chip basket at each meeting for "what"? [Complaints]
- 15. Our founders wore dresses made of "what"? [Tarleton or Cheese Cloth]
- 16. The first chapter organized is knows as "what"? [Chapter Original A]
- 17. In 1925 the convention delegates voted to do what to honor the founders? [Build a Library]
- 18. What lists many of our P.E.O. traditions? [Objects and Aims]
- 19. When does our fiscal year begin and end? [March 1-February 28]
- 20. What P.E.O. property was cut down in size in 1915? [Emblem or Star]
- 21. Every woman elected to membership shall be given the opportunity, before initiation, to read "what"? [The Constitution]
- 22. How many members constitute a quorum? [7]
- 23. The original Articles of Incorporation were adopted and became effective under the laws of the State of Iowa in what year? [February 21, 1893]
- 24. Name as many founders as you can. You only get one chance.

Mary Allen

Alice Bird

Hattie Briggs

Suela Pearson

Franc Roads

Ella Stewart

Alice Coffin

TALLY THE SCORES AND PASS OUT THE PRIZES.