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October 29, 1983

Dear P.E.O. Sisters:

Summer has passed and it is time to bring greetings and best wishes from your executive board for a busy and exciting chapter year. Each of you, I am sure, have enjoyed your summer break and bring renewed energy to your chapters. It is with pride that I tell you that our Organizer, Barbara Hickman, this month organized our 572nd chapter here in California. Barbara plans to organize three more chapters this year. How good it is to have our Sisterhood grow! Also, Barbara is overseeing the official visits of 116 chapters by five state officers this fall.

As you know, it was the privilege of your president and organizer to lead the California delegation of eighty-nine delegates to Convention of International Chapter at Houston, Texas this month. For your information, California is the largest delegation. You would have been very proud of your delegates as we were subjected to a new dimension as far as Convention of International Chapter is concerned due to the striking Continental Airlines. Each delegate was most understanding and cooperative, although filled with anxiety about getting to Houston and home again. Some of us had our flights cancelled at the last minute and had to make changes. I wish to thank each delegate for her confidence and apparent calm as all efficiently carried out their convention duties well, all the while wondering how they were going to get home.

Special thanks goes to our Travel Agent, Mel Keim, Chapter CD, who constantly kept in touch with the airlines, rearranging flights, and arranging for back-up flights, all the while hoping Continental would fly. Our Transportation Chairman, Kathleen Kokezas, Chapter GR, worked with Mel on all details and to her our grateful thanks.

Some of you may have already heard the report of your International delegate, others have a treat in store. I am very proud of our California delegation and especially so because they did take an active part in the voting which is good and shows we have thinking delegates. It isn't always important whether a particular amendment is voted the way you would like it to go, but it is important that you express your feelings and let the delegates decide. You too can be very proud of the fine delegates you sent to International.

We did come back with some information that should be shared with the corresponding secretaries. Effective immediately, the following forms will be discontinued:

Form Q (pink) --- Increase in Membership

Form E (green) --- Chapter Eternal

The H-I-J form will now be the ONE AND ONLY form used to report membership changes in the local chapter. Since the Executive Office will not know of membership changes until the H-I-J form is received from state, it is ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT that this form be filled out correctly and sent promptly. For example, a new initiate or dimit into a chapter will not be placed on THE P.E.O. RECORD circulation list until the H-I-J form reporting this membership change is received in the Executive Office, Des Moines, Iowa.

Chapter Treasurers: Please note a change in closing your books at the end of the year.

The last warrant and check of the year will NOW cover dues to International Chapter,

California State Chapter, Cottey Assessment and P.E.O. RECORD fees. Beginning of the year will NOW commence with balance brought forward to Chapter General Fund. (In prior years, this check was Warrant #1.)

October 29, 1983

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All you know we have one very special delegate. Our own past president, Mary Louise Remy. As Recording Secretary at this convention she was a very busy lady. The California delegation cheered as she was elected to serve as Organizer of International Chapter for this biennium. We extend to you, Mary Louise, our warmest congratulations and know our P.E.O. Sisterhood will continue to grow under your leadership.

It is with sadness that I report to you the death of Ethel C. Desparois, Past President, California State Chapter, who joined Chapter Eternal in September. Ethel was a member of Chapter CP, Hollywood, and served as president of the state chapter in 1939-1940. We extend our sympathy to her family and her Chapter CP.

Nancy W. Weingartner, First Vice President, has written to the forty-four Reciprocity Bureaus and to the thirteen P.E.O. Groups. Nancy has stressed the importance of "Putting Tender, Loving Care into action" by the Reciprocities in assisting our unaffiliate sisters in finding new chapter homes. She has reminded you that we do have an Unaffiliate Co-ordinator, Anna Lee Block, who updates and revises our list of over 4,000 unaffiliates. It is important to keep in mind the Guidelines for a Lateral Dimit which is designed to assist our sisters whose life styles have changed preventing them from regular attendance at chapter meetings. As Nancy stated in her letter, the Reciprocity Lateral Dimit Chairman stands ready to assist such sisters. Let's keep our membership actively participating.

Ruth A. Wolfe, Second Vice President, has arranged to have the Cottey Admissions Counselor here in California from October 31 to November 11. If she is in your area, please plan to attend and if possible take a prospective student with you. Ruth has sent you a Projects Bulletin this month to keep you apprised of all projects. We trust your projects chairman will share a part of this Bulletin at each meeting.

The hostess chapters for the 1984 Convention of California State Chapter to be held at The Los Angeles Airport Hilton and Towers, May 19, 20 and 21, are enthusiastically preparing for your visit, and join with me in an invitation to all of you to set those dates aside and join us in Los Angeles.

As president of state chapter it has been my privilege to attend the meetings of the California P.E.O. Home Board of Trustees. At this time I would like to acknowledge the dedication of the five ladies serving on this Board, presently chaired by its president Marjorie la Bonde. They deserve our sincere gratitude for devoting the many hours required to carry out the necessary work involved in managing a Home such as ours. In January Marjorie will report to you by letter.

We on the executive board are look forward to sharing Founders' Day observances with many of you. Unfortunately we have not been able to accept all of your invitations as it is a policy not to visit the same Reciprocity two consecutive years. Please know that even if your executive board members are not with you in person, we surely are in spirit.

A reminder - Your chapter President's Letter is due February 15th. I shall read each with great interest.

Again I thank you for granting me the honor of serving you. It is a privilege I cherish. With each of us giving our best energy to serving P.E.O. with our own individual talent, we will surely increase the strength of our beloved Sisterhood and prove ONE P.E.O. CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Annabelle B. Bush

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President
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Encl: List of 1983-1984 Appointments and Committees

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My dear Sisters:

May I join you for a few minutes? This letter is the next best thing to being with you in person. I want to wish you a wonderful year together. In February, your chapter president will write a letter of your activities. At this time, let me share with you activities of your state board.

In July, Ruth Wolfe and I joined with the other state organizers and presidents for a conference, "Pursuit of Excellence", held in Des Moines. We received updated information, enjoyed sharing ideas, participated in leadership training, toured the beautiful Centennial Center and were formally introduced to AMOS, our helmpate, the computer.

The second vice president as well as the recording secretary attended the Cottey Seminar last August in Missouri. There, Bette Jordan and Mario Cuddy became part of campus life and returned knowing that quality education can be found there. They had time to visit the two suites maintained by California.

Barbara Hickman, the first vice president, has sent letters of welcome to Reciprocity and Groups as they resume their activities. Contained in the bureau packets are guidelines for helping the unaffilliate. She has encouraged the thoughtful contacts with P.E.O.s who have no chapter "home".

By this time, the second vice president's Project Bulletin has been received. Bette has designed this resource material to encourage interest in our outreach. We have so many worthwhile projects, both International and state.

Today, I am privileged to announce more educational opportunities for women. This year, your state executive board will make awards from two new scholarship funds; the generous bequests of both Janet H. Griswald and Agnes M. Hungate. Please alert all undergraduate women needing assistance as well as returning Cottey students. Special attention will be given to early acceptance. It is imperative to act immediately. SEND ALL INQUIRIES to me at the above address on this letterhead

Official visits to 120 chapters are presently underway. Your state officers consider this the most enjoyable part of their job. It is viewed as a privilege...to bring information and to help whenever and wherever needed.

Most of us will remember the summer when the Olympic Games came to California. It was a very special time. Remember, P.E.O.s can still "Go for the Gold" all through this year and every year as we interact with each other.

Lovingly in P.E.O.

Nancy M. Weingartner
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Dear Sisters:

At a special meeting of the executive board of California State Chapter, a letter of resignation from Alice Reasoner, dated July 18, 1985, was read and acted upon with sincere regret. Due to the needs of her family and its extensions, and realizing the demands upon her time would increase with each successive year, she found it necessary to take this action. Alice is a totally dedicated P.E.O. and has given much to California State Chapter. It has been a privilege to work with her as a member of the executive board. Her deep commitment to our Sisterhood is sincerely appreciated. Our love and best wishes go with Alice.

According to our Constitution, Part II, Article VI, Section 7, "a vacancy occurring during the year in any office, except that of president or first vice president, shall be filled by appointment made by the president and approved by the majority of the executive board." Upon acceptance of the resignation, the office of recording secretary fell vacant. The executive board made the decision to advance two officers who had been elected at the May convention in Sacramento. These officers resigned their respective offices and have been appointed to the succeeding office. Leann San Miguel is now recording secretary and Liddie Witt is now corresponding secretary of California State Chapter.

It is with pleasure that we announce the appointment of Barbara Andes, Mrs. Jerry, Chapter HU, Fullerton, as treasurer of California State Chapter. Barbara has been active within her reciprocity bureau and we are delighted that she has accepted this new responsibility. Barbara's address is 1243 Miramar Drive, Fullerton, CA 92631.

A half sheet has been enclosed with these changes. PLEASE MAKE COPIES OF THIS HALF SHEET FOR ALL OFFICERS AND CHANGE YOUR RECORDS ACCORDINGLY.

As we begin the new fall season, remember that your chapter is the heartbeat and joy of P.E.O. Take time in this unique relationship and have a fulfilling and rewarding year.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Barbara Hickman
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President,
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PLEASE READ AT THE FIRST FALL CHAPTER MEETING

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October, 1985

My Dear Sisters in P.E.O.:

As we gather in our P.E.O. chapter meetings, may love and joy guide us through the year. We are over 25,000 members in our 577 California chapters. Think of all that LOVE power! Each chapter, however, is only as vibrant as you, the individual member.

Following our beautiful and informative convention in May, our 93 delegates and 30 visitors were off to the convention of International Chapter held in Winnipeg, Canada the latter part of September. We watched with pride as our own Mary Louise Remy took her place as second vice president of International Chapter. We are also proud of our delegation as I am sure you will agree as you hear their reports.

Summer was not idle time for your state officers. While gathered for our Organizer's Conference in June, we learned about the world of computers. Shortly thereafter, we sought advice from financial advisors with the conclusion, the purchase of two computers. Our executive treasurer will soon be using an in-home computer with modum to the larger computer housed at the California P.E.O. Home in Alhambra. Chapters, officers, addresses and scheduling are the first items to be entered. Each year additional information will be entered, all to numerous to list.

Following this excitement, a new Convention Manual was developed for use by the Hostess Chapters of future Convention Planning Boards. This booklet has long been needed and we believe will be a benefit for their use.

Many other ideas and questions have come before us, but realizing our limitations, a five year research committee has been appointed to do research for the executive board. The first item is facts concerning the use of the hard cover yearbook which some chapters find difficult conforming to California State Chapter requirements. This information will be available at our next convention.

Love made visible certainly applies to the members of the Home Board of Trustees of the California P.E.O. Home. Planning for the future is their on-going theme. You will be delighted to learn, through the January letter from president, Edith Frances Greathead, of the first chapter to become a California P.E.O. Home Golden Chapter. Cheers to them!

This Fall, while your state organizer, Bette Jordan, is overseeing the official visits of 118 chapters, she also has sent a letter to all California chapters notifying them of informal workshop meetings in the larger metropolitan areas, to assist, advise and answer questions. Please attend. We want to hear from all of you and hopefully you will gain something from us. Some ideas to be discussed will be local chapter growth patterns, attendance, attitudes and many other topics.

The projects bulletin, produced by our second vice president, Marjo Cuddy, should be in your hands. Projects chairmen, for an easy report, share a portion at each meeting. Please note the Griswold scholarship for undergraduate students has been placed with the Ethel O. Gardner P.E.O. Scholarship Fund Committee. Read this carefully for details to assist these young women out of high school.

Ruth Wolfe, First Vice President, has sent her letter of welcome to the twelve P.E.O. Groups and the 46 reciprocities. Contained in the bureau packet is a revision of the Suggestions for Founders' Day Visits. Bureau presidents are required to keep this on file. Ruth has also encouraged the reciprocities to assist our members with lateral dimits as well as locating a "Home Chapter" for the unaffiliate.

Founders' Day Observances will be held in January and February. We look forward to sharing this special time with you.

Convention dates for 1986 have been slightly changed. We have advanced our meeting dates one day. Please make note of this and circle May 5, 6 and 7, 1986 at the Anaheim Marriott Hotel.

My wish for each of you is a year of peace, love and joy. P.E.O. is so unique, special and beautiful. Take each precious gathering as a time to thank God for what we have, find time to hug your sisters and be sure to remember we all need time for laughter.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

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October 15, 1986

Dear P.E.O. Sisters:

How very much I wish I could visit personally with each of you in our 577 chapters this fall. However, since that is not possible, this letter is to bring greetings and a report of activities of your state board.

In mid-July it was my privilege to attend the Presidents and Organizers Conference in Des Moines with Marjo Cuddy, organizer, California State Chapter. The Conference afforded splendid opportunities to "Review, Reflect, and Rededicate" as well as enjoy the fellowship of getting to know our P.E.O. sisters from other state and provincial chapters. We learned that the minutes of your chapter need only to be kept for twenty-five years. It is requested then that a vote of the chapter must be taken as to what will be done with those beyond. Other information will be shared at official visits this fall and in spring workshops.

Leann San Miguel, second vice president, Liddle Witt, recording secretary, and Kay Baum, our state Cottey Chairman, attended the Cottey Seminar in Nevada, Missouri late August. They enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about Cottey and to see the recently refurbished California Weller Suite, the California Gardner Suite and meeting with the new college president.

Louise Sutton, Chapter EA, operates our leading Edge computer. She has compiled and placed on the computer each member in every chapter and also every unaffiliated P.E.O. is listed. Let us reach out a hand of love and friendship as we would want that hand to reach for us when we greet other P.E.O.s.

Our first vice president, Bette Jordan, has written to each of our forty-seven P.E.O. Reciprocity Bureaus and to our eleven P.E.O. Groups in California which includes the updated lists of unaffiliates.

The Projects Bulletin has been mailed to you by our second vice president, Leann. Share a portion at each chapter meeting. Be on the alert as to when the Cottey Admissions Counselor is in your area this fall and plan to attend with a prospective student. Two of our California girls attending Cottey are holding school offices; one is president of the Golden Keys and the other is secretary/treasurer of the freshman class.

It is with sadness that I report to you the death of Mayla Sandbeck, Past President, California State Chapter, who joined Chapter Eternal August 29th. Mayla was a member of Chapter IJ and served as president of our state in 1941. Our sincere sympathy is extended to her family and Chapter IJ sisters.

I would like to call your attention to the California P.E.O. Foundation Scholarship Committee which now includes the Janet H. Griswold P.E.O. Memorial Scholarship Fund. This scholarship is for undergraduates wishing for financial assistance.

It has been my special privilege to attend the meetings of the California P.E.O. Home Board of Trustees. The service and devotion of the five trustees is an inspiration. Margaret Waltman, president, will give a report to you in January.

The members of the executive board are looking forward to observing Founders' Day in January and February with many of you. I wished there were more Saturdays in the month of January as there were many requests that we unfortunately could not accept.

On May 11th, 12th, and 13th our 84th convention of California State Chapter will be held at the Town and Country Hotel and Convention Center, San Diego. On behalf of the executive board and the enthusiastic Convention Hostess Chapters, I welcome you.

I have enclosed the list of appointments and committees for 1986-1987. Please refer to these names as a resource to obtain information, material, and programs for use throughout the chapter year.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your president. I will look forward to a visit with you again in February when I receive your president's letter. Let's increase our membership in each chapter this year by initiating one member and accepting a dimit of an unaffiliate. I know you will radiate the love and joy that quietly shines from a Star!

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

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January 14, 1987

Dear P.E.O. Sisters,

It is with sincere regret that the resignation of Elizabeth R. Witt, as recording secretary, California State Chapter, effective December 31, 1986, has been accepted by the executive board, California State Chapter. Due to the needs and commitments of her family, Liddle found it necessary to take this action. It has been a privilege to work with her as a member of the executive board. We deeply appreciate her dedicated service to P.E.O. and our love and best wishes go with her.

Following the action taken by the executive board to accept Elizabeth's resignation, approval was given to advance Barbara Andes from the office of corresponding secretary to that of recording secretary.

This left the office of corresponding secretary vacant. According to our Constitution, Part II, Article VI, Section 7, "a vacancy occurring during the year in any office, except that of president or first vice president, shall be filled by appointment made by the president and approved by a majority of the executive board."

It is with pleasure that we announce the appointment of Judith A. Menoher (Mrs. C.) of Chapter TB whose address is 8272 Riata Drive, Redding, California, 96002, as corresponding secretary of California State Chapter. Judy has been president of her chapter and active within her reciprocity bureau. We are happy that she is able to accept this new challenge.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THESE NEW APPOINTMENTS. As soon as your chapter elections take place in March, the new corresponding secretary, Judith A. Menoher, is to receive one copy of Form 12 (Report of Election of Officers of Local Chapter), as well as one copy of the gold Form 13A (Delegate to Convention of State Chapter).

My very best wishes to each of you for a happy and wonderful year.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Ruth A. Wolfe

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Encl: Postcard for chapter president from Exec. Sec. & Exec. Treas.

PLEASE READ IN CHAPTER MEETING

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December 27, 1987

Dear Sisters:

At a special meeting of the executive board of California State Chapter, a letter of resignation from Judy Strack, dated December 15, 1987 was read and acted upon with sincere regret. Because of changes in her family situation and the need to work full-time, she found it necessary to take this action. Judy is a dedicated P.E.O. who has given much to California State Chapter. It has been a privilege to work with her as a member of the executive board. Her commitment to our Sisterhood is sincerely appreciated. Our love and best wishes go with Judy.

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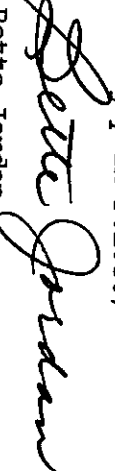
It is with great pleasure that we announce the appointment of Evelyn Nelson (Mrs. Charles), Chapter QV, Newport Beach, as treasurer of California State Chapter. Evelyn has been serving California as Film Librarian, and we are delighted that she has accepted this new responsibility. Evelyn's address is 325 Apolena, Balboa Island, CA 92662.

The newly appointed Film Librarian for the south is Bitsy Thomson (Mrs. E.), Chapter QV. Her address is 37 Southampton Court, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THESE APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGE YOUR RECORDS ACCORDINGLY.

As you heard in your report of convention of International Chapter, California's own Mary Louise Remy was elected first vice president of International Chapter at convention in Orlando, Florida. She will be installed as president at the 1989 convention in Phoenix (September 18-20) and will preside at convention of International Chapter in Omaha (September 7-9, 1991). Many of you have expressed a desire to attend these conventions to show your support for Mary Louise. Begin to make plans now, and let us hear from you if you would be interested in traveling with the delegation to these conventions.

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January 1988

Dear Sisters:

At the January meeting of the executive board of California State Chapter, a letter of resignation from Judith A. Menoher, dated January 1, 1988, was read and acted upon with sincere regret. Because of changes in her family circumstances, she found it necessary to take this action. Judy is a dedicated P.E.O. who has given much to California State Chapter. It has been a privilege to work with her as a member of the executive board. We deeply appreciate her dedicated service to P.E.O., and our love and best wishes go with her.

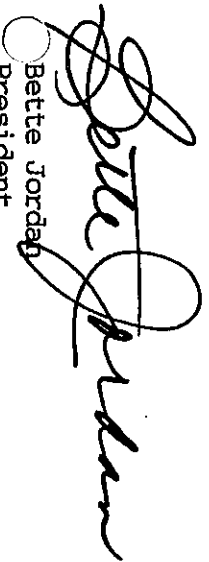
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It is with pleasure that we announce the appointment of Barbara J. Gilcrest (Mrs. W. E.), Chapter KL. Vallejo as treasurer. Barbara's address is 110 Sunset Avenue, Vallejo, CA 94591. Barbara is a past president of the Napa-Solano County P.E.O. Recircorcity Bureau. We are delighted that she could accept this new challenge.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THESE APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGE YOUR RECORDS ACCORDINGLY. As soon as your chapter elections take place in March, the new corresponding secretary, Evelyn P. Nelson, is to receive one copy of Form 12 (Report of Election of Officers of Local Chapter) and one copy of the Form 13A (Delegate to Convention of State Chapter).

I am looking forward to hearing all about your chapter when your president sends her letter to me in February. My love to each of you.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,


Bette Jordan
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Encl: Postcard for chapter president from Exec. Sec. and Exec. Treas.

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October 1988

My dear P.E.O. sisters:

It is a pleasure to have this opportunity to report to you the activities of your state officers and to share our plans for the year. Each of us has made a commitment to work for you and to work for the continued improvement of P.E.O.

Barbara Andes, Organizer, and I traced our P.E.O. roots in Mt. Pleasant this summer, after which we attended a conference for Presidents and Organizers in Des Moines. We returned with new information and feeling rededicated. One thing we learned is that, due to an I.R.S. requirement, chapter treasurers should not use any Notice of Dues (Form D) that is dated prior to 4-88. Please order new ones before February.

Leann San Miguel, First Vice President, has written a letter of welcome to our forty-six P.E.O. Reciprocity Bureaus and eleven P.E.O. Groups. She has supervised the printing of the 1988 Unaffiliates List which contains a staggering 4,849 names! Please help to make these sisters feel welcome in your community and your chapter.

Sharron Marsh, Second Vice President, Evelyn Nelson, Recording Secretary, and Pat Dalton, a member of our California Cottey Committee, traveled to Cottey College for an informative seminar. Sharron has prepared a bulletin of current information about our P.E.O. Projects, and she hopes you will share this information at your chapter meetings.

Our California P.E.O. Foundation Scholarship Committee now is receiving requests for applications for three scholarships: the Janet H. Griswold Scholarship, the Stella May Nau Scholarship, and the Dorothy L. Weller Scholarship. Members of the committee will supply you with further information.

Your response to the challenge for growth in membership has been wonderful. It's been encouraging to know that you are concerned with the health of your chapter and that you're taking steps now to prepare for the days ahead. Membership must be a concern of every member in your chapter. Continue the good work you've started, for growth is an ongoing process. If you need assistance with membership problems, contact our organizer, Barbara Andes. Our thanks for your assistance last year in updating the data in the computer by returning your membership lists. It was extremely helpful.

With sadness, I report to you the death of Mildred Upton Goetz, Past President of California State Chapter. Mildred served as president of the state chapter in 1958-1959, and she was a member of Chapter NW, Los Altos. Our sincere sympathy to her family and sisters in Chapter NW.

○ I'm looking forward to receiving your President's letter next February, when you will tell me about your chapter. Please include the following information: Total membership, increase or decrease in membership this year, average attendance, goals for your chapter, how your members express "P.E.O. Spirit," and any other feature you would like to share.

The executive board and the hostess chapters of the 1989 convention of California State Chapter are looking forward to seeing you at the Anaheim Marriott Hotel on May 31, June 1 and 2. Because of the later date of the 1989 convention, the due date for yearbooks has been extended to July 15 for this year only. Please do not have your chapter yearbook printed before convention. Your delegate will receive information about your yearbook at that time. Chapters expecting an Official Visit in 1989 will receive the scheduled date for that visit, and they will want to include it in their 1989-90 program.

California has a memorable day to celebrate on January 3, 1989. One hundred years ago on that date, Stella Winans Carver and eleven others organized the first California P.E.O. chapter in Oceanside. How grateful we are to her for that beginning! Wear your P.E.O. pin on January 3, and take a moment to remember Stella and Chapter A.

As we approach this 100th anniversary, it's appropriate that we look not only at our history but also to the future of P.E.O. Growth and constant improvement, for ourselves and for our chapters, must be our goal. Alice Bird Babb, a founder of P.E.O., wrote in 1888, "Have an object in view and work toward the accomplishment of that object." Include all your members in the process, and praise even the smallest of steps forward. At the same time, don't forget to take time for a smile and a hug. Our founders would like that!

○ I send to each and every one of you my love. As you are gathered together for this chapter meeting, look around the room at these dearest of friends. How special they are! How fortunate we are to have found one another!

Lovingly in P.E.O.,



Marjo Cuddy
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My Dear P.E.O. Sisters:

As our fall schedules begin, it is a pleasure for me to report to you on the activities of your state officers and to share our plans for the year. Each of us is committed, as I know you are, to making P.E.O. in California a loving and growing experience.

Sharron Marsh, Organizer, attended a conference for state and provincial organizers this summer in Des Moines. She had the opportunity to learn new procedures and to exchange information with other organizers as to how we can best serve our local chapters. Our organizer and her proxies will be visiting 118 chapters this fall bringing with them a loving concern for each one.

Barbara Andes, First Vice President, has written to our forty-seven reciprocities and twelve P.E.O. Groups. Her letter was full of encouraging suggestions regarding their fellowship together and information to assist them in finding chapter homes for California unaffiliates.

Evelyn Nelson, Second Vice President, has prepared and mailed a bulletin to each chapter which explains our various P.E.O. projects. Please use this resource in chapter meetings. In the bulletin Evelyn informed us of the need to refurbish our California Ethel O. Gardner suite at Cottey College. Chapters wishing to contribute to this refurbishing project may do so by using their green (1988) Chapter Gifts to State and International Projects form (use the Cottey College, Other, line and designate it for the E.O.G. Suite). Individuals wishing to contribute to the refurbishing project may do so by making checks payable to the P.E.O. Foundation and indicating contribution is for E.O.G. Suite.

In September I had the privilege of leading the California delegation to Phoenix for the Convention of International Chapter. In addition to our 101 official delegation, 125 P.E.O.s and B.I.L.s also traveled to Phoenix for the installation of our own Mary Louise Remy as President of International Chapter. I encourage each chapter to make every effort to support the goals Mary Louise set for the next biennium: she challenges us to add at least two new initiates in each of the two years of the biennium. Wouldn't it be wonderful if every chapter in California could reach that goal by 1991! Remember, if you need help with membership concerns please contact our Organizer, Sharron Marsh.

In 1989 we are commemorating 100 years of P.E.O. in California by making our Centennial Medallian available to California P.E.O.s. This medallian may be ordered until December 31, 1989. Your order and check for \$11, (made payable to Carlyn Hillestad, Executive Treasurer) must be mailed to Rowena Henry, Recording Secretary. Many of you are already wearing the medallian with pride.

I look forward to receiving your President's letter next February when you inform me of what is happening in your chapter. I am particularly anxious to know how you are sharing the love of P.E.O. in your chapter. Are you initiating new members, gathering for social occasions at times other than meeting dates to become better acquainted, or are you working together on a fund raising drive in order to contribute to our P.E.O. projects? I also want to know if there are chapter problems with which you need help.

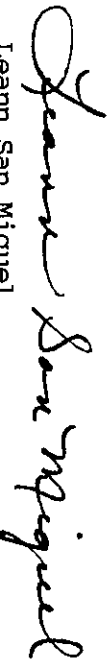
The executive board and the hostess chapters of the 1990 convention of California State chapter are looking forward to seeing you at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott on May 19, 20 and 21. Since this is a weekend convention I hope many of our full time employed P.E.O.s are able to join us.

I know all California P.E.O.s join with me in sending special love to our sisters who have experienced the trauma of the Northern California earthquake. We continue to hold you in our prayers.

Finally, my dear sisters, I want to thank you for sending your love and greetings to me on my birthday which occurred at convention of International Chapter. I received over 500 cards (I had to borrow a suitcase in order to carry them home). What a wonderful surprise that was. Also, I want to thank the International Convention delegates for the lovely daisy teapot they presented me. All in all, it was a birthday I won't soon forget.

I send my love to each and every one of you and my wish that your year be filled with joy, good health and loving relationships.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,



Leann San Miguel
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Dear Sisters in P.E.O.:

This annual letter comes as a means for your state president to "reach out and touch" each of our 568 chapters within the state. Be assured, however, that throughout the year the lines of communication always remain open between the local chapter and those of us who have the privilege of serving you on the state board.

Summer vacations seem but a memory as chapters have returned to fall schedules. My challenge to each of you would be to make this a year of personal growth in P.E.O., thus strengthening not only your own commitment, but our Sisterhood as a whole.

It was my privilege, along with our organizer, Nancy Weingartner, to travel to Des Moines in late July for the biennial conference of Presidents and Organizers. P.E.O.s from all state and provincial chapters came together at this conference to share concerns and ideas; to analyze the objectives of our Sisterhood and to view P.E.O.'s role in today's world. Our aim will be to share some of the information and ideas that were gained at this conference with you through our official chapter visitations and the spring workshops.

Throughout the year, Nancy will be organizing new chapters in the state and supervising the official visits of 117 chapters by five of your state officers. P.E.O.s interested in meeting as unaffiliates working toward forming a new chapter should contact the organizer. Plans are being made for our annual workshops to be held next spring for those chapters not being visited next fall.

Annabelle B. Bush, first vice president, in her annual letter to Reciprocity Bureaus and P.E.O. Groups, has called our attention to the Guidelines for a Lateral Dinit. Let us in the local chapter reach out to our sisters who are working and unable to attend regular chapter meetings because of a conflict of day or time and help them to become participating members again. Study these guidelines and learn to apply them in the manner in which they are intended.

Last August the second vice president, Barbara Hickman, and the recording secretary, Ruth Wolfe, attended the Cottey Seminar held in Nevada, Missouri. Both officers returned with a deep sense of

pride and admiration for our college. They met with the Cottey Admissions Counselor who will be visiting our state next January 31 through February 11. Please look for the schedule as to when she will be in your area in the Projects Bulletin as it comes to your chapter in November.

Fall of 1983 will be time for the Convention of International Chapter to be held in Houston. Those chapters eligible to send delegates will be informed before February, 1983. If your chapter is one of the fortunate ones, please select a delegate who is interested and knowledgeable about P.E.O. and who will accept the responsibility of bringing back a stimulating and interesting report of convention to the seven chapters whom she has the honor of representing.

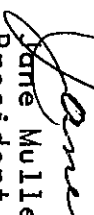
We are grateful for the many kind invitations received from the various Reciprocity Bureaus to attend their Founders' Day observances. Members of the executive board always look forward to this particular time of the year.

On May 9th, 10th and 11th, we will gather for our 80th annual convention of California State Chapter at the Marriott Hotel in Los Angeles. On behalf of the executive board and the hostess chapters, I most cordially invite you to attend. Convention is a very special "reunion" for all P.E.O.s

Enclosed is the list of California State Chapter appointments and committees for the 1982-1983 P.E.O. year. This list is a ready source for names and addresses for chairmen of International and state projects, film librarians, our executive officers and others which should prove of great benefit to your chapter throughout the year. Use it to your advantage.

My very best wishes for a good year, and always remember that the heart of P.E.O. is Y - O - U.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,


Jane Mullen
President
California State Chapter

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Dear P.E.O. Sisters,

By this time each of our 563 chapters is in full swing and looking forward to a good year in P.E.O. Please allow me just a few minutes of your time to bring you up to date on the happenings of California State Chapter.

We delegates to convention of International Chapter, ninety-one strong, have recently returned to California after discovering that "Everything is up to date in Kansas City". You either have heard or will soon be hearing the report of your delegate to this convention. I trust you will agree with me that you were all well-represented. I am very proud of our California delegation.

I wish to take this opportunity to officially congratulate our own Mary Louise Remy, Past President California State Chapter, on her election to the office of Recording Secretary of International Chapter. She will be a real asset to the executive board and we wish her well as she helps to guide our Sisterhood in the years ahead.

It is with sadness that I report to you the death this past summer of Ina R. Fox, Past President California State Chapter. She was a member of Chapter GF and served as president of the state chapter in 1947-48.

Our 563rd chapter was organized on October 20th by Annabelle B. Bush and she will be organizing four other chapters as well as merging three in the year ahead, so she will be a busy lady. Annabelle is also overseeing the official visits of 118 chapters by five of your state officers. I trust this will be a pleasant learning experience for these chapters.

Jane Mullen, First Vice President, has written to each of the 42 Reciprocity Bureaus and to the 13 P.E.O. Groups. As you know, there are over 4,000 unaffiliates living in California and one of the purposes of the reciprocities is to help unaffiliates maintain contact with P.E.O. In this regard, the executive board is happy to announce the appointment of Anna Lee Block, GF, as the Unaffiliate Coordinator. You will find her address on the attached list of appointments and committees. She will assist the first vice president and the organizer in maintaining a current list of unaffiliates so that the reciprocities can better serve these P.E.O. sisters.

After hearing your International delegate report on the trip to the rededication of Main Hall at Cottey College, I hope you will all become even greater boosters of our college. Nancy M. Weingartner, our second vice president, is preparing for the visit of Nancy Delahanty, Admissions Counselor from Cottey, for two weeks beginning January 25th. If she is to be in your area, please plan to attend and invite some prospective students to go with you to hear about Cottey. Our college needs more students and we P.E.O.s are the best ambassadors there are. Nancy will be sending you a Projects Bulletin in November to keep you apprised of all our projects. It is hoped that your chapter projects chairman will share a part of this bulletin at each meeting.

The hostess chapters for the 1982 convention of California State Chapter to be held in Monterey on May 11, 12 and 13 are eagerly preparing for your visit. Monterey will provide a beautiful setting for this convention and the hostess chapters join with me in inviting you all to come.

Meeting with the California P.E.O. Home Board of Trustees is one of the benefits of this office. The women who serve in this capacity deserve our deepest gratitude for the hours of loving service they give to our beautiful P.E.O. Home. Betty Shukraft, President of the Board of Trustees, will be reporting to you by letter in January.

Founders' Day observances in January and February are occasions we anticipate and we look forward to being with many of you then.

You will remember that each local chapter sent \$75.00 to the Transportation Chairman for the expenses of their delegate to convention of International Chapter. After all bills were paid, there was money left over in the amount of \$8.00 per chapter. Rather than have our Transportation Chairman write a check for \$8.00 and mail it to each of the 562 chapters, for this year only, this excess money will be deposited in the General Fund and each chapter will pay only \$2.00 instruction fee at the time of annual reports. I hope this will be good news for your chapter.

One of the comments heard in Kansas City was, "P.E.O. is made up of women with ideals. Ideals lead us to accomplish our goals". So let us set our goals high and take pleasure in striving to meet them.

I thank you for the opportunity to serve this year as your state president. May God bless each one of you, my P.E.O. sisters.

Lovingly in P.E.O.,

Oralene Fessler

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President
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Dear Sisters in P.E.O.,

Would that this visit could be made in person rather than by letter, for there are many things we need to share.

Most of you I am sure, are aware of the death of Leah Shirey on September 21st. Leah served as president of California State Chapter in 1938. She was the General Chairman for convention of Supreme Chapter in 1947, being elected to the Supreme Board that same year. She held the offices of corresponding secretary and organizer, resigning in 1951 due to ill health in the family. Leah will be sorely missed not only in California, but by all P.E.O.s for her extraordinary gentleness, her understanding and open-mindedness toward others, and for her unique capacity to express in words the very spirit of our Sisterhood.

P.E.O. in California barely missed a beat as summer arrived. The members of the executive board spent long and thoughtful hours as chapters were regrouped for representation to convention of International Chapter. Following action in Anaheim last fall, one delegate will now represent seven, rather than five chapters. This allows our state 81 instead of 114 members in its delegation. The result? A number of chapters which would have sent delegates to Kansas City in 1981 will have representation in 1983 instead.

No groupings were made at random. Each was carefully thought through to insure all chapters being placed in a logical, workable assemblage. It was not always possible to keep chapters in a community together. Every chapter in the state is involved and of necessity, groupings cut across reciprocity and county lines. This should pose little problem, for each chapter now has the opportunity of electing a delegate only once in fourteen years.

When this chapter is so privileged, please select a delegate who is an interested and knowledgeable P.E.O. Choose one who has the stamina to attend all sessions and who will accept not only the honor, but the responsibility of taking back a stimulating and complete account to the chapters to which she reports. The distinction of representing seven chapters at International Convention and being their only contact, should compensate for the time which must be spent in preparing the report and the many miles which, in some cases, will have to be travelled.

Early August found Jane Mullen, organizer, and me in Des Moines. There, along with presidents and organizers from all state and provincial chapters, we exchanged ideas and common problems and anticipated the future of P.E.O. as our Sisterhood moves into the transition of the '80s. Later that month second vice president Annabelle Bush and recording secretary Nancy Weingartner spent a stimulating and informative time at the Cottey Seminar in Nevada, Missouri. Both came away filled with admiration and pride in our college.

Their reactions will be shared in the Projects Bulletin which Annabelle will send to you in November. You can look forward to much new information. In this inflationary period every fund is being used to capacity and each project is answering a very real need.

This year we would ask you to give your chapter top priority. What is its direction? What are the patterns? Is it the kind of chapter you want it to be? Take a hard look at membership. Does this chapter have that precious, vital, total age range? Are members participating? Have you initiated or extended an invitation to dimit within the past few months? If these questions don't rate a big yes, make membership your project this winter.

Oralee Fessler, first vice president, in her letter to California's forty-two reciprocity bureaus, stressed the importance of the lateral dimit. When members in your chapter cannot participate because of work or changing family situations, this type of dimit may be a solution. Ask the Lateral Dimit Chairman of your reciprocity bureau for assistance. Oralee sent each bureau a sheet of Guidelines for a Lateral Dimit. If you have questions, the Guidelines can provide helpful answers.

Immediately following the Christmas holidays the members of the executive board look forward to sharing Founders' Days with many of you. A number of delightful invitations have been received and it will be a particular pleasure to celebrate this special time together.

March will again see us sharing the vital and informative Officer's Workshops, then you are invited to gather in Los Angeles for the seventy-eighth convention of California State Chapter on May 11, 12, and 13. It will be a time of information, inspiration, festivity and fun, so plan to join us.

My wish this year is that an ongoing spirit of understanding and cooperation will enable us to move forward so we may continue to gain in substance, to retain the excellence, the standards and most important, the love which strengthens our chapters and our Sisterhood. May your 'starshine' cast a radiant light.

My Love to Each One

Marilyn M. Harvey

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President, C.S.C.

Encl: List of C.S.C. Appointments and Committees - 1980-81

