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RESIDENT NEWS: Our Home is currently FULL of residents. Yes, there are 20 residents. The two most recent to move in are Virginia Schlender, Chapter AV, Pawnee City. Virginia grew up in Cook, NE and became a teacher. She taught in Pawnee City. You might remember the name Denise Rathbone, Chapter DI, from Humboldt. She is here as a short stay resident.

ACTIVITIES UPDATE: Residents, Staff, and some family members enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, April 18, 2025. The weather was not the best – cloudy and cool, but all sure had fun. Check the website for more photos than these. <https://www.nebraskapeohome.org/>

SEASONAL NEED: 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. We have applied and are eagerly waiting to see if the Home was given 32 free plants. We can always use more flowers, etc. for our yard and small gardens.

BABY CHICKS: EIGHT baby chicks were born at the Home on Monday, April 21, 2025. Exciting for everyone to see and enjoy.

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.

--Information about the just 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 just as we all strive to have. 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 special 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.
[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/>

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

TAX SEASON REMINDER -- 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: Heartfelt thanks *for loving our Home with your donations, visits, prayers, and care. Your love built our Home, and your love maintains it.*

