

January 28, 1981

Dear Dorothy and Sisters in Chapter BL,

We are now 28 years old and thriving. Our theme this year is "There is a right time for everything," from Eccl. 3:1 and certainly May 3, 1952 was the right time for Chapter BL. We've taken time at each meeting to replenish, harvest, remember, create, understand, select, study, and enjoy as we work, laugh and rejoice with each other.

At a time when our society has become so mobile, our membership is staying about the same in numbers with a few changes of faces. Marian Rice was welcomed as a dimit. We initiated two daughters, Helen Sivertson (who very soon became Helen Drawbert) and Karen Whitsett. Both moved to new communities. Helen has joined Chapter R in Lexington, KY. Three other non-resident members found new PEO homes in their communities--Sally Fleming to Chapter J, Bethesda, MD; Ida Crain to Chapter B, Ft. Meyers, FL; and Phyllis Norem to Chapter AC, Incline Village, NV. It was a pleasure for us to recommend a charter list for Phyllis and to present her with a White Bible for her new chapter this summer at a tea given for Cindi Jennings who became Cindi Goss.

It was at that same time that we presented Mary Ann Clark with a check for \$400 from the PEO International Chapter and \$100 from our Chapter to help her continue her education at the UW in the fall. We also gave her \$100 in January to purchase books for her next semester. Charlotte King and Beth Ross have kept in touch with Mary Ann and we wish her well.

We were saddened to lose Hazel Weeden, Lois Bowers' Mother, to Chapter Eternal. She was a lovely talented lady who gave generously of her time and talents. We remember the pretty doll clothing she made for the crippled children. A fund from our sisters was sent to the Continuing Education Fund in her memory. Hazel would have been a PEO for 50 years in April of this year.

The Ways and Means Committee has worked to supplement the dues by again selling "Current Supplies", sponsoring a bridge marathon which Jeannette Thomas manages, and selling dish clothes to members. The social committee planned another Fish Boil in June at Ann Nelson's home. Gracious Ann and her special BIL, David, made this an unforgettable event. They even had strength after dinner to share their talents at the piano and banjo for a sing-a-long. Jane Rogers, back from Arizona for the summer, helped Ann coordinate the food.

Chapter BL is looking ahead and planning for the 1982 State Chapter Convention to be held in Madison. We are the chairman chapter. Two of our past presidents, Martha Reynolds and Florence Nordholm are serving as co-chairmen. Carol Wilson will be the convention treasurer. Our members will be making favors, (felt marguerites), serving as registration and housing chairmen and assisting in numerous ways.

This continuing big project will keep us very busy during the next year. For me it's been a time to learn and I'm looking forward to serving you next year as I continue as president. I appreciate all the support and cooperation each of you gives.

Lovingly in PEO,

Cathy Baker, Pres. (over)

P.S. On January 28th after our meeting
closed we received word that Emma
Kresge had died after a long illness.

She was Jane Secord's mother & moved here
with her B1L several years ago. She
limited to Chapter BL and we all loved
getting to know her.