## **CHAPTER BL NEWS** NOVEMBER, 2021

The projects funded by our contributions through the Ways and Means Committee this year are:

Cottey College \$100 Educational Loan Fund \$100 Int'l Peace Scholarship \$500 Program for Cont. Education \$500 P.E.O. Scholar Award \$500 STAR Scholarship \$100 H.E.L.P. Fund \$500 P.E.O. Project Related Special Gifts \$100 Program Committee \$700 Lussier Center \$500

Total \$3600

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 15: Mah Jongg, at the home of Jeanine Olson.

December 1: Special Meeting. On Zoom at 1:00. This meeting has been called in order to vote on the amendment\* regarding the wording of the invitation to join PEO. You must be present to vote.

December 6: Book Club (Zoom). Book is Nomadland: Surviving America in the 21st Century, by Jessica Bruder.

December 8: Christmas Celebration and Lunch., 11:30 at Blackhawk Country Club. The cost is \$29 and you may pay at the luncheon. Due to continuing concerns about Covid, we will observe precautions in place at other community events and show a vaccination card or a negative Covid test taken within 48 hours of the time of the party. Invitation with additional information coming soon!

January 12: This meeting has been cancelled.

## **OTHER IMPORTANT DATES**

(By) November 20: Please let Social Committee know if you do not want to participate in the holiday card exchange.

December 10 and 11: Holiday Book Give Away at Lussier Center. At this time there are still openings for volunteers: Friday from 2-4, Friday from 4-6, Saturday from 12-2.

**December 31:** Dues Deadline (\$55). Bring to luncheon or mail to Sandy Burrus. (If you pay dues at the luncheon, you need only write one check to Chapter BL of \$84 for both the lunch and dues.)

\* The proposed amendment would eliminate the requirement that a candidate acknowledge her belief in God. The rationale for this change is that it would respect the privacy of prospective members regarding their personal faith and increase P.E.O.'s membership to include women of all faiths. Inclusivity begins at the chapter level and this change will further that goal. It also removes one contradiction to P.E.O.'s anti-discrimination statement that P.E.O. does not discriminate based on age, ethnicity, religion or education.



Chapter BL at Blackhawk Country Club, December, 2017