

## PAST STATE PRESIDENT QUESTIONNAIRE

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| Name:   | Dani Halverson |  |  |
| Years Served on State or Provincial Board:  | 1994-2001      |  |  |
| Years presided as president:  | 2000-2001      |  |  |
| What was Your Theme?  | P.E.O. CHEERS! |  |  |
| What were you contemplating when you selected this theme?   |                |  |  |
| Celebrating the achievements made by and through P.E.O.: the growth of the organization and philanthropies, the opportunities sisters have to enhance their own abilities and lives, and those made by the women who have been aided in achieving their educational goals.  |                |  |  |
| What was the central message of your acceptance speech as President? (You might quote from your speech – or just reflect on it)   |                |  |  |
| To instill a sense of joy and pride in being a P.E.O. and to encourage active participation in chapter life.  |                |  |  |
| As you wrapped up your Presidency you had thoughts: what were they? (You might quote from your speech – or just reflect on it)  |                |  |  |
| P.E.O. is an on-going experience providing a network whereby each sister can affect a change in the life of another not just through the P.E.O. philanthropies, but by active participation in chapter life. By revealing all the sources of help, I hoped to encourage sisters to take an office in their chapters. By briefly reflecting on the influence of each past state president on my life, and expressing my own growth from being on the state board, I hoped to encourage others to serve on the state board. |                |  |  |
| Please list an accomplishment (or two) from your tenure on the board.   |                |  |  |
| Chapters AB and AC were organized; e-mail let sisters keep in communication faster, easier; an amendment to the State Bylaws established a portion of the Alabama Cottey Scholarship Fund to be used for travel expenses for girls to attend a "C Cottey Weekend" which helped increase attendance by girls from Alabama.   |                |  |  |
| Briefly – what does P.E.O. mean to you?   |                |  |  |
| It is a network of friends sharing in the pursuit of helping women achieve their goals, not just through the P.E.O. philanthropies, but by knowing each other and sharing in each others' lives. I have learned new skills, stretched my abilities, and enjoyed meeting and sharing ideas with sisters across the county through P.E.O. Bed & Breakfast as a traveler and as a host.  |                |  |  |
| Briefly – can you provide a personal philosophy about philanthropy in P.E.O.?   |                |  |  |
| It is true that the more you give of yourself, the more you will benefit from the chapter and the organization. The benefits may surprize to you.   |                |  |  |
| When/where did you become a P.E.O.?   |                |  |  |
| 1986 in Chapter E, Auburn, AL.  |                |  |  |
| To which chapters have you belonged?  |                |  |  |
| Chapter E, Auburn-AL  |                |  |  |

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| What offices have you held in the local chapter?  |
| Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.  |
| Since your Executive Board experience, what have you done in P.E.O.?  |
| Served as Adviser to Pages and Guards for three conventions.  |
| Please list your Education and degrees earned?  |
| B.S. in Speech Pathology  |
| Your Employment?  |
| Public school speech therapist in Illinois and Florida; Entrepreneur-"From the Spice Cabinet" hand crafted items; Church Secretary; Secretary, Auburn University Office of Development; Executive Secretary, Office of the Vice President, AU Advancement; Secretary, Office of Alumni Affairs, AU. |
| Your Family members?  |
| Husband: M. Brent Halverson; Sons: Jason and Peter  |
| Your family who are P.E.O.s?  |
| None  |
| Your Awards?  |
| Outstanding Employee (twice) at AU Office of Alumni Affairs   |
| Your Interests?   |
| History, classical music, mysteries, sewing and hand-work.  |
| Your activities outside P.E.O.?   |
| Church: United Methodist Women, Food Pantry, and Threads of Love. Community: League of Women Voters.  |
| Is there anything else you'd like to add?   |
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