Kansas State Chapter President



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Jan was born in Manhattan, Kansas. Growing up she was a Navy brat, moving 18 times in 18 years. After graduating high school in Newport News, Virginia, she chose to attend the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas. Her majors were Human Resources and Communication Studies.

Jan and her husband Patrick met in college and were married after graduation. They live in Olathe. He works for Burns and McDonnell as a project manager. They have two children, Katie and Jenny. Katie Jones and her husband, Ryan, and twin boys, Aaron and Lucas, live in Rockville, Maryland. They are both physicians at Walter Reed. Jenny Sturgeon and her husband, Scott, and daughters, Scarlett and Margot, live in Leawood. Jenny is a nurse practitioner at the University of Kansas and Scott is the Founder/Senior Wealth Advisor with Oread Wealth Partners. Jenny is a member of Chapter JF, Shawnee Mission. Jan's mother, Karen Clason, is a member of Chapter EX, Kansas City, Missouri. Jan's sister-in-law, Janet Clason, is a member of Chapter IT, Olathe.

Jan's P.E.O. life started in 1990, when she was initiated into Chapter CO, Burlington. She has been an active member since. After raising two daughters in Burlington, Jan and Patrick movedto Madison, Alabama, where Jan transferred her membership to Chapter Z, Madison. It was notlong before they moved again to Chattanooga, Tennessee, where Jan transferred to Chapter AD, Chattanooga. In 2012, they landed in Olathe where Jan continued to receive the gift of P.E.O. by transferring to Chapter JF, Shawnee Mission. Jan has served as her chapters' guard, recording secretary, treasurer, vice president and president.

She was the co-chair of the 1999 Kansas State Convention. Other service to the Kansas State Chapter includes KSC Convention Advisory Committee 1997-2002; KSC Finance Committee 2002-2003; KSC Convention Credential Committee 2014; and KSC Nominating Committee 2014-2018. She was a Six Star Reciprocity Chair and a new delegate convention orientation leader. She has written and participated in several convention seminars. In Tennessee, she was the Area Cottey College Chair from 2011-2012 and appointed to a special committee to approve convention minutes. She was a delegate to International Convention in Baltimore in 1999 and a visitor to the 2018 convention in Des Moines.

Jan has had many "careers" over the years: personnel manager for Montgomery Ward, AdjunctProfessor for Avila College, Coffey County Employment Director, grant writing consultant, Emporia State University catering manager, and marketing director for Crown Home Inspections. Her most favorite job of all is "Mom."

Jan enjoys small groups at church, traveling, conversation over coffee, kayaking, water coloring, reading and being "Mimi" to her grandchildren.