

Philo News

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

General Meeting March 14 @ 7 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church 3333 Duffield Ave.

Loveland, CO Facility will open at 6 p.m. for committee meetings.

Hostesses for the March meeting: Ruth Swanty, Brianne Smith, & Lin Stokes

Hostesses for the **April meeting**: Marge McCoy, Ruth Sprain, & Judy Gangle



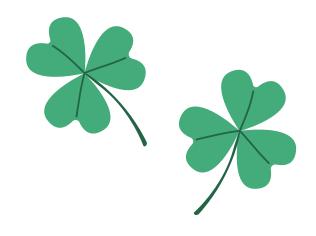
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For future reference, here are the deadlines for submitting content to the monthly newsletters.

MONTH CONTENT DEADLINE

April March 18 May April 22

Send to philopublicity@gmail.com; Call Amy Black at 970-412-0250 with any questions.



Officers

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Past President: Mary Starck - starckm@msn.com



Welcome to another new member this month, Cindy Noble. We are very glad to have Mo, Terri and Cindy join our group and welcome your input to our organization.

We now have a full slate of officers to present at our March meeting. Thank you, Ladies, for consenting to take on this task.

ALL MEMBERS, Emeritus, Honorary, and Active: the Golf committee needs our help! In a mass email, Beth will outline what is needed. One thing is fund raising. Beth will outline how we can hit some of the "low hanging fruit." I already have two people that I will approach in the near future. Let's take a chance!

Remember: "Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others, cannot keep it from themselves." - author unknown

Judy

Member Spotlight, Active

Carol Rieser

Carol moved to Loveland in 2007. Prior to moving to Loveland, she lived in Longmont for over twenty years. She recently retired from a lengthy career in nursing and hospital administration. Between she and her husband, they have four sons, four grandchildren and one great grandchild. Carol enjoys baking cookies for the grandchildren, reading, golfing, and knitting. Carol has been a member of Philo since 2019, serving as chair of the Rotary Duck Race Ticket committee, and most recently as vice president of Philo.





This month I am putting on my Historian's hat. As a result of some research for the Rotary Duck Race Ticket Sales committee, I perused the Philo newsletters from 1996 to 2010.

I discovered that Philo's fundraising went through a significant change from 2000 to 2010. As the long-standing fundraisers, the Style Show and the Holiday Mart, had run their course, new ideas were sought. The last Spring Home Tour occurred in 2001. The Holiday Boutique began in 1998 and was cancelled in 2005 for lack of a chairperson. The marketing and sales of Christmas ornaments for the Artists' Charitable Fund lasted from 2003-2008. The Garage Sale succeeded from 2004-2010, but suffered from diminishing inventory and no one to serve as chair.

By 2005, we were looking for new sources of revenue. That year we partnered with Loveland Rotary to sell Duck Race tickets with an 80% return on our sales. We were among the first to sell the tickets outside of Rotary, and we continue to be the only organization to receive the 80% return.

On September 24, 2006, the first Philo Women's Golf Tournament took place at the Olde Course. It has become a Loveland tradition and generated thousands of dollars to support our scholarship program.

Several retail rebate programs have replaced the Shopping Extravaganza (2009-2019). These rebates are based on your personal shopping habits without requiring extra fees. Purchasing the gift cards through Raise Right, you get the full value of your purchase and Philo receives a pre-determined percentage of the sale.

Dine Out With Heart has changed and evolved since 2016. Through community partnerships, DOWH supports our Holiday Food Baskets with gift cards and also awards grants to other non-profits that focus on reduction in hunger and/or food insecurity.

Raising funds for our general budget as well as special projects will always to be a concern and new ideas are always welcome.

Speaking of fundraisers...

- Raise Right gift card orders are due by March 14. Contact Carol Rieser or Marge McCoy.
- Tickets are now on sale for the Duck Race taking place at the Corn Roast Festival on August 26. Tickets (7 tickets for \$20) are available at meetings or by contacting Carol Rieser.
- The Golf Committee has some exciting new ideas to raise more funds at the next tournament on July 14, 2023. Look for details about how you can help.
- DOWH is working on a plan for this year's event. Stay tuned.

Linda Stangel, Chair

18th Annual PHILO Women's Amateur Golf Tournament July 14, 2023, Mariana Butte Golf Course

Look at What's New:

Meet Marvol Barnard, LPGA Professionals National President and a dual member of the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) and the PGA America.



Save the dates:

July 13:

Marvol will offer a half day skills clinic at Mariana Butte. Watch for the registration. Limit 24 participants

Welcoming reception 6:00 p.m. at Olde Course: open to the public

July 14:

Tournament Day:

Marvel is doing a skills clinic for High School Girls (graciously donating her time) and will be our guest speaker at awards luncheon.

There is something for everyone: improve skills, golf, volunteer and socialize.

Raise Right Gift Cards



Planning Some Shopping or Gifting Between Now and Next Fall?

Check the list of 74 local retailers that give a rebate to Philo. This rebate is used for our General Fund, which replaces the Shopping Extravaganza of past years.

If you didn't get the list of retailers and the order form at our February Philo meeting, you can download all from the WIX section of philoloveland.org. Click on Members in the upper right, scroll down to the RaiseRight box and click. (You do not need the password for this.)

Bring your order and check to the <u>March 14th Philo meeting</u> - OR postal mail <u>before</u> <u>March 10</u> to Philo Raise Right, Box 494, Loveland, CO 80539

The cards will be distributed to you in late March or held for you until the April Philo meeting.

Thanks for supporting the General Fund, which also includes Integrated Early Childhood and Alternatives to Violence.

Questions: email pegisaksonphilo@gmail.com or call Peg Isakson 970-227-7127

Blood Prive



February 21st was a beautiful warm sunny day! And despite a train getting stuck on the tracks at 402 near the church's location, we had a pretty good turnout. 14 donors may seem like a small number, but as the man who is in charge of the mobile unit says, anything over 6 is wonderful! The pandemic has changed donor behavior for sure! However, we enjoy doing this little bit of good for our community.

My line these days is "What can you do in less than an hour, and save up to 3 peoples lives – Donate Blood!" Our next drive is May 16th. Let me know if you'd like to donate and save a few lives!

Florence Doksansky, 401-524-0772 or fdoksansky44@gmail.com

Golden Girls "Thank you for being a friend!" Spring Dinner - Thursday, May 17

You will be receiving your invitation by email in the next couple of days! Be sure to open it and RSVP for this annual event to celebrate our achievements. You can RSVP on-line with your payment or at the March and April meetings. We can take cash, check, or card—your choice!

"My mother used to say: the older you get, the better you get. Unless you're a banana!" Rose

Dire out with Heart



The DOWH committee has been busy meeting and planning for this year's event. Our next fundraiser will be held Friday, September 8th 2023 at Backyard Tap in downtown Loveland. More information to follow as we continue finalizing the details.

Shannon Voggesser, Chair



The scholarship committee is on a roll. Applications and instructions are online through the website. Deadline is April 14th. Pass the word to friends and family.

Minutes from February Meeting
PHILO GENERAL MEETING – February 14, 2023 – TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH LVND, CO

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by President, Judy Gangle

Hostesses Florence Doksansky, Carol Rieser and Linda Stangel were thanked.

Committee spotlight was the Blood Drive presented by Florence Doksansky. Florence started out by humorously playing Dracula music. Florence had arranged for a speaker but this got canceled. She went on to explain that locally (through Garth Englund Blood Center) donated blood was provided at no cost to recipient as opposed to imported blood which can cost as much as \$300.00. Florence then shared a handout which dispelled 10 myths about giving blood. She also shared reasons to give blood such as "a blood transfusion is needed every 3 seconds." Some members shared personal stories about blood transfusions.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The approval of the minutes of January 10, 2023 was moved by Beth Soderquist and seconded by Lin Stokes.

Treasurer's Report

General Fund \$10,255.53 Received Check from King Soopers \$171.59

check written for Spring Dinner deposit

DOWH \$ 1.394.91

Golf/Scholarship \$21,597.16 (\$17,500 for scholarships, \$4097.16 for

Golf start up expenses)

\$14,009.61 General Savings

OLD BUSINESS

Website: Do not create a password for signing onto the Philo members only website. Please use the password provided. Pink4Members!

Peg Isakson spoke about Philo's continued work with Julie on the website. She is continuing her look for a better software than "signup genius." If there are any questions or concerns regarding the website, please contact Peg.

Amazon Smile will be discontinuing for individual nonprofits. Amazon will be giving to nonprofits of their choosing from now on.

Recording Secretary Position still needs to be filled.

NEW BUSINESS

Committee changes have taken place. There will no longer be a Fundraising Committee. Two committees have been created to take its place: Duck Race Committee and Raise Right Committee. The Holiday Giving Committee is now in effect with a description. Signups for committees will be available at the March meeting. Volunteers are needed to sign up for committee Chairperson and Co-chair positions.

Beth Soderquist presented Cindy Noble as a new member. She has 29 years of experience working for nonprofits. She has volunteered to share her golf tourney fundraising experience with the golf committee. She is sure to make the golf tourney fun and successful. Beth moved to accept her as a new member and the membership voted unanimously to approve.

COMMITEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Golf: Beth Soderquist (chair) has set \$25,000 as the fundraising goal for the tourney this year which takes place July 14th. She will be sending out a mass email to members to ask for a commitment of finding a sponsor that can donate \$1000. She will send a script that can be used when asking. Volunteers will have t-shirts that have been designed for the tourney. Beth brought in a large donation of items for ATV. Making the point of how much one member can make a difference.

ATV: Ruth Swanty (co-chair) announced that members Florence Doksansky and Eileen Huddle; members of Zion Lutheran Church, asked their congregation to help raise items needed for the "Fresh Start Baskets" on two Sundays (19th and 26th). Kari Clark (ATV Director) will be speaking between services on the 19th. In addition she announced that the Purple Ribbon Breakfast was coming up on Tues the 25th of April and to save the date. Would like to have a table of 10 that is Philo members. Call, text or email Ruth Swanty to be included. Event will be at Embassy Suites from 7:30am to 9am. Two speakers will be presenting topics related to domestic abuse.

Minutes from February Meeting, continued

Raise Right: Peg Isakson announced that it is time to purchase gift cards. Purchase forms and a list of gift card businesses was distributed. Money raised goes to the general fund. Peg thanked Marge McCoy, Carol Rieser and Terri Dimond for helping with this fundraiser.

Duck Race Tickets: Carol Rieser announced that Duck Race tickets will be available for the next two months. 80% of sales goes to Philo General fund.

There was a Valentine door prize drawing provided by Judy Gangle. A beautiful orchid was awarded to Iann Carithers.

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Swanty



Sunshine Committee



February was a fairly quiet month for our members. Sadly, 47-year emeritus member Mary Schacht passed away on January 30. Her celebration of life was held on February 3rd at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

Stevie Benkendorf underwent back surgery on February 22. Cards and good wishes sent to her are welcome.

We wish the following members a very happy March birthday!

03/02	Janice Marchman	
03/04	Ruth Swanty	
03/06	Joan Putlack	
03/12	Helen Wilson	
03/18	Dottie Childers	
03/25	Susan Trumbo	
03/31	Joyce Caufman	Coos

Remember that your Sunshine teams are ready to celebrate your joys and help with your woes. Feel free to contact either Cindy Kurtz at 970-962-6832 or ckurtz1962@gmail.com or Amy Black at 970-412-0250 or blackamyb@hotmail.com.

Please let us know of any information worthy of a card or help for our members.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

