

Philo News

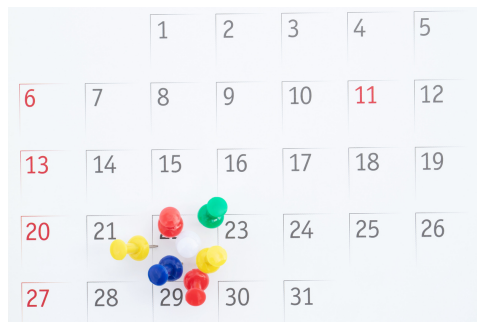
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

General Meeting
October 10 @ 7 p.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church
3333 Duffield Ave.
Loveland, CO

Facility will open at 6 p.m. for committee meetings.

Oct. Hostesses: Amy Black, Rita Harden, Jeanne Findley

Nov. Hostesses: Terri Mulford, Linda Stangel, OPEN



SHARE YOUR NEWS!

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

MONTH	CONTENT DEADLINE
November	October 21
December	None
January '24	December 16
February	January 20
March	February 17
April	March 23
May	April 20

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



Officers

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- Past President:** Judy Gangle - jjgangle@yahoo.com

President's Message



Happy Fall everyone! I hope you are enjoying the cool mornings and warm days. Fall is my favorite time of the year! I enjoy the transition from being outdoors in the sun to being inside baking and cooking warm meals! This month we will be doing something different. We are going to open the doors to the church early for those who don't drive after dark to have some time to socialize before the general meeting at 7:00 pm. We've heard feedback that these members miss visiting with each other. The doors will be unlocked at 5:30 pm with snacks available and books for exchange/sale.

In addition to the book exchange/sale offered by the Integrated Early Childhood committee, Raise Right gift card order forms will be distributed at the meeting. This is a great opportunity to "stock up" on cards to use as gifts or for personal use. I hope to see you all October 10th.

Carol Rieser, Philo president

ANNE ANDERSON MEMORIAL BOOK EXCHANGE

The Integrated Early Childhood Committee is having a book exchange during the year to raise funds for the committee. Our budgeted funds have decreased over the past few years and the committee chose the book exchange both to honor Anne and to raise funds to support literacy in the Thompson preschool. Members will have the opportunity to donate books as well as purchase books for a nominal amount. Suggested donations will be hardbacks \$3.00, trade paperbacks \$2.00 and smaller mass market paperbacks \$1.00. We will also accept children's books and audio books on CD. Donations greater than the suggested amounts will gladly be accepted! **Come early to the meeting** as committee members will start to set up the tables at 6:30 PM. In addition, **honorary members have been invited to the October meeting at 5:30 PM to share their books and visit with members prior to the meeting.** If you are unable to attend a meeting but would like to donate books, please call Debbie Riley at (970) 800-3346 and a pickup will be arranged.

Thanks to everyone who donated underwear or funds. Over 100 pair of underwear will be delivered to the preschool.

Debbie Riley, Chair



Alternatives to Violence

Once again Philo sponsored a square and provided volunteers for the 9th annual Pastels on 5th, held September 9th in downtown Loveland. This year there were 150+ artists and 100 sponsors. Over \$50,000 was raised for Alternatives to Violence, including \$7,017 from People's Choice voting!

Philo contributed \$250 to sponsor a square. The Pastels on 5th team assigned Mark and Carol Orswell to our square and their cute kitty was a hit with the younger crowd!

Our volunteers helped with directing artists to the lunch area and hand washing stations. Philo also had its own information table at the event. Philo volunteers shared information about our organization and invited interested women to apply to join us.

In other news, the ATV committee is gearing up for another push for donations to fill Fresh Start Baskets for ATV clients getting ready for independent living. Philo members are encouraged to bring donations of items or cash to our meetings or contact Lorie Smith (Lorie.Smith@me.com) to arrange for donation pick up. The ATV wishlist is on the Philo website.

Lorie Smith, Chair



Dine Out with Heart

DOWH held their fundraiser this year on September 8th at Backyard Tap in downtown Loveland. The event featured a cornhole tournament facilitated by Yard House Creations. We had 9 teams total that participated in the event. The proceeds from this year's event will go to support TEF, ATV and KidsPak in their efforts to combat hunger in our community. Representatives from TEF, ATV and KidsPak were in attendance to represent their respective organizations. The committee is still finalizing numbers so it has not been determined how much each organization will receive yet this year. The committee would like to thank all Philo members who volunteered to help with the event and those who showed up to support the cause. We would like to give a special thanks to Kathy Loken who volunteered to speak to the crowd about Philo and what great things our organization is accomplishing.

Shannon Voggesser, Chair



Raise Right!



It's Shopping Time again!

The Raise Right list of local businesses who give rebates will be distributed at the October Philo meeting, with details for ordering your cash cards. Cards will be given to you before Thanksgiving. Start thinking about which businesses you will use for your fall and holiday shopping OR for your list of Christmas/Holiday gifts. More retailers at www.RaiseRight.com.

You do not need to sign in to search for Brands to add personal choices to the Philo list.

Ease into the holidays!

More info: call Marge McCoy or check the Philo WIX website.

This shopping event is open to all members and friends.

HONORARY

The Honorary members are graciously being hosted by Mary Voggesser on Oct. 18, at 5:30PM.

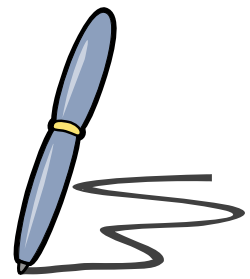
We will be having a "salad by design" supper.

Drinks and lettuce will be furnished. Members need to bring their favorite "add-in" to make a healthy tossed salad.

Rita Harden, Chair



From the Corresponding Secretary



Hi Philo communicators,

When you would like to send out a mass mailing, the process is to send the text to both the President, Carol Rieser, and corresponding Secretary, Florence Doksansky.

Once approved by the President, it will be sent out to all members.

Please reread your message and edit as necessary.

Thank you so much!

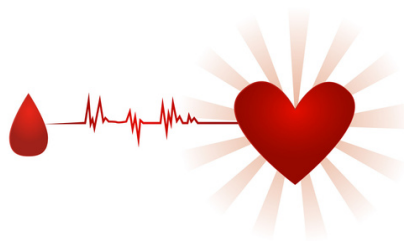
Florence Doksansky



Holiday Giving



The Holiday Giving Committee is signing schools up for the canned food drive and distributing boxes. The canned food drive will run from November 1 - 30 and will be assisted by Exodus Moving Company to collect all of the boxes and deliver them to House of Neighborly Service. We are also working with HNS to see if they will need any assistance delivering baskets to seniors in December. More to come on that!



Blood Drive

Next Blood Drive is November 21st from 9-3 at Grace Community Church.

If you or someone you know would like to donate please contact:

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

Digital News

Peg Isakson, Peggy Pellizzari, Jamie Powell
www.PhiloLoveland.org

Here's a handy reminder about using our Philo website. If you'd like any help navigating our website, you're welcome to email pegisaksonphilo@gmail.com to arrange for a talk-through.

Our website, www.Philoloveland.org, has two home pages.

The First Home Page opens to information for the public. It's geared to publicity for our community, and reminders for our members. If a Philo committee has content to share with the public, please send the document to philopublicity@gmail.com. Jamie Powell appreciates your help in sending timely information.

The Second Home Page opens to a private Members Only section for managing the business of our organization (i.e., By-laws, Member contact info, Specific info for committees).

This section of the website is maintained by Peg I. and Peggy P. You can send info or questions to pegisaksonphilo@gmail.com.

We have TWO IMPORTANT TIPS: 1 - Do not try to change the username or the password because that would compromise our web security. 2 – Be sure to LOG OUT of this private web section when you are finished, so the website will function properly for other members. THANK YOU!

To navigate to the Members Only portion of the website:

Start with www.philoloveland.org.

Click on Members in the menu row of tabs.

Scroll down to a box saying Members Only Website. Click.

The Welcome/Home Page will give you a quick update on important info for Members.

Click on Login, pull down to Sign In User hints: L.....er for the username and P... 4M.....! for the password. (New to Philo or forgot? Ask Peg or another member.)

See another Welcome/Home Page for guidance through the section.

Pull down from the word tabs at the top to find information you can use.

SIGN OUT when you are finished.

Thanks for checking out this important communication for Philo members!

Minutes

PHILO GENERAL MEETING – September 12, 2023, Trinity Lutheran Church Loveland, CO

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 by President, Carol Rieser.

Board Members Present: Carol Rieser, President; Ruth Swanty, Vice President; Eileen Huddle, Recording Secretary; Florence Doksansky, Corresponding Secretary

Board Members Absent: Peggy Pellizzari, Treasurer; Judy Gangle, Past President

Carol welcomed everyone and thanked the September Hostesses Lorie Smith and herself for bringing treats.

Approval of the minutes for April 11, 2023 were moved by Mary Voggessor and seconded by Marge McCoy with unanimous “yes” vote by all members.

Committee Spotlight: Golf Tournament – Beth Soderquist, committee chair reported that it was a fantastic golf tournament. She challenged all the members to be involved, whether in volunteering or soliciting sponsorships for next year. Beth thanked all the committee members who participated especially Kathy Loken and Cindy Noble who were a big help. Rowe’s Flowers donated all the flowers which Lorie Smith arranged on the tables in the restaurant. Eileen oversaw the registration of 124 players who played golf. All the spots were filled by the middle of June. Mary Fulkrod donated Satin Hands for the bonus packs. Peggy Pellizzari helped keep the committee on track. Carol Rieser supported the committee. The tournament brought in \$31,000 for the scholarship committee. \$35,500 will be available for scholarships this year since a \$4,500 scholarship was returned from a recipient last year. The golf tournament guest, Marvel Barnard, who is President of the Ladies Professional Golf Association Teaching Professionals gave clinics to high school girl golfers and older women. Marvel’s values aligned with Philo’s values, and she was so excited about Philo and the golf tournament that she is planning to come back again next year. A student recipient of a scholarship attended Thursday night’s Opening Reception. Next year’s Golf Tournament will be on June 14, 2024 with an Opening Reception on Thursday evening, June 13, 2024.

Since the pink Philo shirts worn by committee members and volunteers were such a big hit, the invitation was given to Philo members to purchase a pink Philo shirt. The shirts are very attractive and have the Philo logo on the right upper front of the shirt. The shirts will need to be ordered soon, so please contact Cindy Noble with your size. The cost will be around \$30.00.

General Business:

Treasurer’s Report:

General Fund... \$9,094.36

Savings Account... \$13,155.70

DOWH... \$4791.11

Golf/Scholarship... \$41,191.72 of which \$35,000 is earmarked for scholarships

2023/2024 Budget: The Board has completed the 2023/2024 budget and it will be sent out to the Philo members this month. Peggy Pellizzari will present it at the October general meeting.

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Presentation of Prospective Members: 5 new prospective members were presented:

Melissa Rutt (Jeanie Finley, sponsor)

Vickie Boroughf (Beth Soderquist, sponsor)

Kathy Roberts (Beth Soderquist, sponsor)

Sarah Percha (Carol Rieser, sponsor)

Peggy McGlynn (Carol Rieser, sponsor)

Kathy Loken moved and Marge McCoy seconded that we accept all 5 as members to Philo.

Next month when they attend, they will wear a purple lei.

Old Business:

Winners of the Duck Race were Kathy Loken, Florence Doksansky, and Ruth Swanty.

Barbara Geisey brought several decorated ducks to be given to the Duck Race committee

Chairmen.

New Business:

Philo Mission Statement: The Board has revised the Mission Statement. The current one is: "The Philomatheon club of Loveland supports charities and educational needs in the Loveland/Berthoud communities."

LOA/Resignation Process: The Board created a procedure for leave of absence or resignation. This document will be added as an appendix to the Philo bylaws.

Committee Announcements:

Raise Right – Marge McCoy will be taking Raise Right orders in October. The cards will be available in November.

ATV – Lori Smith is asking for donations for the Fresh Start Baskets – from now through October. There is a need for diapers, wet wipes, and infant formula, for which ATV is giving gift cards to the mothers to purchase these items. Lori suggested that Philo members buy Raise Right cards for Walmart to give the cards to ATV. This past year twenty-four baskets were delivered to ATV filled with all the items for Fresh Start Baskets. ATV big success last weekend was \$50,000 being raised/donated from Pastels on 5th.

IEC – Debbie Riley thanked those who brought underwear/socks for preschoolers. 144 bags were put together last year. Supplies go to the head start students. Debbie introduced a fundraiser for their committee, "Anne Anderson Philo Book Exchange". Bring a book to Philo meetings and donate money for a book. A table will be set up at each month meeting. The books can be purchased for a donation, with proceeds going to IEC. IEC will also accept children's books. Ann Anderson was quoted as saying, "Reading is a discount ticket to everywhere".

Terri Dimond announced that at the ATV Safehouse playground there will be "A Little Library". Terri will provide the books to fill the box and her father will build and plant it.

Together Time – Terri Dimond's invitation – Happy Hour, Mon, Sept 18, 4:00 at Marianna Butte's golf course patio for a fun time together.

Carol thanked all who paid their dues today. Ruth Swanty took the checks for Peggy Pellizzari in her absence.

Door Prize Drawing: Beth Soderquist won the flower arrangement.

Meeting adjourned at...8:00pm

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Huddle



Emeritus Member Spotlight

Kathy Loken

Our family had moved from Ames, Iowa in August of 1978. New friends at Big Thompson Elementary School, Rita Harden and Barb Worden, welcomed me to Loveland and were my Philo sponsors in 1979. We were a class of 14. Besides doing a new member skit, part of the initiation was to scrub the basement floor of our club rooms, (I think we also had to clean the silver service) in the old FNB building. As I did my part, I thought, why should we be doing this, when our time could be better served getting ready for the Santa Shop? I proposed the club room be carpeted which passed with much enthusiasm. The first summer we had torrential rains and the club room flooded! We were in WI, and I was positive that I would be asked to resign upon our return.

My first committee assignment was co-chair of Boys Toys for the Santa Shop. I had two girls...what were they thinking! Members kept explicit notebooks and you just followed the process...I learned that was the Philo way! The year I was chair of the canned food drive it was held on the steps inside the Pullium Building. I was also on the first committee to sponsor our apartment for ATV. Besides painting, furnishing the apartment, we literally pulled and replaced the toilet. The newsletter originated when I was president, with Susan Linden's encouragement.

So many memories.... Home Tours, Holiday Marts, Christmas Basket Visitations and Deliveries, Blood Drives, Golf Tournaments, Book Club, Bunco, Christmas Parties and Spring Dinners. My most memorable and fulfilling chair was of the 100th Anniversary. Three years members worked together to highlight Philo's involvement as the first Loveland nonprofit. Hosting a Loveland Chamber Business After Hours, the placement of the Philo Heart at First Bank and our gala at Ellis Ranch to Benefit ATV (\$48,152) to help reduce the mortgage).

Friendship and Service to the community...A Philo member will never let you down.



Sunshine



Thank you ladies for helping wish a happy 90th birthday to Mary Ann Lane. I received a note from her indicating she was overwhelmed by the wonderful birthday wishes from her Philo sisters. She extends her thanks and said she is privileged to be a member among so many wonderful "girls".

Even though Mary Ann moved to the Denver area a few years ago, she continues to participate in Philo activities as often as possible.

I missed sharing the news of a card sent to Nita Starr expressing our condolences for the passing of her father. Please keep Nita and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

We wish the following members a very happy October birthday!



10/2 Rita Harden
10/5 Peg Isakson
10/7 Marge McCoy
10/8 Gwen Denton
10/8 Sandy Roorda
10/9 Terri Mulford
10/22 Lynn McDonough
10/25 Sherry King
10/25 Joyce Krantz
10/30 Nancy Patterson
10/31 Juanita Cisneros

Sunshine Teams are getting a makeover!

The internet has taken over much of our lives and one of the things it has done is improved the speed of our communication with a large group. I have the blessing of our board to change the way Sunshine Teams are handled. I have been told that keeping up with adding new members and resignations is quite a hassle in regards to the teams. As a matter of fact it's nearly impossible to implement into our new website.

Please be patient as we roll out a new process for Sunshine teams. Basically I will be sending a mass notification when needs arise for funerals, meals for members or any other special requests. When you see these requests please respond directly to me if you are able to help. You will know if you've provided help previously or possibly you might feel a special desire to help based on your relationship to the member in need. If you have helped with a recent request, hold off a bit and let another member step up. Let's give it a try and see how it works. Thanks in advance for your support.

Kind Regards,
Cindy Kurtz

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.