

# Newsletter

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### **2021 Philo Board of Officers**

**President:** Rita Harden – ritdar57@outlook.com **Vice-President:** Mary Starck – starckm@msn.com **Recording Secretary:** Carol Watt – ruggmor@aol.com

Corresponding Secretary: Florence Doksansky – fdoksansky44@gmail.com

**Treasurer:** Peg Isakson – <u>pegisaksonphilo@gmail.com</u>

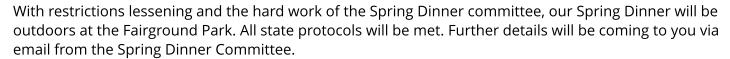
Past President: Shannon Voggesser – shannonvoggesser@gmail.com

### **Next Meeting: April 13th on Zoom**

### **Philo President**

### **Rita's Writings**

Greetings, dear Philo Sisters, hope all is well.



In spite of restrictions, DOWH had a successful run. The committee had some creative online strategies and did a fantastic job. Way to go ladies!

Treasurer Peg Isakson has been busy looking at the end of our fiscal year. Also, has been organizing records to create more transparency as to where our dollars go. Following guidelines set up for non-profits, we are looking at moving monies into a Money Market or Savings Account. Peg deserves "stars in her crown" for the excellent job she is doing for our organization. Many hours of work on her part. The board will be making some final decision about finances at the April board meeting.

Hope to see you at the Spring Dinner on May 11. May the blooming flowers and the budding trees let you know Spring is in celebration. AND, so is Philo, thanks to the commitment and dedication of a wonderful group of ladies.

Rita Harden

### **HISTORY COMMITTEE/YEARBOOK**

In this year of COVID, we have not had opportunities to take many photos of our activities. For the new digital yearbook, we are looking for photos or something (logo, graphic, flyer) that represents the event. Please send them to: philopublicity@gmail.com with the subject "Yearbook – (committee or event)."

If you have an upcoming activity, please take pictures.

Linda Stangel





### Philo General Zoom Meeting - Tuesday, March 9, 2021 - 7:00 PM

President Harden opened the meeting and introduced Danita Nixon as Monitor of the meeting, and Jamie Powell as Monitor of the Chat Box. She then called for a vote to approve the minutes of the general Zoom meeting on February 9, 2021, as they appeared in the recent Newsletter, and the minutes were approved.

#### Committee Reports:

Alternatives to Violence – Jamie Powell

Members were thanked for the great participation in this year's drive. Our Triple Ribbon Breakfast will be on April 8. More information is forthcoming.

Blood Drive - M. J. Bergstrand

Our drive was held at a great new facility, with a new coordinator, and went well, in spite of the Bloodmobile being delayed. There were 10 donors, all of whom had appointments. Next drive will be in May and then August.

Canned Food Drive – Eileen Huddle

This committee is looking for both a new Chair and Co-Chair, the present ones having served for several years. Opportunities will be posted in the next Newsletter.

Christmas Food Baskets - Susan Trumbo

This committee will also be needing help this year.

Dine Out With a Heart - Stacee Kersley

Stacee thanked all the online donors this year. The committee is looking for new members as well. Go on Facebook if you can help out. And everyone, use take-out if you aren 't comfortable with dining in.

Golf Tournament – Cindy Kurtz

Committee is having an in person meeting this week. Request for donated Gift Baskets to be presented at the tournament will appear in upcoming Newsletter. The focus of this committee is to provide scholarships to local applicants.

Early Childhood – Cheryl Hitchens

There will be no Fair for this year, and we have not had any requests for projects yet. We are very appreciative of our great committee members.

Newsletter - Danita Nixon

March 20 is the deadline for the next edition. Please submit your articles on time.

Duck Race - Carol Rieser

We have sold 31 out of 64 sets of tickets thus far. Hopefully more members will participate by sending a check. Another reminder email will be sent out.

Scholarship – Mary Starck

The deadline for applications if March 22. We have received only one to date.

Sunshine - Florence Doksansky

March Birthdays include Janice Marchman, Ruth Swanty, Joan Putlack, Sheila Pottorff, Helen Wilson, Dottie Childers, Megan Mahaffey, Mary Schact, Georgia Torson, Susan Trumbo, and Joyce Caufman.

Honoraries - Rita Harden

No report

Web Master and Web Administer – Peggy Pellizzari and Jamie Powell

Committee sign-ups are open through March 27. We already have most Chairs and Co-Chairs, but need additional member help as follows:

## **Recording Secretary (continued)**

Blood Drive - Co Chair

Canned Food - Chair and Co Chair

Christmas Food Baskets

Golf - Co Chair with organizational and motivational skills

Honoraries

**History Committee** 

Integrated Early Childhood

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**Publicity** 

Scholarship – Co Chair

Membership - 2 people needed with attention to detail - can do all work from home

#### Spring Dinner – Jeanne Findley

We will hold our Spring Dinner at outdoor pavilions at Larimer County Fairgrounds following all COVID protocols (masks, social distancing, etc.) You are welcome to bring your own table and chairs. We will provide bottled water and soda. You can bring your own drinks, but NO ALCOHOL. Date is Tuesday, May 11 at 5:30. Can R.S.V.P. after April meeting.. There is no planned program but we will install officers and new members.

Treasurer's Report – Peg Isakson

General Fund \$25,729.23

D.O.W.H. \$15,057.62

Golf \$11,730.42

Finance Committee and Board agreed to use Zelle for the electronic transfer of funds (ETF), with no fees. This means Zelle can transfer funds directly from your bank account to our General Fund Account at First Bank. We can only accept funds for one Committee at a time. Credit cards and checks are still OK. Checks may be used and sent to P. O. Box 484; credit cards must be used on our website PayPal. You will receive more guidance about using Zelle in April after PHILO committees determine how they want to use the procedure. We want you to be aware of this and to respond if you have questions or suggestions. Your feedback and input is welcome.

The Board is also reviewing guidelines for non-profit organizations and procedures for budget planning. We are required to have a reserve fund of no more than two year's budget expenses set aside in a Money Market Fund (\$12,000). Also, since our administrative, operational and committee expenses should not exceed 15% of the organization's gross income, we need to set aside funds in our savings account (\$15.000). Contact any Board member with comments or concerns, and we'll get back to you. In addition to all this, the Treasurer is busy becoming adept at Quick Books.

#### **New Business:**

President Rita announced the Slate of Officers for 2021:

President Mary Starck
Vice President Judy Gangle
Treasurer Peg Isakson
Recording Secty. Carol Watt

Corresponding Secty. Florence Doksansky

Past President Rita Harden

At present we have 3 new member applicants

Parting Advice from Mr. Rogers: The world needs a sense of worth. People need to feel they are worthwhile. Our PHILO organization has done good work through this pandemic year!

THANK YOU!!!

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Carol Watt, Recording Secretary

### **Spring Dinner 2021!**

Hey, ladies! It's been a very difficult year but we hope that all of you are doing well. The Spring Dinner committee has had many conversations and believes that we can host a safe Philo celebration this year.

We've received approval from the City of Loveland to host this outdoor event at

### **Loveland Fairgrounds Park/Pavilions**

700 S. Railroad Avenue

Tuesday, May 11, 5:30 pm

In receiving our variance from the City, we are committed to following all city, county, state and CDC guidelines—including contact tracing. Tables will be 6 feet apart and blue tape X markings on the floors to help with social distancing. Registration will be outside of the pavilion to allow for adequate spacing. Our normal type of dinner menu will not be available—we will have a boxed dinner (menu selections are included in the invitation **emailed on April 8**). Bring your own drink—no alcohol. Face coverings are mandatory. Hand sanitizers will be available throughout the venue. Restrooms will be provided by the City with appropriate cleaning/sanitation.

Deadline for RSVP's for this event will be <u>Thursday</u>, <u>April 22</u>. <u>Please email Dona Menzies</u> at <u>dmenzies123@gmail.com</u> with your menu choice (choose 1 of 4 choices):

Turkey croissant, Ham croissant, Chicken Salad sandwich

or

Chicken Green Garden Salad (or w/o chicken) choice of ranch or balsamic dressing includes 2 sides and dessert

\$25 pp

Three ways to pay: **Zelle** (send tophilobanking@gmail.com) or **PayPal** (the link is included in the invitation), or **check** (add Spring Dinner to the memo line)—contact Dona with any questions concerning payment or meal choices and send to:

Dona Menzies, 309 Violet Drive, Loveland, CO 80537

Dmenzies123@gmail.com

970-481-4923 or 970-667-6656

We understand and respect those who do not feel comfortable with attending this event. We are prepared to cancel the event if there is a rise in COVID 19 cases that changes the County's requirements.

Jeanne Findley, Chair

# Philo Golf Tournament

"Diamonds in the Rough"

### Olde Course, Loveland, June 18

Lookin' for love in all the right places.....

Lookin' for love from our Philo members as plans continue to move forward for our June 18 golf tournament. Without being able to pass around a clip board at a meeting, I will continue to ask for your assistance. We have heard from a couple of members that are willing to donate a giveaway gift basket or volunteer on the day of the tournament but we need more. A few of the gift baskets may be used for a drawing to generate additional funds for scholarships and others will be used as giveaways to the participants. The players that come year after year really look forward to the creative and fun gifts that Philo has presented. Remember, the contents of the basket usually run in the range of \$100. You don't need to do this on your own – team up with other friends or Philo members, ask local vendors and businesses for donations for your baskets.

Carol Watt or Marge McCoy are your contacts to let know you are willing to donate a basket. Here are a few ideas: Baking, brewery, candles, games, chocolate, date night, movie night, gardening, pets, sports, travel, kitchen, many others as well.

Beth Soderquist and Tina Wagner are your contacts if you are available to volunteer on June 18.

Cindy Kurtz

970-962-6832

### **GIFT BASKET THEME IDEAS**

Baking	Knitting	Barbeque/Grilling	Krafting
Brewery	Margaritas	Books	Needlepointing
Candles	Organizational Tools	Card Games	Patio Stuff
• Chocolate	Pets	Coffee/Tea	Picture Frames
Pioneer Woman	Date Night	Quilting	Flowers
Romance	Fun in the Sun	Sewing	Game Night
<ul><li>Snacker's Heaven</li></ul>	Gardening	Socks	Golf
Spa	Greeting Cards	Sports – any or all	Halloween
Sports Teams	Herb Garden	Sweetheart Winery	Hiking
Travel Stuff	Italian	Winter Season	Kitchen
Wrapping Paper/Ribbons		Country (Italy, Mexico, etc.)	

(or anything else you would like to create!)

It's time to think about putting together a gaily decorated gift basket for the annual Golf Extravaganza!

These items will be on display at registration for bidders to inspect, and proceeds will go to our

Scholarship Fund. We will also use some baskets to reward as prizes. Use your own ingenuity or team up with a partner(s). Above is a list of just some possibilities. Have fun and enjoy the process. Baskets should be delivered prior to June 10 to 1470 Rhode Island Street, Loveland. Thank you for supporting

our cause!



You're invited to attend:

### The Alternatives to Violence Purple Ribbon Virtual Event

Date And Time: Thu, April 8, 2021, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM MDT

Philo's ATV Committee will be an ambassador for the event, working to recruit community members to attend and support the organization thru donations.

There is no charge to attend the virtual event, donations are appreciated.

To sign up visit: https://atv-pre.eventbrite.com

During registration you will be asked, "Were you invited by an ATV Ambassador?"- Please respond "Loveland Philo"



# **Blood Drive**

It was such a happy day to welcome & assist blood donors as we finally were able to resume our drives. Yes, masks were worn, distances kept, & sanitizing measures taken. We are already planning our May Blood Drive which will be on May 18th, 9am- 1pm at Grace Community Church.

Please consider donating! Contact MJ Bergstrand at 916-871-8760 or westieterrorist@yahoo.com for the required appointment. Support our Philo efforts!!!

### Newsletter



Deadline for the May newsletter will be April 24th. Please send your submissions as an attachment, in a word format, to Danita@Slacolo.com

# **Integrated Early Childhood**



Do you shop at Sprouts, Safeway or WalMart? Do you order from Applebees, Bonefish Grill, Arby's, DairyQueen or various pizza shops? Do you shop at Barnes & Noble or get essentials at Walgreens, Kohl's, HomeDepot, or Macy's? And that's naming only a few!

With cash cards for your typical shopping, you use the full value of your card with no activation fee. There are 750 retailers who give rebates to an organization that orders their cash (or gift) cards, with rebates that vary from 2% to 16%.

In a December Philo trial of ShopWithScrip cash card purchases, our profit was \$444 in just 4 weeks.

Join us in another ShopWithScrip event that will benefit children in the Integrated Early Childhood program. Philo supports the hungry in our community through Dine Out With Heart, students desiring to learn through Scholarships, and the developing child through Integrated Early Childhood. Won't you help in an easy way, no cost to you?

Watch for a separate email from the Early Childhood committee with ordering details coming your way soon!

Ordering will begin immediately when you receive that email. Watch for it!



#### **HAPPY SPRING! HAPPY EASTER!**

Newsletters mailed or delivered to 5 Emeritus members. Get well card sent to Mary Starck.

### **April Birthdays:**

Shannon Voggesser 1 Georgia Christopher 6 Diane Bakel 14

**Jennifer Wilson 25** 

Stephanie Butts 6 Mary Denning 8 Cheryl Hitchens 22 Kathy Loken 29





# Rotary Duck Race Tickets For Sale

Carol Rieser, Chair Barbara Giesey, Co-Chair

# Honorary and Active Members Purchase your Rotary Duck Race tickets NOW! \*7 tickets for only \$20.00

- Make check payable to: Philo
- Please put Rotary Duck Race in memo section

**Mail Check To:** 

**Iann Carithers - 120 Alpine Laurel Avenue** 

Loveland, CO 80537

970-800-3090

\*Please enclose a stamped and self addressed envelope

January was off to a great start! A special thank you to all of you that have supported the Duck Race Ticket Sales.

Please consider this as an opportunity to support Philo and students in the Thompson School District with the added benefit of a chance to win a prize.

Philo retains 80% of the total Rotary Duck Race ticket sales. That means \$16.00 is retained by Philo for each purchase of \$20.00 and \$4.00 is retained by Rotary. These funds are used to support Philo's operational expenses. Rotary uses it's 20% of ticket proceeds to fund College Scholarships and Literacy Programs in the Thompson Valley School District.