Philo General Meeting Minutes January 7, 2008

President, Trudy Eckhardt, called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. There were 48 members present. Trudy thanked Social Activities Chair, Joan Putlack and her Co-Chair, Lori Knedlik, for having a Health Fair prior to the General Meeting. Stations were set up for blood pressure checks, body mass indexes, fitness ball exercises, and chair massages provided by students from IBMC.

Committee Reports

Joan Putlack, Social Activities Chair, reported that RSVP's are needed by February 1st for the Philo Birthday Celebration being held at King Auto on February 15th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Wine and cheese will be provided by King Auto. Vicki Moehling will try to get a cake donated. Philo will provide napkins, plates, and plastic ware. Cindy Kurtz donated wine glasses she had purchased for the Holiday Party.

Carol Helzer, Sunshine Chair, reported that LaVerne Macy, had broken her leg. Kathy Loken had back surgery. Nita Starr's husband had surgery. Carol had sent cards. Judy Potter reported that Shirley Lampshire will need a card as she will have surgery. Former member, Missy Yowell, had a baby boy named Luke David, and both are doing well. Carol read January birthdays and those present, stood.

Nicole Whitenight, Chair of IEC, thanked members who brought items that could be added to survival kits for the early childhood centers. She also reported that 26 literacy boxes were made. Each box was for one letter of the alphabet and had things in the box for that particular letter.

Marthann Dahlen, Blood Drive Joint Chair, reported a change in the time the blood drives will begin. They will begin at 10:30am and the work shifts will be 2 ½ hours. The sign up for the February blood drive was at the meeting. Juanita Cisneros, Blood Drive Joint Chair, reported that the aprons will be stenciled so that Philo members may wear them while working at the blood drive.

Trudy reported on the Canned Food Drive. A thank you that was sent to and appeared in the Reporter Herald was noted. Philo members had delivered 35 food baskets, 174 baskets were assembled, 7,962 lbs of canned food was taken to the Larimer County Food Bank for storage for the HNS, and Cindy Kurtz, Treasurer, reported that \$400 was sent to HNS from member donations.

Shannon Voggesser, Scholarship Chair, asked Philo members to let people know about the scholarship application forms being available now. She also asked for two more members for her committee because of resignations. Jan Frame, and Lola Johnson volunteered to be

on the committee.

Fundraising

Shirley Lampshire, Girls' Night Out Chair, was unable to attend the meeting. Judy Potter reported in her absence. A total fundraising amount of \$1,017.25 was announced by Judy. Dona Menzies was the winner of jewelry because she had brought the most people with her that night.

Betty Brammer, Rotary Duck Race Chair, presented a short skit to remind Philo members that the Duck Race Ticket Sales would begin next month.

Club Operations

Kathi Wright, Vice President, reminded members to get the names of prospective new Philo members to her. An Orientation will be February 12th at 6pm for prospective/new members. We currently have ten prospective new member names on a list and there are currently ten openings in Philo.

Jan Dougherty, Alternatives to Violence Chair, reported that a \$50.00 gift certificate had been given to the woman and her son in the apartment for Christmas. The woman was also in need of mattresses, both full size and twin bed size. If any Philo member had these items to please contact Jan. Dottie Childers said that she had a full mattress in her basement that she would donate. Jan also told the members that Birthright needs baby layettes. Anne Anderson suggested later in the meeting that Jan put a description of baby items needed in the newsletter, and members could bring the items to the February General Meeting.

The Service Projects Criteria Committee met before the January General Meeting. They will be sending out a questionnaire e-mail to members asking for a vision for the next 90 years of Philo. The purpose is to get a feel for where members view the organization should be heading.

Officer Reports

Kathi Wright, Vice President, reminded Philo members to get personal information changes for the yearbooks to her. Also, please send Kathi names for prospective new members.

Cindy Kurtz, Treasurer, reported that she had closed out a savings account earning only .15% to open a 7 month CD, which should earn \$18.00-\$22.00 interest each month. Cindy said she plans to split up the golf committee account and open a CD with some of this money as well. Gentle reminders about dues not paid yet will be sent out.

Joan Swan, Corresponding Secretary, was unable to attend the meeting. No correspondence was read.

Michaele Gillette, Recording Secretary, asked if there were any additions or deletions to the November minutes. There were none. Trudy asked for a motion to approve the minutes as they stand. The motion was moved and seconded. The motion was carried. Michaele reminded members to mark the attendance sheets and also mark December if they had attended the Holiday Party.

Doreen MacDonald, Historian, was unable to attend the meeting. Trudy reminded committee chairs to take pictures of their committees and to have the pictures on a CD. Trudy will try to have pictures shown at the February Philo Birthday Celebration.

Trudy also reminded members to check the back table for gifts from Secret Sisters. Liaisons were asked to check for supplies left at the Holiday Party. A blanket for the Alternatives to Violence committee was on the table also.

Old Business

The January General Meeting was the last day to turn in your Logo ideas. The ideas will be included in the February newsletter. The members will be discussing and voting on Logos at the February meeting. Voting will take place in person at the February General Meeting or via e-mail.

Craig Robinson, Kay's husband, has been working with Trudy on a web page. It will include the publicity brochure. There will be a Members Only page with an access code, The yearbook will be on the Members Only page. As a reminder, a notice via e-mail will let you know when the February newsletter will be on the web page. We will be shooting for a specific date each month to have the newsletter on the web page. Kathi Wright will work on the form needed for permission to use pictures of members.

Trudy said sign-ups for committees would begin at the March General meeting. Honoraries are always encouraged to sign up for committees. If there is not room to sign up anyone who wants to work on a committee above their minimum commitment are encouraged to contact the committee Chair and volunteer.

New Business

Openings for new Board Members will be announced in February. Nominations will be accepted at that time.

Hostesses

Board members and liaisons were personally recognized and thanked for their help with the Holiday Party.

Kay Robinson, Marne Engelking, Dona Menzies, and Linda Stangel were hostesses for January and were thanked for their efforts.

February hostesses will be Vicki Moehling, Chris Sexton, Joan Putlack, Lori Knedlik, and Donna Showalter.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Denise Olson made an announcement that she had a petition for people collecting PERA to also be able to collect Social Security, and asked for members who were interested to see her.

Respectfully submitted,

Michaele Gillette