

PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10, 2009

President Kathi Wright opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. There were 46 members present.

Myrna McIntosh shared our monthly Philo historical vignette about her memories of "new member skits and other disasters." Myrna became a member in 1963 and remembers Philo having a Mexican Fiesta with 4 or 5 very pregnant members doing the Mexican Hat Dance! The Class of '72 skit had all the new members dressed as plants, which resulted in some humorous antics. Thanks, Myrna, for sharing your memories.

Sunshine Chair Connie Ephland announced February birthdays.

Bonnie Hanson continues to contact members to provide meals for Lola Johnson and her family.

Kathi offered congratulations to our Treasurer Shannon Voggesser and her husband Garrit, and to Mary Voggesser (grandmother), on the arrival of their new daughter, Addison Riley.

Joan Putlack introduced our speaker for the evening, Jim Willard. He informed us of the history of Valentine's Day, which could either be a Roman Pagan Festival or a celebration of the execution of St. Valentine. Jim presented some romantic oldie songs which he has collected on a CD which was so popular that several members wanted a copy. Juanita Cisneros will make copies for our group and the proceeds will go to one of our service projects.

I. SERVICE TO COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

~INTEGRATED EARLY CHILDHOOD Trish Stanczyk, Educational Coordinator for IEC shared some of the work being done, including the Headstart, Preschool, and Special Ed programs. The last is growing rapidly but has limited funding compared to Headstart, which is fairly well funded. She announced the second annual Literary Fair which will be held on 4/9/09. Trish thanked Philo

members for all they have done to support the IEC. With Philo's help they have been able to give more support to teachers, helping to prevent teacher burnout.

II. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEES

A. GOLF TOURNAMENT Chair Jane Bock

~Kathi Wright thanked Mary Voggesser for hosting the Sponsor Party at "The Philo Party Palace".

~The committee needs help from the membership for our Golf Tournament, which is so important in raising money for scholarships. Last year \$12,000 was given to scholarship recipients.

~The Tournament will be held on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2009.

~Jane listed 3 areas in which help is needed:

1. A person in charge of registration. Getting players signed in and out on the course is very hectic, but—GOOD NEWS—the job only lasts about 1½ hour.

2. A clever person—a shopper who loves bargains.

3. A member who excels in Graphic Arts.

~She will also need two chairs for new committees: Publicity and Volunteers.

~Mary Voggesser, chair of Sponsor Committee, will also need lots of help recruiting sponsors. We will need to contact sponsors earlier because businesses and organizations set their budgets in January.

~Dona Menzies offered to help through the Apprentice Program.

~Jinger Buchner will communicate with the Golf Club on 2/23, asking for their help.

~Jane reminded everyone that all Philo members are expected to work on the Golf Tournament.

B. ROTARY DUCK RACE TICKET SALES Chair Carol Albers

~Tickets available for pickup tonight and at the March meeting.

~Each member will get 5 tickets. Tickets are \$5 each, with Philo getting \$3.25 and Rotary getting the balance.

~If you do not sell the tickets please return them to Carol since she needs to return them to Rotary. Checks made to "Philo"

~Duck Race held in August during the Corn Roast Festival.

~Loveland Rotary uses their proceeds to provide all third graders in R2J with a dictionary.

~Philo earned \$1800.00 last year!

C. GARAGE SALE Chair Denise Olson

~Sale will be on 4/25/09 at the First Congregational Church. The schedule is:

~Thur. 4/23, 5-7 pm and Fri. 4/24, 8-12 am—drop off donations. Anyone can drop off items during these hours.

--Friday afternoon—set up and price items for sale

--Saturday—7:30 am thru 3:00 pm

~There will also be a **BAKE SALE** on Saturday—bring items Saturday morning (or Friday PM if necessary).

~At 1:00 on Saturday the committee will contact local churches so people can come in and pick out what they need. Remaining items will be donated to Habitat for Humanity.

~Last year proceeds from the sale were \$1500.

~Encourage your friends and neighbors to donate items for sale.

~A clipboard was sent around for members to sign up to work at the sale and ALL members are requested to participate.

III. SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

BLOOD DRIVE Chair Eunice Holthusen:

~Next blood drive will be 2/17/09. A clipboard was sent around for members to sign up to work a shift.

~The committee needs fruit and baked goods to be brought by First United Methodist Church by 10 am on 2/17.

~Donor Call lists were passed out to committee members.

IV. OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT

~Kathi Wright will no longer open the door for our monthly meetings at 5:00 pm because members do not seem to need this extra time before meetings. The door will be opened at 6:00 pm.

~Committee Chairs are encouraged to send their committee meeting times to Juanita Cisneros (Content Editor) be included in our newsletter.

~Philo continues to search for indoor storage space.

RECORDING SECRETARY Dorothy Childers

~Requested a motion to approve January minutes. Motion by Mary Voggesser, second by Joan Putlack, motion approved.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY Joan Swan

~Philo received an invitation for a fundraiser from Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church. The dinner dance is to benefit The Community Kitchen of Loveland and Friends of the Poor.

~Received resignations from Karen Skillman and Sue Park. Both accepted with regrets.

HISTORIAN Trudy Eckhardt

~Continues to work on mass mailing system—will call members if she has not received a reply from them acknowledging that their email address is correct.

~Sent out mass mailing reminding members of the Golf Sponsor Party.

~If there are any email address changes, please let Trudy and Cindy know.

VICE PRESIDENT Cindy Kurtz

~Deloris Valdez Jarvis has arranged for hostesses for March.

~Requested for volunteers for April meeting. Mary Ann Lane, Denise Olson, Juanita Cisneros, and Georgeann Smith volunteered.

~Asked members to submit names of prospective new members to be announced at the March meeting. However, names can be submitted up until the time of the voting.

~Requested volunteers for Board for next year.

Kathi thanked our hostesses.

And thank you Kathi for guiding our club toward the goals you set for Philo this year. **FELLOWSHIP:** sharing historical vignettes, celebrating birthdays and births; **IMPROVEMENT:** Jim Willard's presentation expanding our knowledge of Valentine's Day and oldie love songs; **SERVICE:** our committees' activities continually improving our community.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Childers