

PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 10, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Cindy Kurtz. There were 49 members present.

Cindy thanked the hostesses for the evening for the spectacular festive food with the Halloween theme.

OFFICER REPORTS

President Cindy Kurtz introduced a proposal from the Board to establish a Premembership Pilot Program. Cindy read the proposal, as follows:

- The Premembership Pilot Program is to be placed within the Prospective New Member Committee.
- The purpose of such pilot program is to provide the opportunity for an individual to become involved in the Philo Organization as soon as they show interest.
- The prospective member will be sponsored by a current Philo member
- The prospective member's sponsor, along with the Prospective New Member Committee and one Board member will provide orientation and mentoring.
- The prospective member will be encouraged to participate on committees where there are existing vacancies.
- The prospective member will participate on a non-voting basis and will have no dues obligation
- At the next initiation the prospective member will be initiated into full membership.

Cindy speaking for the Board recommends that this program begin January of 2010 and continue until May of 2012. In May of 2010 the program be reviewed, and if it is determined successful, that the program be adopted into the by-laws of the organization.

After brief discussion a motion was made by Joyce Krantz to adopt the pilot program. The motion was seconded by Pam Pellizzari. Motion approved.

Vice President, Marthann Dahlen reminded the membership there are yearbooks remaining to be picked up. Also, there are some committees that are in need of additional participants.

Treasurer, Shannon Voggesser read the Treasurer's Report reporting that a \$10,000 certificate of deposit has been purchased. Shannon asked that outstanding membership dues be paid as soon as possible. Shannon will also accept donations for food baskets.

Corresponding Secretary, Linda Stangel reported the Salvation Army is looking for bell ringers if any individual members would like to help.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

****LADIES DAY OUT** Chairman Judy Potter listed the participants in the Saturday November 21st shopping day. The restaurant participants are Henrys', Black Steer, and Pour House. The merchant participants are Almosta, Merchant Voyager, Cloz and City News.

****FOOD BASKET MATCHING** Chairman Dona Menzies had the group participate in a quiz that was a reminder of who, what, where and how the food basket program will be implemented. Anne Anderson gave us a bit of history on the beginning of the food basket program, dating back 91 years.

****CANNED FOOD DRIVE** Chairman Sherry King announced there are 20 schools participating in the food drive with many class room contests. The food will again be collected by our volunteers, and delivered to the First United Methodist Church at 533 North Grant. Co-Chairman Lynn McDonough reported that this year food remaining after food basket matching will be delivered to House of Neighborly Services. Boxes will be delivered to the participating schools. Bill Reed PE classes, Loveland High School Key Club and Mountain View Student Council will volunteer to unload food. Food will be collected by Philo volunteers on Friday December 4th.

****BLOOD DRIVES** Chairman Johna Cabrera announced the upcoming blood drive on November 17th. She asked members who have connections to hang posters announcing the February 16, 2010 blood drive. Johna is hoping that the February drive will exceed 100 pints.

****INTEGRATED EARLY CHILDHOOD** Chairman Laura Arace asked member to bring in any and all magazines to be distributed to early child hood centers. Also, children's books are welcome, along with baskets to hold the reading materials.

****SUNSHINE COMMITTEE** Chairman Bonnie Hanson read November birthdays. She asked that everyone be aware of their Sunshine teams, and be ready to deliver food when called.

OLD BUSINESS

President Cindy Kurtz called for old business. There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

President Cindy Kurtz announced the annual Philo Christmas Party will be hosted by the Board and Board Liaisons at the home of Mary Voggeser , 3096 Kiowa Drive. The date is December 8th, beginning at 7:00pm. A white elephant gift exchange will be part of the evening.

Cindy introduced Ceri Anderson who gave a presentation on Positivity and how to create a positive life experience. We celebrated Cindy Kurtz for her birthday. Cindy gave everyone attending the meeting a "positivity" bracelet to help each of us remember that it

requires 3 positive thought for each negative thought to maintain a positive outlook and positive life experience.

Respectfully submitted
Karen Sanders
Recording Secretary
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