

PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES April 8, 2014

President Heather Morrison called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

WELCOME

Welcome and acknowledgment of this meetings hostesses Joyce Krantz, Marthann Dahlen and Mary Voggesser.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Guest Speaker: Lynn Matson from the Rotary Club came to talk to us about the Duck Race. He gave us pointers on getting people involved in purchasing tickets for the race. It is part of the Corn Roast in August. There are about 7000 ducks that are dropped into the river. First place is \$1000 and second is \$500 as well as other prized donated by Loveland businesses. The purpose of the funds raised is to purchase dictionaries for the third graders in Thompson School District. The extra money raised is used for scholarships for high school students.

The split this year will be 80/20 instead of 60/40. Eighty percent of the funds raised will go to Philo. If we sell 800 tickets, we could raise \$2100. Rotary really appreciates Philo members selling tickets to support this project. It is important to remember that we are soliciting donations, not selling tickets. If someone asked for a ticket without providing a donation, go ahead and give it to them. Hopefully you don't have to give away too many tickets. If they want to donate less, it's OK. It's a good idea to relate it to something that Philo supports. Such as a providing a literacy box for \$6. If we sold 3 tickets, we would have enough for a literacy box. Ten tickets would provide enough to purchase a dictionary and also provide literacy boxes.

There is also a contest for the best dressed ducks.

Officer Reports:

President, Heather Morrison: Reminded the members that our by-laws require each of us to sign up for at least one committee. Remember that being a hostess does not substitute for a committee assignment. Some members have not signed up for committees yet. Heather will be calling you if you have not yet signed up for a committee.

Vice President, Judy Grommon: No report.

Recording Secretary, Deb Fillion: Deb absent. Beth Soderquist is taking the minutes in her absence.

Corresponding Secretary, Pam Pellizzari: Pam absent. Heather gave a report that Kathi Wright has resigned due to other commitments.

Treasurer, Peggy Pellizzari: General Fund balance of \$17,641.46 and a Golf/Scholarship Fund balance of \$26,005.41 Front Range Community College returned \$750 for students that did not attend in the spring.

Historian, Sheila Pottorff: No report.

Elections were held for new Board Members. The following were elected for next year President: Judy Grommon, Vice President: Nita Starr, Treasurer: Shellie Gutierrez, Corresponding Secretary: Sue Lussenhop, Recording Secretary: Sara Quale.

New Members, President Heather Morrison: The following new members were accepted into membership: Barbara Dieterle sponsored by Judy Potter, Ann Ellis sponsored by Mary Starck, Debbie

Riley sponsored by Sheila Pottorff, Kandi Smith sponsored by Sheila Pottorff and Diane Macenturf sponsored by Sheila Pottorff.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Philo Spring Dinner: Judy Potter discussed the Spring dinner will be held on Tuesday, May 13th at 5:30. It will be located at the Loveland Best Western. Please mail your payment of \$35 to Coleen Ligotke, Crowley Cir, Loveland, CO 80538. Her email is coleen@coleenligotke.com. If you need transportation, please contact Coleen.

Duck Race: Stephani Bradley has Duck Race tickets. Please pick up some to sell.

Sunshine: Mary Voggesser read the April birthdays and acknowledged those that were at the meeting. Please check your newsletter for the list of cards that have been sent recently.

By Laws change: Mary Voggesser discussed the by-laws changes published in the newsletter. Ann Anderson moved to approve the By-Laws changes published in the newsletter. Various Philo members seconded. It was approved unanimously.

Blood Drive: Florence Doksansky reported. April 15th is the next Blood Drive. She needed help for a couple of hours and one of our members changed her shift to assist.

Canned Food Drive: We may need a new chairperson for this committee. Please consider assisting and let Heather know if you are willing.

Dining with Heart: Donna Menzies discussed the progress on this new fund raising project. We will be including the restaurants out in Centerra as well. Donna is asking for assistance with this committee. She needs help picking up money from the restaurants the first two weeks in October. Please make sure to support the participating restaurants during this time. It will be a meal deal or approximately \$25 per person. They will be advertising in local papers and providing Facebook links. October 1-14, 2014. Please wear your Philo shirts when you go.

Golf Committee: Sheila Pottorff thanked Cindy Kurtz and her husband for their \$5,000 donation through the Bohemian Foundation. Golf meeting will be April 17th. Jeanne Findley discussed the need some donations for gift baskets. Please consider donating a gift basket or items that could be included. The deadline for donations is June 1st. Please have baskets to Jeanne Findley at the dinner next month if possible, but no later than June 1st. They also need more sponsorships for the golf tournament and would like all Philo members to try to get additional sponsorships. The letter is on the web site. Non-golfers may be included for lunch the day of the tournament. Please mail your checks to Beth Soderquist by June 10th.

Early childhood: Stevie Benkendorf: Thank you for bringing magazines and please bring some more next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Beth Soderquist (for Deb Fillion, Recording Secretary)