

PHILO NEWSLETTER

April 2011

Social Committee

It's time to dust off those walking shoes ladies! Philo is holding its first



downtown Loveland scavenger hunt May 14th



from 10am -12pm, the Saturday after the Spring Dinner. This will be a walking scavenger hunt, and the area that will be covered will be small and very manageable. We

don't want to leave anyone out though so if you feel you won't be able to walk it is ok to use a vehicle. We ask that you sign up in teams of 4 and we highly recommend that you mix it up a





bit! There will be some history learning going on as well as more current references so it might be helpful to have a diverse population in your group. And if your team wants to have a

"theme" that will just add to the fun! There are a couple of rules.

1. Someone in your group will need to have a digital camera or camera phone. This is how you will prove you have found all 8 clues.

2. Three of the group members will need to be present in the pictures.



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There will be a sign-up sheet at the April general meeting as well as the Spring Dinner. The Spring Dinner in May will be your last chance to sign up. You can also contact me and let me know who is in your group. If you don't have four people but would like to participate add you name to the list and I'm sure your group will fill up with others who might not have four people either. After the scavenger hunt those that would like to will be staying to have lunch at one of our downtown Loveland establishments still to be determined. Or if you can't make it to the scavenger hunt but would like to join us for lunch we would love to have you! Just let me know. Hope to see you all out and about in downtown Loveland! You might be surprised by what you didn't know about our little town!

Shannon Voggesser, Social Committee Chairwoman



6:00 PM April 12 The church will be open so committees can meet.

> This Month's General Meeting 7:00 PM Tuesday, April 12 Trinity Lutheran Church

> > **Blood Drive** April 19

Spring Dinner May

Walking Scavenger Hunt May 14

Message from the President



The wind is blowing Spring right into our yards with purple crocus and yellow daffodils!

The Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting was a great success and lots of fun! I want to thank all the women who

were able to attend. I am sure the picture will be a wonderful sea of lovely faces. You can access the Chamber at their web site - <u>www.loveland.org</u> and they also have a section in the Sunday Reporter Herald that show the events, workshops and times to network. Remember we are representing Philo.

The Board is excited to announce the 2011-2012 Board candidates: President- Juanita Cisneros, Vice President – Sheila Pottorff, Treasurer – Peggy Pellizzari, Recording Secretary – Linda Stangel, Corresponding Secretary – Connie Ephland, and Historian – Marthann Dahlen. We will be voting on the new board and new members this month.

Thank you to Trudy and Craig Robinson for getting our web page up to the minute. This is a wonderful addition and will make getting information out faster and more efficiently.

April will be the final month for committee sign up. If you were co-chair of a committee this year you will step up to chair for this coming



year. Thank you for your commitment to Philo.

There is still a lot to accomplish these last two months. We will have several committees reporting at the general meeting and look forward to hearing about the Spring Dinner.

Respectfully, Marthann Dahlen President

Duck Race Committee

DUCK RACE TICKETS

- D Do Your Part
- U Unsold tickets-return to Michaele Gillette
- C Checks made out to Philo
- K Kids and Philo benefit
- R Rotary dictionaries for each 3rd grader
- A Active and honorary members participate
- C Committed to the project
- E Enthusiasm
- T Ticket stubs--return with checks
- I Interest
- C Committee of ducks will be quacking(calling)
- K Key to Success
- E Effort
- T Thanks to You!
- S Support Means Success

Please return checks, ticket stubs, or any unsold tickets at the April meeting or the May dinner. Thanks to all of you who have done so already. I still have one envelope with \$25.00 cash and no identifying marks that was given to me at the February meeting. If you think you might have done this, please contact me. Thank you to Betty Brammer who came up with this format when she was chairwoman.

Michaele Gillette, Chairwoman Duck Race Ticket Sales Committee

Newsletter Info!!

The news comes from you, the members and committees, so stay in touch! Email Juanita



Cisneros at juanita@lpbroadband.net with your articles.

Philo Newsletter Calendar:

<u>Month</u> May Content Deadline April 23

Blood Drive Committee

Ahhh! Spring is here and the hope for new life is in the air. The gift of life is precious and you can give that to a person in need by donating blood at the



next blood drive on Tuesday, April 19th. Just one whole blood donation can save and enhance the lives of up to three people. Three for one is a great return! Spring awakens all of us to get out and do something different. If you have not given blood before spring is a great time to start. If you would like to donate and haven't already scheduled an appointment please contact Bonfils at (800)365-0006 or on line at <u>www.bonfils.org</u> and use site #0172. A reminder email will be sent a week before the drive for those of you that will be working the blood drive and/or bringing snacks. Thanks in advance for your help and please remember to check your email.

Deb Fillion Blood Drive Chairwoman



Welcome to a new feature in the monthly newsletter! We know so many of you are involved in other worthy activities in our community. We welcome

the opportunity to hear about your many and varied interests but want to be able to focus on our established commitments and activities during our general meetings. You many now submit information to the newsletter on activities or fundraising events in which your Philo sisters may wish to participate. Submit a brief summary - your contact information, the event or cause, and the organization it benefits - to the newsletter editor before the monthly deadline. This information will be available to the membership and help us all be better informed about our community and each other. Send your articles to the newsletter editor, Subject or title: Philo FYI

Are you a Member-in-Good Standing?

For most of our members, the answer is a resounding YES. For others, questions have arisen about dues payment, attendance and participation. Each of us faces times in our lives when we have to reset our priorities. Philo wants to be supportive of our members when circumstances arise and they cannot meet all the membership obligations. Unfortunately records of requests for excused absences and leaves of absence are difficult to track if not submitted in writing and renewed each year.

Please review the By-Laws (Article IV— Membership, Section 3: Membership Status, A. Active Membership) which states:

1. A member who wishes to hold active membership status must pay annual dues, attend a minimum of five (5) regularly scheduled meetings a year and participate in all major club events (see yearbook).

2. Membership requires serving on club committees and as a hostess for meetings as assigned by the executive board. Committee organization will be established by the executive board (see Article X).

3. A member who has a legitimate reason for being unable to attend five (5) meetings a year may petition in writing to the executive board for an excused absence stating the reason for her inability to attend.

4. Failure to meet the member requirements shall result in loss of membership.

5. A member who wishes to resign should notify the executive board by March 1.

It is the duty of the corresponding secretary to notify a member when she is in violation of membership requirements. Dues are payable in September and are to be paid no later than the November meeting after which the treasurer sends out reminders. In exercising their responsibilities the corresponding secretary and treasurer can only depend on available records. Please check the attendance list at each meeting you attend (including the Christmas party) and pay your dues in a timely manner. Also help avoid confusion and errors by submitting all requests for leaves in writing (letter or e-mail) and renewing requests each year as necessary. If at any time you find it difficult to meet your Philo responsibilities please contact one of the officers. The board will gladly work with you and keep your concerns confidential.

Linda Stangel, Corresponding Secretary

A NEW CHAPTER FOR PHILO:

Since 1918 Philo members have typed up lists with membership information to copy and give to members at their first meeting of the year. The only way this information was kept current was to be informed of changes by the member and rely on each member to make changes to their list. If this wasn't done consistently the information became unreliable and was a cause for much frustration.

Ninety-three years later, we now have the technology to address this problem. We have ONE location for the Philo database. The information is changed in only this location so there won't be multiple databases floating around with a multitude of errors. When changes are made Philo's membership directory (which is located on the members' only page of Philo's web site) is updated immediately in real time. So every time you access the information in the directory you will know that the information is current but only as members keep me informed of changes. You may print the membership directory if you want a hard copy but remember when you do that the information is now dated.

Soon we will have other yearbook documents set up so changes are made in real time. When you access these documents on the members only page you will know the information is current. The PDF file will be replaced with a live document. We are currently working on the birthday list and the active member telephone tree.

I would like to thank Rob Protzman from Chartered Technology for adding the photos to the database and collaborating with Craig Robinson. Thank you Craig for giving your time and talents to develop the software needed to set up the database and our yearbook information on the members only page in real time. I know this has and will take many more hours of your time. We are greatly appreciative of your generosity and every member is already enjoying the rewards of your hard work.

Stay tuned as there are more improvements to come,

Trudy Eckhardt Web Editor/Administrator

Sunshine Committee Report



The Sunshine Committee continues to send messages to our sisters. Contact the committee with your news or information you might have regarding our members.

February Cards

Jan Frame	Congratulations –
	new granddaughter
Juanita Cisneros	.Thinking of you –
	husband ill
Mary Nemeth	.Sympathy –
-	sister passed away

March Cards

Stevie BenkendorfGet well -		
surgery		
Sheila PottorffCongratulations –		
New Principal at Ferguson High School		
Diana Reynolds & husband NateCongratulations		
50 th Wedding Anniversary		

Thank you to all for the information, and Happy Spring!

Eunice Holthusen - Chairwoman, Sunshine Committee 667-6117 Carol Albers - Co-Chairwoman 278-9304





Shannon Voggesser	1
Georgia Christopher	6
Diane Lauer	8
Stephani Bradley	11
MaryAnn Stroub	13
Diane Bakel	14
Jean Christensen	18
Gail Rouen	19
Jennifer Wilson	25
Kathy Loken	29

Presenting the Philo Board of Officers for 2010-2011

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