

## PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Marthann Dahlen. There were 5 honorary members and 35 active members present.

President Marthann noted that Philo is celebrating a birthday. The organization was formed in 1917, 93 years ago.

Marthann thanked the hostess committee who had crowns and wands for all attending members along with treats to be enjoyed. The crowns and wands were donated to Integrated Early Childhood and Alternatives for Violence.

Bonnie Hanson, introduced two women who received Philo scholarship awards in 2010. Each of these women thanked the organization for the help they are receiving to attend school. One recipient is currently enrolled in her second semester of Radiology training, And the second recipient is enrolled at Aimes community college on a track to complete a degree in social work. Both said the financial help they are receiving will enable them to support their families and to give back to their communities in the future.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**President, Marthann Dahlen** asked attending members to begin looking for new members. There are currently 4 individuals in the prospective new members group. Also, the board positions of Vice President, Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary will end in May. Those members who may be interested in those positions should put their names in the hat.

**Juanita Cisneros, Vice President** announced that at the back of the room are the sign up sheets for committees for the 2011-2012 year. The sign up sheets will be available again at the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Karen Sanders, Recording Secretary** read the minutes from the January general meeting. Corrections were notes. The minutes were approved as corrected.

**Linda Stangel, Corresponding Secretary** asked everyone to look over the roster of membership and direct any and all changes to the corresponding secretary. In the news were members Sandra Roorda and her husband celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, Judy Grommon and Miki Roth were in a photo as they attended the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Thompson Valley School District.

**Peggy Pellizzari, Treasurer** reported a balance Home State Bank of \$20,078.50, and a balance at Key Bank checking of \$19, 684.43. Peggy received a check for \$2,067.33 from Outlets of Loveland for Philo's participation in the ticket sales for the Shopping Extravaganza.

**Cindy Kurtz, Historian**, asked members who have recently participated in a Philo event to forward her any photos that may have been taken.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Sunshine Committee – Eunice Holthusen** read the February Birthdays and reported that a card of congratulations was sent to Jan Frame for the arrival of her new granddaughter. Martha Dahlen was also congratulated for her 42 years of marriage.

**Alternatives to Violence - Pam Pellizzari** announced the committee is assisting a 17 year old client with a small daughter.

**Golf Scramble – Diane Dynes** has begun work on the July 15<sup>th</sup> Golf Scramble. Jerry Henderson is chairing sponsorship; Johna Cabrera is chairing prize donations. The location has been changed to Marianna Butte and the date is now July 15<sup>th</sup> with tee time beginning at 7:30am. Registration is \$125.00. All golf day events, including breakfast and lunch will be at Marianna Butte. A new concessionaire is in place to provide services at the club restaurant. All information is being put into the news letter and onto the web page. The entry form has been redesigned and is in a link on the web page. Sponsor forms are on the public page, and player registration form will be sent to past players. The Golf Committee goal is to raise \$20,000. Of the 32 sponsors for the 2010 tournament, half were Philo members or Philo related. The committee's hope is to throw a wider net out into the community to obtain sponsorships. With 62 active members and 47 honorary members, if everyone asks just one outside business or individual to consider being a sponsor that goal could be achieved. The sponsorship levels are \$500 Premier, \$250 Major, and \$100 Contributor.

President Marthann suggested that if we added some testimonials from our scholarship recipients that would help encourage sponsorship. An important statistic to share with possible sponsors is that approximately \$60,000 has been paid out to 40 scholarship recipients over the past 5 years.

Johna Cabrera passed out cards to each member asking them to write down names of individuals or businesses that would be good candidates to become Golf Tournament sponsors. Johna in her position of chairing the prize committee has prepared a letter to send to use to contact people asking for sponsorship and ask for prize contributions. The letter has a list of talking points. Gerry Henderson pointed out that the profit from the Golf Tournament is made primarily from sponsorships.

A. J. Gantt, a prospective new member suggested we consider trying to obtain a tournament title sponsor. If a business was to give a donation of \$10,000 that organization would be named along with Philo as a Co Sponsor of the tournament.

## **New Business**

**Michaele Gillette, Chairman of the Rotary Duck Race Ticket Sales** had tickets to hand out to each member. She asked that everyone take tickets to members who were not in attendance to save mailing costs. Philo receives \$3.00 from each ticket purchased. The duck race is on August 27<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Corn Roast Festival

**Bonnie Hanson, 2010 Scholarship Committee** informed the group that in 2010 the committee received the largest number of applications. 23 applicants were interviewed, and 11 scholarships were awarded with the largest amount being \$2,000. The applicants can apply for a scholarship to attend a two year collage or technical school, prove financial need and reside in Loveland or Berthoud. Applications are on the web site and are due by March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Heather Morrison, Social Committee** announced plans for an April scavenger hunt through Loveland. There will be teams of 4. More information will be announced at the March general meeting.

## **Membership Announcements**

**Dee Valdez** announced the Fairy Godmother project, providing prom clothes to Loveland youth who could otherwise not afford to participate in their school prom events. She put out a request for prom dresses of all sizes along with a need for appropriate men's wear.

**Kathy Loken** announced that on April 30<sup>th</sup> there will be a 5K race held for World Meningitis Day and locally Sierra's Race.

The March member general meeting will be March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Respectfully submitted  
Karen Sanders  
Recording Secretary  
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