

Early Childhood

The Thompson School District Early Childhood Staff would greatly appreciate magazines that you no longer are reading. These magazines would be placed at the Centers and when families come in the magazines would be offered to them



to take home. It is so important to encourage literacy in the homes and for children to see their parents reading! Any magazines would

be appreciated, but those especially for moms, dads and families would be great. A box will be set out at our next Philo meeting for you to drop them in if you would like to donate. If you won't be able to attend the meeting please call 667-9110 and arrangements can be made to pick up the magazines.

Thank you for your help

Stevie Benkendorf, Chairwoman
Integrated Early Childhood Committee
Susan Kuhn, Co-Chairwoman



Philo Spring Dinner

Please mark your calendars for our Spring Dinner on Tuesday May 13. The theme is "Springtime in Paris" and we will once again go to Loveland's Best Western on Highway 34 right off the Loveland exit. The social hour is at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30. Cocktail attire is requested, please!



RSVP and payment of \$35.00 can be sent to Coleen Ligothe, 3265 Crowley Circle, Loveland, CO. 80538.

Incoming members are guests but we must have an RSVP for each one.

If you require transportation, please let Coleen know – coleen@coleenligothe.com

Invitations will arrive soon through your email.

Your Spring Appreciation Dinner Committee

Mark Your Calendar!

6:00 PM March 11

The church will be open so committees can meet.

This Month's General Meeting

7:00 PM Tuesday, March 11

Trinity Lutheran Church



Message from the President

Happy March! Spring is on the way. Committee sign-ups were set out at our last meeting. If you have not signed up please make sure you get your name on a committee list. We will have a speaker at our March meeting, Mary Carraher. She is with Project Self Sufficiency. She will be discussing what they do and the wonderful things they give back to the community. On March 11th from 7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. Project Self Sufficiency will host their free breakfast at the Hilton. I have heard there are a few members who plan on attending. Please let Anne Anderson know if you are interested in going.

This month's newsletter includes a copy of the proposed by-laws changes. This is a first publishing of the changes and we will discuss them at the March meeting and vote on them at the April meeting along with the proposed new members and officers. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,
Heather Morrison, Philo President
2013-2014

Newsletter Info



Here are the remaining deadlines for submitting content for the monthly newsletters. Send articles to me as a word document, or simply in the body of an email. Send to juanita@lpbroadband.net

Please call if you have any questions.
Juanita Cisneros 663-3642

Philo Newsletter Calendar:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Content Deadline</u>
April	March 25
May	April 22

YEARBOOK CHANGES

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 Sandy Roorda - 1855 Blue River Dr. Loveland, CO 80538 - jimsandroorda@frii.net - Phone 667-3985 (accidentally omitted in this year's yearbook)
 Kathi Wright - delete phone number, change alternate number to 420-5090.

Sharon Petersburg has resigned
 Marilyn Wiltgen has resigned

Sunshine Committee Report



CARDS SENT

- ❖ Sympathy card was sent to Corrinne Adams Winegardner - death of husband
- ❖ Sympathy card sent to the family of Mary Nemeth. The Philo wreath was displayed at Mary's funeral.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mary Voggesser, Chairwoman,
 Sunshine Committee

These are the proposed updates to the by-laws as discussed at the February meeting. The RED indicates areas to be eliminated, the BLUE are proposed changes. We will discuss them at the March meeting and vote in April

PHILOMATHEON BYLAWS **(As amended December 2013)**

ARTICLE I **NAME**

This club shall be known as the Philomatheon Club of Loveland, Colorado.

Philomatheon means “seeker after knowledge.”

ARTICLE II **SONG, COLORS, FLOWER, AND MOTTO**

The song of the Philomatheon Club shall be “The Grandest Girls I Know.”

The colors of the Philomatheon Club shall be pink and lavender.

The flower of the Philomatheon Club shall be the sweet pea.

The motto of the Philomatheon Club shall be “Friendship and Service, Love, Harmony, Kindness and Forbearance.”

ARTICLE III **PURPOSE**

Section 1. The purpose of the Philomatheon Club shall be two-fold: to serve the Loveland/Berthoud community and for the mutual improvement and fellowship of the members.

Section 2. The Philomatheon Club is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including for such purposes, or other private person, the making of distribution to organization under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.)

Section 3. Philomatheon Club shall in no way be involved in activities which may violate any provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended under the 504 (c) (3) exception as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE IV **MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. Membership

~~A. Membership shall be limited to no more than 85 active members as defined in Article IV, Section 3A.~~

A. New membership shall be determined by a balloting process as outlined in Article IV, Section 2.

B. The names of the people desiring membership in Philo will be submitted to the vice-president by **April 1** of the year in which consideration is desired.

- C.** A new member shall be installed the same year that she is selected for membership.
- D.** Previous Philo members who have left the club as members in good standing and who wish to rejoin may apply for reinstatement at any time by contacting the Philo president. ~~Such applicants will be readmitted to Philo in chronological order at the time of the request as vacancies allow, with priority over new members.~~ Previous service years will be counted toward the reinstated member's eligibility for Honorary status.
- E.** The Philo year for attendance records shall run from **June 1** to **May 31**.
- F.** Newly initiated members' attendance year begins the **June 1** following their initiation in May.

Section 2. Balloting

A. New members will be nominated for the ballot in the following manner:

1. Those persons desiring membership in Philo shall contact the Philo **executive board** to request their names be placed on the nomination list.
2. Those active or honorary members of the club who wish to nominate a person for membership may also place a person's name in nomination by ascertaining that the person's consent and by requesting the Philo vice president to place the name on the nomination list.
- ~~3. The Philo Vice President will enter names for nomination on a numerical list, which reflects the chronological order in which the request was received.~~
3. A name on the prospective member nomination list will be held on the list until inducted into Philo or removed by the nominee.
4. The Philo president will read the list of nominations to the membership at the March meeting and again at the April meeting with any revisions prior to voting. ~~The formal reading of the nominations will include reading each name and the numerical designation of that name on the list. The president will announce the number of vacancies to be filled.~~

B. Balloting

- ~~1. Prior to balloting, the executive board will have determined the number of vacancies according to the active member list.~~
1. At the regularly scheduled March meeting, the president will read aloud the names of those eligible for membership. ~~according to their position on the list and the number of vacancies.~~
2. The membership will vote on the entire list of nominees at the April meeting. A majority vote of members present is needed to select the prospective member.
3. The new members will be informed of their selection and will be invited to join Philo by written invitation sent by the Philo corresponding secretary. ~~The remaining names on the list will be automatically moved up making room for new names to be added.~~

~~5. If unable to accept the invitation to join Philo the name will be deleted from the current nomination list, however, her name may be re-entered.~~

Section 3. Membership Status

A. Active Membership

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~~ as 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.~~

B. Honorary Membership

1. A member who has between 15-35 years of service in the club shall be an honorary member and must pay dues. The executive board shall set the amount annually. The honorary member is encouraged to be actively involved on committees and may seek office.
2. After 35 years of service the honorary member shall be deemed a member emeritus. Club participation and dues are strictly voluntary.

ARTICLE V DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. Dues

- A. At the September meeting the executive board will recommend to the membership the annual dues amounts for member and honoraries. Membership then votes on recommendation for change in dues.
- B. Dues are payable in September.
- C. Dues are to be paid no later than the November meeting.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS AND QUORUM

Section 1. Meetings

- A. The club shall meet on the second Tuesday evening of each month from September through **June**.
- B. The regular meeting in April shall be known as the Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting shall include the election of officers and new members.

C. A special meeting may be called by the executive board, provided the membership is notified 48 hours in advance of the meeting. No business shall be transacted except that mentioned in the notice of the special meeting.

D. December and May meetings will be for social purposes and no club business will be conducted.

E. The regular meeting in June will be for organizational purposes and transition to new committees.

Section 2. Quorum

A. A simple majority vote will rule.

ARTICLE VII OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected Officers

A. The elected officers shall be: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, **and** Corresponding Secretary. ~~and Historian.~~

B. To be considered for an officer position, a member should have been in Philo for at least three (3) years and have been **chair** of a committee.

C. The officers shall be elected at the April meeting.

~~D. The position of Historian shall automatically be filled by the immediate past president.~~

D. The nominating committee for officers shall be the current board and the previous three (3) Presidents.

Section 2. Term of Office

A. The elected officers shall be installed at the meeting in May and assume their responsibilities on **July 1.**

B. The term of elected officers shall be for one year, with the exception of the Treasurer, who will hold office for a two-year term.

C. No member shall hold more than one office at a time and may serve no more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

D. Should a vacancy occur in an elective office, the executive board shall appoint a replacement to complete the term.

E. Should a vacancy occur in an appointed position, the executive board shall appoint a replacement to complete the term.

ARTICLE VIII DUTIES OF ELECTIVE OFFICERS

Section 1. President

As the executive officer, the President shall:

- A. Preside at all club meetings.
- B. Perform all other club duties usually pertaining to the office.
- C. Appoint chairmen of all committees.
- D. Select members of standing and special committees.
- E. Serve as ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 2. Vice President

The duties of the Vice President shall be:

- A. Perform the duties of the president in her absence.
- B. Chair the yearbook committee. Be responsible for the yearbook.**
- C. Be in charge of the telephone tree.
- ~~D. Maintain the nomination list of prospective new members.~~
- D. Develop and administer committee sign-up.**
- ~~F. Develop and/or maintain any information forms.~~

Section 3. Recording Secretary

The duties of the Recording Secretary shall be:

- A. Maintain a record of the club meetings, executive board meetings, **membership** and attendance ~~records.~~
- B. Be responsible for the membership nametags.**
- C. Have available for reference at all meetings a copy of the bylaws.**

Section 4. Corresponding Secretary

The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be:

- A. Be responsible for all the correspondence of the club and the executive board.
- B. **Present** correspondence received to the members at club meetings.
- C. Maintain the nomination list of prospective new members and create membership packets for the prospective new members.**
- ~~C. Mail membership invitations the day after balloting.~~

~~D. Keep a list of all membership invitations and the response.~~

D. Mail membership invitations the day after balloting and keep a list of the responses.

~~E. Coordinate with recording secretary for all club mailings and perform other duties as assigned.~~

~~F. Be responsible for the membership nametags and board.~~

E. Be responsible for the post office box and key.

F. Notify a member when she is in violation of membership requirements and her membership is in jeopardy.

G. Notify a member when she has been dropped from membership.

Section 5. Treasurer

The duties of the Treasurer shall be:

A. The collection all dues and assessments.

B. Make disbursements as directed by the executive board.

C. Keep a proper set of books. Render a written treasurer's report each month to the membership, which will include an itemized statement of each Philo account.

D. At the close of each fiscal year, **in July**, she shall submit the accounts of the club for review. The review committee shall consist of the previous three treasurers and/or an outside source.

E. If she fails to complete her term of office, the books shall be audited before they are given to a new treasurer.

F. Keep a correct list of all active and honorary members.

G. File all reports and forms required of the club by the IRS.

H. Shall be responsible for going to the bank after elections of new officers (along with the new officers needed) to change the signature cards to the name of the new treasurer and the new president of the club.

I. Arrange to have treasurer's books reviewed at the end of the Philo Club year, before the new treasurer assumes her office.

~~Section 6. Historian~~

~~The duties of the Historian shall be:~~

~~—A. Maintain an historical record of the club's activities and shall be custodian of all related materials.~~

~~—B. Be the club photographer.~~

ARTICLE IX

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Composition

- A. The executive board shall be made up of the President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer **and** Corresponding Secretary. ~~and Historian.~~

Section 2. Powers and Duties

- A. The executive board shall have supervision of the affairs of the club.
- B. It shall make recommendations to the club on action it wishes the club to take.
- C. It shall determine exceptions to the minimum meeting attendance rules.
- ~~D. It shall determine the number of vacancies in membership.~~
- D.** It shall recommend the amount of dues at the September meeting.

Section 3. Meetings and Quorum

- A. The executive board shall meet once a month from August through **June**.
- B. Special meetings may be called by the president or upon written request of three (3) members, provided at least three days' notice of such meeting is given.
- C. Four members shall constitute a quorum.
- D. The president may request the presence of any appointed chair at the board meetings.

ARTICLE X CHAIRS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Committees

- A. Committees shall be defined in the Philo yearbook.
- B. A **chair** shall be appointed to head each of the committees.
- C. It is expected that the co-**chair** will move up to the position of the **chair** the following year.
- D. A **chair** may serve a maximum of two (2) consecutive years.
- E. Additional committees shall be set up by the executive board as needed.

Presenting the Philo Board of Officers for 2013-2014

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