

## Dues are Due!

I wanted to remind everyone that according to our by-laws annual dues are to be paid no later than the November meeting. For those of you that haven't paid yet, please remember to bring your checkbook to the November meeting or drop a check in the mail! Active member dues remain at \$35, honorary dues are \$15. Those who have achieved honorary emeritus status (35+ years in the organization) are not required to pay any dues, but donations are always welcome and greatly appreciated! Please mail dues checks to: Peggy Pellizzari, Philo Treasurer, 1180 Flowering Almond Dr., Loveland, CO 80538



## Blood Drive Reminder!!

The Blood Drive will be on November 8<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Appointments are accepted, and walk-ins are more than welcome. Please remind your friends and family how many people can be helped by blood donations.

Heather Morrison, Blood Drive Committee Chair

## Mark Your Calendar!

6:00 PM November 8

The church will be open so committees can meet.

This Month's General Meeting

7:00 PM Tuesday, November 8

Trinity Lutheran Church

Blood Drive

November 8

Food Drive

December 2 and 3

## November Birthdays

Amy Hummel	3	Peggy Pellizzari	5
Gloria Grotzinger	6	Judy Quadhamer	6
Leonie Shannon	6	Cindy Kurtz	11
Betty Brammer	13	Kathie Lizardi	14
Toni Wallace	15	LaVerne Macy	16
Dianna Boehner	19	Marilyn Heth	20
Sue Lussenhop	22	Cathy Carroll	26
Sharon Sheets	26	Lisbeth Sethre	28



happy birthday

Carol Albers, Chair, 278-9304

Bonnie Hanson, Co-Chair, 635-0930

## Message from the President



Hello everyone and happy November! There is so much information for me to impart that there is no time for chit-chat. Such is the gravity of my report that I am implementing BULLET POINTS!!!! Here we go.....

\*\* I can't wait to hear how we did at the Shopping Extravaganza. I saw so many of you having fun and doing some early Christmas shopping while we were able to visit and share some time together over lunch, wine and cupcakes! Thanks to Judy Grommon and her committee for all their hard work and enthusiasm.

\*\* The canned food drive is rapidly approaching and I know most of you have signed up for your work shift. If not please do so at the November meeting as it is the last chance for the committee to get everything in order. Special thanks to Kathi Wright who stepped forward to co-chair this committee. I know she will do a great job and get much support and help from all of us as she comes back to Philo after a brief leave of absence.

\*\* While the "Outside Philo" column in the newsletter has been increasingly successful it is understood that some events and information fall between the timeline between publication of the newsletter and meetings. Everyone is encouraged to submit information about other activities and needs that we want to share with our sisters to the newsletter under the title "Outside Philo." I for one am far more apt to respond to something when I have the information in writing as it makes it easier for me to refer back to the details. In the spirit of Harmony, Friendship and Forbearance we will have a brief time at the end of the meeting where members can announce any activities or special needs that may be of interest to our membership. If you have any fliers or handouts that you wish to share please place them on the table next to the box with our name tags and I will make an announcement that everyone should check the table for any information of interest.

\*\* You have all either signed up to contribute to the Christmas basket committee or have been called by the committee to participate. If there are any questions or any of you that have yet to contribute and would like to please see Dona Menzies at the November meeting.

\*\* As November is the month of thanks we will be graced by a couple of our scholarship recipients who will tell us about themselves and what the scholarship money has meant to them and their families. Please plan to attend as this is the most personal and meaningful way for us to see how our hard work brings hope and help to members of our community.

\*\* And now a brief word from our sponsor - literally! I was at the Wapiti Colorado Grill at Mariana Butte and as the manager came by to welcome us I thanked him for the \$10.00 certificate I received for my birthday and told him how pleased we were with the golf tournament luncheon. He asked me if I would please tell everyone that the restaurant is open all year and how much they want to remain in business but always struggle with the concept that they are closed when the golf course is. I said I would spread the word that they are open and offer some wonderful lunch and dinner specials as well as a great happy hour. I know we would love to see them thrive as it is such a great venue for our golf fundraiser. Take some friends or your family out and sit and enjoy a drink and some food while watching the sun set behind the mountains.

That's it - I hope! See you all at the general meeting Tuesday, Nov. 8, 7:00 p.m. - the hall will be open for committee meetings at 6:00 if needed.

With much  
affection and  
respect,

Juanita



# Outside Philo

## Winter Coat and Magazine Donations:

School has started and winter is coming! If you are interested in donating jackets of all sizes or magazines to Indian Reservations in Wyoming or Montana, you are welcome to bring them to the October Philo meeting or drop them off at my home. Please include your name so I'll know who deserves a thank you! Magazines might be of men's or women's crafts, hobbies, fishing or hunting, Ranger Rick, young people's magazines without violence, basketball, and Western or Midwestern scenery or family magazines. Thank you sincerely!

Peg Isakson, 3654 Parlin Ct., Loveland.

## Newsletter Info!!



New year – new newsletters! We are up and typing, formatting, proofing and printing away. Please remember the news comes from you, the members and committees, so stay in touch! Email Carol Helzer [jchelzer@skybeam.com](mailto:jchelzer@skybeam.com) with your articles.

Philo Newsletter Calendar:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Content Deadline</u>
January	Dec. 11 (Note the early date!)
February	Jan. 29
March	Feb. 26
April	March 25
May	April 22

# Sunshine Committee Report



Reminder: There will be a Sunshine Team Leaders' Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on October 11<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Lutheran prior to the regular meeting.

## *Cards Sent:*

- September 28 Mary Schacht - Thinking of You  
Sally Moninger - Thinking of You
- October 3 Barbara Giesey - Death of mother  
(Team 4 – Carol Helzer, Connie Ephland, Sherry King, Dona Menzies, Sharon Petersburg, and Marilyn Wiltgen prepared a meal for Barbara and her family.)
- October 10 Lin Stokes - Thinking of You  
(recovering from a fall)
- October 10 LaVerne Macy – Sympathy  
(death of husband, Don)  
(Team 3 – Judy Potter, Diane Dynes, Gerta Fereday, Myrna McIntosh and Mary K. Spangler prepared a meal for LaVerne and her family.)
- October 12 Peg Isakson – Sympathy  
(death of sister)
- October 12 Ann Moore - Thinking of You  
Mary Nemeth - Thinking of You
- October 18 Kathy Leonard - Congratulations  
(performed in play, “Quilters” in Fort Collins)
- October 20 Anne Moore - Get Well  
(recovering from a fall)





## **OUR NEW MEMBERS ARE SUPER HEROES!**

*What an outstanding job our new members did during their skit at the October meeting, truly bringing Friendship, Service, Love, Harmony, Kindness and Forbearance to our organization! Way to go Shellie, Florence, AJ, Sara, Greta, and Susan! Here is a little more information about each of them.*



### ***Shellie Gutierrez – Super Hero Friendship***

I grew up in Loveland, but left during my junior year of high school when my mother moved us to Louisiana. I spent 10 years in Buras, LA and 5 yrs in Atlanta, GA. I returned to Loveland in 2000 with my daughter, Jaycelin, who is now 16 – and driving! I married a wonderful man named Pete almost 4 years ago. In spite of the many medical challenges my husband faces, we are happy and are trying to enjoy life to the fullest. I work full time as a bookkeeper at a CPA firm in Ft Collins, while working at my aunt's tax firm in Loveland. My aunt is teaching and guiding me until she retires and gives me her business sometime in the next 10 years. I come from a long line of over-achievers, perfectionists and control freaks (that was a fun household to grow up in). The word "NO" is rarely in my vocabulary. And you would never guess this out of me, but I am actually a little shy and easily intimidated by crowds. My husband and daughter started encouraging me to do something by myself (I think they were just trying to get me out of their hair for awhile). I tripped upon Philo at the Shopping Extravaganza last year and seized the opportunity to break out of my shell and comfort zone. So here I am ladies – cracked and a little scrambled! I joined Philo to give back to a community that is helping my family a lot

by driving my blind husband to continuous doctors' appointments and dialysis treatments 3x a week.

I have been very blessed in spite of the daily struggles life has handed to me and my family. I hope to give back to a wonderful community while forming bonds with other women whose lives are just as busy as mine and who understand the daily struggle life hands to all of us.

I am on the Christmas Food Basket Matching committee, Food Basket Delivery committee and the Scholarship committee.



### ***Florence Kell Doksansky - Super Hero Service***

Born in Bethlehem, Pa, I went to Wilson College and graduated in 1966. It was a women's college then and still is today! I got my MS in Library Science from Simmons College in Boston and was a professional academic librarian for almost 40 years at both MIT and Brown University. Now retired, my husband Alan, and I moved from RI to Loveland just before Thanksgiving 2009 to be close to our only child who married a Coloradoan in 2008. They just had our first grandchild, Nolan James, this past June.

Besides being a librarian, which in itself is a service profession, helping others outside of work has always been important to me. I've been active in various organizations including being vice-president, president and past president of three: The RI Library Association (a professional organization), The Samaritans (a suicide prevention agency), and the Cranston Educational Advisory Committee (a group of parents, teachers and school administrators). My most recent efforts were in helping to train service dogs for the disabled.

My reason for wanting to join Philo is to be a part of a service organization again. And, of course, meeting new people in my new town is a wonderful extra bonus!

The three committees I've signed up for are: Blood Drives, Integrated Early Childhood, and Scholarships. I am indebted to my sponsor Cindy Kurtz for her amazing assistance to us in finding our new home as well as introducing me to Philo, its community efforts and its terrific women! P.S. I do not use nicknames – believe me I've been through them all – and now that I'm a mature, older woman, Florence finally fits just fine!



***A.J. Gantt – Super Hero Love***

I am a young, driven entrepreneur. I have a husband, Ryan, three Mini Doberman Pinchers (Pepper, Sage and Disel), and a cat named Valencia.

I grew up in mostly in Ohio, but have lived several places on the East coast. I have lived in Colorado for 4 years and been married for 2. Prior to owning my business, I managed restaurants and country clubs. I enjoy exercising and outdoor activities.

I also enjoy helping others and with my busy schedule it is nice be able to give back without all the planning. I was very impressed with Philo when I was attending IBMC massage school and did chair massage for one of your social activities during a committee meeting night. It truly is wonderful to see so many females working towards one cause.

I hope to make friends with like-minded females, who can help give me guidance and wisdom in business and personally.

Currently, I am on the Social Committee.



***Sara Quale – Super Hero Harmony***

I was born in Sioux Falls, S.D., and have lived in multiple Nebraska towns, interrupted by a brief stint in Iowa during junior high. I did go to high school and college in Nebraska (Go Huskers) so I guess I say

“Nebraska” when asked where I'm from. I found a job in the Denver Post classifieds for a reporter in Loveland and moved here in 1995. I met my husband, Brian, here. We have two boys, Bergen and Braden, who are 10 and 8. We're active in sports activities - both participating and watching. Brian and I work at McKee Medical Center. He's the director of rehabilitation services, and I am in public relations. I also enjoy reading, scrap booking, photography, running and helping with my kids' sports teams. This is the longest I have been able to stay in one town, so I do consider it my home. I've always have wanted to become involved in the communities where I lived. As a newspaper reporter, I spent a lot of time writing about things rather than doing. My newspaper experience in Loveland did teach me about the town and introduced me to all the opportunities that existed-including Philo. Now that I work in a different field, I can participate. I hope my involvement in Philo will allow me to give back to the community in a meaningful way and further create a sense of home for me and my family in Loveland.

Someone told me to start slowly, so I chose committees that might be more familiar to me: Publicity, Social Media and the Canned Food Drive.



***Greta Fereday – Super Hero Kindness***

I was born and raised in the Netherlands and moved to USA in 1983. My husband, Steve, and I moved to Loveland two years ago and since then our daughter,

Deidre, and my father-in-law, Harlan, have moved in with us. My daughter and I belonged to the National Charity League in Texas, and we volunteered in the community. I was looking for a similar experience and fortunately met Judy Potter on one of my walks. She mentioned Philo, took me to a meeting, and I signed up right away. I am looking forward to meet and volunteer with all of you.

I am on the Canned Food Drive committee and the Rotary Duck Race ticket sales committee



**Susan Kuhn – Super Hero  
Forbearance**

I was born in Minnesota, grew up in Pittsburgh, PA and Cleveland, Ohio. I attended college at the University of New Hampshire and Narope U. I

married and lived in Boston for 20 some years, moved to Colorado in 1996, married Jeff in 2003. I have three children; 3 sons, 1 stepson, and stepdaughter, Shannon Voggessor. I have 4 grandchildren and one more on the way.

I have my Masters degree in Art Therapy. I love to work with seniors in activities and as a private

art therapist. I also do office work and currently am an editor at a publishing company. My interests of course include drawing, painting and printmaking, and also hiking, sewing, crochet, and reading.

I joined Philo to make a contribution to persons less fortunate than myself. I seek a degree of satisfaction from contributing as a member of Philo, and perhaps enjoy some friendship and fellowship along the way

I am on the Scholarship committee and I cannot remember what else.

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