

Social Committee



Hello Philo Sisters,

The Philo Social Committee has a few treats planned for the upcoming holiday season! First, we would like everyone to bring your favorite scarf to the November meeting. We have a special guest coming to show us a little something about fashion! Second, we would like to invite everyone to the *Tis The Season Community Sing-a-long* at the Rialto Theater [on December 9th from 2pm until 4pm](#). A hot drink and a sweet treat are provided! This is a free event during which we can celebrate the season with our Philo sisters and others in the community. If you plan on going please let Shannon at shannonvoggesser@gmail.com or Natalie at natalieparker1122@yahoo.com know so we can have a general idea of how many people plan on attending. Lastly, don't forget our High Tea planned for [November 10th!](#)

See you all soon!

Philo Dues

Dues & Don'ts!!

A friendly reminder from your treasurer...Do get your dues paid by the November meeting (as required in our by-laws). Don't make the treasurer track you down and beg you to send your money in! \$35 for active members, \$15 for honoraries.

Checks, payable to Philo, can be brought to the meeting on November 13 or sent to Peggy Pellizzari @ 1180 Flowering Almond Dr. Loveland – 80538

From the Recording Secretary

It has been wonderful to see so many of you in attendance at our Philo meetings. Of the 58 active members, about two-thirds have been at the September (39) and October (36) meetings. We love to see the 9 or 10 Honorary members who attend regularly.

Most of us will have no problem reaching the 5-meeting minimum, especially when that includes the Holiday Party and the Spring Appreciation Dinner. However, we all encounter times in our lives when Philo attendance isn't our priority. If you feel that you will be unable to fulfill your meeting requirement, please let a Board member know. We are happy to help in any way and will respect your privacy.

Recording Secretary,
Linda Stangle

Mark Your Calendar!

6:00 PM November 13

The church will be open so committees can meet.

This Month's General Meeting

7:00 PM Tuesday, November 13

Trinity Lutheran Church

Blood Drive

November 20



Message from the President

November –
A Month for Harmony

*"Happiness is when what you think, what you say,
and what you do are in harmony."
Mahatma Gandhi*

We are truly in the months of holiday celebration! This time of the year can find us with more and more stress and I urge us to continue to search for *harmony* in our life and daily actions. This quote truly resonated with me. One thing I attempt to do at all time, "is to presume positive intent." I believe we all want to find that *harmony* in our life, which also brings us peace. Before writing this article, I never thought of *harmony* in this way; such a simple word and action.

The Task Force is working to help the Philo organization find *harmony* in our work. Please come to the meeting on Tuesday, November 13, to share your thinking and hope for our organization to find our future. We want to continue to focus on service to the community. That is why many of us joined this organization. Also at our November meeting we will have a guest from Cloze, a cute little boutique down town, to help us learn to wear our scarves with a little more flare.

One group of people that do find *harmony* in their action is our Veterans. Please remember to celebrate them and thank them on Sunday, November 11. They work hard to protect our country and many give their lives so we can continue to be free.

Finally, November is the month of Thanksgiving. I have the opportunity to go to New Mexico to hang out and celebrate Thanksgiving with my sister's family. I am very thankful I have them and my wonderful husband in my life. They help to ground me so I can find that *harmony* in my life. I hope you continue to find *harmony* in your life too.

Cheers!
Sheila

Sewing Projects for Early Childhood

Just a reminder that we are hoping to put together simple dress up clothes for Early Childhood, and we need your help. If any of you have fun patterns, fabric remnants, buttons, and notions - such as velcro, elastic, rickrack, and anything you can think of that would help with our efforts please bring it to the next meeting and place it in the Early Childhood Sewing Basket. Several of you have already signed up to help with the sewing, but if you haven't yet signed up and you like to sew please sign the sheet at the next meeting or give me a call. We will set a time after the holidays to have a "sewing get-together" or you may wish to work on projects at home. We appreciate any help you can give for the Early



Childhood Kids.
Stevie Benkendorf, Chair

Newsletter Info!!



Newsletters galore! 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 Deb Fillion dlfillion@comcast.net with your articles.

Philo Newsletter Calendar:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Content Deadline</u>
January	Dec. 22
February	Jan. 26
March	Feb. 23
April	March 23
May	April 27

Sunshine Committee Report



September Cards

Deb Fillion – Get Well (Gall bladder surgery)
Gerry Henderson – Get Well (Thyroid surgery)

October Meals

Sandy Roorda – October 1 - Georganne Smith's Team #10 (Diane Bakel, Jeanne Findley, Natalie Parker and Nita Starr)

– October 3 – Jan Dougherty's Team #18 (Diane Lauer and Rita Harden)

October Cards

Nancy Roe – Sympathy (Mother died)

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
Jennifer Danielson	27
Lisbeth Sethre	28

Bonnie Hanson and Mary Voggesser
Sunshine Co-Chairs



Member Information Changes

*LaVerne Macy no longer has an e-mail address

*Sally Moninger has a new Alternate Phone number (cell) 970-227-1486

Trudy Eckhardt Web Administrator

Duck Race Committee



Paddles was so excited to meet the ladies of Philo at the October meeting. With the holidays coming up Paddles has a very busy schedule but hopes to see you again and celebrate this joyous time of year.

Task Force Update

The Task Force is going to take a little different approach for the November Meeting. Instead of the survey previously proposed, we are going to have small group interactions. We are narrowing our focus to the Outreach committees: Scholarships, Alternatives to Violence, Early Integrated Childhood, Blood Drives, Canned Food Drive, Food Basket Matching and Food Basket Delivery. (Club Operations and Fund Raising will be covered at a future time.)

When you arrive for the meeting in November we would like you to sit at a table labeled with one of the Outreach committees you have signed up for this year. If you are not signed up for an Outreach committee, choose one that interests you. The first half hour of our general meeting will be devoted to a brief discussion of three questions. The chairperson of each committee will lead the discussion with a secretary recording the comments. The purpose of this exercise is to

explore the successes and challenges of each committee and bring greater understanding to the larger membership of what each committee does. This information will be very valuable to the Task Force as we slowly and carefully analyze the strengths and needs of our organization for future change.

To help orient us all in our forward direction, the Task Force composed a brief Philo Mission statement to use as a guideline:

Philo is a women's organization that provides friendship and service to the Loveland/Berthoud community.

These are our questions for the committee discussions in November:

- What are the successes of your committee and how do they support our mission statement?

- What are the challenges and barriers facing your committee?
- What other resources in the Loveland/Berthoud community could you collaborate with to optimize your service goals?

This should be a fun process. So bring your thinking caps and enthusiasm. If you can't attend the meeting and would like to participate, just send me your thoughts inspired by the questions. My email address is crown300@msn.com or mailing address: 5520 Augusta Trail, Fort Collins, CO 80528.

Looking forward to seeing you soon,
-Joyce Krantz

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