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PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Sept 12, 2017

WELCOME

President Miki Roth called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. She thanked our hostesses: Joyce Krantz, and MJ Bergstrand.

Minutes of our last meeting of April 11, 2017 were motioned for approval by Mary Voggesser and seconded by MaryAnn Lane.

BOARD REPORTS

Treasurer Mary Starck presented her report. Our account balances are: General Fund, \$19,047.14; Golf/ Scholarship Fund, \$12,763.58; and DOWH Fund, \$6226.07.

She then discussed our proposed budget for 2017-18. It was motioned for approval by Mary Voggesser and seconded by Florence Doksansky.

Corresponding Secretary Judy Grommon read a thank you note from Anne Anderson, and one from the great granddaughter of our founder, Emma VanSant. She explained that Emma started this high school group of girls to keep "her daughter and friends out of trouble".

Guest Dixie Daly the President of Loveland Chamber of Commerce gave us information on Chamber Before and After Hours meetings, which our members can attend, since we are Chamber Members. The cost to register for each event is \$3.00 for morning Before Hours, and \$12.00 for evening After Hours. Email Dixie with your name and phone number, or go on their website if interested. Philo will be hosting the After Hours meeting at First Bank, on Oct. 5, from 5:30-7:00.

DOWH chair Dona Menzies stated that the Chamber will advertise our events for free in their column in the Reporter Herald newspaper. Each Committee Chair needs to email Chamber, themselves. The event will also be posted on their Chamber website.

Vice President Jeanne Findley spoke about our proposed By-Law changes. She, Judy Grommon and Diane Bakel have been working on just cleaning up the wording and deleting items that are no longer needed. She emailed a copy of proposed changes to members before our meeting. After some discussion, we tabled the vote, asking for more member input thru emails to Jeanne. Postponing the vote was motioned by Beth Soderquist and seconded by Mary Voggesser. Please email Jeanne with your suggestions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ATV

Chair Karen Pielin read a letter from the ATV director thanking Philo for our volunteer support and for purchasing 1 square of sidewalk for their fundraiser, Pastels on 5th, in Sept. ATV provided the artist for our square.

BLOOD DRIVE

Chair Florence Doksansky stated that the Blood Drives have been decreased to 4 times a year, from 5.

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Chair Ruth Sprain stated that they have contacted the churches, etc. More information in Oct.

FOOD BASKETS

Chair Gwen Stephenson stated that House of Neighborly Services served over 900 families last year with a Christmas Food Basket. Philo served 185 of those names. She asks members to please start thinking about the size of family that you'd like to help this year. Sign up is on paper only, no online sign-up this year, and we will sign up at our Oct. meeting. Also, they are considering doing a bit more for the seniors this year. Please sign up at meeting to avoid being called by the committee.

DOWH

Chair Dona Menzies stated that it begins Oct. 1st and ends Oct. 14. The committee has been working hard for many months to sign up restaurants, breweries and new this year, coffee shops have been added. The Chamber of Commerce will be saving us a lot of funds by advertising for free on their website. All the brochures are printed and ready to go. Last year we collected over \$17,000, and we should improve this year with a larger number of participating establishments. Members are to remember that the money goes first to our Philo gift cards that we give out with each food basket, and then to other community food related organizations. Each organization must fill out a request stating what the money will be used for, and the committee then votes on giving these funds to a limited amount of organizations. She handed out information on the participating establishments and the specials that they will offer. They will also enter these specials on our Facebook page, please share it with your Facebook friends for wider publicity in our community.

SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA

Chair Kay Robinson stated that this year's event date is Oct. 21, at the Outlets. She asked members to purchase their tickets soon and to please invite family and neighbors to participate. Committee will have tickets again at Oct. meeting.

GOLF

Chair Beth Soderquist thanked all members for their help at the Golf Tournament. She stated that the caterer (member Connie Dubois) did a wonderful job with breakfast. We grossed \$8500. Next year's theme is "Par Tini Time". A note from Pat Farnham was read congratulating Philo for our successful tournament.

NEWSLETTER

Chair Juanita Cisneros reminded committee chairs that the monthly newsletter deadlines calendar is printed in our yearbook. We need a member to step up to be our layout tech, as Diane McInturff will be traveling a lot this year and needs to step down. Please volunteer to become our "Layout Tech" and let Juanita know soon.

100th ANNIVERSARY

Chair Kathy Loken raved about our new Heart, installed and dedicated at First Bank, and asked members to go view it. She also thanked our many members for attending the dedication and our picnic. She thanked Mary Voggesser and Diane Meuret for their many hours in completing the task. As it turns out the heart was painted in the former family home of our founder Emma Van Sant. A granddaughter of Emma Van Sant spoke at our dedication as well.

She gave members a heads up on our Community Event for next year which will be held on Oct. 20, 2018, at Ellis Ranch. Proceeds will be awarded to ATV. Philo sponsored the first transition apartment for ATV several years ago.

Mary Ann Lane stated that the Loveland Chamber's monthly Business After Hours will be sponsored by Philo and held at First Bank on Oct. 5. The Bank will pay the \$250. hosting fee. Philo members will provide the food. We would like to have many Philo members in attendance. They are expecting 65-70 people and need appetizers donated. A sign-up sheet was circulated at the meeting. Call Mary Ann Lane to donate appetizers. The food should be ready to deliver by Oct. 4th.

PUBLICITY

Chair Peg Isakson stated that we will be doing a lot more advertising this year. Amy Buffington will handle Facebook, Jamie Powell will handle texting and Peg will handle print medium, for our publicity announcements. She handed out a "Philo Communication and Publicity" suggestion list for committees to publicize their monthly events, including contact information for the committees and contacting information for newspaper columns, magazines, Chamber of Commerce, etc. Please keep this information handy.

Peg wants to meet with each and every chair person soon. She wants each Chair to decide which month that they will be responsible for writing an article for the Best of Loveland Magazine.

SCHOLARSHIP

Chair Sara Quale stated that our August Scholarship Celebration was a very small gathering. A few students have returned their scholarship, for various reasons. It's a bit difficult to get the money returned to Philo from the colleges or trade schools for these students, but this money will be returned to our Scholarship committee for next year.

SUNSHINE

Chair Betty Brammer wants members to call either herself or Mary Ann Lane to report anything "sad or good", so that the committee can serve these members.

Judy Grommon asked members if any had a large wreath container to donate, in which to store our new Philo wreath, which is used for our deceased member's memorial services. We have a new wreath, designed by Rowe's Flowers, as our previous wreath was old and in sad shape.

YEARBOOK

Chair Denise Rhoades asked members to pick up their copy of our new yearbook and also mark off their name on the received list.

King Soopers Cards chair Sue Lussenhop asked members to purchase a card to help us earn funds for our 100th Anniversary Committee needs. Please contact Sue, if you'd like a card.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Dianna Boehner, Recording Secretary