

PHILO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES **September 11, 2012**

A reception was held prior to the General Meeting to honor the new scholarship recipients. Refreshments were provided by the hostesses Marilyn Wiltgen, Lin Stokes, Amy Hummel and the Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship Committee Chair, Diane Bakel, welcomed the guests. Each scholarship recipient was assigned a committee member to welcome them at the door and introduce them: Kyle Sommers (Mary Ann Lane), Shawnee Lousberg (Florence Doksansky), Kaitlyn Weber (Shellie Gutierrez), Barbara Hoffman (Bonnie Hanson), Michelle Miller (Kathy Loken), Traci Miller (Karen Sanders), Lucas Isakson (Karen Sanders), Danielle Randolph (DeeDee Warnock), Tonya Heinzen (Lin Stokes). Tara Groat, Jamia Aragon, Fay Galvan-Zavala, Tammy Moir, and Jacquelyn Smith were not able to attend.

President Sheila Pottorff called the meeting to order after a brief recess. There were 53 members present, 39 active and 14 honorary members.

Sheila spoke about the importance of friendship, one of the six characteristics in Philo's motto. She read a poem about friendship and urged us to develop friendships within the club. She led us in a moment of silence for club members who have suffered losses recently and in remembrance of the lives lost on September 11, 2001.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Treasurer, Peggy Pellizzari, presented the proposed budget for 2012/2013. She explained how the budget was balanced and why some changes were made. Miki Roth commented on the decision to drop the Chamber of Commerce membership. While we have not received any significant benefits in the last two years, we could make valuable connections to business people if we made an effort to attend the After Hours events. If business people knew more about Philo, they might be more interested in supporting our fund raisers. The budget will be voted on at the October meeting.

Peggy reported a General Fund balance of \$15,770 and a Golf Fund balance of \$18,489.48. Some of the scholarship money has not yet been disbursed.

Vice-President, Heather Morrison, asked members to check off their names as they take a copy of the new yearbook.

She introduced new members who were inducted in May: Jennifer Bao, Linda Hollingsed, Ruth Sprain, and Vicki Thompson.

Heather joined with Historian, Juanita Cisneros, to initiate our Barbie Make-Over project. From our storage unit, Juanita discovered several Barbie dolls that were dressed to represent the various Philo committees. These Barbies were presented to the current committee chairs with the challenge of making them over to reflect current times. The Barbie Make-Over Reveal will take place at the Christmas party.

Historian, Juanita Cisneros, reported that photos have been taken at the Early Childhood committee's box assembly, the Corn Roast Parade, the Cherry Pie Festival, the Philo Golf Scramble, and tonight's Scholarship Recipient Reception.

Christmas trees from the Holiday Boutique are available for free. Those left will be donated to ARC.

As a new feature, "This Date in Philo," Juanita read an article describing a Philo meeting from September 1950. The theme was Russia and involved some singing and dancing.

Corresponding Secretary, Pam Pellizzari, reported that the Board regretfully accepted four recent resignations: Carol Albers, Diane Dynes, Connie Ephland, and Carol Helzer.

Several pieces of correspondence from scholarship recipients have been received and are available to read at the Board table.

Pam is in charge of the badges. Let her know of any that need repair.

Recording Secretary, Linda Stangel, asked for approval of the April minutes. A motion, made by Mary Voggesser and seconded by Trudy Eckhardt, was approved.

Members were reminded to check their names on the attendance list. Anyone who is having difficulty making the meetings on a regular basis should contact someone on the Board. This is especially true if there is some way that we may help.

Any new contact information (changes in phone, email, address) should be directed to Trudy Eckhardt. She, in turn, will inform the Board and the newsletter. Members should then make corrections in their yearbook by referring to the newsletter. The online directory will always be the most accurate and up-to-date resource.

Sheila encouraged members to reach out to Philo when they have a need. There are times when we do not want to share the details of our need. Confidentiality will be preserved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Golf Committee: Cindy Kurtz is in need of a co-chair, someone to coordinate the prize baskets, and someone to manage the sponsorships. Although the golf scramble is ten months away (July 12, 2013), planning needs to begin soon. Contact Cindy if you are able to fill one of these positions. Two cards were circulated to thank Diane Dynes for her service as chair of the golf tournament for two years.

Web Coordinator/Computer Tech: Trudy Eckhardt reiterated that changes in contact information should go directly to her. Anyone wishing to have a new photo should send it to her digitally (.jpeg format). Mass email items should be proofread and submitted to the Board for authorization before going to Trudy. Do not reply to the emails from philoloveland@gmail.com. Email the individual person to whom your question or comment is directed.

Newsletter: Deb Fillion will email chairs each month to remind them of deadlines and request articles. The deadline for the October newsletter is September 22. As a rule, the newsletter will be sent out a week before the General Meeting.

Food Basket Matching: Denise Olson and Shellie Gutierrez prepared a flyer to outline the timeline and procedure for donating a basket or money. This committee's task is to find donors of baskets and match them to the needy as identified by Catholic Charities and Early Childhood. The Canned Food Drive collects food from elementary and middle schools. Donors then collect food from the Canned Food Drive and add a meat or gift card. Past donors who are not Philo members will be called. Names of potential donors should be submitted to Shellie Gutierrez or Denise Olson.

Sunshine: Bonnie Hanson reported that the latest newsletter has a list of cards that have been sent recently. Since the newsletter, she has also received a thank you and photo from Miki Roth, who celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary. Leonie Shannon called to express her thanks after receiving congratulations on a *Reporter-Herald* article about her WWII service.

Our sympathy goes out to Shellie Gutierrez on the death of her step-mother. Diane Meuret lost her father and was hospitalized herself. Now her mother is seriously ill in Florida. Sandy Roorda is awaiting surgery. Angela Thompson's husband is currently hospitalized after being seriously injured in an accident.

Three Sunshine Teams #7 (Sue Lussenhop, team leader), #13 (Dee Dee Warnock), and #17 (Betty Brammer) provided food for 25 members of Peg Isakson's family after her husband's death. The Sunshine Teams were inadvertently left out of the yearbook. An insert will be provided at the next meeting. The teams are listed on the Members Only page.

Shopping Extravaganza: Kathy Loken encouraged us all to purchase two tickets (one for ourselves and one for a friend) to the Shopping Extravaganza at the Outlets of Loveland on October 20. She offered some tips on getting the word out and selling the tickets. Anyone who does not wish to purchase a ticket is welcome to donate \$20. This is one of two fund raisers for our committee expenses. Next year's budget depends on our success this year.

Rotary Duck Race Tickets: Judy Potter reminded us that the other fund raiser is the Duck Race tickets. Several members raised their hand to show that they had won a prize this year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 9.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Stangel, Recording Secretary

9/11/2012

2011/2012 Budget

Income

	Proposed 2011/2012	Actual 2011/2012
Dues (Active)	\$2,030.00	\$2,120.00
Dues (Honorary)	\$750.00	\$1,040.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00	\$1.19
Golf Tournament (Half of 'Day of' sales)	N/A	N/A
Capital Reserve	\$1,495.00	\$293.81
Totals	\$4,275.00	\$3,455.00

Golf Tournament	\$17,100.00	\$17,000.00
Scholarships	\$17,000.00	\$17,000.00

Food Basket Delivery	\$1,925.00	\$1,925.00
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Shopping Extravaganza	\$2,200.00	\$2,093.41
Duck Race	\$1,800.00	\$1,539.00

Total	\$4,000.00	\$3,632.41
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Expenses

	Proposed 2011/2012	Actual 2011/2012
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Club Operations

Church Donation (Monthly Meetings)	\$300.00	\$300.00
Insurance (Liability)	\$600.00	\$594.00
Website (annual hosting renewal)	\$50.00	\$50.00

Orientation (new Members)	\$50.00	
Social	\$300.00	\$245.42
Honorary	\$50.00	\$13.66
Newsletter (Mailings)	\$50.00	
Yearbook (Publication)	\$375.00	\$257.00
Spring Dinner	\$1,300.00	\$962.24
Sunshine (Cards, etc)	\$100.00	\$59.73
Administrative (Stamps, Stationary, PO Box rental, checks)	\$500.00	\$410.95
Misc/Holiday Party	\$350.00	\$297.77
New Member Dinner	\$250.00	\$168.00

Totals	\$4,275.00	\$3,358.77
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Committee Expenses

Publicity	\$450.00	\$248.47
Shopping Extravaganza	\$150.00	\$138.61
Food Basket Matching	\$200.00	\$88.00
Canned Food Drive	\$125.00	\$85.78
Early Childhood	\$2,300.00	\$2,395.64
Alternatives to Violence	\$500.00	\$161.53
Blood Bank	\$200.00	\$150.00
Duck Race	\$100.00	\$16.26
Guidelines	\$345.88	\$345.88
Totals	\$4,370.88	\$3,630.17