

## PHILO NEWSLETTER

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## Have a Happy St. Paddy's Day!

May you live as long as you want, And never want as long as you live.

Irish Blessing



What wonderful weather we are enjoying and it is so much fun watching the new life of spring getting ready to burst forth. Take a walk, read a book or just enjoy

the sunshine but most of all appreciate life!

IT'S SIGN-UP TIME

It's hard to believe sign-up time for our Philo Committees is here. The sign up sheets will be available after the meeting in March. There will be a few new committees, so take a look and choose what fits for you.

Just a reminder – all active members are to sign-up for six points. This can be accomplished by being:

- An Officer = 6 points
- Chair-person of a committee = 6 points
- Co-chair of a committee = 4 points and being a member on another committee - 2 points = 6 points
- Committee member 2 points
   Being a member on 3 committees = 6
   points

Please do not sign-up on a committee if the lines are all filled.

There are sign-up spaces for honoraries also, as your **expertise** is always needed in all areas. Hostesses do not receive points. Five

members are needed each month to host our social time. This is a position in which everyone takes a turn (if possible).

If you are unable to be at the next few meetings, feel free to call me. Let me know what committees you would like to serve on and what month you would be able to be a hostess, especially if you didn't have the opportunity to be a hostess this past year.

Stevie B. 667-9110

March 8th Scholarship Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Integrated Early Childhood Decorate Book Bags 6:35 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

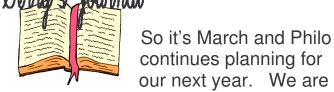
General Meeting Trinity Lutheran Church 7:00 p.m.

March 17<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 am – 2:00 pm Corn Beef Benefit – Wendy Michaux LPD Police Institute – 810 E 10<sup>th</sup> Donation \$5.00 or more

April 7<sup>th</sup> – 1:00 P.M. Board Meeting – Gerry Henderson's home 2526 Glendevey Drive

April 23<sup>rd</sup>
First Annual Garage Sale 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**April Newsletter Deadline is March 21st.** 



happy to report that we do have a slate of officers in place to be announced on March 8th. We also have a full list of nominees for new members to be voted on by our membership on the 8th. Further planning includes availability of sign-up sheets for the 2005-2006 year, so be thinking about what you want to do next year.

Philo's Holiday Boutique 2005 was officially cancelled at the February meeting, due to lack of cochairpersons. General consensus seems to be that profits from this fundraiser are not sufficient for the amounts of time and work invested.

However, we are planning to repeat our Girls' Night Out event in 2005, and we'll also have the spring Garage Sale, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. As the years come and go Philo continues to evolve with the times. That would be why our Club is nearly 87 years old and still thriving!

I hope to see you at the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Gerry Henderson** 

# IMPORTANT NOTE TO CHAIRPERSONS

We want to give chairpersons of all of our committees an alert now that a meeting especially for the purpose of passing reports on to co-chairs will be held in July. At that time please be prepared with a complete report of your committee's activity in the 2004-2005 year. We'll need two copies of this report, one for the incoming new chairperson and one for the President. You can bring any other info pertinent to your committee at that time too.

This requirement has been in place for some time, but seems to have fallen through the cracks in many cases. The report is important to the new chairperson to avoid "re-inventing the wheel" every year. Our experience is valuable to those who succeed us. It might be helpful for you to make notes now on significant details of your project.

We really appreciate your cooperation and help with the continuation of Philo's projects, in part with these committee reports. Our committee chairpersons are key to Philo's success.

Thanks -

Gerry & Stevie

"Happiness is not created by what happens to us but by our attitudes toward each happening......

**Walter Heiby** 

#### PHILOMATHEON OF THE MONTH

We're happy to announce that our Philomatheon of the month is Kathy Loken. She has been a Philo member for over 25 years and said, "Philo has been the foundation of lasting friendships and a blessing in our lives." She has served on all pre 2000 committees and chaired Publicity, Canned Food Drive, Holiday Boutique and Alternatives to Violence, Club Rooms (no longer a committee).

Kathy and her husband Lynn have been married 37 years and are Karla's (an OB/GYN doctor in Wausau, WI) parents. They are also grandparents of Nicholas and Jackson Bohm who have another brother arriving in August.

The Lokens have lived in Loveland since 1978 and ran a catering business for ten years. Kathy then worked in the insurance industry with Lutheran Brotherhood. She is currently marketing director for Activon, Inc., a company in Wisconsin in which she and Lynn are part owners.

Kathy is very active with her church, Zion Lutheran, in such positions as congregational president, Stephen Minister, Interfaith Hospitality Network, now as chairman of stewardship. She served on the national executive board of Martin Luther Homes and now as foundation board member for Mosaic (the merged company of MLH and Bethphage, which provides services to people with developmental disabilities).

In 1987 she was a member of the second Leadership Loveland Class and was the first chairperson of the Winter Holiday Council.

In her spare time (do you ever sleep, Kathy?), she is "passionate" about golf, bridge, biking and cooking. She also aspires to learning fly-fishing and scuba diving.

Obviously, Kathy is a powerhouse we are very fortunate to have as a Philo member. We thank you for your continued interest and participation in Philo, Kathy. You are truly an inspiration!



### **CHANGES TO YEARBOOK:**

New e-mail address:

Jan Frame – <u>alpine005@netzero.com</u> Jill Guffey – <u>guffey@thompson.k12.co.us</u>

#### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

The wheels are in motion for the 2005 Philo Scholarship Committee. Scholarship applications were sent to all the schools and other agencies that may have potential candidates. If you know of a male or female of any age, who resides in the Loveland/Berthoud area and needs financial help to complete occupational training, please encourage them to apply. These scholarships are for individuals who are pursuing an education less than a four-year degree.

Chairman, Jill Guffey and Co-chair Karen Pielin have set the dates for this years' activities. All scholarship applications are due on April 15<sup>th</sup>. The scholarship committee will be meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. to make committee assignments. The actual interviews will take place on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the Thompson School District Administration Building. Winners will be notified by May 10<sup>th</sup>. The scholarship committee is committed to spending Philo's money very wisely through the individual interview process.

If you are on the scholarship committee, please mark your calendar for Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. It is important that committee members are there to get a committee assignment. If there is a problem, please notify Jill Guffey at 663-9412.

Chairman - Jill Guffey

"Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

**Oliver Goldsmith** 

#### **SUNSHINE AND**



### **SHOWERS**



We sent "Thinking of You" cards to Mary Ellen and Debbie Welzel (her husband had a heart attack but is doing well).

Calls were made to Mary Nemeth and Mary Schacht.

A sympathy card was sent to Gwen Denton for the loss of her mother.

Mary Ellen Beebe was recently hospitalized to facilitate getting her leukemia back into remission. At this writing, she was expected to be home soon. As always, cards and prayers are **very** much appreciated.

#### MARCH BIRTHDAYS -

Sherry Burrell	3-4
Joan Putlack	3-6
Sheila Pottorff	3-6
Helen Wilson	3-12
Jan Dougherty	3-17
Dottie Childers	3-18
Mary Schacht	3-19
Shirley Lampshire	3-24
Georgia Torson	3-24
Karen Sanders	3-26
Sarah Long	3-29
Jill Guffey	3-29
Cynthia Garcia	3-29
Joyce Caufman	3-31

Please contact Toni Wallace at 669-8803 or saswallace@juno.com with any news.

#### FYI - HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

For your information, as further follow-up on the 2004 Holiday Boutique, with payments made on outstanding bills for the Boutique, the profit for the event was \$1,981. This had previously been announced as an amount between \$1500 and \$2000, so we were in that range.

Thanks again to everyone who helped with that big project!

## AVON FOUNDATION – BREAST CANCER CRUSADE

Did you know that three million women are living with breast cancer – and one third don't even know it? I feel I would like to do something – anything- to help the fight.

As part of this commitment, I have agreed to raise at least \$1,800 for the Avon Foundation Breast Cancer Crusade. Since 1992, this foundation has raised more than \$250 million for the cause.

Whatever you can give will be a tremendous help – every dollar counts. If you would like further information, please visit the website at www.avonwalk.org .

To make an online donation:
www.avonwalk.org
click on donate
select "make a donation on behalf of a walker"
select Denver 2005
under first name, type "Jennifer"
under last name, type "McLain"
select "find a walker"
select "McLain, Jennifer"
\*\*you are now at my personal page"
select the pink "make a donation" box
or .. just write a check payable to the Avon
Foundation and I'll take care of the rest. All
donations are deductible. Thank you.

Jennifer McLain

#### **Integrated Early Childhood**

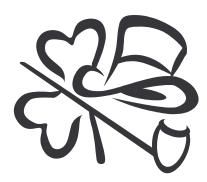
The Integrated Early Childhood Committee will meet at 6:35 p.m. before the general meeting and also after the general meeting to help decorate the book bags.

One last plea ---- **please** bring dress up clothes to the March meeting. We have not had a good response so please take 10 minutes to look around your house or check with others (neighbors, friends, relatives) for items. Scarves, jewelry, hats, clothes from young elementary children are possible examples.

The time for taking dictation from the children in the Integrated Early Childhood for the booklet to be given as a gift to their mothers has been put off until the week of March 14-18<sup>th</sup>. Assignments and guidelines will be given out at the March 8<sup>th</sup> committee meeting. We still could use more volunteers from the club. If you did not have the opportunity to sign up, please see Sue Wall or Bonnie Hanson.

After the general meeting, we will decorate bags for the children to use as "check-out" bags to carry books home to read. We need volunteers to help us paint and decorate the bags. Your 10-15 minutes of help time will be greatly appreciated as we have about 50 to decorate.

**Bonnie Hanson** 



#### AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

Again this year, we would like to ask the Philo organization to assist us in getting the word to the community about Relay For Life.

The 5th Annual American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be hosted in Loveland for the Berthoud and Loveland communities on Saturday - June 4th (1:00 pm) & Sunday - 5th (8:00 am) at the Thompson Valley High School track in Loveland.

WHAT IS RELAY FOR LIFE? The event is a celebration of life that honors cancer survivors, remembers those who have lost their brave battle with cancer, raises funds necessary to fight cancer and heightens public awareness for cancer in our community. Relay For Life is an 18-hour, overnight event in which team members take turns walking or running around the track. Participants also enjoy food, music, games, survivor festivities, cancer information, and camping with friends.

HOW DO I JOIN A TEAM? Call or e-mail Linda Hoogeveen: Phone - 225-9610, e-mail: hoogeveenl@thompson.k12.co.us

WALK WITH COURAGE/PARTICIPATE AS A SURVIVOR: If you are a cancer survivor, please join us to begin the Relay For Life by walking the Survivor's Victory Lap. We will provide assistance for survivor's who need help making the lap, or you may just want to visit with other survivor's in the survivor's tent. Your strength and courage help the community see that cancer survivorship is real and we are making progress in the battle against cancer.

Survivor invitations are located at the Cancer Treatment Center in Loveland and many local doctors' offices. You may also call Shari Wilson (667-5999), Jean Kenny - (266-9054) or the American Cancer Society office (303)776-2689.

HOPE LIGHTS THE WAY: After dark, candles are lit in luminaria bags in memory of those who have lost their battle with cancer and in honor of those who continue the fight. The names of those honored are remembered in a touching ceremony, serving as a reminder of the purpose of Relay for Life. For a \$10.00 donation, you can sponsor a glowing tribute to a loved one touched by cancer. To purchase a luminaries contact Jan Black: (667-4921) or e-mail: bobjanblack@aol.com

Thank you for helping us get the word out about this to our community.

Please form a team, call if you want to participate on an existing team, and to find out why so many will participate in their 5th Relay in Loveland. It truly is a community taking up the fight against cancer.

Sincerely,

Linda Alvine American Cancer Society Relay For Life Media Chair (h) 669-1023 (w) 532-2000 x220 (c) 203-4284

e-mail: lindaalvine@aol.com

#### FIRST ANNUAL PHILO GARAGE SALE

The First Annual Philo Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, April  $23^{rd}$ . This is a one day sale from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. We will have sign up sheets for volunteers at the March meeting.

We will also make available a list of items we feel will be most saleable, and a range of prices that should or could be charged for such items depending on condition. Remember, we want your "stuff", but it needs to be marked before it is dropped off. Some ideas for items are: smaller appliances, furniture, home equipment, dishware and more! While we won't turn smaller items away (books, small toys), we would rather have "money making stuff" instead of trying to raise money 25 cents at a time. Please make sure anything you are willing to donate is clean and looks good. We will not be dusting, cleaning, or repairing anything. The major goal of this fundraiser is to keep it simple and easy...and of course, to raise a lot of money. Please look around your storage room, storage unit, garage, closets, etc. to start locating your things now!

Cindy Kurtz, chairperson, will give an update at the March meeting as to location and other significant information. Please plan to attend!

Ceri Anderson

## The Philo Executive Board for the 2003-2004 year:

President	Gerry Henderson	669-3593
Vice-President	Stevie Benkendorf	667-9110
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