



It sounds as if the September meeting was a huge success – many happenings and much news. A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to Gerry for taking over as both President and Vice President. She was one busy lady!

It was so good to get home after a busy week of cruising. The weather was warm, almost hot, in the East. The trees were a beautiful green and the entire scene was bustling with activity. On our last evening aboard ship, Hurricane Ophelia joined us. Very soon I was as green as the trees!

We were able to view Ground Zero in New York City on September 10th. What a humbling experience. We have so much to be thankful for. How fortunate we are, as Philo members, that we are able to share with so many.

Hope to see you at the October 11th meeting. Come early or plan to stay late and socialize with “old and new” members.

The new members have been planning and working very hard on their skit. It should be a fun evening for all.

“Bee” Happy!
Stevie “B”

Name Tags

So that nametags can be easily accessed for general meetings, we are thinking of ways to keep the box organized. One way to do this, will involve removing “extras” from the tags. If you have a “starfish” on your nametag, you may choose to take it off and keep it as a special remembrance. Thank you for your help.

Mark Your Calendar

This Month's General Meeting

Tuesday, October 11, 7:00 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church



Honorary Membership Committee Meeting

October 12th at 11:30 A.M.
Trinity Lutheran Church

Artists Charitable Fund (Mini Sculpture)

Thursday, October 13 at 12:00 noon
Canton Palace

4th Thursday of the month - Book Club

11:30
Circle Moon Coffee Café

Deadline for October Newsletter

October 21



Blood Drive

November 15, 2005, 11:30 am – 6:00 pm
First United Methodist Church

2nd Annual “Girls’ Night Out”

November 15, 2005

Canned Food Drive

December 9 – 10, 2005
First United Methodist Church



A Report from your Treasurer

Nearly 40 active members and 7 honoraries paid their dues at the first Philo meeting September 13th. Thank you so much - that sets a very good precedent! We have a somewhat lean budget this year, due to a shortfall in last year's fundraisers.

Therefore, we are counting on everyone to pay dues as soon as possible - \$35 for active members, and \$15 for honoraries. We expect our fundraisers to do better this year since it is the second year for both the Garage Sale and Girls' Night Out. This means we now have some experience under our belts! We look forward to great fun and a more profitable year. I will bring the checkbook to each Philo meeting so I can pay each person who submits a bill, thus saving a bit on postage, but you may also submit your bills through the mail. Please remember to note your name and committee on each receipt.

Marilyn Wiltgen, Treasurer

Leaves

**How silently they
tumble down
And come to rest upon
the ground
To lay a carpet, rich and
rare,
Beneath the trees without a care,
Content to sleep, their work well done,
Colors gleaming in the sun.**

**At other times, they wildly fly
Until they nearly reach the sky.
Twisting, turning through the air
Till all the trees stand stark and bare.
Exhausted, drop to earth below
To wait, like children, for the snow.**



Missing In Action II

As many of you know from first hand experience, fall is a marvelous time for cruises, trips to wonderful destinations, and of course camping! Here is a short note from Nancy Patterson, our Recording Secretary, outlining the travels that will prevent her from joining us on October 11th. "Having grown up in Iowa on the Iowa and Mississippi Rivers, I miss the beautiful fall foliage. Howard and I are going to explore all of Michigan and the borders of the Great Lakes in our pickup camper. We'll be gone for two weeks and I have to admit, I love cooking hot cocoa and s'mores on the campfire. We'll go on hikes and long bike rides, and we'll watch the sunsets and many captivating campfires! Hopefully we'll have cool nights and sunny days."

Committee News

Canned Food Drive

We are beginning to "gear up" for the Canned Food Drive that will be held December 9th and 10th at the First Methodist Church. Philo has been participating in this food drive for many years and the need is especially great this year. We will need drivers on Friday morning to pick up the canned foods from the various participating schools. Every active Philo member needs to sign up for one shift to sort canned foods. Sorting will occur on Friday or Saturday morning. Sign up sheets, which were available at the September general meeting, will again be available at the October meeting. Or, if you wish to volunteer, you may call Kathy Matsunaka at 669-3720.



Kathy Matsunaka, Committee Chair

Committee News cont.

Artists Charitable Fund

Our next meeting will be Thursday, 10/13 at noon at Canton Palace. We'll be working on assignment for outlets over the holiday season.

Kathi Wright and Joyce Krantz, Committee Co-Chairs

2nd Annual "Girls' Night Out"

The plans are in action for our second annual "Girls' Night Out." This year's evening is "The Miracle on 4th Street." At the moment our committee is working toward having all activities take place right downtown on – you guessed it - 4th Street!

Mark you calendar – the date is **Tuesday, November 15th**. The shopping will be going full force at Almosta Mercantile and of course, dining at your choice of several local eateries is a must! This special evening is not limited to Philo members only. Bring your family, friends, and co-workers. The more the merrier, and all the better for our Loveland vendors and for Philo.

At the October general meeting we will have more details and a sign up sheet for all interested shoppers.

Ceri Anderson, Committee Chair

Honorary Membership Committee

We will be having a luncheon at Trinity Lutheran Church on October 12th at 11:30 A.M. Honorary members are the main attendees, but any member who would like to join us is welcome! Please bring a salad which can accommodate four people and the hostesses will provide everything else. Mark your calendars - plan to come and have FUN.

Anne Anderson and Jan Wilson, Committee Co-Chairs

Introducing Philo's Newest Members



Front row: Sherri Frank, Lin Stokes, Shannon Voggesser, Juanita Cisneros, Patty Byers, Diane Lauer

Back row: Joan Swan, Pam Pellizzari, Dona Menzies, Lynn Fountaine, Denise Olson, Lori Knedlik, Carol Helzer

Not pictured: Nicole Whitenight, Connie Ephland

Patty Byers, who lives in Johnstown, taught school for 30 years. Her husband, of 39 years, Bill, is also a retired teacher and coach. They have two children: Anne Marie Bennett and Ryan Byers. Patty has many different interests, but she especially loves anything to with her family, the arts, and helping others.



Juanita Cisneros, who was born on Halloween, is a News Librarian at the Loveland Reporter Herald. Her husband, Donald Jesik, is an Information Technology Manager. Buster is their 18-year-old son. Juanita enjoys movies and music, and **loves** live theater. She also does competitive race-walking.

Connie Ephland, a retired Human Resources Administrator for the Jefferson County School District, is married to Dan, an electrical contractor. They are the proud parents of two grown children, three grandchildren, and a four-month-old great grandchild. Connie's number one priority is spending time with her family – “anything, any time.” She also lists gardening, boating, reading, sketching, photography, traveling, and entertaining as special interests.



Lynn Fontaine, who is widowed, has been a lifelong homemaker. She has two adult children, Andrew M. Fontaine and Elise Branson. Lynn says that in the past she has been “a jack of all trades and master of none.” In her free time she reads, gardens, takes water color painting classes, plays bridge, and enjoys decorating.

Sherri Frank is a real estate agent. Her sons, J.D. and Matt, and her husband Tom, are her “favorite hobby”. This family loves spending time together. Sherri enjoys antiques and auctions. Wow – her favorite activity is mowing her own lawn!

Carol Helzer, now retired, was of the Jefferson County Public the parents of Cheryl. Carol spends bridge, cooking, and attending her



formerly Assistant to the Superintendent Schools. She and her husband John are leisure time traveling, boating, playing grandson's activities.

Lori Knedlik, a fitness coach at Ladies' Workout Express, spends time (no surprise here)-working out, walking, and watching her son's sporting events. She and her husband Steve, who owns Eagle Fire Protection, have a son and a daughter.

Diane Lauer is the principal of Conrad Ball Middle School. Her husband, Jerry, is a tile installer. Diane's hobbies and interests include: reading, traveling, cooking, and gardening.

Dona Menzies is a teacher with the Thompson School District. She enjoys many outdoor activities including river rafting, camping, hiking, rollerblading and running. She and her husband Dan have three grown children: John, Leah, and David.



Denise Olson is a busy stay-at-home mom to Charlie, Sam, and Max - ages seven, five, and two. Her husband, Steve, is a 6th grade teacher. Denise enjoys walking and hiking in the mountains. Her hobbies are reading, sewing, and working with plants – both inside and out.

Pam Pellizzari works for Seagate as a Senior Buyer. She has a son, Russ, who is 39. Pam is a scrap booker, who likes to read, camp, and fish.

Lin Stokes retired after teaching for 35 years in Loveland. She has one daughter who lives in Ft. Collins. Lin's hobbies include scrap booking, cooking/baking, and home decorating. She is involved with her church, two book clubs, and **above all** loves being with her 15-month-old granddaughter.



Joan Swan, who is a retired Licensed Practical Nurse, lists her present occupation as “happy parasite.” Her very best friend and husband is Ed Swan, who is a carpenter with Swan Home Improvements. They have three grown daughters and six grandchildren. Joan “plugs in” where she can be most helpful to her family. She is a devoted mother, and Grammy who has been a Cub Scout leader and den master. She reads at preschools and elementary schools and is a teacher helper where her granddaughters attend school.

Shannon Voggesser likes to hike, scrap book, and play with the three family dogs. She is employed as a Geographical Information System Analyst with The Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands. (Whew, that is a mouthful!) Her husband Garrit is the Manager of the Tribal Lands Conservation Program for The National Wildlife Federation.



Nicole Whitenight is a retired teacher and registered nurse, married to Jim, a former FBI agent. Their children are Carrie Bowles and Rebecca Martin. They have three granddaughters: Cordelia, Caroline, and Clementine. Education, public health issues, neurology, and reading are special interests of Nicole’s. She is also a beginning golfer, who enjoys Western art, and Victorian and Edwardian vintage clothing.

Yearbook Changes

This is a list of all changes that have been reported to date. These might reflect an incorrect spelling, address, or email address. Please let the Newsletter Committee know if you find any other errors. Thank you for checking!

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Birthdays

October Birthdays

Rita Harden	Oct. 2	Nicole Whitemight	Oct 15
Gwen Denton	Oct 8	Marilyn Wiltgen	Oct 15
Kim Knowles	Oct 8	Paula Cooney	Oct 19
Sandy Roorda	Oct 8	Joyce Krantz	Oct 25
Ceri Anderson	Oct 10	Nancy Patterson	Oct 30
Mary Jane Tretheway	Oct 10	Juanita Cisneros	Oct 31
		Doris Walker	Oct 31



The Sunshine Committee mailed a thinking of you note to Lis Sethre. At the September general meeting a card was made available to members so they could send their thoughts and memories to Mary Ellen Beebe. And just a reminder, if you know of someone that we should be contacting, please get in touch with one of us.

Toni Wallace and Kay Robinson, Committee Co-Chairs

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