

Food Basket Matching Program

A reminder and a plea - PLEASE! We will be taking names again at the October meeting for our Christmas basket matching program.



Please ask a friend, neighbor or family member to join us to make Christmas a little easier for our local needy families and to reach our goal of 175 baskets this season. I have been assured that we will have

names to match in early November. It is fun to put a basket together and, of course, very much in the Christmas spirit. \$\$\$ donations are also welcome. (For our newer members - an explanation): This Philo tradition provides a holiday meal for a family of your choice. Canned goods and non-perishable items are available at the canned food drive free of charge. You are asked to finish the basket with fresh foods and a meat entrée - a gift card from a local market works, too. An option, if you wish, is to add small gifts. You will be expected to contact the family and deliver the basket. Thank you in advance for your always open Philo hearts.

MaryAnn Lane, Chair



AS YOUR HISTORIAN, I NEED YOUR HELP!

If you are a committee chair and are placing advertisements or articles in any local media outlets, please e-mail me at trudy_eckhardt@msn.com with the location and expected date the advertisement or articles will be published. I am watching for articles to archive for the 2008-2009 Philo year, but I'm afraid I won't always catch them. Your assistance would be of great help. Thanks!

Trudy Eckhardt, Historian

Mark Your Calendar ✓

5:00 PM October 14

The church will be open so committees can meet.

This Month's General Meeting

7:00 PM Tuesday, October 14

Trinity Lutheran Church

Nunsensations

October 22

Deadline for November Newsletter

October 24

Girls' Night Out

November 20

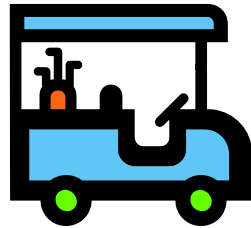
A note from our President... Chatty Kathi Says



A great big "ATTAGIRL!" to Diane Meuret and some of her team: Jane Bock, Sharon Petersburg, Kathy Loken, Debbie Welzel and Syd Fancher. You did an

amazing job orchestrating the golf tournament. Some of my personal observations include:

- A feeling of electric energy from start to finish.
- Lots of laughter, screams, silliness, and encouraging words.
- Cute golf club covers!
- The incredible prizes and many generous sponsors.
- The excitement of Kathy Peden's eagle on hole #3. She taught me what "PPSWP" means. Ask me.
- Jane Bock learning to drive a golf cart (with me in it!) and taking the opportunity to explain to me the importance of every penny raised for the scholarship fund - the scholarships are truly changing lives and are an important, satisfying result of the meaningful work of the members of Philo.



It appeared a good time was had by all. Thanks for the memories.

We are looking forward to the new member skit in October. We have such great people with lots of energy and enthusiasm joining our group!

Kathi Wright, President

Treasurer's Report

SEPTEMBER 2008



Key Bank checking	\$9,218.49
Key Bank CD	\$5,560.16
Home State Bank	\$17,912.76
Total	\$32,691.41

Shannon Voggesser, Treasurer



It's Not Too Late!!!

If you haven't already signed up for the Candlelight Dinner Playhouse, it's not too late! We will accept reservations for "Nunsensations" until October 14th. The price per ticket is \$43.70. Please make checks out to Candlelight Dinner Playhouse.



Remember, this includes dinner and the show, coffee, tea or soda and gratuity. Vicki Moehling, Joanie Putlack and Lori Knedlik will be collecting money at the October meeting. The address and time of this fun event is: Candlelight Dinner Playhouse, 4737 Market Place Drive, Johnstown (south of Johnson's Corner), Wednesday, October 22, 2008. Arrive anytime between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m.

Lori Knedlik, Social Committee Chair

Canned Food Drive – December 12th & 13th

Philo's oldest tradition is the delivery of food baskets to the needy during the holidays. An integral part of this program is the canned food drive. Philo coordinates the drive with schools in the Thompson R2-J District during the two weeks following Thanksgiving. At the end of the drive, our members and volunteers pick up the food, sort it with the help of Bill Reed students, and have a pick-up day for folks who are going to deliver food baskets. Two other Philo committees are responsible for "food basket delivery" or "food basket donor-recipient matching".



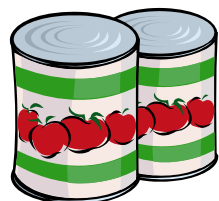
To do this, WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP for our annual CANNED FOOD DRIVE, which will be held on December 12th and 13th at the First United Methodist Church, 533 North Grant Ave. How can you help? You can sign up at our October and November general meetings to:

1. Drive pickups or large vans (your vehicles) to move canned food from participating Loveland schools to First United Methodist Church on Friday, December 12th.

2. Sort and organize food at the church (Coy Hall) on Friday, December 12th.

3. Help distribute canned goods to the food basket donors on Saturday, Dec. 13th.

4. Pack up leftovers for collection by Larimer County Food Bank on Saturday afternoon, December 13th.



This is a HUGE job, but very rewarding. Committee chairs have contacted over 25 Loveland area schools - most are participating in the drive and welcome helping Philo with this important project. It is a lot of fun and a great service to the community. Last year we picked up, sorted, and boxed tons of food. Thanks in advance for your participation!

Peggy Pellizzari & Sherry King,
Canned Food Drive Co-chairs

Honoraries!

Attention Honoraries:

Our first activity for the new Philo year is fast approaching. We will gather at the Wexford (southwest corner of Taft and 29th) on Saturday, Oct. 11 for a brunch buffet from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$8.00 per person, and can be paid the day of the brunch. Please check in at the front desk and tell the receptionist you are with Philo. Please RSVP to Rita Harden, 667-3819, by Oct. 7. See you there!

Newsletter Deadlines

The following are the deadlines for the 2008-2009 newsletters.

<u>Meeting Month</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
November	October 24
December	No newsletter
January	December 12 (Note this early date)
February	January 23
March	February 20
April	March 27
May	April 24

Send information to Juanita Cisneros -
Juanita@lpbroadband.net

REVISITING HISTORY

INTRODUCING: COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

A small task force of five members, including Chairwoman Dona Menzies, Nita Starr, Peggy Pellizzari, Debbie Netzel, and Trudy Eckhardt has been meeting this summer through September and has completed a detailed program entitled "Community Service Opportunities". This program is designed to provide opportunities for high school girls in the Thompson School District to perform community service. This effort is



to help them fulfill needed community service hours for organizations

or classes in which they are currently involved. This program will also provide an opportunity for high school girls to learn about our organization and to foster interest in becoming Philo members in the future. An added plus is the extra help for our service and fundraising committees. Last but not least, it also brings tradition back into Philo by having high school girls participate as they did in the beginning.

The task force received Philo board approval of the program, and has received District approval by completing all forms and contact letters, task list spreadsheets, and by contacting all five area high schools and the multitude of organizations and classes. We have set up a timeline of what needs to be accomplished to get this program off the ground. Sidebar: There is great excitement in the schools and they are impressed by the program!

This program is being introduced and administered by the Prospective New Member Program. If you want to be a part of this historic reintroduction of high school girls back into Philo, please give Amy Hummel a call at 532-2749. Also, keep in

mind this program is a work in progress! We may encounter difficulties but we are dedicated to solving any problems we meet during this introduction phase. We are jumping in with both feet as we celebrate 90 years of Philo!

Trudy Eckhardt

Philo Yearbook Corrections:

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461-4911 (Also, this is correct under
Food Baskets Matching)

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Vicki Moehling: 593-0524

"Deloris Jarvis Valdez" should be
Deloris Valdez Jarvis
1151 Eagle Dr. #304

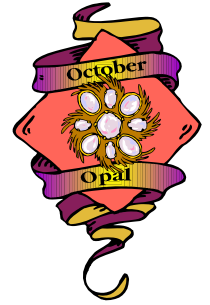
Toni Wallace: toni_wallace@msn.net

DeeDee Warnock
223-4769 is no longer valid

Please let Cindy Kurtz know if there are
any other corrections or changes.

Girls' Night Out

Save this date ---November 20th for Girls' Night Out. Let's make it bigger and better than ever! Remember you may invite your non-Philo friends and family.



BIRTHDAYS

Publicity Committee

The Publicity Committee was busy this summer finishing some business from last spring and preparing for the new year.

- Golf shirts were ordered and delivered at the September meeting. Anyone interested in ordering a golf shirt should contact Linda Stangel by e-mail at LindaStangel@gmail.com or by phone at 443-1328. Orders will be taken at the October meeting for delivery at the November meeting. Please remember to wear them for Philo events.
- Karen Pielin updated the brochure with the new logo. Kathy Loken had them printed for the golf scramble. Extras will be available for other events, and more will be printed as needed.
- The publicity packet was updated and expanded in time to distribute to the new chairwomen at their August meeting. It is available to all members on the members only web page.
- Karen Pielin deserves special thanks for her creativity and hard work as the 2007-2008 chairwoman of the Publicity Committee. In addition to revising the brochure, she created the bookmarks given out at the golf scramble, developed the publicity packet, and promoted the idea of golf shirts and aprons to identify members at Philo events.

Linda Strangel, Publicity Chairwoman

Rita Harden	2
Jane Bock	3
Peg Isakson	5
Gwen Denton	8
Sandy Roorda	8
Mary Jane Trethewey	10
Judith Potter	13
Nicole Whitenight	15
Marilyn Wiltgen	15
Lynn McDonough	22
Sue Park	22
Joyce Krantz	25
Sherry King	25
Marian Maggi	25
Nancy Patterson	30
Juanita Cisneros	31

Blood Drive 2008-2009



We had a successful blood drive in August, with a total of 85 units donated. Once again we are adjusting the time of the drive to 10:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m. This was a request from the church, as they have a group of their own that needs the space by 4:30 p.m. Our next drive is on Tuesday, November 18th.

Eunice Holthusen and Johna Cabrera
Philo Blood Drive committee chairwomen

The committee will meet @ 6:30 p.m.
before our October meeting.

It's Raining...Its Raining...BUT...

The
Sunshine
is
Coming ...



This summer has been filled with many health issues, losses and blessings for our Philo sisters.

GET WELL WISHES GO OUT TO:

LaVerne Macey, who had ankle surgery
Lola Johnson, recovering from a rib injury
Eunice Holthusen had surgery
Sherri Frank was injured in a car accident
Linda Stangel had dental surgery
Ann Moore had a hip injury
Mary Ann Lane had hip replacement surgery

THINKING OF YOU...

Barb Giesey -- whose mother is being treated for colon cancer
Connie Ephland -- her daughter is recovering from colon reposition and breast cancer surgery

IN SYMPATHY...

Dottie Childers' mother passed away
Jan Frame's father-in-law passed away
Connie Ephland's brother and brother-in-law passed away
Carly Habein's father passed away

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Stevie Benkendorf has a new grandson
Sue Wall in honor of the new auditorium named for her

The Sunshine Committee represents Philo by sending appropriate expressions of care and

concern for illness, sympathy, or congratulations. The Sunshine Committee is in the process of revising the structure and process of the Sunshine teams that are used for providing meals to those in need. That revision will be presented at the October meeting. Committee members include Connie Ephland, chairwoman; Bonnie Hanson, co-chair; Gail Rouen and Mary Nemuth. Please inform any committee member when occasions arise that require their services.

Chairwoman: Connie Ephland, 461-9201
Co-Chair: Bonnie Hanson, 635-0930

THE WEB CONNECTION:

I will be managing the Philo web information for this year.

Anyone wanting to place information on the Philo Web site:

Please submit your information via e-mail to me with the

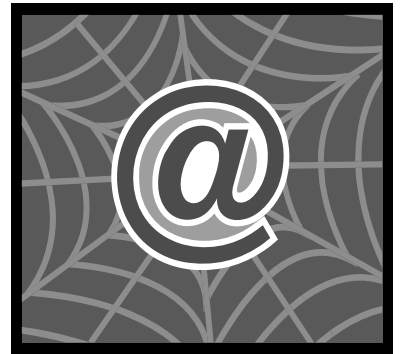
designation of "for public viewing", "members only" page, or both.

Please include your contact phone number if different than listed in the yearbook.

I will review the information you send and if there are no questions, AND IF IT DOES NOT NEED TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD, I will forward the information to Craig Robinson, our web master. I will notify you when the information has been posted on the Philo web site.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND INFORMATION DIRECTLY TO CRAIG. IT IS OUR AGREEMENT WITH HIM THAT ONLY INFORMATION COMING FROM ME HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR THE WEB SITE.

Thank You,
Trudy Eckhardt, Philo Historian
Trudy_eckhardt@msn.com



Philo New Members

Deloris Valdez Jarvis

Deloris is building GitNit Right, a media production company similar to Oprah's Harpo Productions. She has already launched her publishing division with the release of her first book, "GitNit Right with Millennials: An Intimate Look At What Matters Most to the Biggest Generation in History." She is developing a cross-generational talk show that will combine traditional network broadcasting with web based new media outlets. The Dee Valdez Show will bring a live studio audience on location for taping this fall! Deloris and her business partner and husband, Harrison, also do stage presentations for corporations, business leaders and organizations who want to successfully work with and market to Millennials. Deloris' calling is to change the way adults relate to young people and create a world in which each young person has at least 6 adults who will listen to, believe and take action when necessary to ensure their safety and well being. Deloris and Harrison have 4 amazing kids, Tyson 24, David 23, Jessy 22 and the only one they have raised together in the 5 years they have been married, Kaitlyn 16.



Deb Fillion

I am a native Coloradoan. I was born and raised in Denver and moved to Loveland in 1973. I worked for Hewlett-Packard for ten years and then changed careers to teaching. I taught 7th grade social studies for 10 years in the Thompson School District, and then went back into the high-tech industry working for Agilent. After 5 years with Agilent I retired and I now do some contract teaching for Vestas Blades in Windsor. I am married to a wonderful man named Rick and we have one son Kevin, who is married. He and his wife Bre have one son Karson and another child due to arrive in late March. They live in Loveland so I get to be Grandma a lot and love it. I love to travel!! I always have my bags packed and ready to go anywhere. This past May I went to Africa which was a trip I had dreamed of since I was a little girl. I am glad to now have the time to contribute to my community and help keep it a wonderful place to raise children.

Phyllis Polucha

I have only one very proud accomplishment in life and that is my five children! I try to do the best I can to help all that need help. I like to work, see the smiles the work brings; then step back and take on the next project. I am very good at medicine and would have gone to medical school if I did not have 5 children. My family started Club United Soccer in our living room in 1985 so I do love the sport as a competitive coach. I am a simple person who has difficulty remembering names but never forget a face. I love cooking, and enjoy tutoring youth. I feel education is one of the most important aspects of our lives. Our youth will be making the decision of our old age, so we had better make sure they are educated. For the moment, I am debating over whether to retire or seek a new career - so I am home most days for now.

Carol A. Christensen

Carol was born and raised on a farm in Southwest Iowa. She attended business school and worked in Omaha, NE. before getting married to Jim in 1963. They lived in Council Bluffs, IA and on a farm near Oakland, IA before moving to Loveland in 1988. Jim and Carol have a son, Chris who lives in Pierson, IA with his wife Beth, a son Craig and wife Mary from Highlands, Ranch, and a daughter, Beth, living in Orlando, FL. They also have 4 grandchildren. Carol is beginning her 16th year of working for the school district. She works at Lincoln Elementary school as a Special Ed Para. Her husband died in January, 2008. She is thankful for her faithful companion, Conchita, a seven-year old chocolate lab who is a therapy dog. They take part in the Waggin' Tales program at the Loveland Library, and visit patients at McKee Medical Center. Carol also volunteers at the Rialto Theater.

Natalie Parker

I am currently a full time mommy to a very active 2 1/2 year old, Noah. My family and I moved to Loveland from San Antonio, TX in December of 2006 and (thankfully!) got into our house 2 days before the blizzard hit! Prior to being a stay at home mom, I worked as a mental health/substance abuse counselor for HIV+ clients. My son is the most important thing I have ever done and raising him to be a good and loving man is my life's goal. I am also involved in MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers).

Gail Rouen

I was born in Minneapolis, but moved to San Antonio during WWII because my father was in the Air Force. I was raised there, but attended college in Michigan. I raised my family in Detroit, Hinsdale, Illinois, and Littleton, Colorado. I have lived in Loveland since 2000. I am a speech-language therapist. I worked in the Detroit and Littleton school districts for 30 years. Since retirement, I have volunteered at Big Thompson Elementary. I have two children and two grandchildren. My daughter Maureen is married to Bob Hewson and lives here in Loveland.

My son Tom Rouen and his wife Amy live in Scottsdale, Arizona. My granddaughter Sara Hewson attends Thompson Valley HS. My grandson, Nate Hewson, just started at Walt Clark MS. Besides volunteering I belong to a bunco club, a book club, an investment club, and PEO. I enjoy working out, walking, golf, jigsaw puzzles and reading. I have spent lots of time babysitting and carpooling my grandchildren the last few years, but they grew up, so it's time to move on and find new activities!

Jana Campbell

I was born in Germany and got my citizenship at the age of 11. I was adopted at the age of 5 by American parents stationed at Manheim while serving in the Air Force. My parents found me in an orphanage; I fell immediately in love with them. I was raised in Oklahoma, where I was surrounded by new and wonderful relatives: grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. I have completed over 20 years of Air Force service, retiring at the rank of Lt Colonel. I have served on the Loveland Transportation Advisory Board and on SAINTs Executive Board of Directors. I have joined Philo to be committed, connected and an active community volunteer along with other Philo members.



Pam Clifford

Pam Clifford is a 28-year resident of Loveland, and the only non-Colorado native in her family. Her daughter Katie (24), and son Nate (21), were both born in Loveland, and her husband Bruce is a native of Boulder. Pam and Bruce were college sweethearts and moved to Loveland the day after they got married in 1980. Pam is an avid walker, scrap booker, reader, and baker and has been employed at Group Publishing for 21 years, where she enjoys her role as Technology Project Manager. She's looking forward to getting involved in Philo!

Marian Maggi

I was born in Limon, Colorado, and grew up on a small farm about 55 miles east of Denver. My 4 brothers and I went to school in the small community of Agate, where there were a total of 25 in my whole high school—only 6 in my graduating class! When I was 14 I finally got my longed-for little sister. I graduated from CU-Boulder in 1967, married Gary, my beloved husband of 42 years. I worked at the Air Force at Martin before we moved to Loveland in 1970, but was mostly a stay-at-home mom/community volunteer until Wynne and Gary Paul were in high school. I worked as Advertising Sales Manager at Group Publishing from 1982-85 when I began my real estate career in Berthoud. We are very fortunate that both of our children and their families chose to make Berthoud their home, so we enjoy lots of family time with them and our four grandchildren.

Jinger Buchner

I married my high school sweetheart Mike Buchner 25 years ago and we have 3 wonderful children. Brittney is married to Brandon England and they live in Colorado Springs. She is studying to be a nurse and Brandon is a golf pro at the Broadmoor. Mitchell is a student and playing golf for UCCS in Colorado Springs and Bethany is a senior at Loveland High and is going to play golf next year for the University of New Mexico. I have been a stay at home mom for the past 21 years. My husband retired from Seagate Tech. and is now self-employed. We have lived in Loveland for 25 years and what a wonderful place to raise a family! I enjoy golfing, water skiing, and in my younger days, volleyball was my love. I coached volleyball for a year at LHS and was an official for 6 years. I helped the junior golf program get started and watched it grow from 50 kids to 300! I was very involved for 7 years until my kids started playing competitive golf. I am very excited about becoming a member of Philo so I can serve in the community.



Cathy Carroll

Cathy Carroll hails from Central New York where she grew up living on a dairy farm. After earning her BS in Elementary Education from the State University of New York at Cortland, she married her high school sweetheart, Ron. She continued her education, completing her MS in elementary education. Cathy and Ron have lived in Germany, where their daughter Lena was born, and also in Connecticut. They moved to Colorado eleven years ago to retire, and two years ago settled in Loveland to join family. Over the years, Cathy has taught elementary school and tutored, and has volunteered at her daughter's schools and in community groups. Currently, she is a mentor with Partners Mentoring Youth. Cathy enjoys sewing, interior decorating, gardening, traveling, spending time with her family and being outdoors to soak up the Colorado sunshine while bicycling and walking.

Megan Gappinger

Megan was born in Connecticut but raised in California. Prior to being a mommy she was a teacher and a youth pastor. She is married to Andy and they have a 2 1/2 year old named Trevor. Megan keeps her days busy with MOPS (Mother's of Preschoolers), Bible study, and working with the Special Friends Ministry at church. She is excited to be adding Philo to her list of activities!

Peg Isakson

Peg has been in education all her life, teaching, testing and tutoring students from ages 3 through adult. She hails from Western Illinois University and her first teaching job was in a suburb of Chicago. Graduate work was accomplished at CU-Boulder. She has taught literacy in Denver, Colorado Springs, Jefferson County and Boulder in public schools, and as an adjunct college instructor. Most recently she is training teachers of struggling readers in public, Indian reservation and Job Corp schools, working for Scholastic, Inc. Her hobbies are traveling, genealogy, knitting, piano jazz, bridge, baking and reading. She and her husband, Dick, are CU Buff and Colorado Rockies fans. They have two grown sons, two daughters-in-law, and two grandchildren, all in Colorado. Peg looks forward to working with such a fun-loving, yet hard-working and generous group as Philo.

Judy Grommon

I was born Judy K. Burge, daughter of Clem and Alice Burge on June 20, 1943 in Kansas City, MO. Three and one-half years later I was blessed with my brother Richard. Shortly after my birth we moved to Lusk, WY where I spent 13 years of my life and in 1956 we moved to Scottsbluff, NE where I attended the 8th grade. In 1957 we moved to Loveland where I have intermittently spent 51 years. I went to Loveland High School and graduated in 1961. I then attended CSU for three years after which I went to Parks School of Business and received a business and secretarial degree. In 1966 Philo Grommon, IV and I were married and had two children - Philo Grommon, V and Candace. We were divorced in 1979 but still remain friends. My children have blessed me with five grandchildren. My son has 3 children - Philo, VI, Haleigh and Conner. My daughter has 2 children - Austin and Baylee. In 1985 I met my true soul mate, John L. Johnson and we spent many wonderful and rewarding years together. He passed away from lung cancer in December, 1998. I was employed with The MaceRich Company (a retail/shopping center development company) for 20 years. I retired in 2007 and thought it would be wonderful to have all the free time. I found it does not pay very well. I wanted to be involved with the public again so I went to work at The Group Inc. and work three days a week which is just perfect. I enjoy my life and time with my children and grandchildren and feel very blessed to have them in my life. I am also blessed with many very close friends and good times. My hope is I will make many more friends in the Philo and this will enhance my life even more.



Presenting the Philo Board of Officers for 2008-2009

Trudy Eckhardt, 2008-2009 Philo Historian

(Editors Note: Officers may submit a short biography to the newsletter editor, they will run in the newsletter over the next couple of months)

Trudy Eckhardt is the new Historian for the 2008-2009 year. A native Coloradoan, she grew up on a farm in Kuner, which is located in Weld County. She taught both mathematics and science in grades 7-12 for more than 25 years. Her last position was at Loveland High School where she served as Math Department chair for two years before retiring. Her husband, John, is a Water Resources Engineer consultant and commutes to California often. They have two children, Heidi Abrahamson (38), and Heather Huntley (35); four grandchildren, Brodee (11), Nathan (10), Emma (9), and Julia (8). Trudy's time is filled playing with grandchildren, helping care for her mother, remodeling, and working on their farm. She enjoys playing tennis, hiking, skiing, and gardening. Her hobbies include tole, landscape painting, sewing, crocheting, and she is currently teaching herself to knit. Trudy is looking forward to fulfilling here job description as this year's Historian. Should you see her at an event or meeting, SMILE! She intends to take a lot of photos, and capture the many images of Philo during the coming year.

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