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Philo Goes Digital!

Craig Robinson and I met for coffee the first week of December to map out a detailed set-up for the web page. We are planning to have the site up and running by the first week of January.

The website will contain general public accessible information as well as a member only access area (this page will contain the unabridged version of the Newsletter and the Yearbook). The general public version will contain general information about the organization but no personal member information.

Each member will receive a pass code via e-mail. Since we will be putting the newsletter on the web page, we will no longer be e-mailing newsletters every month. These changes will commence in February. Those who receive mailed hardcopies of the newsletter will still receive them monthly.

The Philo Web address is www.philoloveland.org.

Trudy

Mark Your Calendar ✓

Board Meeting

January 7, Trudy's home, 1:00 pm

January 8 Committee Meetings

This Month's General Meeting

Tuesday, January 8
Trinity Lutheran Church

Deadline for February Newsletter

January 21

4th Thursday of the month - Book Club

11:30, Circle Moon Coffee Café

Blood Drive

February 19
First United Methodist Church

Philo 90th Birthday Celebration

Friday, February 15, 6 - 8 PM
King Autoplex (Centerra)

Spring Dinner

May 6th (note this is a change of date)

Let's Celebrate Philo's 90th Birthday! Save This Date...



The social committee wants to remind all members that Philo is celebrating its 90th birthday this year and you are cordially invited to a special celebration on Friday, February 15 at King Autoplex (Crossroads Boulevard in Centerra) from 6 - 8 PM. Wine, cheese, and of course birthday cake will be provided so please come and join in the FUN. Bring a guest - the more the merrier! We will be sending out e-vites very soon.

Trekking With Trudy



I thoroughly enjoyed visiting with everyone at the Holiday Party. All the fresh snow really added to the ambiance. I hope everyone enjoyed catching up with members they haven't seen in a while as well as meeting and getting to know someone new. I want to thank the members of the Philo board and liaisons for all their help in preparing and serving such delicious fare for all to enjoy.

As we say goodbye to 2007, we reflect on a year where we restructured our organization, updated our by-laws, retired three committees, changed one committee to a board responsibility, introduced two new committees, established a Web page, completed two fundraisers, celebrated Lois Nicholson's 101st birthday, had a super Canned Food Drive, matched over 174 donors to recipients, and delivered food baskets to those less fortunate in our community. Whew!!

We have a lot to look forward to as we move into 2008.

- The Web page is going to include information for the public as well as a section that can be accessed by Philo members only. (Refer to article)
- At the January 8th general meeting, please come dressed in casual, loose fitting clothing so that you can participate in our very own health event. Just after the holiday season many of us begin to think about getting back to a healthy routine, getting back into shape, and possibly loosing some unwanted pounds. Look for the article about this event, which is being brought to you by the Social Committee.
- We are continuing to search for a new service project.
- We will need to decide if we wish to change the current logo
- Save this date, February 15th – Philo will be having a birthday party to celebrate “90 Years of Service to the Community”! This event will be held at King Auto, one of our \$250 Golf Sponsors.

And that is just the beginning of the year! Happy New Year as we continue to serve
Trudy

Lois Nicholson's Birthday

On November 30th, I had the distinct pleasure of celebrating Lois' 101st birthday with her. They had balloons in the entrance, a delicious cake, homemade mints, and a huge birthday card for everyone to sign (and, I do mean HUGE!!). I gave her the cards that you brought to the November meeting and she was thrilled. The address in the newsletter is incorrect, so if your card was returned please re-mail it.



Lois Nicholson
C/O Joann Seal
110 Willow Circle Drive, Loveland, CO 80537

Lois is a delightful, classy, humorous lady – if you would like to send a belated birthday card she would love to hear from you. After all, she will be 101 for an entire year! If you would like to visit, call her caregiver, Joann, at 290-8913 to make arrangements. Lois will share some delightful Philo stories with you. Ask her about her qualifications to join Philo.

Trudy

Alternatives to Violence

A request has been received on behalf of our tenants. Both mother and son are in need of a mattress. If you have a **full and/or twin size** and would be willing to donate, please contact Jan Dougherty at 667-9841.

November Blood Drive



We collected 80 units of blood at the November drive. Due to the fact that the drive was the week of Thanksgiving, a number of people who signed up did not show up for their appointments. Beginning at the February 19th drive we are moving up the start time to 10:30. Several donors welcomed the earlier start time. Because of the earlier start we will be adding an additional shift to the work schedule. We will have this earlier start for the next three drives – if it is successful we will continue next fall. Thank you to all the workers and to members who donated goodies. Donors frequently mention how much they appreciate the excellent food and welcome atmosphere!

Marthann Dahlen and Juanita Cisneros, Co-Chairs

Integrated Early Childhood

The Early Childhood Education Committee would like to ask your help with the Survival Kits we are putting together for the six Thompson R2-J Early Childhood Education Centers. We need underwear, socks, t-shirts, sweat pants, sweatshirts, mittens, and hats for boys and girls, ages 3 through 5 (sizes 3T, 4T, and 5). These Survival Kits serve the dual purposes of providing a change of clothing at school if the child has an accident, and providing clothing to families who do not have adequate clothing for their children.



I know you are continually bombarded with requests during this season of giving, but if you have these items (they don't have to be new), or are willing to buy them, we would be very **THANKFUL!!** The committee is going to collect your donations at the January 8th general meeting.

Nicole Whitenight, Chair

Canned Food Drive



Philo's Canned Food Drive was held December 14, 2007. The Larimer Food Bank had delivered over 700 boxes to the participating schools to be used for storage and transfer of canned food. Members of Philo volunteered to pick up and sort canned food from the 17 participating schools. An energetic group of students from Bill Reed helped with the sorting. Donors picked up canned food for 174 baskets at Philo's canned food distribution on Saturday, December 15, 2007.

The Larimer Food Bank picked up 7,962 pounds of left over food items to store for use in Loveland, including the needs of House of Neighborly Service. Years ago we delivered food directly to House of Neighborly Service, but as director Glorie Magrum confirmed in a meeting earlier this year, HNS cannot store the quantity of food we collect.

More information and pictures will be forth coming in the February newsletter.

Susan Linden and Carol Albers, Co-chairs

Philo Supports Our Sponsors

Mountain West Mortgages



We are very grateful to this locally owned business that has as its slogan, "Where service comes first." Their loan officers extend personal and individualized services for all situations. Contact any of the loan officers at **962-9378**.

Philo Women of The Group



Philo is proud to have members associated with this leading real estate company and grateful to them for their support. The Group's services range from local residential and commercial offerings to international brokerage work. You can expect the BEST of the BEST when talking to Sally Moninger, Cindy Kurtz, Ceri Anderson, Kim Summit and Georgia Torson. They can be reached at **613-0700**.

Home State Bank

Philo extends its thanks to this locally owned bank that offers all the services of a "big bank" with that personal touch that comes from small town business dealings. Mary McCambridge can steer you to the right department for your banking needs. Mary can be reached at **203-6100**.



Loveland Ready-Mix Concrete, Inc.



For over fifty years this locally owned and operated company has been providing prompt, dependable service to this region. We gratefully acknowledge their support of Philo. For your concrete needs call **667-1108**.

Davidson-Gebhardt Auto Group

These representatives of GM and Subaru vehicles have a beautiful showroom located in the Motorplex at Centerra. Thanks for your support of Philo. Visit their website at davidsongebhardtchevrolet.com.



The Philo Book Club

Yes, there's a bookish bunch of Philo sisters with open purses. WE LOVE YOU! Contact Susan Linden **667-5812**.

Johnson's Corner, Inc



This is the truck stop that has made Loveland famous around the world.

Voted "Best Truck Stop Food" by the Food Channel and "One of the Ten Best Breakfasts in the World" by Travel and Leisure. What's more – it never closes! A little known fact about Johnson's Corner is that they have a great banquet room for special events and meetings. For the world's best cinnamon roll, remember Johnson's Corner at the **Johnstown exit on I-25**.

Stan Matsunaka, Attorney

This member of a pioneering, local family has devoted his career to public service for the citizens of Loveland and Colorado. We are touched by his generous support of our efforts in Philo. Contact Stan at **669-8668**.

The McKee Center for Women's Health

The Center offers excellent service for all women's health concerns. For a comfortable and private one on one relationship with your health care provider you need to look no further. Specialties include obstetrics, gynecology, infertility, and incontinence evaluation and treatment. Drs. Elizabeth Howell, Karla Loken, and Kenneth Slack can be reached to schedule an appointment at **203-6801**.

Sunshine and Showers

*What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity.
These are but trifles, to be sure, but scattered along life's pathway,
the good they do is inconceivable. -Joseph Addison*

We are happy to report that Bob Wiltgen is doing very well following ankle surgery, and Marilyn says he is a very good patient. A "Thinking of You" card was sent to Marne Engelking to cheer her as she recovers from a shingles attack.

Thank you for contacting us as you hear of milestones in the lives of our members.

Carol Helzer, Chair

Changes to the yearbook

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