

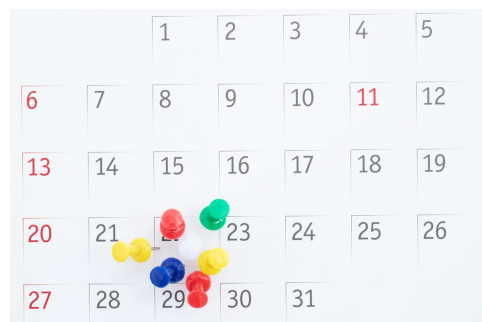
Philo News

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

General Meeting
April 9 @ 7 p.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church
3333 Duffield Ave.
Loveland, CO

Facility will open at 6 p.m. for committee meetings.

April Hostesses: Judy Gangle, Brianne Smith

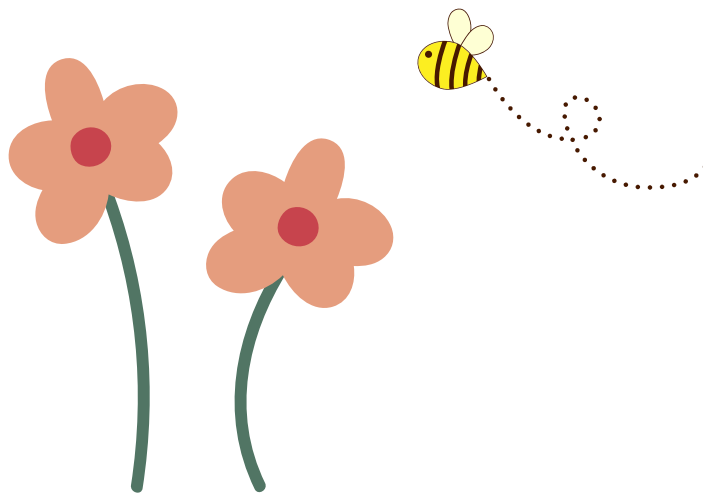


SHARE YOUR NEWS!

For future reference, here are the deadlines for submitting content to the monthly newsletters.

MONTH	CONTENT DEADLINE
May	April 20

Send to philopublicity@gmail.com;
 Call Amy Black at 970-412-0250 with any questions.

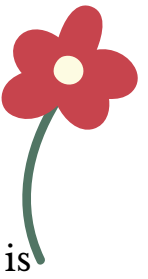


Officers

- President:** Carol Rieser - rieser.2529@comcast.net
- Vice President:** Ruth Swanty - ruthswanty@gmail.com
- Corresponding:** Florence Doksansky - fdoksansky44@gmail.com
- Secretary:** Eileen Huddle - elhuddle@gmail.com
- Treasurer:** Peggy Pellizzari - peggy_loveland@comcast.net
- Past President:** Judy Gangle - jjgangle@yahoo.com



President's Message



Here it is the end of March already! Time flies when you are having fun as the saying goes. And Philo has lots of fun activities going right now. Today is the beginning of the online auction. I want to thank Peg Isakson and Dona Menzies for their hard work in creating this fund raiser and to those who donated items. There will be books for sale as well as charms and necklaces at the meeting in April. Please remember to fill out your Raise Right form and bring it to the next meeting. There will be Duck Race tickets for sale too. Committee sign-up sheets are filling up and will be available at the April meeting. If you haven't signed up, please attend the meeting, and sign up for the committee you wish to serve on next year. There is a need for co-chairs on several committees, so please consider stepping up to help the chair and committee you've signed up for. This is a great way to help your committee and chair out.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Rieser, Philo President

Welcome New Members!

Billie Jo Downing
Diane Waites

Submitted by Ruth Swanty, Vice President

Rotary Duck Race

Hey Ladies,

Let's see if we can sell all of our tickets this year! We can sell them to our family, friends, and neighbors (hopefully they are your friends also). Talk to them before our next meeting and get their \$20. Have their address and phone #. We can fill out the tickets for them and you can return the stubs. Let's make this a banner year for Duck Race proceeds! 17 sets left.

If you are unable to attend meetings and would like to purchase tickets, please call or text me at +19794844300.

Judy Gangle, Chairperson



Spring Dinner

Our annual Spring dinner will be May 14th, 6:00pm at our regular meeting place, Trinity Lutheran Church.

“Spring Fling” is the theme, so consider wearing pastel colors. It will be a potluck dinner with dessert and drink furnished. Sign up sheets will be available at the March and April general meetings.

Please plan to enjoy an evening with your Philo Sisters, good food, fellowship time, the installation of new officers and a new members welcome.

Rita Harden
Spring Dinner Chairman

Raise Right

Hey, ladies! Get your gift card list ready! We will be taking orders at the April meeting. Remember, Philo gets a rebate from each card sold AND there's no activation fee for Visa.

Gift cards make great gifts! Mother's Day. Graduation. Birthdays. Remember, we can use them for our everyday shopping! It's a win for Philo!

Please see Marge McCoy, Peg Isakson, or Jeanne Findley at the April meeting to place your order.



The Philo Loveland women's club joins Bean & Bean **ONLINE AUCTIONS** and invites you to bid for items in a "Family & Friends" Fundraiser. All proceeds will support service projects for individual and family needs in the Loveland and Berthoud communities.



Items can be viewed **ONLINE** and bidding will begin on March 24th at <https://BeanandBean.hibid.com>.

Final hours of bidding and close of the **ONLINE AUCTION** will begin April 4th at 6 pm (MDT)

Pick up purchased items on April 5th/ 6th at 3816 W. Eisenhower, Loveland from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contact Bean & Bean for questions about shipping.



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Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive is May 21st from 9-3.

Contact Florence Doksansky, fdoksansky44@gmail.com, for details and to sign up.

Alternatives to Violence

ATV's goal for this spring is to fill another 12 Fresh Start baskets for Alternatives to Violence. Please review the list below of items we include in each basket. Bring donations to our meeting or contact Lorie Smith (970-227-5111 or Lorie.smith@me.com) to have your donation picked up. Thank you for helping victims of abuse in our community get a fresh start!

Lorie Smith

Wish List for Fresh Start Baskets

"Fresh Start Baskets" provide household items to help ATV clients get started in a new home. Any of these items are most appreciated.

- Dish Soap for hand washing dishes (medium sized)
- Kitchen Towels and cloths
- Cleansers for kitchen, bath, or all purpose (medium sized)
- Small pack of sponges
- Paper Towels
- Laundry Soap - powder, detergent sheets, or liquid – medium sized
- Twin Sheet set
- Bath towels, hand towels and wash cloths – sets of 2 would be great!
- Toilet Paper
- Hand/Body Soap – can be bar or liquid
- Hairbrushes/Combs
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Sanitary Products – pads or tampons



Philo members:

There are some special needs for individuals starting over that are not on this list. Gift cards to Walmart or a grocery store (but not restaurants) would be very much appreciated and would help meet those needs. Please consider purchasing those gift card through the Philo Raise Right program. Philo receives a percentage return on those cards. ATV Fresh Start recipients will be able to use those cards for their special needs (diapers, formula, grocery basics, etc.)

Contact Lorie Smith, lorie.smith@me.com, or Ruth Swanty, ruthswanty@gmail.com, with any questions.

Integrated Early Childhood



The book sale is back! Come at 6:30, hang out at the book table and share your favorite titles with your fellow members. We are looking for book donations for the Literacy Fair. Our focus is on books for preschoolers, but they are accompanied by older and younger siblings so any children's books are welcome.

We will also be collecting miscellaneous craft materials for the Literacy Fair. Paper plates, cereal and other small boxes, pipe cleaners, popsicle sticks, recyclable materials like pie plates, plastic bottles, newspapers and packing materials are needed. We could also use some extra volunteers for the Fair on April 18th from 4:00 until 6:00 at Stansberry Early Childhood Center. Please call me for more information

Need a gift for Mother's Day? Consider our charms and necklaces. Terri Dimond will have these at the meeting or you can contact me anytime.

Debbie Riley, Chairperson
(970) 800-3346

Emeritus Spotlight Mary Voggesser

My name is Mary Voggesser and I have been in Philo since 1982. Joyce Kauffman was my sponsor. I have been very involved in all aspects of Philo from the Santa Claus shop, home tours, holiday market, alternatives to violence, sunshine, Christmas food baskets, and many more. I have held all offices, except Treasurer. My family and I have been in Loveland since 1972, and I taught at Loveland High School from 1974-1999 and loved every minute. Loveland has provided a wonderful place to raise our children and work. Being involved in an organization that gives back to our community is very important to me. I am especially fond of our scholarship program because of my belief in tangible jobs skills that can be accomplished through a 1-2 year program. I also believe strongly in our association with Alternatives to Violence. Assisting women to become productive members of our community and reverse the cycle of violence benefits us all.

Minutes

PHILO MISSION STATEMENT: The Philomatheon club of Loveland is a women's organization that supports charities and educational needs in the Loveland/Berthoud communities.

PHILO GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Trinity Lutheran Church, 3333 Duffield Ave Loveland, CO

Date: March 12, 2024 - Time: 7:00pm

Doors will be open at 6:00pm for committees to meet.

Attending: Carol Rieser, President; Ruth Swanty, Vice President; Judy Gangle, Past President; Peggy Pellizzari, Treasurer; Florence Doksansky, Corresponding Secretary, Eileen Huddle, Recording Secretary

AGENDA:

1. Welcome and Introduction of Philo board members.

2. Thank you to hostesses...Ruth Swanty, Eileen Huddle and Melissa Town

3. Committee Spotlight – Online Auction – Peg Isakson and Dona Menzies are the co-organizers of the Online Auction. Our auction will begin March 24th on the BeanandBean.hibid.com website. Already have 250 items have been donated. Saturday, March 17, 10:00-noon is the last day to bring donations. Help is still needed Friday, April 5th and 6th when purchased items are picked up. Help is needed throughout the whole day in 2 ½ hour blocks of time.

4. General Business:

-Mary Voggesser moved to accept the February 13, 2024 minutes, seconded by Jeanne Findley and approved unanimously by the members.

-Treasurer's report: Balances as of March 12, 2024.

General Fund \$12,810.54 Golf/Scholarship \$45,408.41 of which \$38,000 is for this year's scholarship recipients. DOWH \$10559.88 Savings \$13,168.81

-Introduction of new members: Diane Waites (sponsor Melissa Town) and Billie Jo Downing (sponsor Ruth Sprain) who in 1984 received a Philo Scholarship.

The membership unanimously voted to accept Diane Waites and Billie Jo Downing as members. Dona Menzies introduced new member Tara Hunter to everyone.

5. Old business:

-Committee sign up lists were available at the meeting. Active members need to sign up for 1 committee.

-Spring Dinner, May 14th, will be a potluck, sign up sheet is available. Rita Harden gave a special invitation to the membership.

6. New Business:

-Nomination of Officers for 2024/2025... Nominees need to be members for 2 years in order to serve. Vice President would serve for 3 years

-Project Prom 2024 is located at the Promenade Shops at Centerra, 5957 Sky Pond Dr, Unit D106, Loveland is underway and there are currently openings for volunteers. If anyone is interested shifts available are Thursday/Friday shifts are 3 hours and Saturday shifts are 4 hours. A link was made available to volunteer.

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-Upcoming social opportunities -- Terri Dimond plans a monthly outing for Philo members...

Bunco meets the first Thursday of the month. There is also a Book Club available.

7. Committee Reports --

- **ATV** – Lori is looking for contributions for the Fresh Start Baskets. Carol Booth is representing Philo April 23 at the Purple Ribbon Breakfast at the Loveland Embassy Suites. There have been 31 who have signed up to attend. If others are interested, they may sign up until Friday.

- **Blood Drive**—Florence Doksansky – nothing to report

- **Golf** – Friday, June 14 is the golf tournament. Cindy Noble introduced the new members who are signed up to help with the Golf Tournament...and how the new members are getting out collecting scholarship donations. Golf Tournament registrations for the teams are being accepted soon.

- **Holiday Giving** – No report

- **Integrated Early Childhood**—Debbie Riley – Book sales will be offered every other month at the Philo meetings. 100 children's books will be given out at the Literacy Fair, April 18. Necklaces are still being sold.

- **Raise Right** – Cash/Gift Cards will be distributed at the Spring Dinner on Tuesday, May 9. Turn in your order and check at the Philo Meeting on Tuesday, March 12 or April 9.

- **Rotary Duck Race** – Judy Gangle – There are 17 sets of tickets left to sell -- \$20 for 7 tickets. They will also be available at the April meeting and the Spring Dinner in May.

- **Scholarships** –Stacee Kersley reported the committee is receiving applications and have reviewed 6 applications. TEF also has 12 applications from students for interviewing. There will be one application from an ATV client.

- **Sunshine** – Toni Wallace's 48 year old son, Shawn passed away. Mary Ann Lane's funeral will be April 11, 10:40 in Denver. Cindy reported that the Sculpture Tour was great.

Looking for a chair for the Sunshine Committee. June 8, 4:00pm Diane McInturff is doing a celebration of life at her home for her partner. If you come bring a dessert.

8. Reminders: April Newsletter deadline is March 23rd

Next general meeting will be April 9th, 2024

- Election of officers
- Raise Right forms due at next meeting.
- Committee signups are due

Books and charms will be available to purchase at the April 9th meeting.

Hostesses for the April meeting: Judy Gangle, Brianne Smith

9. Door Prize Drawing at the March meeting – winner is Stacee Kersley.

Peggy Pellizzari – Talked about the Website. Members are to use Philo's username and password only. Members are not to use their own email address. Next month Hostess will be added to the Sign Ups.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted, Eileen Huddle, Recording Secretary



Sunshine



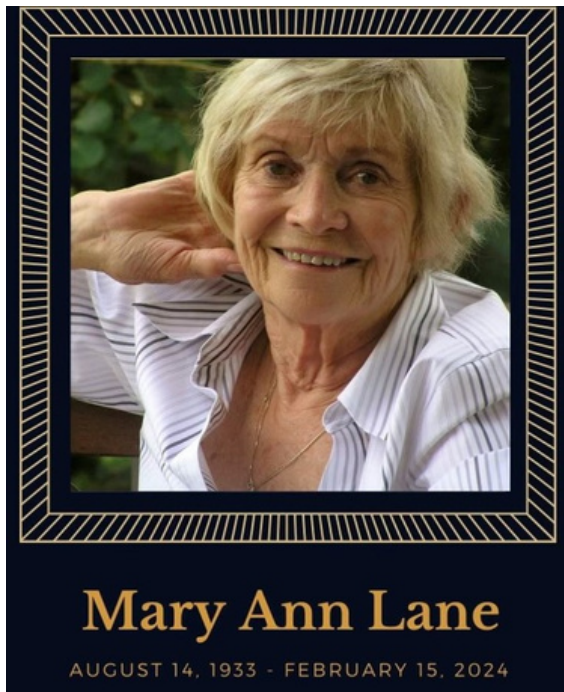
I wish that my role as the Sunshine Committee chairperson was to report only sunshine filled news. Unfortunately, this month I need to announce the passing of our beloved sister MaryAnn Lane.

MaryAnn was always a ray of sunshine. She joined Philo in 1985 and was Emeritus member. MaryAnn had recently moved to Arvada to be closer to her daughter but even at the age of 90 she continued to drive back to Loveland to participate in special events and book club. MaryAnn passed away on February 15th. She will be greatly missed.

MaryAnn's funeral will be on April 11th at 10:30 am. at the St. Joan of Arc Church. The address is 12735 W. 58th Ave, Arvada, CO 80002

I am planning on attending and would be happy to take anyone that would like to ride along with me. Please give me a call at 970-962-6832 if you'd like to join me.

I'd also like to share the news of Toni Wallace's son's passing on February 25th. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Toni and her whole family at this sad time.



On a happy note, we'd like to wish a happy April birthday to the following members:

- 04/01 Shannon Voggesser
- 04/06 Georgia Christopher
- 04/06 Stephanie Butts
- 04/10 Cindy Noble
- 04/14 Diane Bakel
- 04/24 Sarah Percha
- 04/25 Jennifer Wilson
- 04/29 Kathy Loken
- 04/29 Jane McKinstry



Remember that your Sunshine teams are ready to celebrate your joys and help with your woes. Feel free to contact either Cindy Kurtz at 970-962-6832 or ckurtz1962@gmail.com or Amy Black at 970-412-0250 or blackamyb@hotmail.com.

Please let us know of any information worthy of a card or help for our members.