

PHILO NEWSLETTER

Mark Your Calendar

General Meeting
September 10 @ 7 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
3333 Duffield Ave.
Loveland, CO

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

September hostesses: Jan Frame, Carol Rieser, OPEN

October hostesses: Barbara Giesey, Kathy Loken, Judy Gangle

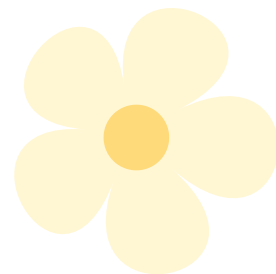
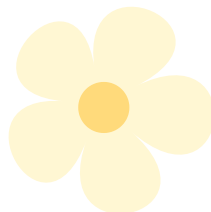
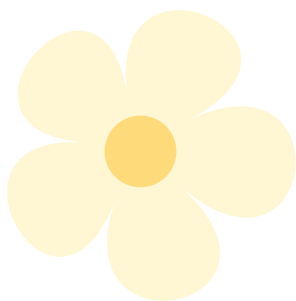


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Share Your News

For future reference, here are the deadlines for submitting content to the monthly newsletters. *Please submit to philopublicity@gmail.com.*

MONTH	CONTENT DEADLINE
October	September 21
November	October 19
December	None
January	December 21
February	January 25
March	February 22
April	March 22
May	April 19



Officers

- President:** Ruth Swanty - ruthswanty@gmail.com
- Vice President:** Lorie Smith - lorie.smith@me.com
- Recording Secretary:** Eileen Huddle - elhuddle@gmail.com
- Treasurer:** Peggy Pellizzari - peggy_loveland@comcast.net
- Corresponding Secretary:** Amy Black - blackamyb@hotmail.com
- Past President:** Carol Rieser - rieser2529@comcast.net

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome back Philo members. I hope you all enjoyed your summer months that went by way too fast. Though many committees took some time off, there were several others that remained active over the summer. Top of the list is your Philo board which continues to meet monthly making decisions on various topics and creating a budget for the 2024/2025 fiscal year. Golf, Peach Sales, Integrated Early Childhood and Alternatives to Violence are committees that continue to work through the summer months. We will start the year with a few votes: one is to accept a new member, one is to approve a change to the bylaws, and last but not least is the vote to pass our fiscal budget.

Here we go, we are on a roll!

Ruth Swanty
Philo President



DUES ARE DUE



It's that time of year again where we all need to pay our annual dues to Philo. Dues this year remain the same. Active dues are \$50, honorary dues are \$35 and although our Emeritus members are not required to pay dues, we truly appreciate any donation that comes our way.

You can pay by check, cash, Square or Zelle. (We are offering Zelle for the first time!) I will be at the September meeting to process a Square payment or you can log into our website at <https://www.philoloveland.org/members> and click on the appropriate link to pay. We do charge a \$2 service fee for payments made via Square to cover the processing fees they charge us. (Zelle doesn't charge so it's a really great alternative!) If you want to pay via Zelle, the email address to use is philogeneralz@gmail.com.

Checks can be dropped off at the meeting or sent through the mail to Philo, PO Box 484, Loveland, CO 80539.

A reminder that the deadline to pay dues is by the November meeting (November 12th).

Thanks in advance for taking a moment to get your dues taken care of. It makes my job a lot easier if everyone can submit their dues on time.

Thanks!
Peggy Pellizzari
Philo Treasurer

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP FORM

If anyone is having financial challenges and is unable to pay her dues, we now have a Financial Hardship Request Form that is available. This form is available on the members only website and should be printed, emailed, mailed or delivered directly to the Philo treasurer, currently Peggy Pellizzari. The form is confidential and no one but the treasurer will know about the request.

Example of the form:



Financial Hardship Request

I am unable to pay the dues for this year and
am requesting my fees be waived because of financial hardship.

(check one)

Partial year _____

Full year _____

Honorary _____

Name _____

Submit to: philolovelandtreasurer@gmail.com or mail to
Philo Treasurer
PO Box 484
Loveland, CO 80539

INTEGRATED EARLY CHILDHOOD

The committee has already completed their first project of the year. Supplies were purchased and 120 bags were stuffed and delivered to the Thompson Integrated Preschool for the Head Start students. This year, the district would like our help getting books into the hands of the preschoolers who do not have literacy materials in the home. We were able to purchase 168 books at a great discount of \$2.50 each from the author and illustrator Mark Ludy, who we sponsored at the Literacy Fair last spring. To help with the cost of the books, our book sale will be held at four of our monthly meetings starting this September. Our hope is that you will buy a book to sponsor a book. The more you buy, the more we can purchase for the preschoolers! So gather your summer reads and exchange them for some new ones at our first meeting.

One of our new committee members, Odile, generously donated some “Beanie Babies” that were in perfect condition. These will be distributed to the preschoolers at the fall evening event which has a social emotional theme or at the Literacy Fair in the spring. We do not know how we will use them until we know how many we have. So please consider donating all those “Beanie Babies” or other small stuffed animals you may have stored away, and we will find a good home for them.

We will continue to have charms and/or necklaces available at the meetings. The cost of the chains has increased so they will now be \$25.00 for both and \$15.00 for the charm. Cash or check please.

Debbie Riley, Chair



GOLF COMMITTEE



Exciting News: 20th Anniversary Golf Tournament & Celebration

We are thrilled to announce that our much-anticipated 20th Anniversary Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, June 13, 2025! This milestone event promises to be a day filled with friendly competition, camaraderie, and plenty of memorable moments on the greens at Mariana Butte.

Special Celebration Event – Save the Date!

To kick off the anniversary, we are hosting a fun filled event on Wednesday, June 11th. Join us for FUN and GAMES! Food, fellowship, a memorable program and auction to reflect on the incredible journey we've had over the past 20 years. The Celebration will be held at High Country Beverage in Johnstown.

Mark your calendars, and stay tuned for more details on how to register for the tournament, be a sponsor, donate auction items and reserve your spot at the Celebration! We will all be proud to be part of Philo.

Cindy Noble, Chair

Melissa Town, Co-Chair



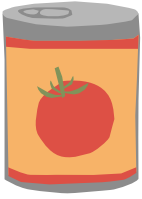
BLOOD DRIVE

A Philo Blood Drive was held August 20th. While there were some delays given we had a small bus instead of the usual large one, we did accommodate 19 donors (the max we can), and while we had a few turnaways, we had a walk-in and a call on the day.

Note: If you get a tattoo in a foreign country, it's a 3 month delay!

So thank you to our Philo donors and all the others. Blood reserves are usually very low in the summer. We appreciate you!

Next drive is November 19th right before the holidays when again blood is very needed. Contact Florence Doksansky with any questions: fdoksansky44@gmail.com or 401-524-0772.



HOLIDAY GIVING



The Holiday Giving Committee kicked off the Annual Canned Food Drive effort with a meeting on August 29th. Food collection will run the month of November with delivery to HNS on December 6th. We will also be collecting toys/gifts at our November Philo meeting to donate to HNS for parents to “shop” for Christmas gifts. We’re giving you a heads up now so you can keep an eye out for any sales on gifts for children ages infant to 18! If you are interested in being a part of our group, it’s not too late to join us! Please reach out to me at brianne.c.smith@gmail.com.

Brianne Smith, Chair

ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE

ATV committee was able to assemble 13 Fresh Start baskets and deliver to ATV on Monday the 19 of August. Thanks to all who donated, shopped, and assembled! ATV staff indicated that they were in need of baskets and we arrived just in time! Each basket contains about \$200-\$250 worth of items needed by ATV clients to start their new life in a safe place.

Lorie Smith, Chair



Pictured: Jane, Heather (ATV staff) Lorie



ACTIVE MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

DEBBIE RILEY



Philo was the connection I needed to my new community. I moved to Loveland from Ohio eleven years ago with my husband Joel, a retired optometrist. We moved the day after my retirement as a pediatric physical therapist. Our three year old granddaughter picked out our home two blocks from hers, and we purchased it sight unseen without a retirement plan in place. I have daughters in Loveland, Broomfield and Los Angeles and four grandchildren.

When we were visiting churches, I happened to sit in front of Kathy Loken one Sunday. Upon introductions, I realized that her daughter was my daughter's obstetrician and a connection was made. Although I did not join Kathy's church, she kept in contact and took me to a couple of Philo meetings. Kathy's enthusiasm for her organization convinced me that Philo was an organization that I wanted to be a part of.

I enjoy pickleball, hiking, skiing and traveling as well as following my grandchildren's sports. This summer, we vacationed in the south of France and cruised home to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary.

I have served on the scholarship and canned food drive committees as well as the integrated early childhood committee where I am starting my third year as chairperson.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

The Philo Memorial Wreath was displayed at the funeral/memorial for long time member Shirley Hogan. Thank you to those who attended.

We'd like to wish a very happy birthday to those Philo sisters celebrating this month.

9/1	Eileen Huddle
9/9	Linda Anderson
9/17	Jamie Powell
9/21	Christel Wagonmaker
9/21	Barbara Giesey
9/24	Lorie Smith



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

Mary Voggesser, Chair
Diane Meuret, Vice Chair

Welcome Back!

