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THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF MONACO SOUTH FOUNDED IN 1976



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SUPER CITIZEN / BRAIN BOWL PARTICIPANT MAKES GOOD

Speaker David Althouse, photojounalist currently at Channel 2, revealed that he has a history of participating in Monaco South youth activities. He was a Super Citizen at Hamilton Middle School.

Frank Middleton introduced David with thanks to John Moser for the contact and to Bill Wells for running the DVD.

David began by telling about starting in West Palm Beach, FL and covering six (6) hurricanes during his tenure. He brought his camera with him: How much? \$25,000. Lens \$10,000.

His DVD covered a brain bowl with Karl Geil's voice, a St. Patrick's Day Parade without our famous "pooper scoopers" :(, an electrical transformer fire, an Iraq homecoming at Buckley Air Force Base, and a kids' fitness test running up the stairs at the cash register building downtown. His creativity came through in all of the segments of the DVD.

MEETING PLACE

AMERICAN LEGION HALL POST NO 1 5400 E. YALE AVENUE, DENVER, CO FRIDAY MORNINGS AT 7 AM

THE MEETING of July 6, 2007

Invocation and Pledge

Jim Vander Kamp led us in an invocation asking for release from fears. We then renewed our pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Rockies Tickets

Joe Marci has tickets for sale, benefitting Optimist Junior Golf. \$20 each near third base. Only 13 left. July 23, vs. San Diego and August 20 vs. Pittsburg.

Joe also announced that we are sending 26 (a new record) boys and girls to the Optimist International Golf Championships at the PGA Resort in Florida.

Grocery Cards

<u>Cy Regan</u>, ever on the job, reported excellent sales today of King Soopers and Safeway grocery cards in the amount of \$1,325. Please remember to buy these convenient cards for a simple, for us, way to provide funds in favor of our youth. We retain 5%!

Lowry Optimist Club Golf Tourney

August 17, Mira Vista Golf Course, check in at noon for lunch, shot gun start at 1 PM. \$75 includes everything you need

See Tom Mauro or call 720 859 9300. Fund raiser to complete a variety of youth projects.

<u>MS-150 Info</u> <u>Monaco South/Tamarac Rest Stop</u>

The annual rest stop was erected on Sunday July 8 at the Louisville Middle School. We had 17 Monaco South members and 10 Tamarac members who worked the Optimister, made and distributed about 2,000 PB & J sandwiches, fruit, power bars, granola, cookies, honey sticks. and drinks. We used 200 lbs of ice cubes making and serving the drinks. Over 3,000 riders were involved in the Great West Bike Tour, and about 2,000 of them stopped at our rest stop.

Volunteers were:: Bryce & Sue Slaby, Eldon & Roxy Strong, Pat & Mary Jean Sullivan, Frank & Sally Ross, Curt & Dottie Jefferies, Don & Char StJohn, Joyce & Gary Laman, O C & Pat Larson, Kathy Rife, Annette Cohen, Darl Symalla, Jackie Howland, Russ Paul, Fred Pasternack, Donlie Smith, Cy Regan, John Young, Dick Cohen, Marc Goodbody, Tom Overton and Paul Bernard. Special thanks to Bryce Slaby for the use of his truck,,picking up our supplies and equipment; John Young for filling and bringing our water tank, and Curt Jefferies for supplying power. The thanks and appreciation we get from the riders makes it all worth our time and effort.

Don StJohn District Convention

Save August 23 to 25 for the convention, welcoming **George Buzick** as new District (Colorado/Wyoming) Governor, and saying farewell and good job to **Sherman Phillips.** Doubletree Westminster. \$20. \$25 at the dor

New GUMS Editors Wanted

Three GUMS editors are retiring at the end of this fiscal year, September 30. Some have been doing this for at least 5 years, others far more than that. Our goal is to have 4 editors, so 3 are needed to allow work every fourth month. Training, if requested, and what little know-how we have, will willingly be provided. See Jim Piccinelli to volunteer for this interesting and fun job. Exercise your creativity!

Honeymoon Weekend

We have reserved condos at the Mountain Thunder Lodge, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths (4 persons per unit) for under \$105 per couple. Frank Middleton, on behalf of the committee, said that you may still get in on this if you call him ASAP. This is a premium/private accommodation located near the base of the New Breckenridge Gondola and within walking distance of main street. Your MSOC commitee, Al Gapuzan, Kent Gloor, Greg Young,, John Young and Frank Middleton, is working on a variety of unique and fun activities for this memorable weekend. Frank is very excited about the ride in pontoon boats on Lake Dillon with grills on board!

B & G Clubs Appreciation

Put August 9 on your calendar for the Boys and Girls Clubs Appreciation Dinner for those of you who have helped them during the past year. Some of us helped with the raffle of a house, donated by a builder, as a fund raiser. Details later.

Mud Volleyball

Cy needs a few more volunteers to help park cars at this benefit for the March of Dimes on August 4. Starts early: 6 AM, but done early at approx 9:30 AM. Breakfast is on Cy or stay for the spectacle. Go N on Tower Road, N of I-70, E on 32nd.

<u>80 Days</u>

Gov. Sherman has 80 days to attain Distinguish Gov. Please help. Jules went round the world in that time, can Sherm?



Fri, Jul 20 7 AM Meeting, Camaraderie Fri and Sat, July 20, 21, Honeymoon Weekend, Breckenridge Fri, July 27 7 AM Meeting Fri Aug 03 7 AM Meeting Sat Aug 04 6:15 AM Mud Volleyball Cy Regan, Parking Thu Aug 09 B & G Clubs Appreciation Fri, Aug 17 Lowry Optimist Club Fund Raiser Mira Vista Golf Course Tue, Aug 21 Pedersens leave for a cruise/tour of Alaska (See what fun you can have if you would be an editor?) Thu-Sat Aug 23-25 District Convention

OI International Convention

President Elect Greg Young reported on his experience in Montreal where 700+ clubs from all over the world were represented. Greg appreciated the good training he received during various workshops for in-coming presidents. Of course the business meetings were full of resolutions and discussions on the same. See Greg for details if interested.

Personal Note from MS-150

Howard Fry admitted to three (3) flats during his ride, but he's a plugger.

Optimist Cap with Presidents' Pins

Bill Litchfield appeared with an Optimist cap featuring thirty-two (32) presidents' pins! Remember when each president had a pin made and distributed to each member? **Bring** your pins to the next meeting!

Past Presidents

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Bill Walters	1991-92
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Kent Gloor	1992-93
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Gary Strowbridge	1993-94
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Bob Safe	1995-96
Frank Middletor	n1981-82	Tom Overton	1996-97
John Young	1982-83	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Pat Bush	1983-84	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Cy Regan	1999-00
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Don St. John	2001-02
Oscar Sorenser	n1987-88	Jack Rife	2002-03
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Karl Geil	2003-04
Bob Avery	1989-90	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Donlie Smith	2005-06

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THE OPTIMIST CREED—Promise Yourself...

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best, and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about you own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.