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Optimist Club of Monaco South



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Good Morning Optimist

With a slight rain on this Friday morning, **Pat Bush** and **Curt Boell** greeted the men of Monaco South on this post-holiday Friday breakfast meeting. Happy 5th of July! A light but merry crew are we this morning.

Invocation

Don Iley began the meeting with the invocation and a message on *Health Happiness and Prosperity*. He followed up by leading the pledge to our flag.

From the Prez

President Paul Simon then followed with the mandatory “tease **Fred Pasternack**” agenda item. Welcome back Fred!

Prez Paul extends an invitation for a July 10th Club Visitation to Cheyenne to support their club. There is a car leaving at 2:30 p.m. and will be back by about 9:30 p.m. **John Oss** is driving so let him know if you can attend.

Super Zone Meeting was held at the American Legion last Saturday. **John Oss** and **Prez Paul** attended and enjoyed the experience.

Annual CO-WY Convention and 4th Quarter Meeting is coming up on the third weekend in August, the 22nd - 25th, at the Breckenridge Double Tree Resort. Members who attend can have cost reimbursed. More details to come. See **Donlie Smith** for a ride.

Guests

Immediate past district secretary treasurer Sam Bartley from the Academy Club made the drive from the Springs to join us for breakfast.

Rod Winget returned after speaking to our group a few weeks ago. Welcome Rod!

Correction for FRACSOC Meeting

FRACSOC (Front Range American Cancer Society Optimist Club) will meet on Wednesday, July 17th this month. Perkins at 7:00 p.m.

Announcements

Roundup Fellowship: Jim Vander Kamp, Executive Director of Roundup Fellowship and MSOC member shares Roundup Fellowship cookbooks celebrating their 40th anniversary (featuring recipes from some of our members) available for purchase:

Recipes from Sea to Shining Sea have arrived! We collected favorite recipes from our friends, families, staff and supporters across the USA. We nearly have a recipe from every state! The cookbook includes 400 recipes and only costs \$12. \$10 of every book sold supports Roundup Fellowship's programs and services. You can email your request to ddanko@rup.org or send your request to Roundup Fellowship and add \$3 per book for shipping. For more information call 303-757-8008 ext. 12.

Roundup Fellowship
Attn: Cookbook Committee
2250 S Oneida Street, Suite 201
Denver, CO 80224

Dick Daly Update: **Oscar Sorensen** had lunch with **Richard Daly** (charter member of the club). He's had serious health issues but is out of the hospital now. He's now living at Marycrest Assisted Living, 2850 Columbine Road, Denver 80221. His phone number is 303-758-4445 and he'd welcome your calls.



Dick Daly
Photo Craig Eley

Meeting Place
American Legion Hall Post 1
5400 East Yale Avenue (Yale & I-25), Denver, Colorado
Every Friday Morning, 7:00 – 8:00 am
****INVITE A FRIEND TO JOIN****

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Announcements Continued

MS 150 Bike Ride: Michael Chavez reported on the MS 150. Good turnout by the club and no problems on a nice cool day. Thanks to: **Greg Young, Russ Paul, Robert Wardlaw, Eldon Strong, Barry Barker, Allen Yockey, Marc Goodbody, Craig Eley, Curt Boell, Phil Perington, Randy Marcove, Curt Jefferies, Paul Bernard, and George Buzick**, along with the ladies of Tamarac.



It is only appropriate to show a picture of the MSOC, MS 150 photographer, **Craig Eley**, left, who took pictures of many of the riders. To see them all [CLICK HERE](#).

Below is a photo of those who helped organize and support the break and lunch station on Sunday.



Bob Avery thanked those who made pledges to support the ride. Of course now that he has done the riding he is looking to collect, so check with Bob.

Is He Sad, or Looking for Work?: Bryce Slaby, who recently retired and sold his business, gave a very emotional thank you to a long list of people, but his emotions got the best of him and he could not continue, so no one was really not sure what he was talking about. It's possible he was trying to make a joke, or was he looking for another job?

Brent's Place Pancake Breakfast: Sunday July 28th Brent's Place Pancake Breakfast - they need 2,000 pancakes flipped for their largest fundraiser, 25th Anniversary of Kid's Cure for Cancer, to benefit Brent's Place kids and their families in honor of Brent. See **Paul Bernard** to signups.

Promotion for Monsters University: **Fred Paster-nack** gave an unsolicited review of Monsters University,



a new movie that he loved. Warning: this movie may be too scary for some of our less mature members.

HELP US TO HELP YOU

Please help us the newsletter editors get it accurately. If you will just write a small summary of your announcement, we can make sure that the articles published in the newsletter are accurate. Showing up at your project at Bible Park with all your help going to Cook Park is not a fun experience. Even if you just answer the 5 W's, it will help. Let us know who, what, when, where, and why, and we'll help you insure your project is a success.

Thank you in advance, your editor, Pat Bush, Paul Stratton, John Oss, George Buzick, Robert Wardlaw, and Robert Finkelmeier.

If you are the first member to tell Prez Paul Simon that you saw this in this weeks GUMS, he will give you \$20, if you are the second, he will give you \$10.

Drawing & Closing Bell

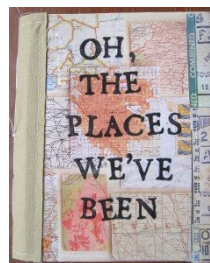
We had a drawing — and winners are:

- **Terry Shroyer** won twice!
- **Sam Bartley** - drew for the pot, but no luck
- **Don St. John** also won twice, after shrewdly drawing his own number
- **Paul Stratton**
- **Harry Johnson**
- **Barry Barker** - drew for the pot to no avail

Our speaker Daniel drew Terry's name (what a lucky day!) for the Name Tag Drawing. But Terry's luck stopped there as he drew the wrong card.

Daniel help conclude our meeting by leading us in the creed. *Promise yourself ...!*

Places We've Have Been



I have been in many places, but I've never been in Cahoots. Apparently, you can't go alone. You have to be in Cahoots with someone.

I've also never been in Cognito. I hear no one recognizes you there. I have, however, been in Sane. They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there.

I have made several trips there, thanks to my friends, family, and work. I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump, and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore. I have also been in Doubt. That is a sad place to go, and I try not to visit there too often. I've been in Flexible, but only when it was very important to stand firm.

Sometimes I'm in Capable, and I go there more often as I'm getting older.

One of my favorite places to be is in Suspense! It really gets the adrenalin flowing and pumps up the old heart! At my age I need all the stimuli I can get!

And, sometimes I think I am in Vincible but life shows me I am not!

I have been in Deepmuck many times. The older I get, the easier it is to get there.

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Our Speaker, Daniel Dornan

Founder of Komfort4Kidz

Today's speaker was **Daniel Dornan**, the 12-year old founder of Komfort 4 Kidz, @ komfort4kidz.com/.

His mission statement is *"To provide 'Komfort Bags' to children who are admitted to the oncology floor in a hospital."* Daniel started the group in January. The organization is targeted to help kids in oncology units but Daniel wants to grow it to help all cancer patients. They have made three donations to Children's Hospital of money and "Komfort Bags." His goal is to provide bags to all hospitals in Colorado that have children as cancer inpatients, then expand to two other states, then all inpatients at St. Jude's. Daniel's mother Johnna came with him and passed out information sheets and wrist bands.

Daniel is looking for help collecting items for the bags such as blankets, books, art supplies, puzzles, stuffed animals, journals, Chapstick®, and Legos®.

They hope to donate 500,000 items to match the 500,000 kids in cancer treatment. Daniel lost his cousin to cancer after a six year fight. He is looking for volunteers and will need adults to join their board of directors — Daniel is too young to be an official board member. His organization did apply and receive official tax exempt status. Tax ID: 46-1765070.

For more information, see: www.komfort4kidz.com, or contact him at: Johnna Dornan, 720-224-5850.



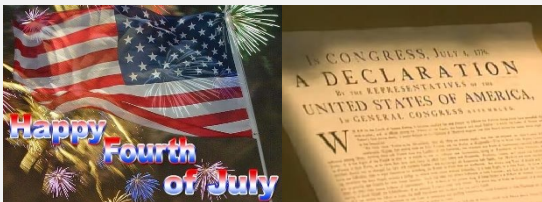
Daniel Dornan



Daniel Dornan and his mother Johnna helping to get Komfort 4 Kidz, a not for profit program to provide "Komfort Bags" to children who are admitted to the oncology floor in a hospital off the ground.

Photos Don StJohn

In Remembrance of the Fourth of July Weekend



The Declaration of Independence (as read by Max McLean)

[**CLICK HERE**](#)

This should be kept in every American citizen's library of videos and referred to often.

Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
7/12/13	Frank Ross & Bob Avery
7/19/13	Leo Hagele & Barry Barker
7/26/13	Mark Metevia & Fred Pasternack
8/2/13	Jim Vander Kamp & Phil Perington
8/9/13	Aaron Beery & ?
8/16/13	Robert Wardlow & Les Larson

Monaco South Calendar

July 12	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Our own Casey Funk, Colorado's Water Situation
July 17	Wed	6:30 pm	FRACSOC - Front Range American Cancer Society Optimist Club Meeting Perkins Restaurant, 1995 S. Colorado Blvd, 7:00 pm, come early to visit
July 17	Wed	6:30 pm	Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
July 19	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day
July 26	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - "Special Mystery Guest"

**Past Presidents of the
Optimist Club of Monaco South**

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Bob Safe	1995-96
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Tom Overton	1996-97
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Cy Regan	1999-00
John Young	1982-83	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Pat Bush	1983-84	Don St. John	2001-02
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Jack Rife	2002-03
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Karl Geil	2003-04
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Donlie Smith	2005-06
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Paul Bernard	2006-07
Bob Avery	1989-90	Greg Young	2007-08
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Phil Perington	2008-09
Bill Walters	1991-92	Ron Cisco	2009-10
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Gary Strowbridge	1993-94	Randy Marcove	2011-12

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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 your 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.