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Optimist Club of Monaco South



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Good Morning Optimists

It's Camaraderie Day

As the trees turn, we were greeted today by **Leo Hagele** and **Fred Pasternack**. **Robert Wardlaw** gave



Photo Don StJohn

the invocation reminding us to forget the mistakes of the past and to press on to the greater achievements of the future. **Ron Gutru** our resident FOO member treated the club to his piano rendition of *God*

Bless America with our club singing along with him.

Presidents Report

Today is camaraderie day and we had Happy Bucks later in the meeting. Last week we missed **Harry Johnson's** 89th birthday and tomorrow **Marlin Kent** will celebrate his 99th birthday. Immediately our club made up for it by singing the clubs rendition of *Happy Birthday!* Sounding somewhat like sick cows.



Later on **President Randy Marcove** acknowledged another 13 members who all have their birthday in the month of October. Check out our roster that includes: **Neil Atkinson, Dick Cohen, Bill Culberson, Fred Daniels, Ron Gustus, Jack Kleinhessel, Allan McCall, Doug Morton, John Swick, Robert Wardlaw, and Dick Zolman.** *We hope you all have many, many more! Cheers!*

October Board Meeting

President Randy stated that the club had the October board meeting last Wednesday, October 19th. The board approved the 2011-2012 budget and discussed upcoming projects and activities; some of which will be new. He also mentioned that on this coming Monday, October 24th there will be a new member orientation, 6:30 p.m. at Peggy Lehmann's Office, 3540 South Poplar #102, Denver—on the east side of Southmoor Park. Those new members who should attend are: **Mike McMahon, Bruce Siegest, Don Kim, John Swick, Tom Charters, James Riley, Frank Rowe, Ryan Thompson and Richard Wray.**

Thanks Go Out!

The president recognized **Gary Strowbridge, John Stoffel, Frank Middleton, and John Young** who were all presenters for our new year of Super Citizenship programs this past week. Coming up will be **Ron Cisco** and **Les Larson.**

Guests

Les Larson invited his neighbor Dean Schneider as his guest. Dean said he was impressed with our club (I should say) and he thinks he will join as soon as he has the time. **Steve Kady** said Dean was a pioneer in Denver's Television news photography. **John Oss** brought his son Eric Oss a chip off the old block. Eric's children, also John's grandkids Anja, James and Olivia were all Super Citizens at Highline Academy. **John Swick's** guest was Pastor David Clifton who is considered to be "the new Daddy Bruce." David said they will be serving many homeless people at thanksgiving dinner on November 12th. Volunteers are need for this important project. See John Swick for more information.

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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****

Announcements

Looking for Santa's: Craig Eley is looking for a few good Santa's to greet the kids at our Christmas Tree lot. Looks like a good time, see Craig.



Bill Walters Thanksgiving Dinner: Donlie Smith reminded us that our Bill Walters Thanksgiving Dinner at the Denver Boys and Girls Club, 3480 West Kentucky, will be Tuesday, November 22nd. We typically serve 700-800 kids from across Denver. Mark your calendar. Donlie needs volunteers to help, starting at: 3 p.m. to pickup turkeys and fix-ins, 4 p.m. to set-up, 5 p.m. to support the serving line, and at 7 p.m. to clean-up. Additionally, he needs vans, pickups, and suv's for transportation of food and utensils. Please sign-up or see Donlie.

Super Citizen Presenter: Joe Marci announced that he has one opening on November 18th for a Super Citizen presenter at Holm Elementary. If interested see Joe. Other opportunities for future presentations are available going into December and January.

Christmas Tree Meeting: Joe Marci also reminded us that we will have a Christmas Tree lot meeting



next Friday after our regular meeting at the American Legion Hall. All are welcome! And on November 5th we will have the annual tree cutting on Ed Collins mountain property.

Thanksgiving Baskets: Bob Avery reported that the Thanksgiving Baskets project will be Saturday, November 19th at 8 a.m. We'll meet at the Legion Hall to assemble and distribute the baskets to deserving families in the South East Denver area. See Bob for details and to get involved.

Thank You Note: Randy Marcove read a note of thanks recognizing Oscar Sorensen in getting school supplies to our schools. Good job!

New MSOC Directory Available: An updated membership directory is now available for members. See Craig Eley for a copy.

OCMS & OI Dues: It's that time of year again. Get your check in to Greg Young for 2011-12 Club Dues. Pay early and in full, and you will save \$5.

4th Annual Homespun Holiday Market: The Tamarac Optimist Craft Fair is scheduled once again. It will be held on Saturday, November 5th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 8 Cherry Hills Drive, in Englewood. See the accompanying flier with this GUMS.



Let's Have Camaraderie



At left Prez Randy and Allan McCall. We're not sure what the empty bottle is all about.

All photos Don StJohn



Pastor David Clifton guest of John Swick. David is considered to be "the new Daddy Bruce."

At right, Bill Anderson who checks out the pot and tries to "get a number."



Doug Arnold and Wyatt McCallie share some stories and some laughs.

Happy Bucks

Happy Bucks is a way to collect money for Children's Cancer Foundation. For a dollar donation a member can stand up and say to the world why he is happy.

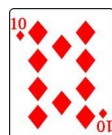
This week we collected \$20, some of the comments were:

- **Randy Marcove** - Got a job this last week
- **Ed Collins** - Happy he does not have a job
- **Kent Gloor** - Has a new granddaughter
- **Steve Kady** - Happy to get a 3.6% Social Security raise, and his last granddaughter got married
- **Brice Slaby** - His son is pictured in the latest issue of *National Geographic Magazine*
- **John Oss** - His daughter is back to school
- **Fred Pasternak** - No more Broncos predictions



This Weeks Drawing

With 50 cards in the deck, there was \$30 in the big pot and to win you needed to draw the 10 of diamonds. Cup winners were; **Ron**



Carlson, Eldon Strong, Karl Geil, John Oss, Terry Shroyer, and Fred Pasternack. Randy Marcove and Ron Carlson drew for the 10 of diamonds but came up empty. Better luck next time!

If you are warring your badge and **Craig Eley** draws



your name you get one chance at the Big Pot. **Karl Geil's** name was called but Karl also came up empty as well.

Photos Don StJohn

Promise yourself

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

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Doggie Halloween

What "man's best friend" is wearing this year for Halloween. Is your doggie ready?



Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
10/28/11	Craig Eley & Ron Gustas
11/4/11	John Oss & Casey Funk
11/11/11	Frank Middleton & Karl Geil
11/18/11	Jim VanderKamp & Woody Thibodeau
11/25/11	Leo Hagele & Bob Hugo

Super Citizen Presenters for October

27 @ 9:10, 10:00, & 10:40 am	Holm	Ron Cisco
27 @ 1:20 & 2:10 pm	McMeen	Les Larson



Monaco South Calendar

Oct 28 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA
 Oct 28-29 Colorado-Wyoming District 1st Quarter Bard Meeting, Marriott Hotel, Colorado, Springs
 Nov 4 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Alexandra Kellogg, Lightly Treading, an Xcel Energy partner on home energy conservation

**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
Kent Gloor	1992-93	Ed Collins	2010-11
Gary Strowbridge	1993-94		

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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.