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Our new President, **PAUL BERNARD** and **DONLIE SMITH**, the outgoing President, at the 30th annual Installation Banquet held at the Park Hill Golf Club on 30 September 2006.

Meeting Place - - American Legion Hall Post 1
5400 East Yale Avenue (Yale & I-25), Denver, Colorado
Every Friday Morning, 7 - 8 a.m.

NEWS THROUGH OCTOBER 6

Invocation & Pledge

Donlie Smith offered the invocation and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's notes

Paul reminded us of significant events that happened on this date in history and then said to stand by to pay annual dues (Ron Cisco again pleaded that we use the U.S. Mail). Paul passed around the newspaper from Straasburg reflecting the new U.S. Flags purchased through our donations. A new project to assist Hamilton Middle School by calling students on Monday who were absent the previous week is in the works.

The past president catches up

Donlie Smith finished giving out awards from his tenure. Of note was a special gift to Freddie Pasternack for "all he does" and to Mary Iley for her superb scrap book!

King Soopers

Cy Regan sold \$1,425.00 worth of King Soopers certificates today so we will eat well this week! Way to go Cy!

Junior Diabetes Foundation

Dick Cohen is seeking donations for this worthy cause. His wife Terri is riding in a fund-raising event for the Foundation. This is a serious illness affecting youth and deserves support. Please sign up!

The Pumpkin Patch

Bob Avery says to come by Troop 457's Pumpkin Patch at the corner of Belleview & Holly from 10 a.m. till dusk –through Halloween. On Sundays –story telling at 3 p.m. Free crafts & tiny pumpkins for tiny tots you can take home. Come see the Great Pumpkin and the tiniest and help support Scouts while having fun!

For Planning

Karl Geil reminded us of the Optimist District Conference October 20 – 22 at the Holiday Inn in Estes Park.

Mark your calendars for the annual Goblins Calling night on Halloween the 31st of October.

Speaker

Our speaker this morning was **John Suthers** the 37th Attorney General of Colorado. He gave a very informative talk on what the Attorney Generals office is all about and what their major functions entail. Of note, he mentioned that they handle 10,000 legal issues a year and among these are about 1,000 water rights cases. Some of the major problem areas he addressed were: the water issues, and that there are always big fights pertaining to the Colorado River; second, internet safety issues especially as they relate to sexual predators; and thirdly, mortgage and foreclosure fraud problems.

Oooops!

A woman, standing nude, looks in the bedroom mirror and says to her husband, "I look fat and ugly. Pay me a compliment." The husband replies, "Your eyesight's almost perfect." He never heard the shot....



DONLIE SMITH dons his Presidential Jacket at the Installation Banquet as Bryce Slaby and Karl Geil look on.

The banquet was a huge success and thanks to Bryce (or is it Bruce?) for organizing same. Thanks also to Craig Eley and Oscar Sorensen for the historical review of Monaco South's last thirty years. It was great fun to see our older members in their "youthful years" and to be reminded of some of our many projects. A special thanks to Judy Williams, for her service as the past Governor of the Colorado/Wyoming District and for her remarks and to Frank Ross for entertainment!

Donlie provided the following questions/comments at the expiration of his term:

What table do I sit at now and next to whom? As a Life Member, do I have to pay for coffee?
 Can I harass the current president now that I am a PAST President?
 Will Cy give me credit when I forget my check for King Sooper certificates?
 Will it be OK if I arrive 5 Minutes late to the meeting now? How do I get off so many Optimist's E-Mail lists?
 Will I ever have a chance to sit at the "Table of Wisdom? If the microphone doesn't work, do I have to fix it?
 Will anyone laugh at my jokes now? Why are there more Nebraska fans than Buff fans in our club?

My deepest appreciation to all club members for a really fun and productive year. It was truly enjoyable to be able to serve a great group of men. Thank you from the bottom of my heart! Donlie

Monaco South Calendar

Fri, Oct 13, 7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Carolyn Brinks, Emily Opportunity School.
Thu, Oct 19, 5:30 p.m.	<u>Super Citizen, Hamilton, Kent Gloor.</u>
Thu, Oct 19, 2:30 p.m.	<u>Super Citizen, MPB, John Young.</u>
Thu, Oct 19, 6:30 p.m.	Board Meeting, Craig Eley's office, 3515 S. Tamarac Dr., #200 (southwest corner of Tamarac & Hampden).
Fri, Oct 20, 7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Camaraderie Day
Fri, Oct 20, 3:00 p.m.	<u>Super Citizen, Bradley, Craig Eley</u>
Tue, Oct 24, 1:15 p.m.	<u>Super Citizen, Samuels, Jim Vander Kamp</u>
Thu, Oct 26, 9:00 a.m.	<u>Super Citizen, Holm, Nick Newey</u>
Fri, Oct 27, 7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Buie Seawell, Business Ethics
???, Oct ? 2:30 p.m.	<u>Super Citizen, Southmoor, Ed Collins</u>

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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 Middleton	1981-82	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 Sorensen	1987-88	Jack Rife	2002-03
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Karl Geil	2003-04
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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 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.

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