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Good Morning Optimists

What a day! How about those numbers! Our thanks to those who have served to keep us free! And we remember those who have given their all in service to our country. FOO Member **Ron Gutru** played all the military songs for our enjoyment.



Greeters

Attorney **Karl Geil** and retired banker **Frank Middleton** had warm handshakes, smiles, and personal greetings for everyone. This is a wonderful way to be welcomed to the meeting. Thanks Karl and Frank, and to all those who sign up for the gig! PS—to sign-up for “greeter duty,” see OC Larson who maintains the list.

Invocation

Treasurer **Greg Young** remembered those who have answered the call, and especially those who have laid down their lives for freedom.

Guests

Steve Kady introduced Harold Furlong as an excellent candidate for Santa at the tree lot. Harold is a locksmith, Navy veteran, and Viet Nam survivor. He appears to have the required physique for the Santa job.

Tom Mauro presented a friend from United Bank days, Ben Lewis. Ben and Tom now work for United Way. Hope to see you back here, Ben, with application in hand along with a check.

New Member Installation

Frank Rowe, husband of Ann Rowe who was recently elected to the Denver School Board, was duly

installed by President **Randy Marcove**. **Mike Prete** is his sponsor. Way to go Mike! And welcome to Frank; we know you will enjoy your membership with OCMS. See Frank’s picture below.

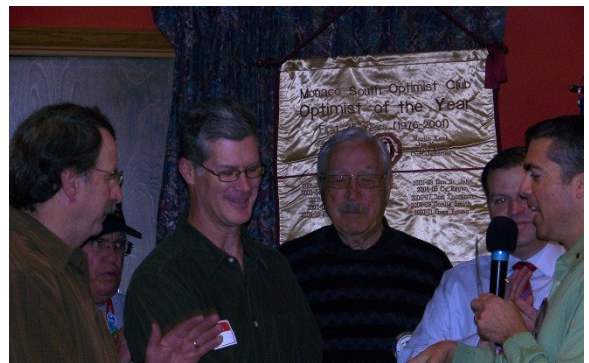
President’s Greeting

President **Randy Marcove** first gave a salute to the veterans, and had them stand to an ovation from the members.

He also announced that two beverage igloos are missing from our inventory. Please bring them back to where they belong.

Condolences

It is with great sadness that we heard of Past President **Phil Perington**’s mother’s passing. A service will take place on Friday, November 18th, at 10 a.m. at St John’s Cathedral. Our prayers are with you!



New member, **Frank Rowe**, is inducted by Prez **Randy Marcove**. Standing on the right of Frank is his sponsor, **Mike Prete** and in the background are **Les Larson** and board member **Brian Williams**.

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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

Channel 6 Auction: Bryce Slaby still needs a few more telephone experts at the Channel 6 Auction on Sunday, December 4th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be served. Please sign up on the clip board being passed at the meeting or see Bryce.



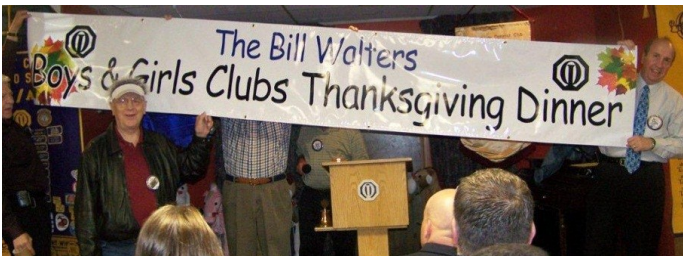
Artistic Talent Needed: Craig Eley asked for artistic help with a Santa sign and reported the help of a professional Santa to train our amateur Santa's. He also reminded us about the Thomas Jefferson High School Craft Fair, and the need to direct traffic into the school parking lot and direct vendors into the drop off area. He needs a few more to sign-up on the clip board being passed. The date is Saturday, November 19th, 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. approximately. See Craig!



Rockies Tickets: Tom Mauro is taking orders for Rockies tickets again for next year. The minimum order must be for 10 tickets. These are great seats on the first level between home plate and third base, under cover.



Bill Walters Thanksgiving Dinner: Donlie Smith asked that as many as possible come early (4 to 5 p.m.) to the Boys and Girls Club, 3480 West Kentucky on Tuesday evening, November 22nd for the *Bill Walters Thanksgiving Dinner* to serve the kids and staff. You can assist: **Robert Wardlaw** with buttering the bread and **Russ Paul** who is overseeing the serving line. Russ needs help with lifting and carrying boxes of food. You might remember Paul recently had surgery and cannot do the lifting and carrying this time.



Bill Walters being recognized as a MSOC past president and founder of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Denver annual Thanksgiving Dinner, on April 29, 2011. Bill Walters stands before the banner that will be displayed for all future dinners. As you'll recall Bill past away at the end of May this past year.

Photos Don StJohn

Brain Bowl 2012: Karl Geil announced that this years Brain Bowl will star right after the first of the New Year. The Optimist Brain Bowl is an academic competition open to Colorado Wyoming middle school students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Students form teams and demonstrate their knowledge of a variety of subjects in a format modeled after the GE College Bowl television program that ran from 1959-1970.

All Colorado/Wyoming public, private and home-

schooled 6th, 7th, and 8 grade students are invited to form teams and participate. See the Brain Bowl webpage at: <http://www.optimistbrainbowl.org/>.

Tournament dates are:

- **North Region:** 1/21/2012, Superior High School in Louisville
- **Central Region:** 2/4/2012, Heritage High School in Littleton
- **South Region:** 2/25/2012, Carson Middle School, on the Fort Carson U.S. Army base in Colorado Springs
- **Championship Tournament:** 3/3/2012, Douglas County High School in Castle Rock.

Thanksgiving Baskets: Bob Avery is supervising the distribution of 40 Thanksgiving Baskets for delivery on Saturday, November 19th. Come at 8 a.m. to set up, or come after being a parking attendant at T.J. This is a great way for families to do something for those in need during this holiday season. Social workers and principals of the neighboring elementary schools provide the names and addresses for delivery.



Closing Bell

Drawing Winners/Losers

Cy Regan decided to draw for the \$60 pot instead of taking the cup of cash (guessing \$7-\$10) but he was not successful. **Kent Gloor** took the cup; **Tom Wos's** number was called twice, President **Randy** got a cup, and **Don Thomson** as well. **Ron Gustas** drew a card to no avail. **OC Larson**, because he was wearing his name badge, drew without the correct card. Next pot will be for \$70. Good luck!



Donlie Smith reports that we are missing two round Igloo five-gallon containers from the storage unit, that we need for the Thanksgiving dinner. If anyone borrowed these, please return to Donlie Smith as soon as possible.



Not this, but this



Guest Speaker

Jim Schultz of Pretty Good Consulting, Inc.

Paul Bernard presented Jim Schultz of Pretty Good Consulting, Inc. whose subject was "Why People Join and Volunteer." The decision to join depends on the level/type of involvement. This is critical. Ask people to join and get involved. Quantify time requirements. Reasons for joining: networking, professional development. Younger people see the need for association in the future.



Editor: *I'm sure the members of our board of directors picked up a few pointers regarding membership.*

Mr. Schultz ended with, "Thanks for not throwing things."

LEXIPHILES

- * To write with a broken pencil is pointless.
- * When fish are in schools they sometimes take debate.
- * A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- * When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A.
- * The professor discovered that her theory of earthquakes was on shaky ground.
- * The batteries were given out free of charge.
- * A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- * A will is a dead giveaway.
- * If you don't pay your exorcist you can get repossessed.
- * With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- * Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat miner.
- * You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
- * A Local Area Network in Australia: The LAN down under.
- * A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- * When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.
- * Police were called to a day care where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- * Did you hear about the fellow whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- * If you take a laptop computer for a run you could jog your memory.
- * A bicycle can't stand alone; it is too tired.
- * In a democracy it's your vote that counts; in feudalism, it's your Count that votes.
- * When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
- * The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine was fully recovered.
- * He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- * Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
- * When she saw her first strands of gray hair, she thought she'd dye.
- * Acupuncture: a jab well done.

Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
11/18/11	Joe Marci & Woody Thibodeau
11/25/11	Leo Hagele & Bob Hugo
12/2/11	Tom Wos & Bob Avery
12/9/11	George Buzick & Michael Chaves
12/16/11	Tom Charters & Al Gapuzan

Super Citizen Presenters for November

16 @ 2:30 pm	MPB	Gary Miller Cancelled
18 @ 9:10, 10:00, & 10:40 am	Holm	Bob Avery
18 @ 12:25 pm	Samuels	Howard Fry
18 @ 3:00 pm	Bradley	Al Gapuzan
22 @ 1:20 & 2:05 pm	Univ. Park	Curt Jefferies
30 @ 1:20 & 2:10 pm	McMeen	Joe Marci

Monaco South Calendar

- Nov 16 Wed 6:30 pm Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102**
- Nov 18 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day, Joe Marci, *Christmas Tree Lot*
- Nov 19 Sat 7:00 am Thomas Jefferson HS Craft Fair Parking
- Nov 19 Sat 8:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Thanksgiving Basket Delivery
- Nov 22 Tue 4:00 pm Bill Walters Thanksgiving Dinner - Denver Boys & Girls Club, 3480 W. Kentucky
- Nov 25 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Greg Young, Club Financial Review
- Nov 25 Fri 10:00 am Christmas Tree Lot Setup**
- Dec 2 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Karen Reindollar, Project Linus for traumatized kids
- Dec 4 Sun 10:30 am Channel 6 Auction - see Bryce Slaby

**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
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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.