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It's a First! December 22nd Meeting Cancelled The Property of the Cancelled to the Cancell

Because of the Holiday Blizzard of 2006, which dumped about two feet of snow on Denver, President Paul Bernard reluctantly cancelled the meeting today. Chef John Marinos could not make it to prepare our breakfast, and the rest of us could not get our cars out of the garage anyway. Santa (Oscar) probably wouldn't have a problem because of his unique method of transportation. It is a great loss not to see Santa and all those beautiful white elephant gifts.



MEETING PLACE

AMERICAN LEGION HALL POST NO 1

5400 E. YALE AVENUE, DENVER, CO

THE MEETING of December 22, 2006 was cancelled.

But your reliable newsletter staff will bring you a newsletter, braving the winds and snow and sacrificing themselves on the dangerous roads.

KING SOOPERS CERTIFICATES

Cy Regan will be ready to sell you the certificates next week. Remember, the club retains 5% from our puchases, a simple and painless way to help the club. Get in on this.

BRAIN BOWL

What is a brain bowl? They (two of them this year) are an academic team competition for grades 6,7 and 8 answering questions based on speed and accuracy related to math, science, history, computers, literature and common sense! The dates for the competition are in the calendar.

Training sessions are required:
Jan 13, 9-11 AM Fairview HS Boulder
in the cafeteria
Jan 18, 7-9 PM TJ HS Denver
in rooms 132 and 134
Jan 27, 9-11 AM North Arvada MS
Scorekeepers, time keepers, readers
and runners are needed. See or call **Tom Mauro** please.

KIDS TO BREAKFAST

Gary Laman reminds us to bring our kids and grandkids next Friday Dec 29. He has arranged for a puppeteer to entertain all us kids!

CHILI COOKOFF

The 15th Annual Monaco South Chili Cookoff was held this past Saturday. It was the most successful contest we have ever held. There were seven (7) entrants and each one of dishes was delicious. The ROTC students from TJ could not get enough. The seven chili masters were Craig Eley, Bob Avery, Phil Perington, Rich Wagner, Curt Jefferies, Tom Overton and Tom Hoch. The votes are being counted, and results will be announced at the next meeting.

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS

Optimist International has separated its Vision and Mission statements.

Vision Statement:

Optimist International will be recognized worldwide as the premier volunteer organization that values all children and helps them develop to their full potential.

Mission Statement

By providing hope and positive vision,
Optimists bring out the best in kids.



COMING EVENITS











Fri Jan 05 7 AM Meeting, Legion Hall Jennifer Auen, "Starbucks Community"

Fri Jan 12 7 AM Meeting, Legion Hall Jeff Jones, "Alternative Fuels"

Fri Jan 12 Super Citizen, McMeen, 1:30 and 2:15 PM, Gary Miller

Tue Jan 16 Super Citizen, Samuels, 1:15 and 2 PM, **Greg Young**

Thu Jan 18 Super Citizen, MPB, 2:ng30 PM **Bruce Prather**

Fri Jan 19 7 AM Meeting, Legion Hall Camaraderie Day

Sat Jan 20 7 AM Brain Bowl, Fairview HS Boulder (see training requirements)

Fri Jan 26 7 AM Meeting, Legion Hall **Doug Morton,** "My Father,

Commanding Officer, USS Wahoo"











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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.

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