



# Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South (GUMS)

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## Optimist Club of Monaco South



Founded in 1976 at Denver, Colorado  
Serving Youth and the Community for 37 Years  
Recognized as Outstanding Service Organization in Colorado in 2012

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Editor for this Issue—Robert Wardlaw



### Good Morning Optimist!

Summer is in full beautiful form as we bask in the morning glow. **Lynn Jones** is our lone greeter this morning and sets the tone for a fine meeting. **John Young** and a few others try to fill in for the missing greeter and promoted some optimism. *Editor: Per OC Larson, our greeter coordinator, if you sign up, please show up, or let him know in advance.*

### Invocation & Pledge

**John Young** delivers the invocation this morning, asking for to us to consider "Hope and Renewal in our lives." Additionally, he shares that we need to give our "Thanks" to our new members. He then leads us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### From the Prez

**President Jon Wachter** asks for any guests this morning and there several. **Bill Morgan** is here to join us. Your editor failed to acquire the pertinent details regarding Bill's visit this morning. **Bob Winterfield** is back and has an application and a check, thank you! Our speaker from last week, **Bill Wells** is back for a return visit. Welcome guests and returning members!

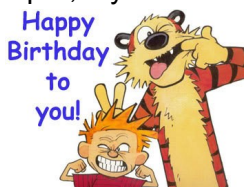
### Recognizing the August Birthday's

**President Jon** was looking for the August Birthday Boys to stand: **Barry Barker, Bud Sewell, JR**



**Gieck, Marc Goodbody, Bob Hugo, Les Larson, Mike Miller, Fred Paster-nack, Al Perington, Dean Sotiriou, Rod Winget, and Greg Young.** Those present

were recognized in the usual wail of Happy Birthday. Live long and prosper, my friend's!



### New Member Induction

**President Jon** asks new members **Lee Claymore**, and **Tom Kramis**, to come to up front, along with **Paul Simon**. Jon inducts both new members sponsored by Paul and Jon respectively. Welcome aboard!



Prez Jon Wachter, left, Paul Simon take new members Tom Kramis and Lee Claymore through the Optimist Club of Monaco South induction.

Photo Don StJohn

For those of you who may have forgot this induction pledge here it is again ...

"Gentlemen: This occasion marks the beginning of your opportunity for participating through fellowship and friendship, in the activities of your Club on behalf of your community. Through your personal service as an Optimist you will have the opportunity to help repay, in various ways, the debt we all owe our community for the privilege of enjoying its many benefits. You will learn the Optimist Creed and its significance, a genuine challenge to the life of all men and women. You will be inspired by our slogan, "Friend of Youth."

In all these things we seek to make our indelible mark on the life, progress, and welfare of our communities,

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### Celebrate Your Optimism Gala

MARK & CHANGE YOUR CALENDAR the MSOC



installation of the 2014-2015 club officers will be **Saturday, September 27, 2014** at **Highland Park Pavilion**, formerly Delmonico Hall, at 3220 Federal Boulevard, across from Highland Park.

### 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\*\*\*\*

## New Member Induction Continued

our nation and our peoples. But only by your regular attendance at meetings, and active participation in your Club's activities, can you be rewarded with a fuller life and the self-satisfaction that comes to each of us as we serve our community and its youth.

We therefore ask, as we admit you to the fellowship of Optimism, if you too, will join our company, our friendship and our fellowship, in an effort to strive toward these objectives. If you do, please answer, "I DO."

I \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby pledge / that I will do my best / at all times / to live by the spirit of the Optimist Creed / and I will also give of my time / and talents / as generously as possible / to support the activities / of my Club, / my District / and Optimist International.

Now, being aware of the responsibilities, opportunities and privileges available to you as a member, on behalf of the officers and members of the Sponsor Club, the

\_\_\_\_\_ District and Optimist International, I am happy to offer you my hand of Optimist Friendship. We are happy to have you as a member.

## Announcements

### Super Citizen School Principals: Tom Mauro

has a great idea. We will have our Principals to Breakfast event, Friday morning, August 15<sup>th</sup> here at the club. Our club needs to focus on new members, bringing people in new members. We also understand about the time commitments that Principals must make and it seems a perfect fit with the Friends of Optimists (FOO) membership. Several principals are already members in this way and this is a great potential source to draw from. Even more insightful is the gift some members have made to cover the first year's annual dues for this new FOO member. Once drawn to our mission to serve the community, new members will join. Please consider sponsoring one of these fine citizens, the cost is \$100 for the new member (OI returns \$40 to the club, which can be used by you for your own dues). Find the FOO brochure and application attached to the GUMS distribution email.

### Monaco South 100% Day: Ron Cisco announces

that on September 5<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate 100% Day. Members are encouraged to contact any members who have not attended meetings recently and ask them to attend this meeting for picture and chance to reconnect with the club.

This special event began back in 1991-92 when **Bill Walters** was club president and Ron was CO/WY District Governor.

Oh there is more, on this same day, September 5<sup>th</sup>, it has been declared Hawaiian Shirt Day!

So dig into your closet and try to find a shirt more outrageous than those habitually worn by **Jack Kleinhessel**. Editor:

*Did you see the one he had on today?*

By the way, there will be semi-fabulous prizes awarded for various categories of shirts.

**Csaba Recke Bench:** Ron Cisco also announces that the bench dedication for his grandson will be held at 8:15 a.m. on September 11, 2014 at Legacy Acade-

my, 1975 Legacy Circle, in Elizabeth. As you may recall, Ron collected \$342 from members at our April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to help in establishing this memorial for Csaba. See Ron if you have any questions.

**CO/WY District Convention:** Past President and now Zone 7 Lt. Governor, **Paul Simon** tells us that the District Convention will be held Aug 22-24, marking one of the last events District Governor Bob Hartwig will host. Also, the OCMS Celebrate Optimism Gala, formerly known as the Installation Dinner will be held Saturday, September 27, 2014 at 3220 Federal Blvd, please come out and "Celebrate Optimism." First-time attendees and their dates get \$10 off the \$33 meal price thanks to a decision by the MSOC board and will be entered in a drawing for special prizes.

**OI Junior Golf:** **Joe Marci** shared the final results of Optimist International Jr. Golf Tournament in Florida. Many talented and skilled players, both boys and girls from around the world played in this tournament. Joe also has one old member and one new member that will be turning in money and the proper documents.

**\$200 Winner Evan Easton Update:** Proud dad **Jim Easton** reports as to what happened to all the money in the pot that his son Evan won last Friday. Jim shared that Evan gave some to charity (about 10%); he put some into the bank for the future, and was able to spend a portion. Glad to hear that it went to good use.



**March of Dimes MUDD Volleyball:** **Greg Hurd** trumpets for the upcoming *Parking Extravaganza* at Mudd Volleyball event, which is on Saturday. This has been an event the club has helped with for many years. The recent rains have made the ground extremely soft so Mother Nature has had some tough variables that need to be considered. Think optimistically and we shall see, more on this event in next week's message.

Below is what **Steve Kady** found when he investigated the proposed parking area on Thursday.



Photo Steve Kady

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### ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS MONACO SOUTH NEEDS NEW MEMBERS

We need 15 new members to achieve honor club. So bring your friends, neighbors, sons or grandsons... get them to join and receive a discount on your next year's dues. Don't forget, for only \$100, you can make them a *Friend of Optimist*, and it counts too! See Greg Young for details.



## Camaraderie is the Focus Today

As announcement come to a close, **Prez Jon** suggest we have some camaraderie, which ensued along with a few jokes to pass the time and before we know it, President Jon is asking for a drawing.

### Drawing & Final Bell

After the bug win last week we managed to have a drawing with \$40 in the kitty. However, no one drew the luck card for that pot. **Karl Geil** won twice and several others claimed one of the six cups with something to show for their personal luck.

As the Optimist Creed was recited, **Prez Jon** exchanges handshakes with as many members as he could and the meeting was adjourned.

**Dr. Jeff Johnston is recognized in the June issue of 5280 Magazine as a 2014 top dentist.**



*Congratulations Jeff!*

## Next Weeks Speaker

By Ron Gustas

Next week our speaker is Scott King and he will talk about "Camp Colorado" the diabetes camp recently held for 265 kids with Type 1 Diabetes. This camp is sponsored by the American Diabetes Association (ADA), not JDRF which is a research funding organization. Similar objectives to find a cure but different organizations. The T1DOC and other Optimist Clubs and individual Optimists raised almost \$5,500 to help send 18 kids to this camp. We hope to have a few kids who have attended camp come to the meeting.

### A Bit of Humor

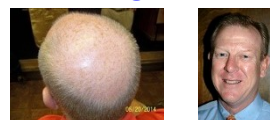


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THEY PASSED SCHOOL WITHOUT GOOGLE.

### Weekly Greeters

8/8/14	Tom Glazier & Allen Malask
8/15/14	Elton Strong & Howdy Fry
8/22/14	Gary Miller & Ralph Pedersen
8/29/14	Fred Pasternack & Tom Hoch
Need Friday morning greeters, see O.C. Larson, 303-797-7432 or <a href="mailto:larson1942@comcast.net">larson1942@comcast.net</a>	

### Did You Recognize This Head?



Another winner showed up to answer the question, "Do You Recognize This Head?" **Russ Paul** reported that he shared the correct answer to GUMS editor **George Buzick**.

Aug 8	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Type 1 Diabetes, ADA Camp Colorado, Scott King
Aug 15	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Super Citizen School Principles
Aug 20	Wed	6:30 pm	Meeting, Legion Hall - Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
Aug 22	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - SolarCity, Chris Ebersberg
Aug 29	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Arapahoe County Sheriff, David Walcher
Sep 5	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - 100% Day—everyone needs to be present
Sep 12	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Placing Foreign Exchange Students, Deanna Foss
Sep 17	Wed	6:30 pm	Meeting, Legion Hall - Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
Sep 12	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA
Sep 27	Sat	5:30 pm	MSOC Celebrate Your Optimism Gala, Delmonico Hall, 3220 Federal Blvd.

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

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Bob Safe	1995-96
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Tom Overton	1996-97
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Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Cy Regan	1999-00
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Stan Cohen	2000-01
John Young	1982-83	Don St. John	2001-02
Pat Bush	1983-84	Jack Rife	2002-03
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Karl Geil	2003-04
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Donlie Smith	2005-06
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Paul Bernard	2006-07
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Greg Young	2007-08
Bob Avery	1989-90	Phil Perington	2008-09
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Ron Cisco	2009-10
Bill Walters	1991-92	Ed Collins	2010-11
Kent Gloor	1992-93	Randy Marcove	2011-12
Gary Strowbridge	1993-94	Paul Simon	2012-13
Mark Metevia	1994-95		

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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.