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Thanks to the hard working committe of Kent & Abigail Gloor, Al & Donna Gapuzan, Tom & Sheryl Overton, Frank & Sandy Middleton, John & Claire Young, and Greg & Diane Young we had a blast. There was a variety of unique and fun activities available during the memorable weekend. Fishing: Dr Ed, Gary S and Don T fished the Blue River (Dr Ed got skunked, he said). The ladies went shopping, but Jeannie F went shop...lifting (according to the Dr). Golf: Overtons, Larsons, & others played Copper Creek Golf Club. Some got caught in the rain, but had completed 14 holes so no rain check. :- ( Hiking: Don StJ led a group of 7 to Mohawk Lake. Pontoon Boat Ride: Frank M supervised and recruited captains for 4 boats on Lake Dillon, some with grills on board. A two hour cruise, 12 persons per boat. All captains said they had lotsa help, all bad. (Everybody had a better idea.) I was concerned about designated driver O C when I saw a beer can in his hand, but it was Coors Light. Peter D was accused of speeding, throwing water all over the boat. Cocktail Party: Kent and Abigail and the committee hosted a glorious party with luscious eau derves (sp?) and spirits. John Young provided an electric bubble machine (what fun!) and bubble makers for everyone. Add mini finger color flashlights and gifts to former presidents of MSOC and Tamarac. What a guy! Saturday dinner at the Dredge Restaurant: Pork, Steak or Salmon were the choices - yum! Located in an actual dredge used to dig up gold in the river. Donlie the historian offered that the dredge was invented by I B Humphrey, early Denver millionaire. (Been to the Humphreys mansion?) Entertainment: Patrick (Irish grandmother) Mendoza cont. page 3

MEETING PLACE

AMERICAN LEGION HALL POST NO 1

5400 E. YALE AVENUE, DENVER, CO



# THE MEETING of July 27, 2007

# **Invocation and Pledge**

Former president Karl Geil led us in an invocation asking for help in "making our friends feel that there is something in them." We then renewed our pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

### **Rockies Tickets**

Joe Marci has tickets for sale, benefitting Optimist Junior Golf. \$20 each near third base. August 20 vs. Pittsburg. Joe also announced that we are sending 26 (a new record) boys and girls to the Optimist International Golf Championships at the PGA Resort in Florida.

# **Grocery Cards**

Cy Regan, ever on the job, reported fair sales today of King Soopers grocery cards in the amount of \$975. (No Safeway takers.) Please remember to buy these convenient cards for a simple, for us, way to provide funds in favor of our youth. We retain 5%!

# **Lowry Optimist Club Golf Tourney**

August 17, Mira Vista Golf Course, check in at noon for lunch, shot gun start at 1 PM. \$75 includes everything you need.

**Karl** reminded us that we built this club.

See **Tom Mauro** or call 720 859 9300. This is a fund raiser to complete a variety of youth projects.

### **District Convention**

Save August 23 to 25 for the convention, welcoming **George Buzick** as new District (Colorado/Wyoming) Governor, and saying farewell and good job to **Sherman Phillips.** Doubletree Westminster. \$20. \$25 at the door. Attend the Saturday night dinner for George's installation.

### **New GUMS Editors Wanted**

Three GUMS editors are retiring at the end of this fiscal year, September 30. Some have been doing this for at least 5 years, others far more than that. Our goal is to have 4 editors, so 3 are needed to allow work every fourth month. Training, if requested, and what little know-how we have, will willingly be provided. See Jim Piccinelli to volunteer for this interesting and fun job. Exercise your creativity! Bob Finkelmeier has offered to format the newsletter for you. All you have to do is write a paragraph about the speaker of the day, announcements, items of interest, and meeting incidents.

# 100% Day

<u>President Paul</u> announced this special day will take place in September.

# **Budgeting for Next Year**

**President-elect Greg** asked for feedback on projects for next year. What do you plan to do? How much will it cost?

# **Liberty Day Gets Check**

**Treasurer George Buzick** presented a check from MSOC to **Andy McKean** in the amount of \$250. Andy and Liberty Day make sure that students learn what is in the Constitution of the U.S. of America. Good work, Andy!

# **B & G Clubs Appreciation**

Put August 9 on your calendar for the Boys and Girls Clubs Appreciation BBQ Dinner, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, for those of you who have helped them during the past year. Some of us helped with the raffle of a house, donated by a builder, as a fund raiser.

# **Mud Volleyball**

**Cy Regan** and other volunteers will help direct cars at this benefit for the March of Dimes on August 4. Starts early: 6 AM, but done early at approx 9:30 AM. Carpool from the Legion at 5:30 AM. Breakfast is on Cy or stay for the spectacle (Hooter Girls).

#### **HEAR YE (cont.)**

(Spanish grandmother) a nationally known musician, storyteller, and historian sang songs of Americana, accompanying himself on the guitar, and told stories about you name it. He is an American troubador. His imitation of Elmer Fudd and Twitty Bird was hilarious. He also played a hand carved Native American wooden flute (beautiful tone). A song about Alferd Packer - "You Loved Your Fellow Man....With Sauce!" Doug Morton requested a lovely song called "Colorado's Aspen Gold." Sunday Brunch: Thunder Mountain Lodge was the setting for the send off event. A sumptious buffet was served to the delight of all 25 couples.

# **Swan Song**

This is my goodbye to being editor of the newsletter. I started with the CPA system, Cut, Paste and Assemble. No kdding! And we typed it on a typewriter. No kidding! It has been fun, but we need some new creative people to step up. Please talk to Jim Piccinelli.

#### **MSOC Installation and Awards Banquet**

Save September 8, Saturday night, 6:30 PM Blossoms at Heather Gardens Dinner \$20 per person.



Fri Aug 03 7 AM Meeting, Wyatt McCallie My Experience at the British Open Golf Tourn.

Sat Aug 04 6:15 AM Mud Volleyball Cy Regan, Parking

Thu Aug 09 B & G Clubs Appreciation Fri, Aug 17 Lowry Optimist Club Fund Raiser Mira Vista Golf Course

Thu-Sat Aug 23-25 District Convention
September 100% Day
Sat, Sep 8 Installation Banquet
Speaker

Paul Simon introduced Becca, an actor at Town Hall Arts Center, Denver's Most Intimate Professional Theater. They are celebrating their 25th anniversary, originally performing in the basement of Littleton's Town Hall. The present theater seats 250. A 12 member board oversees 5 full time staff, some 120 actors (100% local talent) and lots of volunteers. A children's program is offered, presenting two shows each year. Also professional actors go to schools for Actors' Playground, after school and summer classes for youth ages 7-17 in creative dramatics, stagecraft, improvisation and more. There was quite a bit of interest in a group event (3\$ off). "Only a portion of the funds needed to operate the theater come through ticket sales; the rest comes from you, our generous supporters." Carl Brown was contact person.