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It's a Second! December 29th Meeting Cancelled

(Or was it another first?)

Round Two Was a Knockout

After President Paul Bernard polled board members, he again reluctantly cancelled the meeting today. Boo Hoo. No kids, no puppeteer. Mother Nature knocked out the club's traditional celebrations of the Holidays. We hope that you and yours were able to celebrate at home or with family and friends in spite of the blizzard and dumping of snow upon us.

My Wish for You in 2007

May peace break into your house and may thieves come to steal your debts. May the pockets of your jeans become a magnet for \$100 bills. May love stick to your face like Vaseline, and may laughter assault your lips! May your clothes smell of success like smoking tires, and may happiness slap you across the face, and may your tears be that of joy. May the problems you had forget your home address. May 2007 be the best year of your life!!!

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 purchases, 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

Sorry, kids, the snow got in the way of our annual party for you, our kids and grandkids. Let's hope for a rain-check, and have a party later in the year for you.



CHILI COOKOFF

The 15th Annual Monaco South Chili Cookoff was held Saturday, December 31st. It was the most successful contest we have ever held. There were seven (7) entrants and each one of the dishes was delicious.

The ROTC students from TJ could not get enough.

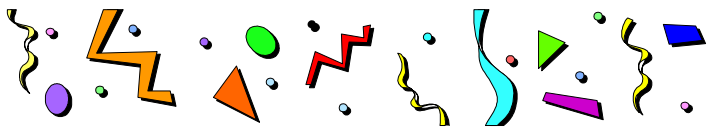
The seven chili masters were
Craig Eley, Bob
Avery, Phil

Perington, Rich Wagner, Curt Jefferies, Tom Overton and Tom Hoch. The votes are being counted, and results will be announced at the next meeting.



Disturbing News

Past President Donlie Smith reports that **Gerry Davis's wife Marj** has had a major stroke, and is in Swedish Hospital. The latest word from Donlie is that life support has been taken away. Pray for Gerry's comfort and strength at this difficult time. We are with you, Gerry.



COMING EVENTS

Happy New Year!

Dogs

The reason a dog has so many friends, is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

Anonymous

Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful.

Ann Landers

If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise.

Unknown

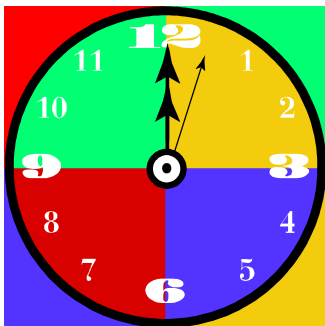
We should all strive to be the great person that our dogs think we are.

Unknown

Boys

Mother to her son: "Young man, there were four cookies in the jar on the cupboard this morning. May I ask how it happens that there is only one now?"

Son to his Mother: "Must have been so dark I didn't see the other one!"



- 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"

Words to Start the New Year

To leave the old with a burst of song;
 To recall the right to forgive the wrong;
 To forget things that bind you fast
 to vain regrets of the year that's past;
 To have the strength to let go your hold
 of the not worthwhile of the days grown old;
 To dare go forth with a purpose true
 to the unknown task of the year that's new;
 To help your brother/sister along the road
 to do his/her work and lift his/her load;
 To add your gift to the world's good cheer
 is to have and to give a Happy New Year.

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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
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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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