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# Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South

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## Optimist Club of Monaco South



Founded in 1976 at Denver, Colorado  
Serving Youth and the Community for 35 Years

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Editor for this Issue—Ralph Petersen



### Good Morning Optimist

Greeters **Joe Marci** and **Pat Bush** welcomed us to the club with friendly handshakes and happy smiles. What more can you ask, this early in the morning? This charter member (the ed.) remembers when Joe and Pat transferred membership from the Junior Chamber of Commerce club to Monaco South. With the transfer came the Christmas Tree Sales business. The Junior Chamber membership had dwindled down to a precious few, and was unable to continue the tree sales. *Happy Day!*

### Invocation and Pledge

President **Randy Marcove** invited Lt. Gov. **Jeanette Thompson** to the podium. Her invocation was appropriately titled, "*Too Noble for Anger.*" Most particularly with all the protesting going on around the world and the murder of our U.S. Ambassador to Libya along with three others. She appealed to The Almighty to "*open us up to your peace.*"

*Promise yourself*

To be **too large** for worry, **too noble** for anger,

**too strong** for fear, and

**too happy**

to permit the presence of trouble.

Optimist Creed

She then led us in the *Pledge of Allegiance.*

### Guests and President's Announcements

President **Randy** recognized Past District Gov. **Ron Benson** and **Kurt Siebold**, principal of Slavens Elementary School. Kurt mentioned he appreciates what our club does for kids.

**John Wachter** introduced Bob W., also known as Mr. Baseball.

**Don Iley** introduced his Cub Scout son who is selling popcorn. See Don if you are interested in buying popcorn and supporting his cub scout pack.

**Tom Mauro** was pleased that his nephew Mike Mauro was present, with application in hand and is joining us!

**Mike Short** is back, and was recognized by **President Randy**. Mike is a Director Elect for next year, beginning October 1, 2012.

**President Randy** suggested that we send **Ron Gutru** an email upon his move to an assisted living unit in Plattsmouth, Nebraska. His email address is [rongutru@comcast.net](mailto:rongutru@comcast.net). As you will recall, Ron was recently released from the hospital after surgery and is moving to be closer to his daughter.



The Prez mentioned that our membership goal is close to being reached. Randy would appreciate our efforts to bring in new members to become an Honor Club. **Remember all you need to do is:**



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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

**100% Day:** Next Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup> is One Hindered Percent Day. Everyone is asked to be present for camaraderie, steak and eggs, specially prepared by **John Marinis**, good fun and a “Kodak Moment.” Peggy Lehmann, City Councilwoman District 4, will join us.

**Optimist International Foundation:** Past Governor **Ron Benson** gave a report on the Colorado/Wyoming District 25’s giving to the Foundation. A very good year! We are getting close. Our goal is \$16,000.

**Club Directory Update:** **Tom Mauro** (information gather) and **Craig Eley** (photographer) are closing up soon for this edition. Any changes are due immediately. Craig sez, “*You want a better photo? Bring a better face!*” Tom sez, “*Publish your biz card (\$25) and stand to increase business by \$1 million.*”



**Rockies Game Giveaway Canceled:** Michael Chavez shared that the giveaway event scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup> has been cancelled. It is rumored that this is due to the Rockies giving away too many runs.

**Juvenile Diabetes Bike Ride and Walk:** The JDRF “Walk to Cure Diabetes” was held on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. 8,000 “Walkers” raised approximately \$850,000 to fund research seeking both a cure for Type 1 Diabetes as well as improved treatment options. OCMS members supported the Walk by either loading a truck on Friday, the 7<sup>th</sup> and/or helping with site set-up on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup>. Members volunteering were **Michael Chavez, Dick Cohen, Craig Eley, Ron Gustas, John Oss, Mark Metevia, Mike Prete, and Paul Simon**. Mike Prete’s friend Mark Dion also helped out.



Photo Dick Cohen

Overall 30+ OCMS members supported the walk either financially or by volunteering “hard labor” to make the Walk a success. **John Oss, Paul Simon and Ron Gustas** “walked” as part of a Team supporting Ron’s six year old granddaughter Ellie. Thanks to all!

**Alzheimer Memory Walk/Run at City Park:** **Joe Marci** reports that we are supporting the Alzheimer Society this coming Saturday, the 15<sup>th</sup>, with 18 of our members volunteering to help. The Run will occur at 8 a.m. and the Walk at 9 a.m. We are expected to be

there at 7 a.m. to consume coffee and doughnuts before we move out to our assigned work stations around 7:30 a.m.

### **Entertainment Books Arrive for 2013: Joe Marci**



has the new Entertainment Book and is selling them to support the Sullivan Scholarships. The cost is \$30 each and you can order one from Joe Marci at 303-771-3748 or [marcifrog@aol.com](mailto:marcifrog@aol.com).

**OCMS Installation Dinner: Ed Collins** announced 60+ have signed up for the banquet/installation dinner to be held at Park Hill Golf Course, Saturday evening, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 5:30 p.m. Payment is due today—send to **Greg Young** ASAP.

**Correctional Industries Visit:** On Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, **Bob Avery** is leading another group tour to Canyon City to visit the Department of Corrections prison industries and there is still room to join the tour, but you must act quickly with your information to Bob. He needs your full name (what is shown on your driver’s license), driver’s license number and state if not Colorado, and date of birth ASAP.

### **Joke Attempt**

**Bryce Slaby** started to tell a joke, but this tough crowd prevented him from getting to the punch line. Some enjoyed his attempt better than a joke!



### **Cy Regan - Club Hero**

It has been reported that **Cy Regan** has coffee at Panera Bread where the Newsletter Staff meets every Monday morning to fold, label, and mail your weekly spread. Well only about twelve newsletters, since most are emailed out. Cy then takes his copy and a copy for next-door neighbor and member Dr. **Glenn Kindt**. In the process, he saves us 90 cents a week or \$46.90 per year! *Let’s hear it for Cy!*

### **Happy New Year!**

Our Jewish brothers will be celebrating Rosh Hashanah, their new year, beginning Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, and ends in the evening of Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a time when the Jewish people are doing a lot of introspection in preparation for Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, September 25, the holiest day of the year.



### **Club Recognition for Philanthropy**

At a luncheon on November 9<sup>th</sup>, National Philanthropy Day, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver Colorado, Monaco South will be recognized as Outstanding Service Organization. Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper will preside. The cost is \$50 per person and \$500 for a table of ten. Reservations can be made at: [Blacktie Colorado](#) by [CLICKING HERE](#).

## Speaker, Coach Dick Katte

Past District Governor **Ron Benson** introduced Dick Katte, legendary basketball coach (48 years) at Denver Christian High School. His is a remarkable journey of faith and sustained love for the Denver Christian Community. He was employed to teach math and help with coaching. Along the way, Dick has coached football baseball, track and field. Eight hundred seventy six wins, eight state championships, 22 league titles, and 30 state tournament appearances are ample evidence of his dedication, perseverance and excellence. In 2005, he was awarded the high honor of induction into the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame, and in 2005, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from his beloved Calvin College in Grand Rapids, MI. He has survived two very serious health issues only to come back from those setbacks with renewed vigor.



Photos Don StJohn

Lessons learned:

1. A coach has teachable moments in the lives of young men.
2. Be dedicated to serving kids.
3. Bloom where you are planted. Do the best where you are.
4. Teach for life after basketball.
5. Play hard, do your best, leave the rest to God.
6. Some things are out of your control.
7. Trademarks: Good defense, sportsmanship, han-

dle adversity with courage, married to my wife, basketball is a mistress.  
Last words: How will you live your dash (the dash on your tombstone between your birthdate and your death date)

God bless you Dick! Thanks for coming. What a great substitute speaker! See Coach Dick Katte's Retirement Tribute movie clip @ [YouTube](#).



## Closing Bell

With \$15 in the pot, and three cards to pick from. **Jack Kleinheksel** drew, no deal. **Ron Carlson** was lucky and awarded two cups. **Jack Rife** drew the six of spades, and bingo! **Dick Zolman** won a cup. **Randy Marcove** won a cup. **Pat Bush** won a cup. Good luck next week!



| Weekly Greeters |                                 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Date            | Greeters                        |
| 9/21/12         | Frank Middleton & Ryan Thompson |
| 9/28/12         | Al Gapuzan & Fred Pasternack    |
| 10/5/12         | Ron Gutru & Jon Wachter         |
| 10/12/12        | Harry Johnson & Steve Kady      |
| 10/19/12        | Tom Wos & Gary Miller           |
| 10/26/12        | Bob Avery & George Buzick       |

| Super Citizen Presenters for Sept. & Oct. |          |                 |
|---|----------|-----------------|
| Sept 17 @ 2:30 pm                         | MPB      | Ed Collins      |
| Sept 28 @ 12:45, 1:50 & 2:15 pm           | McMeen   | ?               |
| Oct 3 @ 8:15 am                           | Highline | Randy Marcove   |
| Oct 15 @ 2:30 pm                          | MPB      | George Buzick   |
| Oct 19 @ 8:30 am                          | Slavens  | Ron Cisco       |
| Oct 19 @ 9:30, 10:15 & 10:45 am           | Holm     | Fred Pasternack |
| Oct 19 3:00 pm                            | Bradley  | Doc Gardner     |

## Monaco South Calendar

- Sep 21 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - 100% Day & Camaraderie Day with Peggy Lehmann
- Sep 22 Sat 5:30 pm OCMS Installation Dinner, Park Hill Golf Course
- Sep 28 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Tony Rasdar, WSGIO (RS52)
- Oct 5 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Devin Burns
- Oct 12 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Anne Rowe & Kendra Black, DPS Board Representatives
- Oct 17 Wed 6:30 pm Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
- Dec 9 Sun Winter Holiday Party, Copper Fields Event Chateau - See Frank Middleton

**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 |
| 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.