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The Optimist Club of Monaco South

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Optimist Junior Golf

There were 162 junior golfers who played in the two tournaments last week. The golf scores were great with 7 boys in the 16-18 age groups equaling or breaking par. Nick Umholtz led all scorers with a 67. The leader in the boys 14-15 was John Ahern with an even par 70. The girls low at Flatirons in the 14-15 age group was Katherine Kasha Scott. The 16-18 winner was Olivia Garard. The other winners were Matt Liringis, 75, in 10-11 boys, Jennifer Kupcho, 91, in 10-11 girls, Ryan Burke, 77, in 12-13 boys and Bryce Schroeder, 81, in 12-13 girls. Thirty-one golfers are eligible to go to the OIJGC at PGA National next month. So far, 12 have already registered to play. We thank everyone who helped make this another successful Colorado-Wyoming Optimist Jr Golf program. Many of our members were banner or hole sponsors and Monaco South also had the biggest turnout of volunteers at the two tournaments! Thanks to you we expect to send over 20 golfers to Florida.



Joe Marci.

Meeting Place - American Legion Hall Post No. 1
5400 E. Yale Avenue (Yale & I-25), Denver, CO.

Club News for JUNE 22

Invocation

Jimmie Brown gave the invocation asking for the strength and guidance to encourage Optimism through our actions.

Certificate Sales

Cy is now selling cards for both King Sooper and Safeway. King Sooper sales totaled \$700 and Safeway sales totaled \$450.

Guests

Fred Pasternack proudly announced that he had a guest who actually showed up. Barry Drexler who attended a previous meeting was in attendance today. Fred will probably have him back as a member soon.

Annual Picnic

President Bernard announced that he's open to new and interesting ideas for the annual picnic. It's been suggested that we might be able to include a movie in the park as a part of the festivities. If you have some thoughts, pass them along to Paul.

District Convention

The Colorado/Wyoming District annual convention will be held August 23-25 at the Doubletree Hotel in Westminster. For those interested in a little gaming, there will be a shuttle to the casino's in Blackhawk. The registration form is in the District newsletter. The registration fee is \$25 if made by July 20 and \$35 if after that date.

MS 150

The bike ride to raise money for the fight against Multiple Sclerosis will be held July 7-8. The ride will start and end at the new Broomfield Event Center with an overnight in Fort Collins, hosted by Colorado State University. Last year the ride raised over \$2 million in the fight against MS and the goal this year is to raise a record \$2.5 million. It's estimated that 2800 cyclists will participate this year. On April 20th, the Colorado MS 150 Bike Tour was honored as the Bicycle Event of the Year by Bicycle Colorado. Our club is a solid supporter of this event. We sponsor a team composed of MSOC members with pledges from the membership and we provide a rest stop in conjunction with the Tamarac club for all the MS 150 riders. The *Optimister*, a large tent with a mist of water to cool the riders, is a welcome sight for the participants. At the present time 15 members are signed up to man the rest stop, so additional volunteers are not required.

Philately

Speaker Ron Mitchell is with the Philatelic Society. For those unfamiliar with philately, it is the collection and study of postage stamps, postmarks, stamped envelopes, etc. The American Philatelic Society was founded in 1886 and is now in its second century of service to stamp collectors and postal historians.

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[Philately](#) continued

With nearly 44,000+ members in more than 110 countries, the APS is the largest, non-profit society in the world for stamp collectors. US President Franklin D. Roosevelt was a collector and member of the APS. Ron presented a slide show depicting a few of the stamps in his collection. He showed stamps from several different countries, stamps of various shapes and sizes, and stamps postmarked from Pryor, Oklahoma where his parents lived. There are weather stamps, sports stamps, Christmas stamps, victory stamps, and a seemingly endless number of topics lending some support to the statement on his opening slide "Lifelong Learning through Stamp Collecting". Who knew? Well maybe Ron Cisco but Stamps can be purchased at auction, through the USPS, and of course on Ebay. And just FYI, if uncle Bill passes away, leaves you the collection, and you need assistance determining the value, the APS will help.

A few additions to the [Today in History](#) info provided by Paul:

1870 - The U.S. Congress created the Department of Justice.

1909 - The first transcontinental auto race ended in Seattle, WA.

1939 - Joe Louis defeated Max Schmeling in 124 seconds.

1946 - Jet airplanes were used to transport mail for the first time.

1959 - Eddie Lubanski rolled 24 consecutive strikes -- two back-to-back perfect games

Monaco South Calendar

Fri	Jun 29	7:00 a.m. Meeting, Legion Hall, Tricia Downing, paraplegic athlete
Wed	Jul 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY – HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Fri	Jul 6	7:00 a.m. Meeting, Legion Hall
Sun	Jul 8	7:00 a.m. MS-150 Rest Stop, Louisville
Fri	Jul 13	7:00 a.m. Meeting, Legion Hall, David Althouse, Colorado News 2
Fri	Jul 20	7:00 a.m. Meeting, Legion Hall, Camaraderie Day
Fri	Jul 20 2nd Honeymoon Week-end, Thunder Mtn. Lodge, Breckenridge
Fri	Jul 27	7:00 a.m. Meeting, Legion Hall
Fri	Aug 3	7:00 a.m. Meeting, Legion Hall
Sat	Aug 4	6:15 a.m. Mud Volleyball, Cy Regan

Past Presidents

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Bill Walters	1991-92
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Kent Gloor	1992-93
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Bob Safe	1995-96
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Tom Overton	1996-97
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Peter Dimond	1997-98
John Young	1982-83	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Pat Bush	1983-84	Cy Regan	1999-00
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Don St. John	2001-02
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Jack Rife	2002-03
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Karl Geil	2003-04
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Bob Avery	1989-90	Donlie Smith	2005-06
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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 successes 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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