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## Optimist Club of Monaco South



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Serving Youth and the Community for 35 Years

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### Good Morning Optimist

Our greeters today were **Ralph Pedersen** and **Robert Wardlaw**. Today's uniform appeared to be khaki shorts or blue jeans (with the exception of a few die-hards, like **Karl Geil** and **Tom Charter** who both were looking dapper with a coat and ties). Also of note: **Ron Carlson** in his autographed Jeff Francis batting helmet. Rockies fans will remember Jeff from his first stint as a Rockie. He's back to try to bolster the starting pitching staff. Hope it works! Go Rockies! (Editors note: Unfortunately it didn't, his outing was shorter than he hoped for, as he was chased after giving up eight runs on 10 hits over 3 1/3 innings in Saturday's 11-5 loss to the Angels.)

### Next Friday is Hawaiian Shirt Day

Even though the Rockies are losing, next Friday was proclaimed "Hawaiian Shirt Day" by our fearless leader, **Prez Randy Marcove**. But **Jack Kleinheksel** decided to wear one today. He did, however, promise that he had several and would be wearing one next Friday as well.

### Friday's Breakfast

Today **John Marinos** did his usual outstanding job of preparing green chili burritos. Considering both the price and the quality of the breakfasts we eat each Friday morning, it's hard to beat! Thanks John!

### Would You Like Your Announcements to Appear Accurately in GUMS?

Help out the GUMS editor's, give your notes directly to the current editor after you announce it. This makes it much easier for our editors to get the information correct.  
Thank you!

### Our Guests Today

Tom Blazer, who is not only past President of the University Hills Neighborhood Association (UHNA), but also a strong supporter of the Thomas Jefferson High School baseball program, was introduced by **Prez Randy**. In order to raise money for the TJ baseball team, Tom is selling chances on a new Chevy with second prize a \$1,000 home entertainment center. Even though each student must pay \$60 to participate on the team, this is not nearly enough to cover the \$8,000 cost of the season, thus the raffle. Tom and Randy both thanked members of the club for their support of the picnic held annually by the UNHA.

**Karl Geil** introduced David Busse, who is a father of six and has kids at both Hamilton Middle School and Bradley, both of which are participants in our Super Citizen program. When David's not being a Dad, he is a public health dentist, who works at many free clinics around the Denver Metro area.

### Installation

**Floyd Hussey**, one of our newer members was formally installed by Past Governor **George Buzick**, in the presence of the Board of Directors, all of whom



Floyd Hussey, left, with Mike McMahon. MSOC founder Dr. Ed Fankhauser in the background.  
Photo Don StJohn

welcomed Floyd and pledged their support to him. Floyd was given a framed membership certificate and the official Optimist International membership packet.

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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

**Hawaiian Shirt Day:** President Randy reminded everyone that next week, Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>, will be Hawaiian Shirt Day and then recognized **Tom Hoch, Brian Williams** and **John Swick**, whom we haven't seen for a while.

**MS 150 Rest & Photo Shoot Stop:** Michael Chavez asked everyone who could to sign-up for the rest stop to support the MS Bike Ride, which will occur on Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> in Longmont. We will be serving lunch, staffing the "Optimizer" and taking pictures of the riders. Even though a goodly number have already volunteered, we can always use more, so clear your calendar and make plans to be there. By the way, **Randy Marcove** and **Ryan Thompson** will be riding for the greater glory of MSOC.

**Cub Scout Pack Formation:** Frank Middleton thanked those who stepped forward at the last minute to supported our efforts in starting a new Cub Scout



Photo Steve Kady

pack at Highline Academy. The efforts of those present supporting Highline Academy's Carnival and gaining support for a new Cub Scout pack were members **Ryan Thompson**,

who was our chief recruiter, **Pat Bush**, **Tom Charters**, **Steve Kady** and his wife Sue, **Russ Paul**, **Donlie Smith** and new member **Barry Barker**.

**HOBY Leadership:** Paul Bernard made a last minute plea for volunteers for the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation volunteer forum, in which community volunteers share their experience with students attending the HOBY Leadership and encourage the participants to think of the various ways in which they can make their particular community a better place to be. Session will be held from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Colorado Christian University.

**King Soopers/Safeway Reloadable Cards:** Cy Regan said that the King Soopers/Safeway reloadable



cards are available from him at an initial cost of \$10. Once purchased these cards can be reloaded for whatever amount you need to purchase groceries or gas. You can use your credit card to load the card, thereby getting the dual benefit of any rewards points offered by your credit card company. Everyone has to eat, so help support this no-brainer of a fund raiser.



### Junior Golf Tournament Dates:

- ⇒ Flatirons Boulder, June 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m.  
Girls 15-18 & Boys 14-15, 16-18
- ⇒ Fitzsimons Aurora, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m.  
Girls 10-12, 13-14 & Boys 10-11, 12-13

**Adult Tournament Junior Golfers Fundraiser:** Joe Marci announced that on Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> there is a Junior Golf Fundraiser at Flatirons starting at 7:30 a.m. The cost is \$110, including lunch and prizes. Contact **Joe Marci** or **Ron Cisco** to enter.

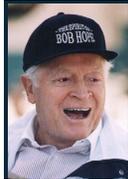
## Humor—Speaking of golf

*It has been reported, one nice day, shortly after joining the PGA tour in 1965, Lee Trevino, a professional golfer and married man, was at his home in Dallas, Texas mowing his front lawn, as he always did.*

*A lady driving by in a big, shiny Cadillac stopped in front of his house, lowered the window and asked, "Excuse me, do you speak English?" Lee responded, "Yes Ma'am, I do."*

*The lady then asked, "What do you charge to do yard work?" Lee said, "Well, the lady in this house lets me sleep with her." The woman hurriedly put the car into gear and sped off.*

### Bob Hope on Golf



*"Golf is my profession. Show business is just to pay the green fees."*

*On turning 70*

*"I still chase women, but only downhill."*

*On turning 80*

*"That's the time of your life when even your birthday suit needs pressing."*

*On turning 90*

*"I don't feel old. In fact, I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap."*



### Some more Humor

*I was in the six item express lane at the store quietly fuming. Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the check-out line pushing a cart piled high with groceries. Imagine my delight when the cashier beckoned the*

*woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked sweetly, "So which six items would you like to buy?"*

*All eyes were on the radiant bride as her father escorted her down the aisle. They reached the altar and the waiting groom; the bride kissed her father and placed something in his hand. The guests in the front pews responded with ripples of laughter. Even the priest smiled broadly. As her father gave her away in marriage, the bride gave him back his credit card. How thoughtful!*

## Speaker, Joe Marci, Ron Cisco & Bob Meyer

The main program today was the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships (OIJGC), presented by **Bob Meyer, Ron Cisco** and **Joe Marci**. Bob is currently one of the co-chairs of the Colorado/Wyoming OIJGC program and will be accompanying the golfers to Florida for the International Tournament at the PGA National Resort and Spa in Palm Beach Gardens Florida. Ron and Joe are the other co-chairs and have run the Colorado/Wyoming program for many years. Colorado/Wyoming golfers are among the most competitive of all of the golfers participating in the tournament.

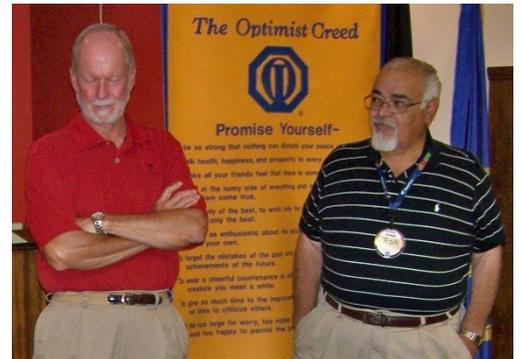


Joe Marci, co-chair OIJGC.

Qualifying rounds will be held on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Flatirons Country Club for the older kids and on Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Fitzsimmons Golf Course for the younger golfers. Winners will qualify to go to Florida, all expenses paid. Other qualifiers may participate in Florida, with the Optimist District helping to defray their expenses.

The trio was soliciting donations to help pay the approximately \$25,000 cost associated with sending golfers to represent the District in Florida. In addition to personal donations, hole sponsorships may be purchased for \$100. There will also be a fund raising tournament at the Flatirons course in Boulder on June 27. \$110 gets you a cart, lunch and 18 holes on the beautiful course. Check with Joe, Ron or Bob Meyer for details.

Joe and Ron shared some of their adventures with this tournament over the past several years and invited everyone to come to Florida (at your expense) to see the tournament for yourself. Do watch for alligators, snapping turtles, and snakes, which also occupy the course in Florida.



Bob Meyer, left, and Ron Cisco, the other co-chairs for this years OIJGC tournament in the Colorado / Wyoming District. Photos Don StJohn

Although the trio was prepared to show a video of the tournament, due to technical difficulties, this will occur at a later date. In the meantime if you are interested in finding more about this major Optimist function, please check the website at: [www.optimist.org/e/juniorgolf/optimist1.cfm](http://www.optimist.org/e/juniorgolf/optimist1.cfm).

### Does a horse have a lap?

A baby horse on its mom's lap. Some pictures just don't need captions. There is nothing like mom's lap, no matter who you are.



This is a newborn offspring of Taskin, a Gypsy Stallion owned by Villa Vanners of Oregon. These pictures were taken immediately after his birth on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The mare laid down, and then he trotted around and crawled right up into mom's lap.

<http://www.animaltalk.us/moms-lap/>

### Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
6/15/12	Don Thomson & Fred Pasternack
6/22/12	Bryce Slaby & Jon Wachter
6/29/12	Karl Geil & Mike McMahon
7/6/12	Bob Avery & Eldon Strong
7/13/12	Paul Stratton & Art Erickson
7/20/12	Ed Collins & Aaron Berry

### Monaco South Calendar

- June 13 Wed 7:00 am Junior Golf at Flatirons Golf Course - see Joe Marci
- June 15 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day
- June 18 Mon 7:00 am Junior Golf at Fitzsimons Golf Course - see Joe Marci
- June 20 Wed 6:30 pm Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
- June 22 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - American Cancer Society
- June 27 Wed 7:30 am Junior Golf Fundraiser at Flatirons - see Joe Marci
- June 29 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Marie Connolly, Guiding Light, Patient Advocacy
- July 1 Sun 7:00 am MS 150 Rest & Photo Shoot Stop in Longmont - See Michael Chavez

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Frank Middleton	1981-82	Cy Regan	1999-00
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Pat Bush	1983-84	Don St. John	2001-02
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Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
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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.