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Good Morning Optimists!



On this Friday morning before the **Fourth of July Weekend**, we were greeted by **Rich Mahoney** and yours truly, this months GUMS editor. Happy 4th of July! OC

President **Ron Cisco** called our meeting to order at 7:00 am sharp.

Invocation & Pledge

Craig Eley provided our invocation this morning and then led us in the Pledge Allegiance to the flag.

Guests

There were no guests today which was the second week in a row that we have not had a guest. **Prez Ron** reminded us that in order to bring in guests all you need to do is ask.



Announcements

Optimist International Convention: Prez Ron asked for volunteers to provide transportation to pick up riders and take them to the Convention. Contact President Ron if you can help.

Liberty Day: Andy McKean passed out pamphlets for Liberty Day "United States Constitution - Declaration of Independence." Andy encouraged all to study and understands the Constitution.



Rockies Game Handout: Curt Jefferies has another Rockies give away opportunity on July 9th. Sign up and receive a free ticket to the game for your time spent. *Go Rockies!*

Article of Interest: Check out the article *Homeless to Higher Education*, in the Thursday, June 24th Denver Post (page 11B) or on the web [CLICK HERE](#). Tyler Cobb a recent graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School describes her journey from being homeless, living in a car with her Mother in Newport, Va. To pursuing a college degree in Colorado. Thanks to **Frank Middleton** for bringing in this article to our attention.

2010 MS Bicycle Ride Rest Stop: Don St. John acknowledged the MS 150 bike ride volunteers. Their names will appear in the next issue of GUMS, but

here are some photos shared by cub photographer, **Bill Anderson**.



Above: Setting up the **OPTI-MISTER**. One of the big hits at the MSOC MS Bicycle rest stop.

At Right: Ladies of the **Tamarac Optimist Club** get ready for the riders to provide a refreshment break.



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 Continued

Speaking About the MS Bicycle: Bob Avery, shared his admiration for the MS riders who are riding with the MS disease. He knows the aches and pains he feels and is sure it is harder on the rider who has MS. He hopes our club will continue to support this worthy cause. Thanks Bob!

March of Dimes MUDD Volleyball: Cy Reagan announced that the Mudd Volley ball fund raiser will be Saturday, August 7th. He needs at least 12 parking lot attendance so sign up and let **Cy** or **Joe Marci** know. The location will be at Majestic Commercenter, Aurora (off of I-70 and Tower Rd.). So that you are aware, In 2008 MUDD Volleyball celebrated its 25th Anniversary. Over the years it has become one of the largest annual fundraisers for the Colorado Chapter of the March of Dimes – raising over \$200,000 annually. The funds raised through this event support our mission of improving the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. The tournament pits over 300 co-ed teams, comprised of 8-12 players each, against each other in knee deep MUDD. Over 3,000 individuals play in the tournament and as many as 1000 spectators come to watch.

This Weeks Super Market Sales: After giving another heartfelt plea for more sales **Cy Regan** reported King Soopers sales of \$750 and Safeway sales of \$550, for a total of \$1,300. Remember this is an easy fund raiser. See Cy and buy yours!

Weekly Drawing: Our drawing had 6 - \$5 winners: **Tom Mauro** (a two time winner), **Terry Shroyer**, **Dick Zolman**, **Ron Carlson**, **Bob Avery** and **Russ Paul**. **Bill Walters**, **Tom Mauro**, and **OC Larson** had a try at the \$30 pot but were unsuccessful. As the cards continue to dwindle the pot keeps growing. Next week to \$40.

Breakfast Drawing: **Gary Miller** won a free breakfast for buying a ton of groceries.

Did I Read that Right?

In a restroom:

TOILET OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW

In a Laundromat:

AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES: PLEASE REMOVE ALL YOUR CLOTHES WHEN THE LIGHT GOES OUT

In a London department store:

BARGAIN BASEMENT UPSTAIRS

In an office:

WOULD THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE STEP LADDER YESTERDAY PLEASE BRING IT BACK OR FURTHER STEPS WILL BE TAKEN

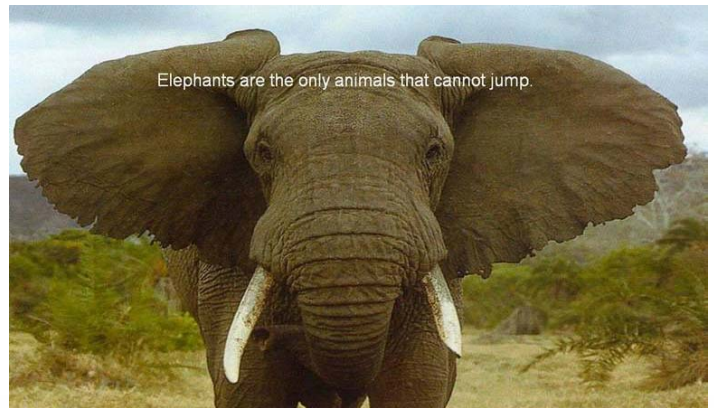
In an office:

AFTER TEA BREAK STAFF SHOULD EMPTY THE TEAPOT AND STAND UPSIDE DOWN ON THE DRAINING BOARD

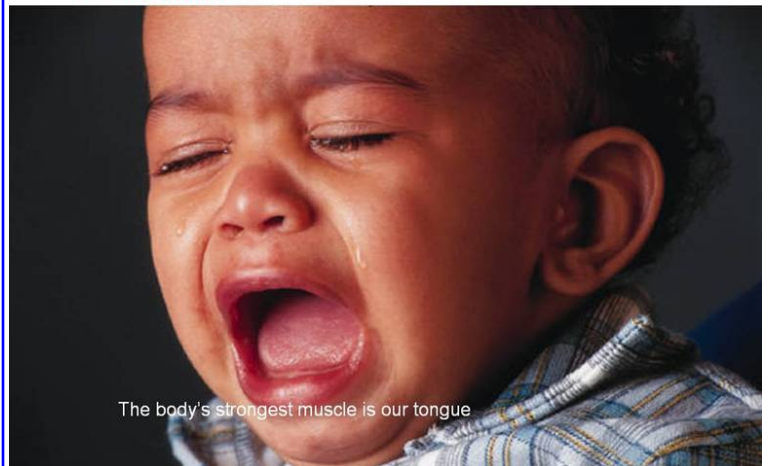
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Did You Know?

Shared by Bill Walters



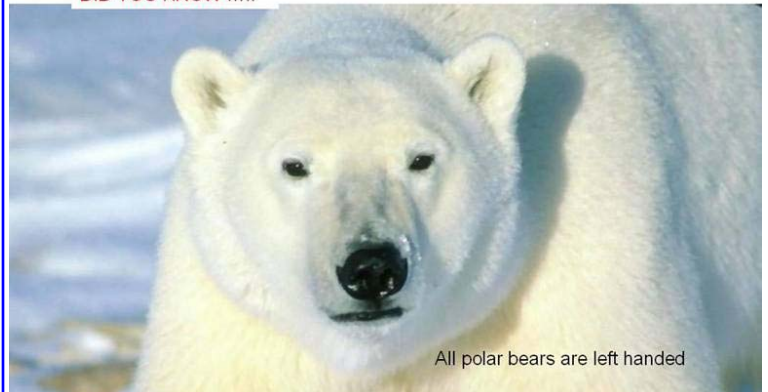
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Today's Speaker

Our speaker today, introduced by **Paul Bernard** was Jerry Short with Parker Sprinkler Supply. Jerry discussed the many ways both Parker and Denver Water are following strict water management. Jerry passed on some interesting facts.

- An acre foot of water is the amount of water 1' deep over the area of one football field.
- We use an average of 100 gallons / person / day.
- The majority of lawns in our area are blue grass and do not require a lot of water, if you allow it to go dormant during the hot summer months. Dry brown spots will green up in the fall.
- Spring and fall good for blue grass. Buffalo grass only uses half the water that blue grass does.
- One half of the trees that die are caused by a shortage of water the other half die from over watering.
- Aerate 2-3 times a year.
- Detaching in not necessary.
- Fertilize 2-3 times a year.
- Xeriscape is protected by Colorado law, even if your local development or HOA says it is not allowed.



Did I Read that Right?

Outside a secondhand shop:

WE EXCHANGE ANYTHING - BICYCLES, WASHING MACHINES, ETC. WHY NOT BRING YOUR WIFE ALONG AND GET A WONDERFUL BARGAIN?

Notice in health food shop window:

CLOSED DUE TO ILLNESS

Spotted in a safari park:

ELEPHANTS PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR

Seen during a conference:

FOR ANYONE WHO HAS CHILDREN AND DOESN'T KNOW IT, THERE IS A DAY CARE ON THE 1ST FLOOR

Notice in a farmer's field:

THE FARMER ALLOWS WALKERS TO CROSS THE FIELD FOR FREE, BUT THE BULL CHARGES.

Message on a leaflet:

IF YOU CANNOT READ, THIS LEAFLET WILL TELL YOU HOW TO GET LESSONS

Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
7/9/10	Paul Greditsch & Jon Wachter
7/16/10	Howard Fry & Jim Easton
7/23/10	Frank Ross & ?
7/30/10	Terry Shroyer & Russ Paul
8/6/10	Phil Perington & Al Perington
8/13/10	Frank Ross & Les Larson
8/20/10	Robert Wardlaw & George Vassilaros
8/27/10	OC Larson & Jon Wachter

Monaco South Calendar

- Jul 4 - 9 Sun-Fri 2010 National Veterans Wheelchair Games
- Jul 5 - 10 Optimist International Week in Denver, Colorado
- Jul 6 Tue 6:40 pmOptimist Day at Coors Field, Colorado Rockies vs. St. Louis Cardinals
- Jul 8-10 Thu-Sat 92nd Annual Optimist International Convention, Sheraton Denver Downtown
Hotel: online registration @ <http://www.optimist.org/reg/>
- Jul 9 Fri 7:00 amMeeting, Legion Hall - Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper
- Jul 16 Fri 7:00 amMeeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day
- Jul 21 Wed 6:30 pmBoard Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
- Jul 23 Fri 7:00 amMeeting, Legion Hall - Shari Shink, Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center
- Jul 25 Sun 6:30 amKids Cure for Cancer, Brent's Place Fundraiser, Washington Park
- Jul 30 Fri 7:00 amMeeting, Legion Hall - Kathy Groth, Vice Chair, Aurora Public Library
What public libraries can do for you.
- Aug 6 Fri 7:00 amMeeting, Legion Hall - TBA
- Aug 7 Sat 6:30 amMarch of Dimes MUDD Volleyball Assist with Parking, Majestic Commercenter, Aurora
- Aug 13 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA
- Aug 18 Wed 6:30 pmBoard Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102

**Past Presidents of the
Optimist Club of Monaco South**

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Gary Strowbridge	1993-94
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Bob Safe	1995-96
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Tom Overton	1996-97
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
John Young	1982-83	Cy Regan	1999-00
Pat Bush	1983-84	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Don St. John	2001-02
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Jack Rife	2002-03
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Karl Geil	2003-04
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
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Bob Avery	1989-90	Paul Bernard	2006-07
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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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