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## Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South

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The Optimist Club of Monaco South -- Founded in 1976  
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### Tis the Season

We are off to a great start at this years tree lot with 47 different members already having worked! Hopefully, everyone has had fun so far and will have more fun as we serve the many customers who will buy their trees from us. Encourage a fellow member to work a shift with you. If you know of a perspective member, take him to the lot with you so he can experience what we do and enjoy the camaraderie. It'll be a win-win with our members all helping make this another successful fundraising Tree Lot. Ever wonder how Santa gets on top of the trailer every year? Well here it is — Oscar Sorensen spends hours boosting him up there, arranging Christmas lights, and setting up the speakers for the holiday music. It's a tough job but beautifully done. Thanks Oscar!

### Serial Entrepreneur

Question - What is a serial entrepreneur? Answer - Lee Thomas. The man has bought and sold more businesses than I could list in the space below. AND most have turned a nice profit upon sale. Being an entrepreneur allows you to be in control of your own destiny which is something he recommends to all. Lee has just written a book Magical Business Solutions in which he relates personal experiences/stories and offers business problem solutions gained from those experiences. Solutions that he believes will add value to your business. Lee asserts that you should work on, not in, your business and that you should prepare for transition. He also said that "humor is the shock absorber of life" and (my personal favorite) "duct tape has many uses". It was enjoyable.

Meeting Place  
American Legion Hall Post No. 1  
5400 E. Yale Avenue (Yale & I-25), Denver, CO.  
Every Friday Morning, at 7 - 8 AM

# The News

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## Invocation

George Busick gave the invocation and members gave the pledge to the flag. Bob Corley and Dean Erickson were guests this morning.

## King Sooper Certificates

Attendance was up over last week, Karl was back, and sales this week were \$1150.

## 9HealthFair

Volunteers are need to assist at Holm school for the 9HealthFair. The date is Thursday, Dec. 7. Shifts are 9:30am to noon and 1:00pm to 3:30pm. If you missed the signup sheet, call Donlie Smith.

## Super Citizens

John Stoffel announced that 13 students were recognized as super citizens at Southmoor last Tuesday. Joe Marci made the presentations and Don StJohn took pictures.

## Annual Dues

They are due! You can pay George Busick or Paul Bernard at a meeting or you can mail the payment to:

George Busick, Treasurer  
10051 W. Exposition Drive  
Lakewood, CO 80226

You can pay \$26.50 quarterly or make one payment of \$101.

## Christmas Party

Don't miss the Christmas Party on December 9 at the Canyon Club Apartments Club House. The fun starts at 6:30 with entertainment provided by Frank Ross. Bring a side dish or dessert and enjoy the ham and drinks provided by the club.

**Driving Directions** from Hampden and I-25 to the Canyon Club:

- ⇒ Go West on Hampden to Holly St.
- ⇒ Turn left onto S. Holly St
- ⇒ Turn left onto Happy Canyon Rd
- ⇒ Continue about a half mile to the Canyon Club Apartments.

## MS 150

Bob Avery presented President Barnard with a plaque from the MS 150 organizers recognizing club members participation and donations.

## A Thank You from Marlin Kent

Thank you, Donlie, again and again, for the wonderful unforgettable birthday party you put together for me. No way can I adequately express my appreciation, or my feelings of joy, for that hour of OCMS friendship. It will always be a fond memory

*Marlin Kent*

### Thanksgiving Dinner

Another successful Thanksgiving dinner at the Boys & Girls Club and Girls Inc., was held on Tuesday Nov. 21. Thirty five (35) members and 5 guests had a wonderful time serving approximately 600 kids. Bill Walters is to be commended for chairing this great project for the past 24 years. Those attending were:

Paul Bernard, Ron Cisco, Dick Daly and son Greg, Al Gapusan, Karl Geil, Kent Gloor, Marc Goodbody, John Greene, Ron Gustas, Coy Horton, Greg Hurd, Don Iley and daughters Molly, Amy Grace and Emily, Jack Kitchell, O. C. Larson, John Marinos, Tom Mauro, Frank Middleton, Dick Nickoloff, Fred Pasternack, Russ Paul, Phil Perington, Bruce Prather, Ken Rack, Cy Regan, Jack Rife, Donlie Smith, Mike Snipes, Oscar Sorensen, Don St. John, John Stoffel, Eldon Strong, Jim Vander Kamp, Scott Walker, Bill Walters, Greg Young, John Young, and prospective member Paul Shamenand, son Ben and daughter Jordan.

### This Day In History

1891	James Naismith creates the game of basketball
1903	"The Great Train Robbery", the 1st Western film, released
1909	1st Christmas Club payment made, to Carlisle Trust Company, Pennsylvania
1921	1st US helium-filled dirigible makes 1st flight
1929	Game of BINGO invented by Edwin S Lowe
1930	NHL drops 20 minute slashing-about-the-head penalty
1955	Rosa Parks (black) arrested for refusing to move to the back of the bus
1967	Wilt Chamberlain set NBA record of 22 free throw misses
1973	Jack Nicklaus becomes 1st golfer to earn \$2 million in a year
1996	Colin Montgomerie of Scotland wins Million Dollar Challenge, the richest first prize in golf - \$1 million

### NOVEMBER / DECEMBER CALENDAR

Dec 8	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Denver Fire, Station 22
Dec 15	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Joe Temple, "Dinosaurs in Your Backyard"
Dec 21	Thur	6:30 pm	Board Meeting, Craig Eley's Office
Dec 22	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - White Elephant Gift Exchange
Dec 23	Sat	8:00 am	Christmas Baskets Delivery
Dec 25	Mon	-----	Christmas Day
Dec 29	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Kids to Breakfast
Dec 31	Sun	-----	New Year's Eve

### 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
Bill Litchfield	1990-91		
Gary Strowbridge	1993-94		

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ITEMS  
TO THE WEEKLY EDITOR**

### 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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