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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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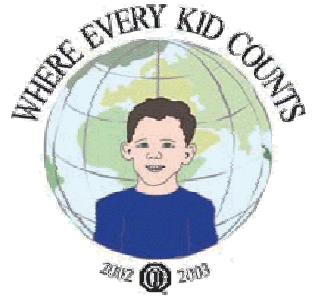
### **Brent's Place**

Brent's place is a hospitality house for children with cancer and their families for use while the child is being treated. The kids come to Brent's after receiving a bone marrow transplant. The facility was established in 1998 at 17th and Park with four fully furnished and equipped apartments. The facility has grown since then and now has eleven apartments located just a few blocks from Children's Hospital and the Rocky Mountain Cancer Center. The average stay is 59 days. Children come to Brent's Place after receiving stem cell transplantation. The stem cells can come from bone marrow, peripheral blood, or occasionally, umbilical cord blood. A stem cell transplant allows a patient to be treated with high doses of drugs, radiation, or both. The hope is that the high doses will kill the leukemia cells. According to our speaker, Adell Gefand, leukemia is by far the most prevalent type of cancer among children ... almost 80%. With earlier detection and better treatment, the number of children who survive is increasing. Ms. Gefand said they can always use a good handyman, so if you have those skills you may want to consider volunteering some time to a very worthy cause.

### **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



## **Invocation**

With the morning invocation Karl Geil gave thanks for all the brave men and women who have served in our armed forces throughout the years and asked that we remember them this Veterans Day. Members made their pledge to our flag.

## **King Sooper Certificates**

Not a bad day for sales of King Sooper certificate. The total for the morning was \$975. it was an OK day but not great. Cy expressed his optimism that next week will be much better.

## **Colorado Symphony Orchestra**

Bill Litchfield is organizing an evening of entertainment with the Colorado Symphony on the evening of December 14. Join the Colorado Symphony Orchestra and Chorus and Colorado Children's Chorale for the 23rd annual presentation of Denver's holiday stage show, A Colorado Christmas. The ticket cost is \$22.

## **Thanksgiving Baskets**

Saturday, Nov. 18 is the date to assemble and deliver the Thanksgiving baskets to those less fortunate. Volunteers will meet at 8:00am in the Legion parking lot to assemble the baskets. Those who are buying turkeys for the baskets should bring them to the Legion parking lot.

## **Thanksgiving Dinner**

The Thanksgiving dinner for the for the Boys and Girls Clubs of of Denver is Tuesday, November 21, at 5 PM. Drivers with vans or pickups are still needed to transport the food. Also, five volunteers are needed to cleanup between the hours of 7 & 9:30 pm.

## **Economic Presentation**

Don Iley invited members to a presentation at the Denver Marriot Tech Center on November 14. Paul Dietrich, who wrote A Guide to American Foreign Policy and has contributed to the Wall Street Journal, The London Times, and the International Herald Tribune will share his economic forecast.

## **New Year's Eve**

Donlie and Carol invite you to join them New Years Eve for "A Night in Vienna". Ring in another new year with the Colorado Symphony Orchestra and the best-loved waltzes, polkas and light classics of all time – including a special salute to Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart on the final day of his 250th anniversary year! Special early start allows patrons to enjoy Denver's annual fireworks display on the 16th Street Mall after the concert. The plan is to have dinner together prior to the concert and most probably to gather after the performance at a participants home. Tickets are \$26 per person. Contact Donlie Smith at (303) 759-0380 to make arrangements for this event.

## **PR for Optimist Clubs**

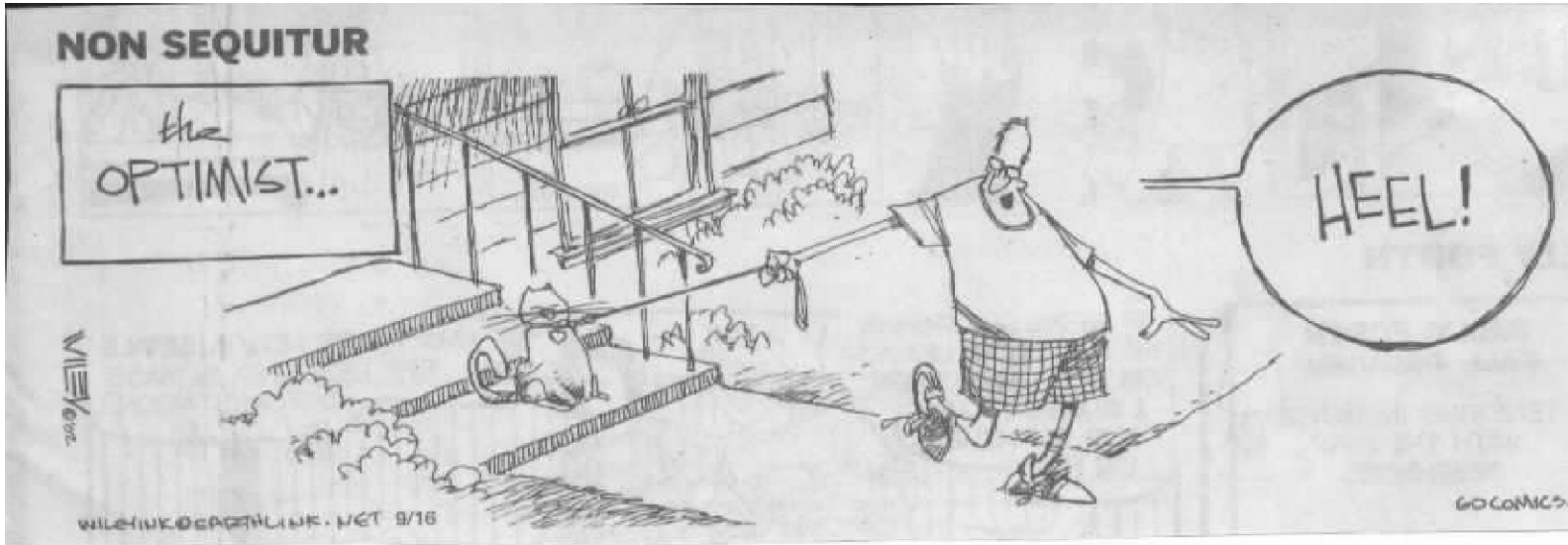
Karl Geil reminded us that the presentation will be on Channel 9 at 10:00am on November 20. Ask a non-member to watch!

## **Get Well Wish**

Get well, Ralph. We hope to see you back at a meeting soon.

## Super Citizens award Presentation Schedule

M P.B.	November 16	2:30 pm	Bruce Prather
Bradley	November 17	3:00 pm	John Moser
Holm	December 1	9:00 am	Bill Litchfield
McMeen	December 1	1:30 & 2:15 pm	Mike Dellere
M.P.B	December 14	2:30 pm	Don Iley
Hamilton	December 14	5:30 pm	Paul Bernard
Bradley	December 15	3:00 pm	Unassigned



## NOVEMBER / DECEMBER CALENDAR

Nov 16	Thur	6:30 pm	Board Meeting, Craig Eley's Office
Nov 17	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Monica Villa Lobos, Girls Inc
Nov 18	Sat	7:00 am	Thomas Jefferson High School, Crafts Fair Parking
		7:30 am	Legion Hall, Prepare and Deliver Thanksgiving Baskets
Nov 21	Tues	5:00 pm	Boys & Girls Club Thanksgiving Dinner
Nov 23	Thur	-----	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 24	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day, Joe Marci on Tree Lot prep
Dec 1	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Speaker TBA
Dec 8	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - South Metro Fire
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 - 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	Gary Strowbridge	1993-94
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Bill Walters	1991-92
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Kent Gloor	1992-93
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Bob Safe	1995-96
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Tom Overton	1996-97
John Young	1982-83	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Pat Bush	1983-84	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Cy Regan	1999-00
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Don St. John	2001-02
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Jack Rife	2002-03
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Karl Geil	2003-04
Bob Avery	1989-90	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	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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