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TODAY' SPEAKER

Today we had our own Bill Wells, candidate for Denver City Auditor, as our speaker. Bill asked the rhetorical question of himself, “Why run for Auditor?” and said he had three primary reasons: (1) his qualifications – he is a certified auditor; (2) his experience – he has over 20 years experience in the private sector and 10 years in government which includes 8 in the Denver Budget Office; and, (3) his passion for the office.

We all know that Bill is extremely honest, listens and has proven to us that he can fix problems. We also learned of his uncanny ability to sniff out government waste, that he is not afraid to “take on the system” and that he has no political ambitions – his sole objective is to improve government.

Bill says to watch for his press release sometime later this week and also he hopes to have newspaper endorsements. He showed us his “big” lawn signs and asked for help in placing them in strategic locations. He encouraged everyone to vote and asked us to encourage others...mail in those ballots!

We wish Bill well as he campaigns for Denver City Auditor!!

Meeting Place - - American Legion Hall Post 1
5400 East Yale Avenue (Yale & I-25), Denver, Colorado
Every Friday Morning, 7 - 8 a.m.

NEWS THROUGH March 23

Invocation & Pledge

Phil Perington offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our great Flag of the United States of America!

King Soopers

Cy Regan sold \$1225.00 worth of certificates today! Cy also told us that in the future, certificates will be in credit card form, can only be used at King Soopers, and you will no longer get cash back...only balances on your card.

Guests

Peter Dimond introduced **Ike Kelly**, a candidate for Denver City Council (Ike will be back in a couple weeks to speak to us). New member **Terry Shroyer** was re-introduced!

Furry Scurry

Don St. John reminded us of the Furry Scurry on 5 May and that all will meet at 5:00 a.m. He needs at least 20 people in addition to those doing the pancake breakfast.

Honeymoon Week-end

Al Gapuzan talked of the 20-22 July week-end at Breckenridge. Condos have been reserved at the Mountain Thunder Lodge near the base of the New Breckenridge Gondola and within walking distance of main street. Cost per night will be \$155 for a 1BR or \$195 for a 2BR (that's \$97.50 per couple if the 2BR is shared). Lots of activities will be available! Sign up with one of the committee members: **Kent Gloor, Al Gapuzan, Frank Middleton or Tom Overton.**

Oratorical Contest

MSOC's annual Oratorical Contest will be Wednesday, April 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Schlessman YMCA (north building, 2nd floor). Need help setting up the room around 5:30 p.m. Not only will we see some new faces, but last year's two Club and Zone contest winners will be back. This year's topic is: "My Biggest Challenge is...". Please come to hear the kids present their thoughts on the topic because as **Karl Geil** says, "it's not public speaking unless the public is there to hear." Contact **Karl** or **Lew Lerner** for more information.

Western Hoedown and Barbeque

Frank Middleton wants you at this annual event which will be April 21st at The Outpost (10101 East Colorado Ave). Cost will be \$21.00 per person with a nominal fee for drinks. Door prizes, dancing, great fun and camaraderie. Wear your cowboy boots and hats (even if you have no cattle).

9 Health Fair

Howard Fry announced our participation in the 9 Health Fair to be held April 22 from 6:30 to 12:00 at the Schlessman YMCA. Will need 12 to 15 helpers.

Rockies Tickets

Joe Marci has opening day Rockies tickets for \$36.00. Proceeds from this 2 April event supports Optimist Junior Golf.

Super Citizen

Bob Hugo and **Don Thomson** thanked and congratulated all those who have helped in another successful Super Citizen Program this year. Don reminded us of the end of year program at the Museum of Nature and Science.



MONACO SOUTH POOPER SCOOPERS

Some of Monaco South's world-famous Pooper Scoopers again did their civic duty at Denver's St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 17th. The Scoopers did their best to keep city streets clean and free of horse leavings....**Gary Strowbridge** thanked all who scooped!!

MONACO SOUTH CALENDAR

Fri, Mar 30	7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Optimist International President, Ronnie Dunn
Fri, Mar 30		Regional Training Conference/ District's 2nd Quarter Conference
Fri, Apr 6	7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Ghana Clinic, Marg Cook
Fri, Apr 6	1:30 p.m.	(and 2:15 p.m.) Super Citizen , McMeen, Bob Safe
Wed, Apr 11	6:00 p.m.	Oratorical Contest, Schlessman YMCA, Karl Geil/Lew Lerner
Fri, Apr 13	7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Speaker TBA
Thu, Apr 19	2:30 p.m.	Super Citizen , M.P.B., John Stoffel and Gary Miller
Fri, Apr 20	7:00 a.m.	Meeting, Legion Hall, Camaraderie Day
Fri, Apr 20	9:00 a.m.	Super Citizen , Holm, Bill Anderson
Sat, Apr 21	6:00 p.m.	Western Hoedown, The Outpost, Frank Middleton
Sun, Apr 22	6:30 a.m.	9 Health Fair, Schlessman YMCA, Howard Fry
Fri, Apr 27	7:00 a.m.	Meeting Legion Hall, Chinese Acupuncture, Dr. Ko Ying Chen
Fri, Apr 27	3:00 p.m.	Super Citizen , Bradley, Tom Hoch
Fri, May 4	7:00 a.m.	Meeting Legion Hall, Metro CareRing, Jon Holmer
Sat, May 5	5:00 a.m.	Furry Scurry, Don St. John
Tue, May 8	1:15 p.m.	(and 2:00 p.m.) Super Citizen , Samuels, Frank Middleton
Fri, May 11	7:00 a.m.	Meeting Legion Hall, AARP Driver's Course, Ron Rutter
Tue, May 15	2:30 p.m.	Super Citizen , Southmoor, Fred Pasternack
Thu, May 17	5:30 p.m.	Super Citizen , Hamilton, Eldon Strong
Fri, May 18	7:00 a.m.	Meeting Legion Hall, Camaraderie Day

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Bob Rhue	1976-77	Bill Walters	1991-92
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Kent Gloor	1992-93
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Gary Strowbridge	1993-94
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
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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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