



Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South

(GUMS)

October 16, 2009

Vol. 34, Issue 3

The Optimist Club of Monaco South

Founded in 1976 at Denver, Colorado

Serving Youth and the Community for 34 Years

www.monacosouth.org

Editor for this Issue—Ralph Pedersen



Good Morning Optimists!

Joe Marci and Tom McKee greeted us this morning for this *Camaraderie Day*; Joe was signing up Presenters for Super Citizen assemblies at the several elementary schools in our community. Joe and Tom made us feel welcome on this brisk October morning. Good job guys, and thanks for getting up early to greet us at the door!

Invocation and Pledge

Ron Roth, new member later today installed, addressed our God of Hope and asked Him to free us from worry, as we say in our Creed, "to be too large for worry." We then pledged our allegiance, customarily but with meaning, to the flag of the United States of America.

Welcome Guests

Tom Mauro introduced Kenneth Pace, and Fred Pasternack brought two ear doctors who sold him some hearing aids. Fred told them, "If you want to get paid, you must be my guests at my Optimist Club!" Mike Snipes presented David Ericson whose two children at Most Precious Blood School had both received Super Citizen honors.

President Ron Cisco recognized the return of Curt Jefferies after heart surgery. It was good to see him again, and he did look good!

Induction of New Member

The afore mentioned Ron Roth, one of the greeters today, was installed by President Ron. New member Ron was sponsored by Les Larson. All board members present joined President Ron on the platform in welcoming new member Ron. There were so many men up there for the ceremony that President Ron was fearful of a collapse.



Photo by Don StJohn

Tamarac's Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's
3301 South Tamarac Drive
Date: Saturday, October 24th, 7:30 – 9:30am
Price: \$7:00

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

Awards by Past President Phil Perington

The annual Marlin Kent Award was earned by **Tom Overton**, **Robert Wardlaw** was recognized as the new Secretary, and **Michael Chavez** and **Dick Cohen** received his Board Member award.



Past President **Phil Perington** presents **Tom Overton**, center, with the *Marlin Kent Award*. Current President **Ron Cisco** joins the presentation .



Past **President Phil** with new board member and secretary **Robert Wardlaw**.



Past **President Phil** with new board member **Michael Chavez**.

President Ron's Time

President Ron is still insisting that he received an email telling of **Joe Marci's** birthday date, which proved to be incorrect (according to the horse's mouth). Ron is having the FBI investigate the source of the incorrect information.

In an attempt to challenge us **President Ron** asked, a) How high is a soccer goal? b) Where did those hillbilly cartoon characters live? c) How many rooms in the White House? d) Which way does the Jack of Hearts face? Answers will be found below.

President Ron announced a new Program: *Wear a Name Badge for a Day*. Purpose is to spread the good news about Optimism through dialogue, and to possibly invite people to join an Optimist Club, hopefully Monaco South.



Announcements

Donlie Smith reminded us of our annual Thanksgiving Turkey Dinners for the Boys and Girls Club and Girls, Inc. Put Tuesday, November 24th on your calendar now! This will require an all hands effort, starting with delivering the food and supplies. We need servers and a clean up crew. One of our biggest jobs is having enough vans, pickups, and

Answers to questions:
(a) 8 feet, (b) Dogpatch, (c) 132, (d) right.

SUV's to transport the food and supplies, which starts Tuesday morning. We will be serving over 700 meals! Call Donlie to volunteer your vehicle at 303-759-0380.

Super Citizen Program

Joe Marci reported on the Super Citizen program in the absence of **Don Thomson**, who is recuperating from back surgery. Joe said that Don is improving steadily. Joe sold out November at the door, with presenters signing up for all assemblies. Joe gave out 34 awards at Samuels yesterday, and **Tom Mauro** and **Les Larson** ran the program at Hamilton.



To the left, one of the 34 Super Citizen recipients from Slavens Elementary School with parents.



To right, a Slavens Elementary School Super Citizen with parents and teacher.

Photos
Don StJohn

Tree Cutting Excursion

Ed Collins is again inviting members to come up to his mountain property to cut trees for sale at the Christmas tree lot. Call Ed to get details. Home: 303-759-4799, Business: 303-692-8668, x303, and Cell Phone: 303-905-7572.

Calling All Wanna be Santa's

Bryce Slaby put out a call for Santa's at the tree lot. He indicated that this year Saint Nick will have his own Santa Claus House to greet all callers. If interested contact Bryce at 303-792-5224.

District Magazine Ads

Mike Snipes is bringing back the Colorado Wyoming District Magazine. He needs advertisers. Cost is \$50 per issue. If you wish to order a display ad contact Mike at 303-699-9161 or cowyoptimists@aol.com.

Wine Tasting

Tom Overton has organized a Wine Tasting at Flemings Restaurant at 191 Inverness Dr., in Englewood, November 6th, at a cost of \$30 per person. \$20 goes to the club. More details later.

Announcements Continued Supermarket Sales



Cy Regan reports sales of \$1,150 with \$1,000 at King Soopers and \$150 at Safeway. Cy challenges us to each buy one card at \$25 to get involved.



Optimist International at a Glance*

- Membership: 108,417
- Total clubs: 3,547
- Founded: June 19, 1919
 - ◊ Six million young people served each year.
 - ◊ 65,000 service projects conducted annually.
 - ◊ \$78 million spent annually on community service projects.

*Source The Optimist Magazine, Fall 2009







Miscellaneous

- Shortest sentence from John Young - *I am*; and the longest sentence - *I do*,
- ◆ 1874 - the first testicular guard “cup” was used in hockey.
 - ◆ 1974 - the first hard helmet was used. It took 100 years for men to realize that the brain is also important.
 - ◆ Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
 - ◆ It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is up to you and no one else.

Statement of Ownership



The 10 reasons you know you are too old to Trick or Treat when:

10. You get winded from knocking on the door. 
9. You have to have another kid chew the candy for you.
8. You ask for high fiber candy only. 
7. When someone drops a candy bar in your bag, you lose your balance and fall over.
6. People say, “Great Boris Karloff Mask,” and you're not wearing a mask. 
5. When the door opens you yell, “Trick or...,” and can't remember the rest. 
4. By the end of the night, you have a bag full of restraining orders.
3. You have to carefully choose a costume that won't dislodge your hairpiece. 
2. You're the only Power Ranger in the neighborhood with a walker. 



And the number one reason Seniors should not go Trick or Treating...

1. You keep having to go home to pee.

Monaco South Calendar

- | | | | |
|--------|-----|---------|--|
| Oct 20 | Tue | 6:30 pm | Board Meeting, Board Meeting, 3540 S. Poplar, Suite 102 |
| Oct 23 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - Debbie Reinberg, <i>The Conflict of Aging</i> |
| Oct 30 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA |
| Nov 6 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA |
| Nov 6 | Fri | | Wine Tasting, Flemings Restaurant, \$30 per person |
| Nov 13 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA |
| Nov 20 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day, Joe Marci on Tree Lot |
| Nov 24 | Tue | | Thanksgiving Dinners at Boys & Girls Club and Girls, Inc. |
| Nov 26 | Thu | | Thanksgiving Day |

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
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Donlie Smith	2005-06
Bob Avery	1989-90	Paul Bernard	2006-07
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Greg Young	2007-08
Bill Walters	1991-92	Phil Perington	2008-09
Kent Gloor	1992-93		

2009 - 2010 Officers

President	Ron Cisco	303-794-0749
Vice President	Howard Fry	303-601-5088
Vice President	Frank Ross	303-713-1008
Secretary	Robert Wardlaw	303-759-0360
Treasurer	Greg Young	303-759-3921

Board of Directors

Michael Chavez	303-960-5304
Dick Cohen	303-320-1767
Jim Easton	303-300-2431
Don Iley	303-840-7706
Les Larson	303-755-1213
Randy Marcove	303-667-3663
Terry Shroyer	303-757-7944
Kale Smith	720-207-4363
Phil Perington (Past Pres.)	303-832-4578

Newsletter Committee

Robert Finkelmeier	303-756-5829	rfinkelmeier@comcast.net	Jim Piccinelli	303-721-1470	jp Piccinelli@earthlink.net
Marc Goodbody	303-202-1610	mlgoodbody@gmail.com	Dick Zolman	303-796-8746	rzolman691@aol.com
Marlin Kent	303-779-0778		Phil Perington	303-832-4578	perington@msn.com
Jim Leuschner	720-851-7102	flyleusch@aol.com	George Buzick	303-803-2268	gtbuzick@comcast.net
Ralph Pedersen	303-759-3384	pedersen.ralph@q.com	Brian Williams	720-253-5731	bdw6688@yahoo.com

NEWSLETTER EDITORS Oct.: **RALPH PEDERSEN**, Nov.: **PHIL PERINGTON**, Dec.: **GEORG BUZICK**

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.

PERIODICAL POSTAGE PAID
AT DENVER, COLORADO AND

Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South (USPS 401730)
Is published weekly for \$2.00 per year by the
Optimist Club of Monaco South at
4173 S. Rosemary Way, Denver, CO 80237
Postmaster: Send address changes to:
Marc Goodbody
3235 YARROW CT
WHEAT RIDGE, CO 80033-5980