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# Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South

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## Optimist Club of Monaco South



Founded in 1976 at Denver, Colorado  
Serving Youth and the Community for 35 Years

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Editor for this Issue—Ralph Petersen



### Good Morning Optimist

Greeters **Al Gapuzan** (commercial cleaning supplies) and **Fred Pasternack** (retired pawnshop owner) gave a firm handshake and a cheery smile to all. Isn't it great to have these guys (greeters) start off our day this way? Thanks to everyone who participates!

**Phil Perington** (District Governor-elect) and Dr. **Bob Finkelmeier** (jack of many trades) were sporting new and sharp CO-WY District Optimist shirts with the new motto "Kids Rock!" on the pocket.



### Invocation and Pledge

President **Randy Marcove**, this being his last meeting as president, took the opportunity to lead us in the prayer. He asked that we be that pebble thrown into the pond, whose waves ripple outward, reaching further and further to make an impact on the pond. It was an effective encouragement to the membership to be involved in our purpose to help kids.

### Guests

Fred Pasternack introduced **Don St.John's** guest and grandson, **J.R. Gleck**. President Randy had two guests, **Tom Glazier** and **Perry Allen**. They are joining the club to help us become a Distinguished Club! **Tom Overton** introduced neighbor **Tom Seaman**, an attorney. Randy also announced that former member **Carl Brown** is rejoining! Good to see you, Carl.

### Jolly Good Fellows



President Randy requested that we sing to **Bryce Slaby** and a few others. A chorus of male testosterone offered a hearty rendition.

### From the Prez

President Randy shared the awards presented at the Installation and Awards Dinner last Saturday, which included: Dr. **Ed Fankhauser**, the **Marlin Kent Award**; **Mike McMann**,



Dr. Ed Fankhauser, with Randy Marcove, recipient of the Marlin Kent Award.

shown below right, **Rookie of the Year**, unfortunately Mike was still vacationing; and **John Oss**, **Optimist of the Year**.



Randy also recognized **Ryan Thompson** for writing a piece showing how scouting can be integrated with the Optimist Mission of *bring out the best in kids*.

At that, Treasurer **Greg Young** presented Randy with his certificate of *Life Membership in Optimist International*.

Thanks for a good year Randy!



John Oss, with Randy Marcove, recipient of the 2011-12 Optimist of the Year.  
Photos Craig Eley

### Announcements

**CO/WY 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Conference**: District Governor-elect **Phil Perington** recognized some of the District Chairs among OCMS members. He also boasted (for us) that our District has its own *rock and roll band*, unique in Optimist International! Remember the next District Conference, October 12-14, 2012, at the Marriott in Colorado Springs.

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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

### Entertainment Books Arrive for 2013: Joe Marci

has Entertainment Books for sale at \$30. Proceeds go to our Sullivan Scholarships program. Widow Kathy Sullivan is selling books among Tamarac Club members.



**King Soopers/Safeway Reloadable Cards: Cy Regan** has Soopers/Safeway Reloadable cards for sale. Use them at Safeway or King Soopers for groceries and gas; they also make nice gifts to family members and friends.

**Correctional Industries Visit: Bob Avery** passed the signup sheet for a tour of the Correctional Industries at Canyon City. This is your last chance to participate. Call Bob at 303-770-0074, 303-757-5854, or 303-550-5433. Better yet email him at [rlaii@msn.com](mailto:rlaii@msn.com).

**New President at Optimist Club of Tamarac:** President Randy announced that **Keith Gallaway's** wife Lois Jean is the new president of the Tamarac Club. See their web page at: [Tamarac Optimist](#).

**Ron Gutru Video Clip:** Our talented **Tom Hoch** developed and produced a "Hi Ron Gutru Video" during last Friday's 100% Day. Take a look at this fun clip by [CLICKING HERE](#). *Ron we hope you enjoy it as well!*



### Highlights of OCMS Installation Dinner

#### Park Hill Golf Course, Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

- ◇ 5:30 p.m. Reception & Cocktails in the lounge
- ◇ 7:00 p.m. **Ed Collins**, Past President called us to order in the dining room
- ◇ 7:01 p.m. **Greg Young** led in the invocation and pledge. "Dear God, thank you for everything you have done for us ...."
- ◇ 7:03 p.m. President **Randy Marcove** gave a welcome and recognized special guests: **Annette Cohen**, wife of past Stan Cohen, 2000-2001; Lt. Governor **Jeanette Thompson**, Governor-elect **Phil Perington**, spouses and significant others (who brightened up the room),
- ◇ 7:15 p.m. Dinner: a buffet of chicken marsala, veggie lasagna, and other enticing vittles.
- ◇ 8:00 p.m. **Highlights of the Year and Awards**— President Randy recognized his fellow officers, **Greg Young**, Treasurer; **Jack Rife**, Secretary; Vice Presidents **Frank Ross** and **Wyatt McCallie**; and his Board of Directors. And mentioned some of the highlights for him which included: **Frank Middleton** spearheading the Philanthropy Award; **Paul Simon** organizing the new American Cancer Society Optimist Club; learning more about the C. Milton Morris Achievement Award and the many recipients who are part of MSOC (see *GUMS*, vol 37, issue 42, July 20, 2012); **Steve Kady** and the American Flag to Ronald McDonald House; to name a few. Randy closed by stating, "You enriched my life; it was an honor to serve."

- ◇ 8:30 p.m. **Jeanette Thompson**, Lt. Governor, installed the officers for 2012-13. She gave gifts to Randy, a prickly pear plant, and to **Paul Simon**, a Day Planner. *Which this editors knows he'll need.*
- ◇ 8:45 p.m. Looking Forward - **Paul Simon**, President 2012-2013, began by saying, "I am aPAULed." He was expressing his emotions standing before us as President, an awesome task. "I can't believe I'm standing here." "It is members like **Michael Chavez** who told him, 'I look forward to every meeting' that encouraged me." Paul then recognized **Tom Mauro**, sponsor, who invited him. Thanked Randy as predecessor, and charter members. "Let's bring out the best in kids and in our fellow optimists!"

[You can view and download pictures taken by Craig Eley from the Installation Dinner by CLICKING HERE.](#)



2011-12 President Randy Marcove

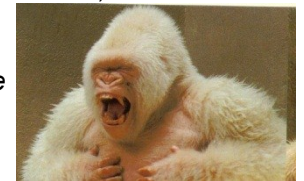


2012-13 Paul Simon  
Photos Craig Eley

- ◇ 9:05 p.m. Blue Jacket Ceremony - Here is where Randy joins his fellow past presidents, all wearing Optimist blue jackets. **Ed Collins** presented Randy with his Life Membership Certificate.
- ◇ 9:15 p.m. Final Message and Creed - Governor, CO/WY District, 2012-2013 Phil Perington said that whenever someone asks him, "What do Optimists do?" he responds, "We rescue pessimists!" He also introduced the district motto, KIDS ROCK! Keeping Dreams Alive. We are also retaining "5 for the kids!" a high five with words.

### Roasting Randy

Our scheduled speaker today was a no show; however, **Paul Simon** let us know that **Tony Rasdar** was a figment of his imagination. He had told **Paul Bernard**, our speaker coordinator, that Tony Rasdar was going lead us in roasting Randy. You know an event in which Randy is joked about and made fun of by members. Well in short, that sort of happened. **Fred Pasternack** related a story of Randy's dealings with a jewelry store. *Editor: I can't share the details, since this is a family newsletter.* **Craig Eley** told a story about Randy dealing with the zoo and an albino gorilla. And **Tom Mauro**, Randy's sponsor, gave compliments to Randy on his aplomb abilities at the podium.



**Editor Note:** The albino gorilla pictured is a resident of the Barcelona Zoo in Catalonia, Spain; and HE is the only known albino gorilla so far. Interesting story Craig!

## Guest Speaker, Latia Shaw

National Philanthropy Day in Colorado

Guest Latia Shaw, National Philanthropy Day in Colorado representative, came to personally thank us and congratulate us as a service club for being awarded OUTSTANDING SERVICE ORGANIZATION! National Philanthropy Day is the special day set aside to recognize and pay tribute to the great contributions that philanthropy, and those people active in the philanthropic community, have made to our lives and communities. Celebrations are held annually in many states across the nation.



Latia Shaw, National Philanthropy Day in Colorado Representative

Photo Don StJohn

Colorado will be celebrated on November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Hyatt Regency Hotel at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver. Registration is open!

Go to [www.npdcolorado.org](http://www.npdcolorado.org)

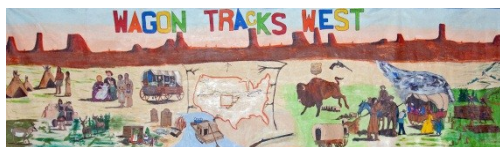
The Monaco South committee who filled out the Nomination Form were recognized by **President Randy: Frank Middleton, Greg Young, Craig Eley, Carl Geil and Wyatt McCallie**, and perhaps more. Thanks and congratulations gentlemen for bringing us this special award!

The 2012 National Philanthropy Day in

## Closing Bell

With only \$10 in the pot and just one (1) card to pick! Guest Tom Glazier had just the right touch and won handily. Cups went to **Ron Carlson, George Buzick, Don Thomson, Dan Hugo and Phil Perington.**

Incoming president **Paul Simon** led in the creed.



At left and below, student art work found in McMeen's hallways.

Photos John Oss

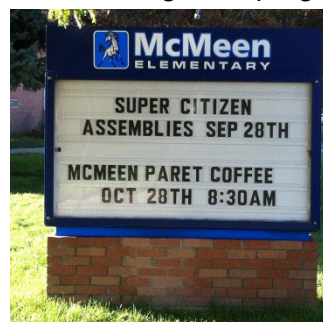
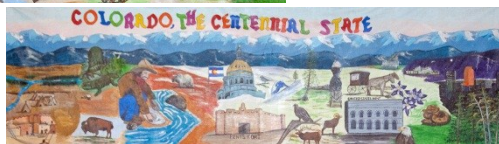


Photo Robert Finkelmeier

You can find the SC calendar attached the newsletter email.

## Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
10/5/12	Ron Carlson & Jon Wachter
10/12/12	Harry Johnson & Steve Kady
10/19/12	Tom Wos & Gary Miller
10/26/12	Aaron Berry & George Buzick
11/2/12	Phil Perington & Floyd Hussey

## Super Citizen Presenters for Sept. & Oct.

Oct 3 @ 8:15 am	Highline	Randy Marcove
Oct 12 @ 9:45 & 10:15 am	Samuels	Gary Strowbridge
Oct 15 @ 2:30 pm	MPB	George Buzick
Oct 19 @ 8:30 am	Slavens	Ron Cisco
Oct 19 @ 9:30, 10:15 & 10:45 am	Holm	John Stoffel
Oct 19 3:00 pm	Bradley	Brice Slaby

## Monaco South Calendar

Oct 5 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Devin Burns  
 Oct 12 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Anne Rowe & Kendra Black, DPS Board Representatives  
 Oct 17 Wed 6:30 pm Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102  
 Oct 19 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day  
 Oct 26 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Jim Saccomano, Bronco VP of Communication  
 Nov 2 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Barbara Martin-Worley, Denver District Attorney's Office  
 Dec 9 Sun Winter Holiday Party, Copper Fields Event Chateau - See Frank Middleton

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

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Bob Safe	1995-96
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Tom Overton	1996-97
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Cy Regan	1999-00
John Young	1982-83	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Pat Bush	1983-84	Don St. John	2001-02
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Jack Rife	2002-03
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Karl Geil	2003-04
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Donlie Smith	2005-06
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Paul Bernard	2006-07
Bob Avery	1989-90	Greg Young	2007-08
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Phil Perington	2008-09
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Gary Strowbridge	1993-94		

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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.