



# Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South (GUMS)



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## Optimist Club of Monaco South



Founded in 1976 at Denver, Colorado  
Serving Youth and the Community for 38 Years  
Recognized as Outstanding Service Organization in Colorado in 2012

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Editor for this Issue—Paul Stratton



### Good Morning Optimist

On this date in 1967, the US and Soviet Union signed Outer Space Treaty, formally the Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and use of outer space, including the moon and other celestial bodies. This treaty forms the basis of what is now international space law.

However, on this date in 2014, **Pat Bush** and **Al Gapuzan** were our enthusiastic greeters. And yes, it was a wet Friday morning.

Additionally, other than the birthday of the editor's nephew Kevin, why is October 10<sup>th</sup> notable? Well, in 1969, a man was born on October 10<sup>th</sup> would who go on to throw more than 500 touchdown passes in the NFL. The only other quarterback to achieve that mark plays for the Broncos now ... but who was the first? A prize will go to the first club member who gives the correct answer to the editor at next Friday's meeting.

### Invocation & Pledge

Lynn Jones began our meeting with a message with a theme of "forgetting the mistakes of the past." Then led the *Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag*.

### Guests

**Al Gapuzan** introduced his guest Thomas, who is Al's neighbor. Al has been bugging him for a long time, and he is finally here! Welcome!

### New Board Members

**Pat Bush**, **Tom Glazier**, and **Curt Boell** were called to the stage by **President John Oss**. The three men are new board members, and each received a pin and took a pledge. Congrats and thank you!

### From the New Prez

1. Board meeting coming up on Wednesday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. when the budget will be approved.
2. Our quarterly CO/WY gathering will be Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at Littleton United Methodist Church, Littleton, CO. To participate register before Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Get signed up!



New to President John Oss' OCMS Board are left to right, past president Jon Wachter, Tom Glazier, Curt Boell. And Pat Bush.

Photo Don StJohn

3. Dr. **Ed Frankhauser** is now home. His wife Jeannie is thankful for his feisty ways. We are looking for his steady gaze once again.
4. Thanks to **Frank Ross** for walking me through setting up the audio. Repetition will get me on board.
5. Optimism waters run deep—a stellar example from **Mike Snipes**. Mike has shared that he is no longer in the Denver Metro area and has resigned from our club. Mike's Optimist involvement goes back to 1958 in the Junior Optimist and the bicycle safety programs he promoted. He remembers learning the creed way back then. We were blessed with his presence from October 2006 to this year. Mike tells us, "The youth of America are out there to be directed, enthused, and led by people such as those with Monaco South. I salute you!" What a powerful affirmation. Mike, we salute you!



Mike Snipes  
Photo Craig Eley

### From the Editor

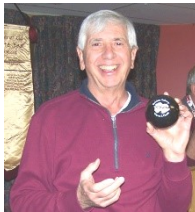
**Tom Mauro** and **John Oss** - the only two to answer the "shot heard round the world" trivia question from last week's newsletter. On October 3, 1951, the NY Giants beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in game three of an end of season playoff to determine the National League pennant winner. The winners needed to name three of the principal participants -

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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\*\*\*\***

## From the Editor Continued

Ralph Branca pitching, Bobby Thompson hitting, and Russ Hodges with the famous radio call. Also would have accepted Willie Mays (on deck). The Giants went on to the World Series and lost to the Yankees. Tom received a Warren Buffet Magic 8 Ball and John (2<sup>nd</sup> place) got a Broncos-themed donut.



Tom Mauro  
Photo Don StJohn

## Announcements

**Super Citizen Presenters Needed:** Rob Gardner is looking for Super Citizen presenters. Sign up and be part of one of our most successful programs.

**Reloadable Grocery Cards:** Cy Regan mentioned that we still are selling *Safe-way* and *King Soopers* reloadable cards, see Cy at his table in the back of the room. Every \$5,000 we spend at the stores means our club gets \$250.

**Columbus Day Golf Tournament:** Joe Marci has 11 golfers for the Columbus Day golf tournament on Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup> at Fitzsimmons, and he needs one more. He shared, *"Let's see how our golfer's scores compare to our 10-13 year old girls and 10-12 year old boys who played in May. We doubt the guys will best the top five scores for either group! Breakfast will be at 8:00 with the first tee time at 9:04 a.m."*

**Sullivan Scholarship:** While Joe Marci had the floor, he said the club is looking to reduce the number of scholarships we award due to lower tree lot sales. Buy an Entertainment Book from Joe to help this important club program!

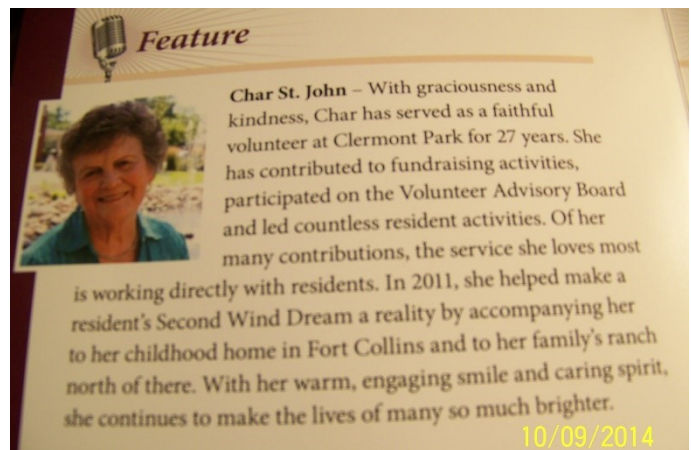
**CO Correctional Industries Tour:** Bob Avery has three slots left to tour Department of Corrections facility in Canon City on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Those interested need to get their driver's license number and date of birth via email to Bob ASAP. The group will leave at 7 a.m. and will be back by 3 p.m. A stop for lunch will also be part of the trip.

**Pumpkin Sale: Support the Scouts:** Bob Avery also tells us to buy a pumpkin at the southeast corner of Holly and Bellevue (5600 E. Bellevue Ave.) in front of the Greenwood Community Church. Proceeds go to help support Troop 457 activities including subsidizing summer camp. [See the Pumpkin Lot Click Here.](#)

**Christian Living Communities Award:** Ron Carlson acknowledged Don StJohn's wife Char StJohn



who received the Earthen Vessel Award from Christian Living on Thursday. She has been a volunteer at the Communities Clermont Park facility for 27 years contributing in many ways. Don, shared these photos and said, "The Earthen Vessel Award, lower right, and flowers that our kids, grandkids, and great grandkids sent to Char." *Congratulations Char from MSOC!*



Photos Don StJohn

**Let There Be Pumpkin Pies:** Steve Kady reports, that Hugo Gonzalez owner of Four G's Mexican Restaurant at 900 Jersey St. (9<sup>th</sup> and Jersey), has offered to donate 125 pumpkin pies, plus the whipped cream, to our club for our annual Boys and Girls Club Thanksgiving feast. Hugo knows all about kids. He is the father of six. Growing up on the west side of town, he is familiar with the club and what it does for kids.



Hugo said he was proud that he could give back through our club. Four G's Mexican Restaurant is a family own chain of four restaurants throughout the Denver area. He was unable to attend our meeting due to having the responsibility of helping getting his children off to school. He said he would like to attend one during the Thanksgiving break.

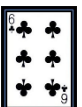
**Dues Are Due:** Treasurer Greg Young said, by now everyone should have received their dues statement for this fiscal year, October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. Dues have increased for regular members by a measly \$1.00. This makes annual dues \$125.00.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL Annual Dues

BUT WAIT — If you pay the full year's dues by November 30, you can take a \$5 discount. BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE — Life Members only pay \$88 dollars, or \$83.00 with the full year payment discount. If you are interested in becoming a Life Member, download the attached *Life Member Application* attached to the Newsletter Email and send it in to Optimist International in St. Louis, with a copy to Greg Young. You will receive a certificate suitable for framing, and a nice carrying card. Greg Young, sincerely appreciates you paying your dues promptly!

## Do We Have A Drawing?

The card being sought this week was the Six of Clubs, with \$30 in the pot. Cups went to **Fred Pasternak**, who says he never wins — twice, **Ron Cisco**, **Ron Carlson** and someone else. And the opportunity for the big money went to the consistent winners, **Terry Shroyer** and **Jack Kleinheksel** — but alas, not today for those gentlemen. The pot just keeps growing.





## Mike Nixon

Director, Land Rockies/Alaska with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation

Our speaker was Mike Nixon, Director with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, giving a presentation on what fracturing is, and what it isn't.

The shale revolution is helping to make the US more energy independent, and hydraulic fracturing has been utilized for over 60 years. Now better technology has improved the process, which used to be exclusively vertical. Now wells are able to fracture horizontally and directionally. Less surface space is needed for wells since fewer entry points are needed, thus less drilling.

Hydraulic fracturing relies on the use of fluids to



Mike Nixon

Photo Don StJohn

create a crack by hydraulic pressure. Specifically, injecting a mixture of water, sand and fracturing compound under pressure to a targeted location, which can then create space in tight areas. Today, 95 percent of wells in Colorado are fracturing operations.

At [www.fracfocus.org](http://www.fracfocus.org) oil and gas producers are required to disclose the chemicals used in the fracturing fluid, as well as the amount of water used. The fluid is 99.5 percent water and sand, and 0.5 percent chemically-based additives.

Further information can be found on the Colorado Department of Energy Development website, [www.colorado.gov/energy/](http://www.colorado.gov/energy/) and [studyfracking.com/](http://studyfracking.com/).

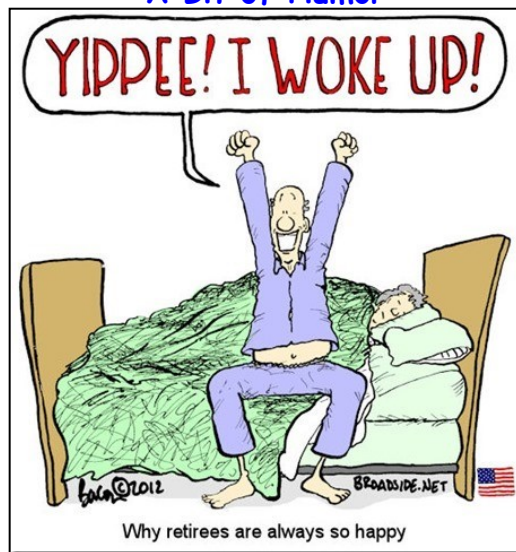
### Weekly Greeters

10/17/14	Jeff Johnson & John Oss
10/24/14	Terry Shroyer & Cap Hermann
10/31/14	Tom Glazier & Allen Malask
11/7/14	Scott Walker & Phil Perington
11/14/14	Tom Hoch & Mark Metevia
Need Friday morning greeters, see O.C. Larson, 303-797-7432 or <a href="mailto:larson1942@comcast.net">larson1942@comcast.net</a>	

### Super Citizen Presenters Oct.

Oct 14 @ 1:30	Samuels	Don Thomson
Oct 15 @ 8:00	Highline	Joe Marci
Oct 15 @ 2:30	MPB	George Buzick
Oct 16 @ 5:30	Hamilton	Randy Marcove
Oct 22 @ 8:00	Highline	Bob Avery
Oct 24 @ 8:30	Slavens	Michael Chavez
Oct 24 @ 1:40	Univ. Park	Dave Peck
Oct 24 @ 3:00	Bradley	Jon Wachter
Oct 30 @ 1:30	McMeen	John Oss
Be a Super Citizen Presenter See Rob Gardner, 720-263-6203 <a href="mailto:gardnerrb@gmail.com">gardnerrb@gmail.com</a>		

### A Bit of Humor



Of course I talk  
to myself.



Sometimes  
I need  
expert  
advice.

Oct 15	Wed	6:30 pm	Meeting, Legion Hall - Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102
Oct 17	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day
Oct 24	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Robert Garelick, Executive Director, JDFR Rocky Mountain Chapter
Oct 24	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA
Nov 7	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA

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

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Bob Safe	1995-96
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Tom Overton	1996-97
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Cy Regan	1999-00
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Stan Cohen	2000-01
John Young	1982-83	Don St. John	2001-02
Pat Bush	1983-84	Jack Rife	2002-03
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Karl Geil	2003-04
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Donlie Smith	2005-06
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Paul Bernard	2006-07
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Greg Young	2007-08
Bob Avery	1989-90	Phil Perington	2008-09
Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Ron Cisco	2009-10
Bill Walters	1991-92	Ed Collins	2010-11
Kent Gloor	1992-93	Randy Marcove	2011-12
Gary Strowbridge	1993-94	Paul Simon	2012-13
Mark Metevia	1994-95	Jon Wachter	2013-14

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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.