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Good Morning Optimist

FIFTH FRIDAY

On this beautiful Fifth Friday in May, **Scott Walker** was our all-around go to guy. Not only did he act as greeter but he also performed the Invocation and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Way to go Scott!

Scott was assisted by **Michael Chavez** who announced that he is now seeing more clearly with 20/20 vision. The editor, is not clear were scheduled greeter **Fred Pasternack** was this week, but Scott and Michael handled the job with smiles.



Guests

Steve Kady introduced **Bob Albertson**, who recently retired from his position as Executive Vice President at Wells Fargo Bank and who, apparently hangs out at McDonald's waiting for someone to invite him to an Optimist meeting.

The third time is a charm. **Don Thomson** introduced **Mike White**, who was here for the third time, this time with application in hand. He even said he paid for his own breakfast. Congratulations to Mike and thanks to Don and **Gary Strowbridge** who assisted in hosting Mike. We can always use new members, so all you need to do is **ASK**.

From the Prez

Please join me in welcoming our "soon to be" new member, **Mike White** and our most recent new member **Noel Has-selgren**.

Noel has already helped us out at the Brain Bowl, and getting our sound system up and running, in the absence of **Frank Ross**. "Catch Mike and Noel for a chat. I am sure there are projects and activities that they can enjoy."

"Where is Freddie?" He was missing from our meeting this morning. "Let us keep him in our thoughts. Give him a call to see how he is doing."



Prez John Oss oversees the announcements—serving as timekeeper.
Photo Don StJohn

On the Mend

Abigail Nicholas, Governor/Head Coach of CO/WY District and spouse of Monaco South Charter Member **Kent Gloor**, reports that Kent is back home after a two-day stay in the hospital last week for some heart pacemaker adjustments to control problems with the rhythm of his heartbeat. He is doing well from the ordeal, but trying to get his strength back. "Wish Kent well and keep him in your thoughts and prayers."



Kent Gloor
Photo Craig Eley

In Our Thoughts

Prez John shared that Dr. **Ed Fankhauser** is improving, but could still use a ride to our Friday meetings. Give Dr. Ed a call and/or volunteer to provide Dr. Ed a ride to our meetings.

Don Thomson's sister passed away earlier this month. Our deepest sympathies go out to you and your family.

Announcements

HOBY Leadership Conference: **Paul Bernard** let us know that the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference still needs volunteers for about an hour on Saturday evening, June 13th to talk to attendees about the importance of volunteerism in local communities. Participants in the conference are "high-achieving" high school juniors from all over Colorado. The conference will be held on the campus of Denver University. Paul will have maps and precise times available—see him for further details.

Handouts at Rockies Game: **Michael Chavez** is still looking for people to handout a promotional item at the Rockies game on Friday, June 5. You need to be there by 3:45 p.m. to get free admission to the game when you are done working. Friends and family are welcome to participate, but they must be at least 16 years old to work. We need at least 25 people, or we will miss an opportunity for an easy and fun fund raiser. Let Michael know.

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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

Multiple Sclerosis Bike Ride: Michael also asked us to support the MS Bike Race hydration station on Sunday, June 28. The venue is still in Longmont, but will be at Trail Ridge Middle School, 1000 Button Rock Dr., Longmont. Start time is 7:00 a.m. Michael will provide maps to the site and a free lunch will be served. As an adjunct, **Bob Avery** is seeking pledges for riding in this event. Bob says he has been participating, off and on, for the past 26 years. Support Bob and the other CO/WY Optimist who ride in this worthwhile event.

Regarding support of Junior Golf events, Joe Marci has provided the following information, "There are 3 events next week beginning with Optimist Day at Coors Field on Sunday, June 7. Those who have bought tickets should arrive at the game early, as the early arrivers will receive "Tulo bobblehead." Joe still has tickets for excellent seats in the first level of Section 144.

Junior Golf: On Tuesday, June 9, a scramble format golf tournament is scheduled at Park Hill Golf Course for all Optimists and friends. Cost is \$110 and includes golf, prizes, and lunch.



Additionally, on Thursday, June 11, the first Junior Golf Tournament is at Fitzsimmons and begins at 9:00 a.m. If you know of any golfers, age 12 or under, there are still some slots left. Again contact **Joe Marci**.

Further, the tournament could still use some volunteers to help. The tournament for those over 12 will be at the Flatirons Golf Club in Boulder on Friday, June 19 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Check with **Joe Marci, Ron Cisco**, or **Bob Meyer** for details to play or volunteer to help out.

Super Citizen Program: **Robert Wardlaw** announced that the Super Citizen program is winding down for this school year. The culmination of the program will be the presentation of the Charles Korsoski Award at each of the schools that participate in the Super Citizen Program. This award is presented annually to the outstanding Super Citizen of all those who won the award at a particular school and includes a \$50 prize.

To see the history of the Charles Korsoski Award check the attachment to the *GUMS* distribution email. This year over 865 students from our ten supported Super Citizen schools were recognized with a t-shirt, certificate, and a copy of the Optimist Creed.

CO/WY District Convention: **Paul Simon**, our current Zone 9 Lt. Governor reminded us of the Colorado/Wyoming District Convention, which will be held this year at the Colorado Hotel in Glenwood Springs the weekend of August 27-30. This annual event allows representatives from the entire district to get together, have



some fun, and share in the administration of the district. Our own **Curt Merrill** will be installed as Governor and "Glass Half Full" will provide entertainment, featuring **Randy Marcove** and **Jon Wachter**. For other details on the event and/or the Registration Form please visit the CO/WY website at www.optmistcowy.org. Check the "Events & Conferences" area.

Comradery & Happy Bucks

After some interesting conversations and comradery, Prez **John Oss** brought out the spittoon and through the generosity of the group, \$37 in "Happy Bucks" will be contributed to the Children's Cancer Crusade.



May Birthday's

At the reminder of **Tom Mauro**, who wanted to take a buck out of the spittoon, because he missed the harmonizing tones of the "Happy Birthday" song that only MSOC can generate, a serenade was sung for your editor, **George Buzick, Robert Duvall, Harry Fegley, Keith Gallaway, Al Gapuzan, Karl Geil, Tom Mauro, David Peck, James Riley, Gary Strowbridge, and John Young**.

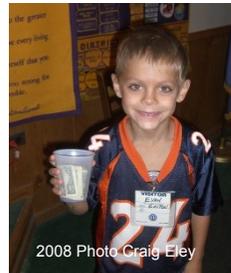


Do We Have a Drawing?

We Have a Drawing - With the target being the Ace of Diamonds and \$140 on the line, ticket sales were brisk. The first attempt was **Wyatt McCallie** ticket who called over "big winner" **Evan Easton**, son of **Jim Easton**, who was in our midst today to help try to pick the big winner. As any good attorney would do, he offered him 30 percent of the winnings, plus advisory fees if he pulled the right card.



At left is Evan as a 2008 winner with a cup of \$6+ dollars, and below is Evan as a \$200 dollar winner in 2014. He knows when to show for a chance at the "big money." He probably will be here next week since he did not put the Ace of Diamonds for Wyatt.



Tom Glazier took the second shot at the pot, but he too did not get it as well.



Cup winners included **Bob Avery, Allen Yockey, Don Thomson, Mark Metavia, John Stoffel, and Pat Bush**, who all had to be satisfied with the "little money."

Don St. John's name was drawn for wearing his nametag, but he too failed to draw the lucky card. Stay tuned for next weeks fun filled adventure brought to us by Dr. Bob, as the pot grows to \$150 dollars.

Closing Bell

With the familiar recitation of "Promise Yourself..."

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Good for a Few Laughs



Secrets to a long happy marriage



A old woman was sipping on a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she says, "I love you so much, I don't know how I could ever live without you"... Her husband asks, "Is that you, or the wine talking?"... She replies, "It's me... talking to the wine."

Paraprosdokians

Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. Winston Churchill loved them.

- ◇ Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
- ◇ The last thing I want to do is hurt you ... but it's still on my list.
- ◇ Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- ◇ If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
- ◇ We never really grow up — we only learn how to act in public.
- ◇ War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
- ◇ Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- ◇ To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

- ◇ I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
- ◇ In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of emergency, notify..." I answered "a doctor!"
- ◇ Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
- ◇ You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
- ◇ I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
- ◇ To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
- ◇ Going to church doesn't make you a Christian, any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
- ◇ You're never too old to learn something stupid.
- ◇ I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

Weekly Greeters	
6/5/15	Mark Metevia & Jeff Johnston
6/12/15	Noel Hasselgren & Robert Wardlaw
6/19/15	Tom Glazier & Allen Malask
6/26/15	Nick Newey & ?
Need Friday morning greeters, see Jon Wachter, 303-204-5645 or jon_wachter@msn.com	

Super Citizen Korsoski Presentations	
Thursday, June 4	Bradley
Thursday, June 4	Hamilton
Thursday, June 4	Lowry
Friday, June 5	Holm
Friday, June 5	McMeen
Friday, June 5	University Park
Be a Super Citizen Presenter See Rob Gardner, 720-263-6203 gardnerrb@gmail.com	

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| June 5 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - Excellence in Education Presentation |
| June 5 | Fri | | Handouts at Rockies Game, see Michael Chavez |
| June 7 | Sun | | COWY District Optimist at the Rockies Game, see Bob Meyer, Joe Marci, or Ron Cisco |
| June 12 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - Live Kidney Donation, Mike McMahan & Kim Margolin |
| June 13 | Sat | | HOBY Leadership Conference, see Paul Bernard |
| June 18 | Thu | 6:30 pm | Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102 |
| June 19 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day |
| June 26 | Fri | 7:00 am | Meeting, Legion Hall - Fiduciary Standards for Financial Advisors, Ben Moultrie |
| June 28 | Sun | 7:00 am | Multiple Sclerosis Bike Ride, Trail Ridge Middle School, 1000 Button Rock Dr., Longmont |

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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.