

# Grandiose Utterings of Monaco South (GUMS)

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## Optimist Club of Monaco South



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Serving Youth and the Community for 37 Years  
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Editor for this Issue—John Oss



### Super Bowl Weekend



#### Good Morning Optimist Welcome

**Bob Avery** and **Jon Wachter** were our official greeters today. Bob welcomed your editor with a broad smile. He did not even fuss at my coming in after the First Bell. Jon was not to be seen until looking to the stage. The Invocation and Pledge were complete. **Bob Coulson** was seated, after completing another well-received invocation. Snow does have some impact on attendance, but there were not that many parking slots open. Look at the seated fellows, and it looks like just another morning. This Minnesota boy editor better tighten up his act to keep up with this hardy bunch.



Photos: Jon Oss



#### First Bell

**President Jon** must have done another good job. Smiles were spread around the room.

#### Invocation & Pledge

Chaplain **Bob Coulson** officiated. He was back after joining many from the club at a memorial service this past Thursday. The service was for **Frank Middleton's** son Jeff Middleton, who died suddenly. With many Optimist members, past Governors of Monaco South, and the COWY present, the community comforted Frank and family, along with the Optimist community itself. The [obituary page for Jeff](#) is open for expressions of love and support for Frank and his family.

#### The Weather Stopped Our Speaker

Our speaker, Pat Rogers from Golden Retriever Rescue, was prudent in not venturing over strange roads to join us this morning. So, we ending up pressing on with a very lively morning of camaraderie.

#### Happy January Birthdays

Bringing the first month of 2014 to a close the traditional crooning, well it was somewhat close, of Happy Birthday was attempted for: **Bob Coulson, Sterling Crowe, Floyd Hussey, Curt Jefferies, Joe Marci, Bill McGroarty, Andy McKean, Allen Pierce, John Stoffel, Jim VanderKamp, Prez Jon Wachter, and John Walsh.** Those in attendance received the proper serenade.

#### Announcements

**JOOI Club Ready to Staff Up:** Prez Jon Wachter said he would accept help in guiding the new Bradley JOOI club. AQs reported last week, fifty students have signed up. If interested in assisting this new JOOI club see Jon. This past week, Sue Williams

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#### Wives and Sweethearts to Breakfast Friday, February 14 @ 7 a.m. Valentines Day Citron Bistro, 3535 S. Yosemite

The cost is \$18 each, bring your check to next Friday's meeting. Even if your wife/sweetheart is unable to attend, all singles are welcome to join in the festivities. Sign up by Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> or email your reservation to Craig Eley at [craigceley@gmail.com](mailto:craigceley@gmail.com).

There will be no meeting at the Legion Hall.

**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

wrote: "What a great team effort this was to get this going. As most of you know Randy (Randy Marcove, past president) and I started talking about this two years ago. It is nice to see it finally come to fruition.

Great photo and write up in the Monaco South Newsletter. Thanks for your hard work in putting kids first!

Sue Williams, Bradley International Assistant Principle"

Again **President Jon** can use your help to get this JOOL club going, and Bradley is eager to go.

**Deputy News Letter Editors:** John Oss passed out note pads. All giving announcements, who want mentioned in the newsletter were asked to write up and submit announcements. What a novel idea!

**Car Pool to Estes for District Conference:** Prez Jon reminded all to car pool to the Estes District Conference on Saturday, February 15, to attend the meeting and enjoy the lunch. See **Donlie Smith** for details. The club will pay for your lunch, but you need to make the reservation on your own. See the district website for agenda and reservations.

**Glass Half Full Band Featured in OI Magazine:** Tom Overton announcement, the winter *The Optimist* magazine has an article on page 26 titled, "The Story of Kids Rock." It features the CO/WY District Band, "Glass Half Full." Named are two members from Monaco South, **Randy Marcove** and **Jon Wachter**. Also named is **Phil Perington**, past governor and MSOC president. The article can be found at: [http://www.optimist.org/magazine/TheOptimist\\_Winter2014/index.html#/28/](http://www.optimist.org/magazine/TheOptimist_Winter2014/index.html#/28/). Give the webpage page time to load.

**Wives, Sweethearts to Breakfast:** Craig Eley announced that Friday, February 14 (Valentine Day) Monaco South will be celebrating with wives and sweethearts for breakfast. We will meet at 7 a.m. at

the Citron Bistro, 3535 S. Yosemite (near Yosemite & Hampden) for good food and fellowship, followed by a revival of the popular "Oldyweds Game." The cost is \$18 each, and even if your wife/sweetheart is unable to attend, all

singles are welcome to join in the festivities. Bring your checks next Friday's meeting to save postage. Sign up at the Friday, February 7 meeting—last chance—or email your reservation to Craig Eley at [craigceley@gmail.com](mailto:craigceley@gmail.com). There will be no meeting at the Legion Hall that morning.

**Brain Bowl is Coming:** Karl Geil reminded us to keep our eyes on the upcoming three contests. We still need to add help for the Colorado Springs event. To sign up see past newsletters for details along with the event web site @ <http://optimistbrainbowl.org/>.

**Chinese New Year:** Mark Metevia asked, "What day is this?" Upon hearing loud shouts that it was the Chinese year of the horse, he smiled broadly, and sat down. It seems to have something to do with our Broncos. Now that is big time influence!



**Nomination Committee:** Oscar Sorensen reported that club elections would be the second week of March. We will need to elect a president, two vice presidents, and four directors. If interested in serving our Club see Oscar.

**Junior Golf Booth at Golf Expo:** This year's GOLF EXPO will be at the Denver Mart starting on Friday, February 7 thru Sunday, February 9. Attendees will be able to test the new 2014 model clubs and win golf vacations and over 100 door prizes.



The Optimist Junior Golf program will have a booth to share this year's information about our District Golf Tournaments. Anyone wishing to help share junior golf info with the attendees should contact **Joe Marci** at 303-771-3748 or Ron Cisco at 303-794-0749. The following chart shows those who have signed up so far. We still can use 3-4 volunteers per shift. Currently we have:

- ◇ **Friday, 10-12:** Sewell Black, Jim Davis, & Lynn Jones. 12-2:30: Don Thomson, Jack Kitchell, & Les Larson. 2:30-5: OC Larson, Pat Larson, & Allen Pierce.
- ◇ **Saturday, 9-12:** John Greene, Verlee Greene, & Frank Middleton. 12-2:30: Ralph Pedersen & Jim Easton. 2:30-5: Dave Owens & Bob Meyer.
- ◇ **Sunday, 9-12:** Lynn Jones, Russ Paul, & Joe Marci. 12-2:30: Frank Rowe & Nan Belme. 2-4: Allen Pierce & Joe Marci.

**Denver Works Clothing Closet:** Prez Jon on behalf of **John Young** and his wife Claire support the 501c *Denver Works Clothing Closet*, which needs shoes and neckties for men coming out of prison and interviewing for jobs. Other items are welcome too. Please support, drop clothing items at their home or bring them to our next meeting.

**Computer Wanted:** Anyone with a usable old computer (XP or 7) that wants to donate it to help a member in need, see or call **Greg Young**, 303-759-3921, or email him at [gndyoung@comcast.net](mailto:gndyoung@comcast.net).

**News Letter Submissions:** John Oss learned something this week. As GUMS editor he handed out paper and pencil to all standing in line to make an announcement. However, he learned his approach does not work. Therefore, please excuse my omissions. John shares, "Going over notes and audio takes time, which I just didn't have this week. Doctor Bob has in many ways made me look good this month. The club owes him and the several others from years earlier a great debt of appreciation. Thank you Bob!"

## Weekly Drawing

There was \$40 big bucks in the pot this week, and the Jack of Clubs was not turned over. **Bob Avery**, **Wyatt McCallie**, **Don St. John**, **John Stoffel**, **Allen Malask**, **Phil Perington**, and **Karl Geil** all had lucky tickets. No luck for those who went after the Jack of Clubs. By the way, this is a Lex Luthor jack. Luthor is a fictional character, appearing in comic books as archenemy of Superman, and a super villain of Batman and other superheroes. Originally created by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, the character first appeared in Action Comics #23 (April 1940).





## Super Bowl Statistics

Source Unknown

As we near the time for the annual Super Bowl here is a compendium of historical facts.

There are 32 teams currently in the NFL and, to date, there have been 47 Super Bowls played. Of the 32 NFL teams, 4 have NEVER played in a Super Bowl: Detroit, Cleveland, Jacksonville, & Houston

Of the 28 teams remaining teams, 10 have played in the Super Bowl, BUT have not won: Buffalo, Minnesota, Atlanta, Seattle, Carolina, San Diego, Tennessee, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, & Arizona

Of the 18 remaining teams, 6 have won once: New York Jets, Tampa Bay, Kansas City, Chicago, New Orleans, & St Louis / LA

Of the 12 remaining teams, 4 have won twice: Indianapolis / Baltimore, Denver, Miami, & Baltimore

Of the remaining 8 teams, 3 have won 3 times: New England, Washington, & Oakland / LA

Of the remaining 5 teams, 2 have won 4 times: Green Bay & New York Giants

Of the remaining 3 teams, 2 have won 5 times: Dallas & San Francisco

Leaving only Pittsburgh with 6 Super Bowl wins!!

Jets, Baltimore, Tampa Bay, & New Orleans have not lost a Super Bowl game

While New England, Buffalo, Minnesota & Denver have the most Super Bowl Loses- 4

Pittsburgh and Dallas have played in 8 Super Bowls, while New England- 7, San Francisco & Denver - 6, & Green Bay, Giants, Washington, Oakland/LA & Miami- 5

Buffalo has the Most Consecutive Super Bowl appear-

ances- 4 (SB's 25, 26, 27 & 28)

Miami has 3 (SB's 6, 7, & 8)

Dallas has scored the most points with a total of 221

San Francisco has the highest avg. pts. scored per game with- 36.5

Denver has given up the most total points- 206

Buffalo has given up the highest avg. pts. per game- 34.75

The Jets have given up the fewest total pts.- 7

Seattle has scored the fewest total pts.- 10

Minnesota has the lowest avg. pts. per game scored- 8.5

Max McGee- GB scored the 1st SB TD

Jerry Rice- SF holds the record for Most TD's scored- 8 (4 games)

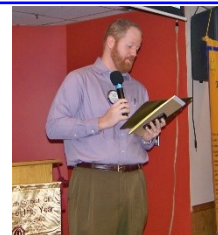
Joe Montana SF- Holds the record for the Most TD Passes- 11 (4 games)

Emmitt Smith Dal- Holds the record for Most Rushing TD's- 5 (3 games)

Since the NFL adopted the 6 team Playoff system in 1990, there have been 23 Super Bowls played. Below are the wins by Seed: #1 Seed has won- 9, #2 Seed has won- 6, #3 Seed has won- 1, #4 Seed has won- 4, #5 Seed has won- 1, & #6 Seed has won- 2

Super Bowl Host Cities / Areas: New Orleans- 11, Miami- 9, LA- 8, Tampa- 4, SD- 3, Phoenix- 2, Houston- 2, Detroit- 2, Atlanta- 2, Minneapolis- 1, Jacksonville- 1, Indianapolis- 1, Dallas- 1, & New Jersey- 1

**GO BRONCOS — ENJOY THE GAME!**



Photos Don St John

### Super Citizen Presenters for February

<b>Feb 12 @ 8:00</b>	Highline	?
<b>Feb 12 @ 2:30</b>	MPB	John Oss
<b>Feb 21 @ 8:30</b>	Slavens	Tom Hock
<b>Feb 25 @ 1:30</b>	Samuels	Tom Glazier
<b>Feb 27 @ 1:00</b>	Lowry	?
<b>Feb 28 @ 9:15</b>	Holm	Bob Avery
<b>Feb 28 @ 12:45</b>	McMeen	Rod Winget
<b>Feb 28 @ 3:00</b>	Bradley	?

### Weekly Greeters

<b>2/7/14</b>	Les Larson & Rob Fries
<b>2/14/14</b>	♥♥ John Oss & Jack Kitchell ♥♥ No meeting at the American Legion Hall
<b>2/21/14</b>	Pat Bush & Joe Marci
<b>2/28/14</b>	Ron Carlson & Phil Perington
<b>3/7/14</b>	George Buzick & ?
<b>3/14/14</b>	Tom Glazier & Mark Metavia

### Monaco South Calendar

Feb 7    Fri    7:00 am    Meeting, Legion Hall - Speaker TBA  
 Feb 8    Sat    7:00 am    South Region Brain Bowl, Carson Middle, 6200 Prussman Blvd., Fort Carson  
 Feb 14    Fri    7:00 am    ♥♥ Valentine Day Wives & Sweethearts to Breakfast, Citron Bistro ♥♥

**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
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Gary Strowbridge	1993-94	Paul Simon	2012-13
Mark Metevia	1994-95		

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**NEWSLETTER EDITORS:** Feb **George Buzick**, Mar **Robert Wardlaw**, Apr **Pat Bush**, May **Paul Stratton**

**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.