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Good Morning Optimists

Hot time at the Ol'Club today!

We were all greeted this extremely warm Friday morning by the smiling faces of Board member **Terry Shroyer** and new member **Tom Charters**. Good to see the new guys and older members working together. When asked what was for breakfast **John Marinos** replied, perfectly cooked scrambled eggs, juicy little sausages, Idaho fresh hash browns, salsa, fresh brewed coffee, orange juice, assorted doughnuts and a big smile. It was another delicious morning at the Optimist Club of Monaco South!

First Bell

Returning President **Ed Collins** gaveled the crowd to attention at 7 a.m. sharp. **Les Larson** presented the Invocation, "Unselfish God... service to others." And continued with The Pledge of Allegiance, ending with the continuing cheers of *Hit the Ball!*

Prez Ed then immediately pointed out that it had come to his attention; a nasty rumor was circulating about his wearing of "Froggy Flippers" while in the bathtub. He said if necessary he would consider hiring a lawyer, maybe **Karl Geil**, to defend his honor if the rumors persisted. Welcome back Prez, we missed you!

Guests

Randy Marcove and his two sons, **Max** and **Charlie**



The Marcove boy's, who claim to be good listeners.

Photo Randy Marcove

were guests chowing down on the grub with great gusto. Max and Charlie later strolled over to the juke box with their Dad and proudly pointed out their Uncle Jaron Marcove's hit "Pray for You" from his newest CD, *The Long Road T*. What a nice surprise.

Russ Paul introduced his old friend **Don Griggs**, a Realtor, who said he had been a member of Optimists way back in 1969 and was proud to be back. We all hope to see you again Don!

Proud Papa **Tom** (Mr. Baseball) **Mauro**, announced he was delighted to be able to introduce his daughter **Andrea** both as a guest and as our Speaker this morning.

Fred Pasternack had a guest... somewhere.

Announcements

Brent's Place Pancake Breakfast: **Paul** (Don't call me a Saint) **Bernard** reminded everyone of Brent's Place pancake breakfast the following morning at Washington Park starting at 6:00 a.m. We are helping the Tamarac ladies, so please try and be on your best behavior.

On a related note: Photo journalist, **Craig Eley** captured the event and posted his pictures, CLICK HERE <https://picasaweb.google.com>. Craig did capture are Prez doing what he does best. ➡



Prez Ed sets the example, above.

To the left, the ladies of Tamarac organize the serving area.

Photos Craig Eley

King Soopers or Safeway grocery Card: **Greg Young** enthusiastically brought to our attention the benefits of purchasing a King Soopers or Safeway grocery card from King-Super man **Cy Regan**. It's not just for food anymore you can also gas up and buy beer. Our club receives 5% which can amount to \$2,000+/- per year, a good fund raiser.



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****

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Announcements Continued

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk: **Ron Gustas** with visual assistance from **Dick Cohen** announced the upcoming Children's 10th Anniversary, Fight Against Diabetes Walk at Elitch's 5 Flags the morning of Sunday, September 11th at the Pepsi Center. Proceeds from the walk go to fund research for a cure of Type 1 Diabetes and/or develop improved treatment methods for the thousands of Colorado kids and young adults affected by this life threatening disease. Much of the research funding stays in Colorado. Members can help in any or all of the following ways:

1. Make a tax deductible monetary pledge to JDRF.
2. Help set-up the Pepsi Center "Walk" site starting late morning on Saturday September 10th.
3. Walk the 2½ mile course as part of the team that Ron and Dick support.

See Ron or Dick for more information.

Southmoor Park HOA Summer Concert: Returning and long missed member **Casey Funk** touted the upcoming Southmoor Park East HOA summer concert this Saturday. Casey, president of SPEHA, will be playing with the Denver Municipal Dance Band and spouting the virtues of the Denver Water Department. Don't miss the action.

Gerald P. Davis Memory Card: **Don Thomson** reported the formation of a Gerald Davis Memory Card to be handed out to all Super Citizens. The card will share *The Optimist Creed*. Please see Don for more information.

New Cub Scout Pack Project: **Frank Middleton** was happy to share with us that a new Cub Scout Pack is being organized at one of our "soon to be decided" elementary schools. Stay tuned for details and volunteer opportunities. This will be a new project and committee.

Visitation by Ron Graves, OI Southwest Region VP: **Ron Benson**, Colorado/Wyoming District Governor, shared that OI Region VP, **Ron Graves**, from the San Antonio Optimist Club will be visiting MSOC on Friday, July 29th. Graves' schedule also takes him to:

Tues., July 26, Lakewood Luncheon Club @ Noon

Wed., July 27, Wheat Ridge Club @ 7 a.m.

Thurs., July 28, Tamarac Club @ 7 a.m.

National Football Update: Bronco fan **Freddie Paster-nack** announced that the NFL was close to an agreement and the strike was almost over. He also said he thought there would be football this fall and it would probably be the Broncos. Thanks Fred, the suspense is killing us!



Peaches Are Coming: Dr. **Bob Finkelmeier** happily proclaimed that peaches are on the way! They will cost \$24 a case/box or lug this year, with \$4 going to either Monaco South or Tamarac Optimist Clubs. Peaches will arrive in town by refrigerated truck sometime after August 12th. You might say, "I can't use a whole box of peaches for just my family!" But there are so many things you can enjoy peaches with: peach pie, peach cobbler, peach jam, grilled peaches, sliced up over cereal, ice cream, or yogurt, or just standing over the sink and eating one after the other, with the juice running down your arm. See Bob to place your order.



MSOC Installation Dinner: **Ron Cisco** and **Phil Perington** have confirmed the Installation Dinner scheduled for September 24th at Blossoms Restaurant, 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way. Two entrees are on the menu, with a deli-

cious desert in store. The cost is \$26 per person. **Bob Hugo** will once again be our call to dinner trumpet guy. Our experienced Doorman and Host, **Gary Strowbridge** will be handling check-in. See any of the above for information.

Closing Bell

Pot Drawing: The 7 of diamonds was the card to draw and there were \$40 big ones in the pot. Cup winners included: Returning member **Robert Duval**, **Don Iley**, **John (Mr. Lucky) Oss** - 2 cups, and **Greg Young**! Luck of the card draw were: **Jim Rumer** and **Oscar Sorensen**. Sorry guys, Not Today!

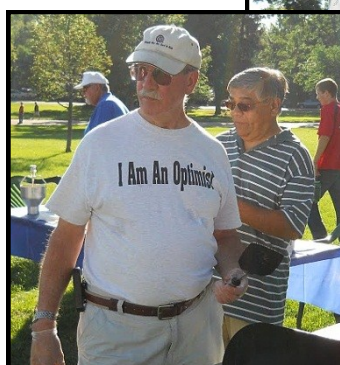


For the "Where's your name tag" or Wooden Nickel Drawing, **Donlie Smith** was the selected one, but not a winner. Sorry Donlie, play again next week!

Creed

Tom Overton, "Make all your Optimism come true...."

More Pictures from Brent's Place Pancake Breakfast



Photos Craig Eley

Speaker Andrea Mauro

Tom Mauro introduced his daughter Andrea Mauro, President and Founder of Chiaroveggente Productions, a video company specializing in life issues. After graduating from UCD with a B.A. in Fine Arts-Video Production, Andrea immersed herself in creating a video company that focused on recording Financial, Intellectual and Legacy concerns. Financial relates to assets held, including those family holdings, morals, wisdom, experience and memories. Intellectual relates to that which you learn, share, take into life to keep, or discard. Legacy relates to Last Will and Testament issues. This was the main thrust of the highly informative presentation.

Yes that's, Chiaroveggente or chi-ar-o-veg-gen-te (key-ar-o-veh-gen-tay), adj. ital. Defined as, 1. having the paranormal power of seeing objects or actions beyond the range of natural vision. 2. quick, intuitive knowledge of things and people; sagacity.

Before explaining what the production and content of a Legacy video should contain Andrea walked us through the basics of the equipment and technique to be used. The main objective is to make sure the person being interviewed is comfortable, the camera and tripod are secured and the background is pleasant to the eye. The subject matter should be reviewed before filming and surprises should be avoided. Once everything is set to go the production begins.

The objectives of Legacy are framed around what is important to the testator, the one giving and the devisees, the

one(s) receiving. Andrea showed three examples of themes that can be used to get the message across. The first was The Queen and Petesio (Families). It chronicled the joining of two families with candor and humor, beginning with the Colorado Candy Company and ending with a lifelong history of what followed. The second was Bank on Ed, explaining where the money came from and when, how and where it was going. The final was entitled Amazing Grace about a lady named Grace who shared her life and times with her family. Her final words of advice were, Be honest, thoughtful, don't smoke and always go to Church." When asked if anyone followed her advice she said no one went to Church. It was a funny ending.

Andrea recommended any Last Will and Testament video be accompanied with an attorney's certification, dated and recorded with the video. It is an interesting concept and more people are using this service as their final good-bye to friends and family. We give our thanks to Andrea for sharing this emerging and helpful service with us. It was an enlightening presentation.

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Photo Don StJohn

Weekly Greeters

| Date | Greeters |
|---------|-------------------------------|
| 7/29/11 | Greg Young & Jon Wachter |
| 8/5/11 | Phil Perington & James Riley |
| 8/12/11 | Fred Pasternack & Doug Arnold |
| 8/19/11 | Phil Perington & Les Larson |
| 8/26/11 | Kari Tae & Gary Strowbridge |

Colorado/Wyoming District Convention

Breckenridge, Colorado

August 26-28, 2011

For Convention Registration, see cover email

For Convention Agenda, see cover email

MSOC Banquet

Saturday, September 24th at 6:30pm

Blossoms Restaurant at 2888 S.

Heather Gardens Way in Aurora

Monaco South Calendar

July 29 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Boy Scouts

Aug 5 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA

Aug 6 Sat 7:00 am March of Dimes Annual Mudd Volleyball Tournament, Commercenter in Aurora
(east of I-70 and Tower Road) NE side

Aug 12 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Keir Mather, Illusionist

Aug 17 Wed 6:30 pm Board Meeting, District 4 Council Office, 3540 S. Poplar St., Suite 102

Aug 19 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day

Aug 26 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Super Citizen School Principals

Aug 26-28 Colorado/Wyoming District Convention, Breckenridge, Colorado

Sep 24 Sat 6:30 pm Monaco South Installation Banquet, Blossoms Restaurant, 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way

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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.

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