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Good Morning Optimists!

Thanks to **Bob Hugo** for his salute to our group this morning. Bob was playing the pocket horn courtesy of **Randy Marcove**. Bob is an active member of the *John Philip Sousa Band*. Looks like Bob might have a new instrument to experiment with at his next concert!



Invocation & Pledge

Woody Thibodeau lead our invocation and pledge to the flag this morning.

Resident Superman Recognized

We have our own resident Superman! **Cy Regan** was honored with a beautiful color picture of himself selling King Soopers and Safeway Cards. Please stop by to see Cy and purchase your grocery gift cards. Remember, you get full value for the card, but the club earns 5% of the face value. What a fundraiser!



Photos Don StJohn

Some Thank You Notes!

President Ron Cisco received several thank you cards for the work MSOC has done so far this year. Dump Friends League thanked us for our \$300 donation to support the 2010 Furry Scurry. Children's Hope Fund mailed us a note thanking us for our \$424.15 donation to helping the children of Cavite. Ronald McDonald House thanked us for our gift of an American Flag. Peggy Lehmann (Denver City Council District 4) sent us a thank you note for our support in the 2010 Rubber Duck Drop. Finally, Lee McDonnell wrote to us and thanked us for our support in the June 5th picnic with University Hills Neighborhood Association. Great work Optimists! Our hard work is much appreciated!



Steve Kady and **Jack Kleinheksel** show off the picture of the new American Flag flying outside the Ronald McDonald House. Jack holds a plaque prepared to be hung inside to recognize MSOC for our contribution. Thanks guys!

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****

Guests

We had one guest this week, but the editor missed his name. Thanks to all the members who bring in guests to our great club!

Announcements

We had a long list of announcement this week:

Colorado Rockies Handout: Help the Colorado Rockies and handout t-shirts to the fans on June 22nd. You will receive a hat and t-shirt for your time. No tickets to the game will be provided due to the sell out crowd. Call **Curt Jefferies** at 720-876-1776 if interested in assisting.

American Flag Plaque: **Steve Kady** is looking for those interested in attending the unveiling of the authentication of the American Flag Plaque and poster that will be given to the Ronald McDonald house. Contact Steve at 303-931-1470.

Host a Student: **David Lazaroff** announced that two hosts are needed for Kim Robards Dance Competition. Please contact David if you are interested in hosting, 303-8-0501 or 303-236-9186.

Junior Golf: Joe Marci reminded, "Don't forget about Junior Golf!" We need volunteers for the June 11th event at Flatirons Golf Course.

MS Bicycle Ride: Get involved in the 2010 MS Bicycle Ride Rest Stop Station on June 27th in Longmont. **Don StJohn** who coordinates the rest stop needs about 30 individuals. In addition to a delicious lunch, there will be entertainment at our rest stop. See Don to get signed up. Support for our MSOC riders in this event is also needed, see **Bob Avery**.

Tamarac OC KRAZY RACE: **Gary Laman** reminded us that *The Krazy Race* will be held on Saturday, June 12th from 2-7pm. You must register in advance so call Joyce or Gary Laman at 303-757-3770. Make sure you get involved!

OI Convention Pre-Registration Help Needed:

The Denver Convention is fast approaching and we desperately need help at the Advance Registration area. We only need two hours of your time. It's a lot of fun and a great way to meet new Optimists. We currently have openings on:

- **Thursday, July 8:** Noon - 2:00 pm, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, and 4:00 - 6:00 pm
- **Friday, July 9:** 7:30 - 9:00 am, 9:00 am - 11:00 am, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, and 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Can you help? Please email **Sherman Phillips** at swphill@comcast.net and let him know which times work best for you. If you know of anybody else in that would like to help, we won't turn them away. If you can make it, training is scheduled for Thursday at 7:30 am and Friday at 7:00 am Denver Convention Center, Plaza Court 6. If you've already contact Sherman, no need to reconfirm.



Optimist International Ends Pursuit of 501(c)

(3) Status: Based on the attached *June Hotline 2010*, from Optimist International, on June 18th we will be voting on a revision to our (Optimist Club of Monaco South) Bylaws, changing our status from 501(c) 3 to 501 (c) 4, in accordance with the direction of Optimist International, who has dropped the initiative to get 501(c) 3 status from the IRS. Everyone interested in voting on this bylaws change needs to attend that meeting on the 18th to vote. For further information see Ron Cisco or one of our officers.

This Weeks Super Market Sales: **Cy Regan**, our resident Superman, reported Super Market Sales:



King Soopers - \$675.00

Safeway - \$500.00

Total - \$1,175.00



See Cy to get involved in this Win-Win project.

University Hills NA & MSOC Picnic

Here are some pictures from Saturday's picnic.



Above **Kale Smith** and **Paul Gleditsch** stand to greet visitors to our booth, while at other times some of our greeters spent more time enjoying **Randy Marcove's** special hot dogs. Note that on closer examination the only one that

has a name tag is **Russ Paul**. And that **Phil Perington**, who was recognized by his sheepy smile, face guests, while the others say, "Go away, I'm enjoying my hot dog!" All caught on camera by **Greg Young**.



Our Speaker

Our guest speaker today was Matt Arnold. Matt is currently the executive director and primary spokesman for the grassroots effort to restore accountability to Colorado's judiciary, Clear the Bench Colorado (<http://www.clearthebenchcolorado.org/>). Matt launched the effort following the Colorado's Supreme Court's violation of the Colorado Constitution, citizen's rights under TABOR, and their duty to uphold the rule of law in the infamous "Mill Levy Tax Freeze."

Clear The Bench Colorado is a grassroots movement to hold Colorado's Supreme Court justices accountable to the Colorado Constitution and to the people of Colorado.

Since April 2009, Matt has tirelessly sought to educate Colorado voters of their right to demand accountability of even Supreme Court justices in the upcoming November 2010 retention elections, and is building the case for the statewide "NO" vote on retaining the four justices of the "Mullarkey Majority" that must seek voter approval in 2010.



Photo Don StJohn

Speaking of Wearing Your Name Tag

Ralph Petersen, who recently returned from a trip to Savannah Georgia demonstrates what happens at a local Optimist Club if you don't wear your name at meetings.



I think Ralph was telling **Bob Finkelmeier** and other MSOC members to get with the "program!"

Weekly Greeters

Date	Greeters
6/11/10	Randy Marcove & Paul Gleditsch
6/18/10	Rich Wagner & Brian Williams
6/25/10	Fred Pasternack & George Vassilaros
7/2/10	Rich Mahony & Paul Gleditsch
7/9/10	OC Larson & Jon Wachter

Monaco South Calendar

- Jun 11 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Carry Nolan, Multiple Sclerosis
- Jun 11-13 Fri-Sun Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Seminar, Colorado School of Mines
- Jun 18 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day
- Jun 25 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Biennial of the Americas
- Jun 27 Sun Bike MS - Multiple Sclerosis Fundraiser, See Don StJohn
- Jul 2 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Gerald Short, Water Conservation
- Jul 4 Sun Independence Day
- Jul 4 - 9 Sun-Fri 2010 National Veterans Wheelchair Games
- Jul 6 Tue 6:40 pm Optimist Day at Coors Field, Colorado Rockies vs. St. Louis Cardinals
- Jul 8-10 Thu-Sat 92nd Annual Optimist International Convention, Sheraton Denver Downtown
Hotel: online registration @ <http://www.optimist.org/reg/>
- Jul 9 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA
- Jul 16 Fri 7:00 am Meeting, Legion Hall - Camaraderie Day

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

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Gary Strowbridge	1993-94
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Bob Safe	1995-96
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Tom Overton	1996-97
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Peter Dimond	1997-98
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
John Young	1982-83	Cy Regan	1999-00
Pat Bush	1983-84	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Don St. John	2001-02
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Jack Rife	2002-03
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Karl Geil	2003-04
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
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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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