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It was our pleasure to have Ed "Charter Member" Fankhauser, DDS give the prayer and lead us in the pledge of allegiance.

Guests and Visitors - From Kennewick, Washington came visitor Ronald P. Sullivan. Its an honor to have visitors come to our meetings from such faraway places with strange sounding names. Next time you're in Kennewick you can give Ron a call and find out when and where his Optimist Club meets. Thank you, Ron, for visiting us this morning. Our other guests, led by Anne Edwards and assistant principal*from Holm, were members of the State Championship Olympics of the Mind team from Holm - Jenna Lampe, Amy Mauro, Leah Conder, Megan Hanneman, Kristi Spierling, and Rod Dupays *David Thompson. My apologies, David. I meant to have your name where the first*is but my typing skills don't always coordinate with my thinking processes, neither of which are anything to brag about.

Perry Park Golf - Doug Gill said fun was had by all and that John Young's guest, Jim Elliott, was the low net winner. Before relating the rest of the results, it should be mentioned that Doug's birthday received a rousing "Happy Birthday to You" facsimile from the club choir, which seems to get better with age. On to the other results - Our own DUANE WEHRER garnered second low net, LIVELY third, WHITLOW fourth, and Pat Bush's guest, Bryon Brothers, fifth. Top low ball team - Lorensen, Eddy and guests; Next best team with low balls - Doug Gill, Paul Johnson and guests; Wehrer and Frank Middleton placed third in low ball score; and with the fourth low winners we find Pat Bush, Mike Lively and guests.

Arapahoe Little League - Progress is being made, but more help on the weekends would be helpful.

Board Meeting - The next board meeting will be held at Bob Hugo's house on June 16 (a Sunday).

Good News - Ralph Pedersen's recovery from his heart attack is proceeding smoothly.

Today's Program - Tom Mauro introduced Anne Edwards, Tom's co-coach of the Holm Olympics of the Mind Team. The team won the State Championship for its age division and will be competing next Friday and Saturday in Washington, D.C. in the national competition. Anne said that Sam Mikles started the Olympics of the Mind program to develop spontaneous thinking in the minds of students. It has worked very well at Holm Elementary, not just this year but in prior years when Holm teams have competed on the national level. Each member of a team involved with the program develops a great deal of creative thinking and problem solving skills.

Anne showed us a television replay of the team's project this year - a circus show with one student acting as the ringleader (rather, the ringmaster), with the other members of the team acting out parts as animals in the circus, & background artists, while learning to work together as a group. The animal characters were judged on the basis of uniqueness, cleverness, and overall performance. Only \$35 could be used for clothing and other materials, so the members of the team also experienced a sert of budgeting education in the process of preparing their project. To show an example of how the students learn through their own creativity and problem solving techniques, five of our members agreed to participate in a test with the team members outside of the room. Each member, in turn, was asked to relate something that "flies" or has the word "fly" within a word. They had only a few minutes of time to come up with their answers and did very well. Then the Holm team was asked to answer the same thing - something that flies or has the word "fly" in it. They also did well

in giving the names of objects that fly and in giving the names of words that have the word "fly" in them. It was very interesting to see how well they used their spontaneous thinking, especially when the word that they might have wanted to say had just been said by another person. Their minds were on the tips of their toes, so to speak, in their ability to come up with appropriate words within a limited period of time and in their ability not to say words that some one on the team had already said. We wish you the best in the national competition coming up.

FROM THE "GUNNY SACK" AGAIN - Remembering Memorial Day.

I'll always think about her
this time of the year,
When the iris and lilacs are
cut for the visit to
The headstones in the north green park

In her purple dress and black hat
She would sit on the porch
waiting patiently for our car
To arrive for the start
of her pilgrimage with flowers

Suitably prepared with scissors and a trowel, water
In coffee cans, Dad with the mower, she with the flag - but this

3rd Annual Family Bowling Party - was a successful event at Celebrity on the 25th. Joey Marci led the kids with a high game of 191: Clair You

with a high game of 191; Clair Young led the wives with a 180 game. The Optimists were led by Joe Marci and Bob with 218 and 214 games, respectively. Joe also had a 201 game and Bob a 557 series. Joe had 15 strikes. Bob - 17 spares. Other participants were Dan Olson, Amanda, Patrick and Jason Bush, Trish Young, Kathy, Sheila Jefferies and Dottie and Curt Jefferies, Scott

Wickham, Rugby Spoden, John Young, and Todd and Beckie Olson.

Year her monuments there also. The <u>Jackpot</u> - split by DR. Ed and Rod Dupays

Coming Up -

June 7 Rex Cable - What's Your Problem?

June 14 Sandy Braitman - How to Hire a Superstar

June 21 Rick Beal - Computer Hackers

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