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Good Morning Optimist

The Sun comes up at 6:40 a.m. on this beautiful Friday morning as if to say, "It is 100% day at the Optimist Club of Monaco South!"



Tom Glazier & Perry Allen
Photos Noel Hasselgren

Those who attended were greeted by the dynamic duo of **Tom Glazier** and **Perry Allen**.

Little did they know, that on this date in history:

- 1741 – George Fredric Handel finished the Messiah Oratorio after working on it non-stop for 23 days.
- 1814 – Francis Scott Key was inspired to write the poem "Defense of Fort M'Henry," which later becomes the lyrics for "The Star-Spangled Banner."
- 1868 – First Recorded Hole-In-One by Tom Morris at Prestwick Golf Course on the third hole.
- 1901 – President William McKinley dies after being shot at point blank range by Leon Czolgosz.

Pre-Call to Order

Frank Middleton usurps the power of President **Jim Easton** before the start of our meeting to announcing that members of Cub Pack 8023 are fund raising for their pack and have yummy popcorn and barbeque sauce for sale. **Wayne Hall**, the Pack Leader introduces two members of the pack, **Evelyn** and **Clay** and, in response to the unasked question of why a girl is wearing a Boy Scout uniform, announces that effective January 1, 2019, girls will become a part of the Boy Scouts of America, although the name of the organization will not change. **Bob Avery**, an avid proponent of the BSA asks all Eagle Scouts in the room to stand. There are many, not the least of whom is **Jack Kleinhessel**, who has been recognized as being a "Distinguished Eagle Scout."



Right, Cub Scout's Clay & Evelyn show off the three types of barbeque sauce for sale.

Left, Pack Leader Wayne Hall, with members Evelyn and Clay.

Call to Order

President **Jim Easton** calls the meeting to order and asks Past Governor **Phil Perington** to deliver the morning invocation regarding ... "*making all your friends feel that there is something in them.*" After the Pledge of Allegiance, Prez Jim introduces Past Governor **Bob Hartwig** and his wife **Carolyn** who are visiting from Boerne, Texas. Bob was District Governor in the Optimist year 2013-14.

Announcements

Banquet Celebration and Installation: **Craig Eley** reminds us of the "*Celebrate Your Optimism*" program to be held Friday, September 28th, at Rendezvous Restaurant in Heather Gardens, starting at 5:00 p.m.

Ever the diligent Treasurer, **Greg Young** mentions that there are several ways to pay for the dinner (\$25/person) and that should be done before the event.

New MSOC Directory Photos: **Craig Eley** also mentions that he will taking photos of those who either haven't had their picture taken for the directory, or think they are better looking now than when the last one was taken and want a second chance.

Thank You Note: **Greg Young** reads a thank you note from Councilwomen **Kendra Black**, thanking



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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

members for directing traffic and the South by Southeast neighborhood celebration back on Saturday, August 18th. She also donated \$250 to our youth fund.

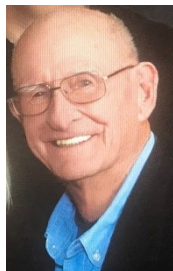
Optimist Fall Soirée, Save the Date: Ron Gustas announced that there will be a multi-club function at Pinehurst Country Club. Dinner will be Prime Rib or Salmon at a cost of \$40/person. There will also be a silent auction, with the proceeds going to the club who provided the auction item.

JDRF Diabetes Walk: Ron Gustas also mentioned the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk, which will be held on Sunday, September 16th at the Jeffco Fairgrounds. The goal is to raise 700 thousand dollars. MSOC members will be helping with set up on Saturday. You know who you are!

Colorado Rockies Tickets: Joe Marci shared that he did not sell all the tickets he had for the Dodgers game but has the opportunity to trade them in for tickets to see the Phillies the week of the 24th. With the Rockies in contention for the National League West Championship, these should be exciting games. Tickets are \$23. If interested contact Joe.



Dick Zolman's Services: Memorial Service, St.



Timothy's Episcopal Church, 1401 E. Dry Creek Road, Centennial, CO, on Friday, September 21, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Interment, Ft. Logan National Cemetery, 4400 W. Kenyon Avenue, Denver, CO, on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Dick's obituary is on the Horan & McConaty website at <https://horancares.com/obits/richard-ward-zolman/>.

Super Citizen Programs: Robert Wardlaw is still looking for presenters for the various Super Citizen Programs. Please check with Robert if you are available during the school day.

100% Day Picture's

There was a brief intermission in the program. Since this was "100% Day," and therefore, our annual group picture was taken—although in this case, it was completed in several groups of 10 as opposed to everyone at once. This was upsetting to some, as we never have done it this way. Change—but it was done. Here are some of the results:



Prez Jim, asking, "where is everyone?"

Dime-a-Day Program Recognition

After the intermission, Perry Allen, with the assistance of Tom Glazier, made good on his promise to give those who had contributed to the Dime-a-Day program for the Optimist International Foundation an opportunity to win some prizes. First he recognized John Oss as the most continuous contributor, with the famous "Super Tiger" award. John was also a winner of a OI Foundation Cap. Steve Kady and Mike White both won an OIF pen sets, while Woody Thibodeau and Paul Gibson both received \$25 King Soopers gift certificates. True to his word, Perry also gave away a cherry red 1953 Cadillac (model).



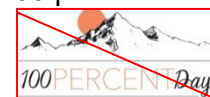
Dick Nickoloff was the lucky winner. Perry's goal is \$2,800, and he only needs a couple of more checks to make it. Still two weeks to go in this Optimist year! So, bring in your checks!



Weekly Drawing

In spite of President Jim's salting the pot with one hundred dollars, we did not make our 100 percent attendance goal, maxing out at 56 percent. We did have several people show up who we have not seen for a while, including Dave Thompson, Robert Ruhl, John Scarborough, and Woody Thibodeau.

With President Jim's contribution the pot stood at \$120. With only three cards left in the deck, odds were



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Drawing Continued

not so good that the two people whose numbers were first called, **Kent Gloor** and **Dan Rodriguez**, would both draw the Three of Clubs and go home with nothing. For those who were lucky, **John Wachter**, **Everett Gardner**, **Ed Volpe**, **Woody Thibodeau** (a second time), and **Pat Bush** all had to settle for cups of money. Proudly wearing his nametag, **Ed Volpe** took one last shot and ... drew, yep, the Three of Clubs! Two cards and \$130 next week.

Update on Dr. Ed Fankhauser OCMS Founder

Mark Metevia, along with **Ilene**, visited **Dr. Ed** and



Dr. Ed & Jeannie Fankhauser
Photo Mark Metevia

Jeannie Fankhauser on Friday. Although Dr. Ed was not able to communicate we did have a nice chat with Jeannie. She is a sweetheart in her committed love and care for Dr. Ed despite just recovering from a serious illness herself.

Though in hospice now, he is strong and eats well, but in constant pain from broken vertebrae resulting from falls. He gets morphine daily to relieve the pain. We felt blessed to brighten up their day. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers!

JDRF OneWalk Setup

Ron Gustas reported that the following OCMS members helped setup for the 2018 JDRF One-Walk site at the Jeffco Fairgrounds. The "Walk" raises



Photo Michael Chavez

funds for research to improve the lives of those with Type 1 Diabetes. Supplying strong backs on a hot morning were **Don Roth**, **Mike McMahon**, **Jon Wachter**, **Tom Kramis**, **Noel Hasselgren**, **George**

Buzick, **Mark Metevia**, **Michael Chavez**, and **Ron Gustas**. Hopefully proceeds from the "Walk" will exceed \$700,000. Thanks to all for supporting the type 1 diabetes community.

Modern Philosophers



John Glenn: As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - "every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder."



Desmond Tutu: When the white missionaries came to Africa they had the Bible and we had the land. They said "Let us pray." We closed our eyes. When we opened them we had the Bible and they had the land.



David Letterman: "America is the only country where a significant proportion of the population believes that professional wrestling is real but the moon landing was faked."



Old Italian proverb: "After the game, the King and the pawn go into the same box."



Jean Kerr, Irish-American author and playwright: The only reason they say "Women and children first" is to test the strength of the lifeboats.



Zsa Zsa Gabor: "I've been married to a communist and a fascist, and neither would take out the garbage."



Jeff Foxworthy: "You know you're a redneck if your home has wheels and your car doesn't."



Prince Philip: "When a man opens a car door for his wife, it's either a new car or a new wife."



Arnold Schwarzenegger: "Having more money doesn't make you happier. I have 50 million dollars but I'm just as happy as when I had 48 million."



Johnny Carson: "If life were fair, Elvis would still be alive today and all the impersonators would be dead."



Steve Martin: "Hollywood must be the only place on earth where you can be fired by a man wearing a Hawaiian shirt and a baseball cap."



Jimmy Durante: "Home cooking. Where many a man thinks his wife is."

September Super Citizen Presenters

Sept 18 @ 2:30	MPB	?
Sept 27 @ 8:15	Holm	?
Sept 27 @ 1:30	McMeen	?

The new Super Citizen schedule is almost finalized and should be available in the next few weeks; however, here is the schedule for September. As you can see we are in need of presenters for each of these initial presentations. If interested, please contact **Robert Wardlaw** or the SC Coordinator for the school. In this case, MPB, **Gary Miller**; Holm, **Donlie Smith**; and McMeen, **Don Thomson**.

Weekly Greeters

9/21/18	Bryce Slaby & Jon Wachter
9/28/18	?
10/5/18	?



Optimist Club of Monaco South 2018-2019 41st Year — Chartered in 1976

See the Online Calendar @ <http://www.monacosouth.org/Events/Calendar>

Sept 20	Thur	6:15 pm	OCMS Board Meeting, Changed, Place TBD
Sept 21	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: Comos
Sept 28	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: :DPD, District 3, Commander Rick Kyle
Sept 28	Fri	5:00 pm	Celebrate Your Optimism Banquet & Installation of 2018-2019 Officers, Heather Gardens Rendezvous Restaurant, 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way, Aurora, CO
Oct 5	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: 50 Years of Volunteerism, Bryce Slaby
Oct 6	Sat	8:00 am	CO-WY District Quarterly Conference, St. Anthony Conference Ctr, 11600 W. 2nd Place
Oct 12	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: ADA's Camp Colorado, Emily Fay, American Diabetes Association
Oct 19	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: Camaraderie Day
Oct 26	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: TBA
Nov 2	Fri	7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall: Kendra Black & Frank Rowe, Land Acquisition for New Parks

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Past Presidents

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Stan Cohen	2000-01	Paul Simon	2012-13
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Bob Avery	1989-90	Don St. John	2001-02	Jon Wachter	2013-14
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Bill Litchfield	1990-91	Jack Rife	2002-03	John Oss	2014-15
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Bill Walters	1991-92	Karl Geil	2003-04	Michael Chavez	2015-16
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Kent Gloor	1992-93	Bryce Slaby	2004-05	Craig Eley	2016-17
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Gary Strowbridge	1993-94	Donlie Smith	2005-06		
John Young	1982-83	Mark Metevia	1994-95	Paul Bernard	2006-07		
Pat Bush	1983-84	Bob Safe	1995-96	Greg Young	2007-08		
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Tom Overton	1996-97	Phil Perington	2008-09		
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Peter Dimond	1997-98	Ron Cisco	2009-10		
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Ralph Symalla	1998-99	Ed Collins	2010-11		
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Cy Regan	1999-00	Randy Marcove	2011-12		

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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.