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*The Harmony Chorus with Mr & Mrs Santa Claus*

## **A GRANDE AFFAIR**

Absolutely the BEST PRIME TIMER CHRISTMAS PARTY EVER!!!! For starters, there were 98 members and guests including 15 members of the Harmony Choral Group who entertained us with Christmas songs. That attendance was a first as well.

The festivities started off with drinks from the cash bar, with appetizers of deep fried calamari, deep fried four-cheese ravioli with fresh baked rolls. Then came the help yourself family-style dinner. The salad was chopped apple & walnuts on the side. The entrees were oven-roasted pork loin, chicken, spaghetti with fresh bread and butter.

After dinner and before dessert, door prizes, gifts brought by all of the guests were handed out. We also had Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus with us. After dinner pictures were taken with the Claus'. This was great fun for the guests to have sat on Santa's lap, HO, HO, HO.

The Harmony Singing Chorus sang some Christmas songs, some with different wording, but most

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were words we knew. A really fine job they did. Everyone commented how nice to have entertainment like this and hoped we would have them back again next year.

After things settled down a bit, Dick Moore, our president, had a program all of his own. Dick introduced and recognized all of the 2016-2018 board members by having them stand and he introduced them by name. He acknowledged them for all their hard work for the past two years. He did the same for all of the coordinators for their hard work this past year. He then introduced the 2019-2021 board.

Dick awarded Honorary Membership to Jim Mickel for his great work as Reporter-At-Large and his many years of service to the Colorado Prime Timer organization. He also bestowed upon Michael Brasia Honorary Membership for his volunteer work and his many years of service to the Colorado Prime Timer organization.

The one main thing that Dick enjoys doing at the Christmas party is present the Francis Acre White Buffalo Award to the member who has put 100% plus service to the organization for the past year.

This year's recipient was Rick Knoll. Rick is always there to do whatever he can for anyone and service to the organization. Congratulations, Rick.



Let me THANK, David Hetzel and Joe Saman, for all of their hard work in making this Christmas party 'our very best'! Don't know how they do it, but every year they certainly have it down pat.

Many thanks to the staff of Maggiano's for the great job they did.

I also wish to thank everyone who came

up to say hello or Merry Christmas. With vision problems, I can't distinguish people until they get closer to me or I hear their voice. I appreciate that very much.

Again, what a wonderful Christmas Party we all enjoyed. Thanks to everyone who had a part in getting it together. You did a fantastic job.

*Jim Mickel: Reporter-At-Large*

**The Colorado Prime Timers  
is proud to give a BIG**



to our newest members

Keith Sheldonport      Carl Patterson  
Joe Reyes

We now have 173 members

**NOV./DEC. LUNCH ATTENDANCE**  
Nov. 21, 56    Nov. 28, 52    Dec. 5, 52  
Dec. 12, 38    Dec. 19, 45    Dec. 26, 34

**DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT**

Membership Renewals	\$145.00
Donation	\$100.00
Personal Reimbursement	\$52.00
Trade - BB	\$108.00
Trade - Sat/Sun	\$159.00
Trade tips	\$49.00
Xmas party meals	\$1548.00
<b>Monthly Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2161.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Board Insurance	\$390.00
Lunch-comps, tips	\$498.93
Newsletter supplies	\$41.42
Newsletter, Election postage	\$80.00
Voice Mail	\$108.00
PO Box	\$82.00
Xmas Party Gifts, party rez supplies	\$3.47
Personal use (Dick Moore)	\$552.00
<b>Monthly Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1755.82</b>
<b>Net Monthly</b>	<b>\$405.18</b>
<b>Month end checking balance</b>	<b>\$2889.30</b>
<b>Savings balance</b>	<b>\$8387.65</b>
<b>Total in accounts</b>	<b>\$11276.95</b>

**Report for Beer Busts at Trade for 2018**

<b>Tips</b>	<b>\$834.00</b>
<b>Cups sold</b>	<b>\$1946.00</b>
<b>Total for 2018</b>	<b>\$2780.00</b>

## THE PURPOSE OF THE COLORADO PRIME TIMERS

As a local Chapter of Prime Timers Worldwide we provide mature gay and bisexual men (and their admirers) opportunities to gather in a supportive atmosphere, and enjoy social, educational, and recreational activities.

We create a diverse amount of events. We insure affordable events so that every member can find interesting activities with which to be able to actively participate and enjoy the camaraderie with other older gay and bi-men.

The organization is not a religious or political organization. However, it is concerned with the impact that social, economic and political changes have on us as aging gay and bisexual men.

Prime Timers Worldwide is an organization with more than 8000 members in 78 Chapters in cities throughout the United States, Australia, Canada, Israel. Your membership in the Colorado Prime Timers Chapter entitles you to privileges in any of the Chapters of the Prime Timers Worldwide organization. The contact information for each Chapter is available to download. The Prime Timers Worldwide web site: [www.primetimersww.com](http://www.primetimersww.com).

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION NEWSLETTER AD RATES

Ad rates are for a 3-inchX2-inch (business card size) black and white or color are \$10.00 per month, \$35.00 for 4 months, \$50.00 for 6 months, and \$100.00 for 12 months. Noncommercial ads are free to CPT members. Members may also share personal items such as wedding, anniversary, illness, and deaths free of charge. To advertise contact the Newsletter Editor, Dick Moore, at 720.638.1080, [operaghost198838@yahoo.com](mailto:operaghost198838@yahoo.com). Any attachments must be sent to Dick pdf.

### MEMBERSHIP DUES

Yearly membership dues are \$20.00 per member and \$25.00 for couples living at the same address. Dues are due payable when you join and yearly dues are paid on your anniversary date and no later than 30 days after that date. You can send your payment to Colorado Prime Timers, P.O. Box 300274. Denver, Colorado 80203 or you can pay the Membership Coordinator, Larry Jeffries at any Wednesday Luncheon.

### LUNCHEON AT THE GOLDEN CORRAL

Don't forget the Wednesday Nooners Luncheon for a delightful lunch and munch brunch experience that meets every Wednesday. **No**

**sign up, no reservations.** Just come and enjoy the food and conversation with your fellow Prime Timers. Guests are always welcome.

The Golden Corral is an American family-style restaurant chain serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, and featuring a large all-you-can-eat buffet and grill offering numerous hot and cold dishes, a carving station and their Brass Bell Bakery.

**Tell the cashier that you are with the Colorado Prime Timers to receive the \$9.23 lunch price.**

**Price does not include gratuity!!!**

**Social Hour & Lunch 11:00 am to 1:00 pm  
3677 South Santa Fe Drive  
Sheridan, Colorado 80110**



**Mark Haury, 1st**

**Bob Rice, 9th**

**Charles McDonald,**

**10th Don Harvey, 10th**

**David McCollough, 11th**

**Jim Roberts, 11th**

**Fred Thomas, 17th**

**Don Herman, 18th**

**Dean Klein, 19th**

**Tom Maestas, 19th**

**Jeffrey Lawhead, 20th**

**Michael Van Cleave, 21st**

**David Brunt, 22nd**

**Michael Brascia, 23rd**

**Guy Nicknair, 30th and three others**

**\*Free lunch card if you attend lunch that day!**



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facebook. The link is:  
[fb.me/coprimetimers](http://fb.me/coprimetimers)**

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The **February** Newsletter deadline for all articles and activities for the Newsletter **must** be turned into Dick Moore, Newsletter editor by Wednesday, **January 23rd** to be included in the **February** edition for delivery on Wednesday, **January 30th**.

Opinions expressed in various columns with Prime Times are the sole opinions of the writer

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and are not necessarily of the Colorado Prime Timer organization, it's Board or Editor. All articles, dates and times are subject to change.

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## FUTURE ACTIVITIES

For detail information about each activity or event please refer to the information in this Newsletter or use the sign up sheet at the Wednesday Luncheon. Be courteous and RSVP the event's host no later than the reservation deadline. Those who sign up or RSVP the event's host will be guaranteed a spot with the group, others will be accommodated as possible. If you RSVP and can't make the event, contact the host.

The following are articles, announcements, and of scheduled events for the present month. These events can also be found on the monthly calendar (*see page 11*). If a phone number or e-mail is given, please respond as soon as possible for reservations.

**If you need a ride, it may be best to contact other members on the sign up sheet personally. The event coordinator should not be expected to arrange transportation!.**

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## ACTIVITY PLANNING

**Joe Saman: Activities Coordinator**  
For any Prime Timer's activity, you MUST check with me first. We will look at the "Master Calendar" together. Just a reminder, if you are planning an activity, make sure the date is open for your activity. Then the sign up sheet can be created either by me or by you for the activity. *Any member can coordinate an activity at any time!!!!*

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## PRIME TIMERS OUT N' ABOUT!

### COFFEE TIME

**When: Every Monday. Time: 8-10 am.**

**Where: Paneras, 640 S. Colorado Blvd.**

**When: Every Tuesday. Time: 10 till noon.**

**Where: The LGBT Center, 1301 E. Colfax.**

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## BOARD MEETING

**President: Dick Moore**

**When: Wednesday, January 2nd.**

**Time: Right after lunch.**

**Where: Golden Corral, 3677 S. Santa Fe Drive.**

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**Agenda:** Reports on the Treasury, By-Laws, Membership, Christmas Party, and anything else we want to talk about. *All members are welcome to attend!*

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## HAND, KNEE, FOOT CARDS

**Coordinator: Ken Krout**

**When: Mon., Jan. 7th. Time: 12 pm - 4.**

**Host: Joe Rotello.**

**Where: 6052 Welch St., Arvada**

**Call: Joe at 303.422.8712 to RSVP or use sign up sheet at lunch. Limit 12. Make reservations no later than Wednesday, January 2nd.**

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## NIGHT ON THE TOWN

**Coordinator: Charles McDonald**

**When: Tue., Jan. 8th. Time: 6:00 pm.**

**Where: The Cheesecake Factory, 1201 16th St. 80202 (16th & Larimer on the Mall).**

**Call or e-mail: Charles at 303.520.3120 or chefcharlesd@gmail.com to RSVP or use sign up sheet at lunch, no later than Wednesday, January 2nd.**

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## GENERAL MEETING

**President: Dick Moore**

**When: Wed., Jan. 9th. Time: 12:15 pm.**

**Where: The Golden Corral.**

**Agenda:** Dick reports on the January Board Meeting, Treasurer's report, Christmas Party, By-Laws, Membership report, and anything else he wants to talk about.

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## OVER-EASY BREAKFAST

**Coordinator: Darrel Freeland**

**When: Sat., Jan. 12th. Time: 9:00 am.**

**Where: Mimi's, 14265 W. Colfax, Lakewood.** A casual restaurant serving French & American staples on a rustic-inspired setting.

**Call or e-mail: Darrel at 303.789.3897 or e-mail dffreeland@q.com to RSVP or use sign up sheet at lunch, no later than Wednesday, January, 9th.**

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## HAND, KNEE, FOOT CARDS

**Submitted by Reporter-At-Large: Jim Mickel**

For the first time we had 12 card players. I had to borrow a card table from a neighbor across the street. We usually have a table of six players and a table of four players. This worked out very well thanks to my neighbor.

I enjoyed hosting the Prime Timer Card Club. Such a nice group of friends who enjoy playing cards, along with a lot of laughing and talking going on. When you hear that, you know everyone is having a good time.

Many munchies were enjoyed as well. I had to find room in my garage to keep the extra pop that was left here.

We were happy to see Al and Joe. They played two hands, but had to leave after that. Al was in pain from shoulder surgery. I want to thank Joe for bringing him. He did leave his card holder, we discovered, not sure who has it now. Last hand had only four players.

I appreciate those who just helped themselves in the kitchen. When people help themselves I know they feel at home, that makes me happy.

Thanks everyone and we will see you at Joe Rotello's house, January 7th, weather permitting.

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## Minutes of the Board Meeting December 5, 2018

**Rick Knoll: Secretary**

### Introduction

Members present for the Board meeting were **Dick Moore, Rafael De Jesus, Rick Knoll, Larry Jeffries, Joe Saman, and Bob McSherry**. **Treasurer** was absent due to work. There were no visitors.

**Dick Moore**, president called the board meeting to order at 12:50. **Rick Knoll**, secretary, called the roll and announced we have a quorum and read the minutes of the November meeting.

### Old Business

Dick mentioned the organization has been together for 31 years and 2019 begins our 32nd year. This is the last meeting for this board. The new board will be announced at the Christmas Party. They will take office Jan. 1st.

**Vice President, Rafael** said he had nothing to say at this moment so Dick called on **Bob McSherry**, our Board Member-At-Large to give his report. He said that no one had come to him with any problems this past month so we went right on to the Treasurer's Report. (*see page 3*) **Larry Nelson**, our Treasurer gave copies of the report to Dick who passed them out to the rest of the board. We went over them and everything was in good shape. There was some discussion about sending out notices of payment for the New Year to the people who have Ads in our Newsletter. We also talked about getting a new Post Office and box

for our mailings as the one we have has been closed for several months due to water damage, asbestos problems, etc. It has caused a lot of problems in getting our mail. Hopefully this problem will be cleared up by the first of the year. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report and **Rafael** made a 1st and a second was made by **Bob** to accept the report and was approved unanimously

Dick made an announcement that money was coming out of the **Chris Olson** estate, thanks to Sam Gallegos to pay for the White Buffalo awards that had to be redesigned and is given out at the Christmas Party.

**Larry Jeffries**, Membership Chairman said that our membership is still running at 175. People have been very good about paying their dues on time. A motion to accept the membership report was made and a 1st was made by **Bob** and a 2nd by **Joe** to accept this report and it was agreed upon unanimously.

**Joe Saman**, Activities Coordinator, said that everything was in great shape for the Christmas party. We have 95 signed up (at this time) which is the largest number we have ever had. That includes 15 from the Harmony singers who will be entertaining us. A motion was made to accept the report and was passed unanimously.

### New Business

It was brought up that Sunday, December 9th will be our last beer bust at the Trade for this year. We have done very well financially with these beer busts which are much smaller than the ones that we use to do at the Wrangler. That is why we have done more of them. Nothing is set yet about next year but Dick and Rafael are in talks with Chris, the owner of the Trade, and see what kind of a deal they can come up with.

A motion was made to give Diana, our waitress, a monetary gift of \$100.00 for Christmas. That will come from our treasury. She works very hard and takes good care of us. It was agreed on unanimously and will be done on Wednesday, Dec 19th.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 2, 2019 after lunch at 1:00 pm at the Golden Corral.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and was unanimously approved at 1:30 pm.

*Happy New Year*

# ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY











*Now that's the way you eat spaghetti.*

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## FROM THE KITCHEN OF . . .

**Julia Child and Dick Moore**

**Sticky Toffee Pudding**

**Serves 6**

- 1-4 c. all-purpose flour
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1-1/2 t. apple pie spice
- 1/2 t. salt
- 4 T. unsalted butter, plus more for ramekins
- 6 oz. dried Medjool dates, pitted, roughly chopped
- 1 t. baking soda
- 3/4 c. granulated sugar
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 t. pure vanilla extract

**Eggnog, for serving**

**Store-bought or homemade salted caramel sauce, for serving**

Preheat oven to 350 degrees, butter 6 4-oz. ramekins. In a bowl, combine flour, baking powder, apple pie spice and salt, whisk well. In a medium saucepan, combine the dates and 1-1/4 cups water; bring to simmer and cook until dates are soft, about 10 minutes. Add baking soda, and mix well to combine. The mixture will foam up. Meanwhile, cream the butter and sugar with an electric mixer until pale and fluffy, about 3-5 minutes. Beat in eggs and vanilla until well combined, about 2 minutes more. Add the date mixture and the dry ingredients to the butter mixture, a third of each at a time, mixing after each addition. Divide batter among ramekins, filling each no more than 3/4 full. Place ramekins on a baking sheet, and bake 30 to 50 minutes, until set. Turn out hot puddings into serving bowls. Pour eggnog around the base of the pudding and drizzle with salted caramel sauce; serve immediately.

*Bon Appetite*



Dick Moore, President

## Let Me Finish

### *Opinion of Brown Stripe in Pride Flag*

*Submitted by Joe Rotello*

The rainbow flag has never represented "Peoples" of any color but it is "representative of the refracted sunlight in the rainbow which includes all colors.

Rainbow Flags have a long history and have represented various historical ideas and movements. In that train of history, a Rainbow Flag only recently became a banner of the LGBT. When the Gay Community adopted the Rainbow Flag, its original intention was to express pride and unity in diversity. The following three paragraphs are clips from the internet:

Originally devised by San Francisco artist Gilbert Baker, the design has undergone several revisions since its debut in 1978, first to remove colors then restore them

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based on availability of fabrics. The most common variant consists of six stripes: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and violet. The flag is typically flown horizontally, with the red stripe on top, as it would be in a natural rainbow.

He (Baker) pointed out that the "rainbow" symbolized unity in diversity and the power of light, enlightenment and progress. The first co-op rainbow flag was completed in 1924 and was adopted as an official symbol of the international cooperative movement of 1925.

The rainbow flag, commonly known as the gay pride flag or LGBT pride flag, is a symbol of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) pride and LGBT social movements. Other older uses of rainbow flags include a symbol of peace. The colors reflect the diversity of the LGBT community, as the flag is often used as a symbol of gay pride during LGBT rights marches. While the use of the rainbow flag originated in Northern California's San Francisco Bay Area, the flag is now used worldwide.

I restate: the colors in the PRIDE flag have never represented peoples.

We are all of one race . . . The Human Race, which occurs in many hues. To add a brown stripe and/or black stripe and justify that as inclusion just further divides the One Human Race and nurtures the continuance of racism.

If colors in a Gay Flag were to represent the various colors of The Human Race, why would there be blue or green or purple or orange stripe? Would a white stripe have to be added?

When we continue to draw lines through The One Human Race by colors, we repeat the failures of history by insisting on divisive markers which trash the words of Martin Luther King, Jr. The following clip is the closing from **Martin Luther King, Jr's "I Have a Dream"** speech.

*"And when this happens, and when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will*

*be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual:*

***"Free at last! Free at last!  
Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!"***

Colorado Prime Times Newsletter is available on the club web site and can be downloaded by members who do not attend the Wednesday Luncheons. Printed copies are still available at the Wednesday Luncheon and to any member who does not have online access.

## E-MAIL NOTICE

Your Colorado Prime Timer webmaster periodically sends a message to all members, primarily to inform everyone when the next newsletter is available on our website. If you are not receiving these messages it is because we either don't have your email address or we have an incorrect address. Email addresses can be sent to **Ron Hurd** at [ron@ronh.org](mailto:ron@ronh.org). Also, don't forget to let our **Membership Chairman, Larry Jeffries**, know of any changes in your profile, Send to [lejeff40@gmail.com](mailto:lejeff40@gmail.com).

## FOOD BANK DONATIONS

A reminder to all members - the first Wednesday of the month, members are asked to bring in a food bank donation if they are able. Phil Wade with MCC of the Rockies Food Pantry will be with us on that Wednesday to collect donations. The Food Pantry can use perishable and non-perishable food items plus hygiene/bath items, deodorants, oral care items . . .toothpaste, tooth brushes, mouthwash and infant/child supplies (diapers, wipes, etc.)

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# January



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