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How the Nazi Regime's **Pink Triangle Symbol** Was Repurposed for LGBTQ Pride



Prisoners wearing pink triangles on their uniforms are marched outdoors by Nazi guards at the Sachsenhausen concentration camp in Germany on Dec. 19, 1938.

With LGBTQ Pride Month beginning June 1 — a month chosen to honor the history of activism epitomized by the Stonewall Riots of June 1969 — celebrants around the world will be getting ready for parades and other tributes. Symbols such as the rainbow flag and the pink triangle will abound; for example, Nike has announced a new line of LGBTQ history-themed sneakers, including two that boast pink triangles.

The brightly colored symbol is now often worn proudly, but it was born from a dark period in LGBTQ history and world history.

Just as the Nazis forced Jewish people to wear a yellow Star of David, they forced people they labeled as gay to wear inverted pink triangles (or 'die Rosa-Winkel'). Those thus branded were treated as "the lowest of the low in the camp hierarchy," as one scholar put it.

The roots of the Nazi persecution of gay people are deep. Since German unification in 1871, a section of the country's criminal law widely known as "paragraph 175"

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worked to scrub Nazism from Germany, they left that part alone . . . perhaps because they had anti-gay and anti-sodomy laws of their own. Paragraph 175 wasn't repealed until 1994.

Former "doll boy" Heinz Heger's 1972 memoir *The Men With The Pink Triangles* had said that men who engaged in acts of "unnatural indecency" could go to jail. In 1877, the German Supreme Court of Justice clarified that to mean evidence of an "intercourse-like act." But the law was only enforced sporadically. And the fact that it was almost impossible to convict anyone unless he confessed to such a crime in court meant that police just kept a watchful eye on gay bars and events, and Germany ended up becoming home to a vibrant gay community.

According to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (USHMM), that changed when the Nazis came into power in the 1930s. Hitler saw gay men as a threat to his campaign to purify Germany, especially because their partnerships could not bear children who would grow the Aryan race he wanted to cultivate. During that period, gay-friendly bars and clubs started being shut down, authorities burned the books at a major research institution devoted to the study of sexuality, and gay fraternal organizations were shuttered. These efforts only increased after the "Night of the Long Knives", the 1934 purge of Nazi leaders who were accused of trying to overthrow Hitler; they included Storm Troopers leader Ernst Röhm, whom the SS murdered, later citing his homosexuality as justification for his murder. A Nazi revision of the 1871 law took effect in September of 1935, outlawing anything as simple as men looking at or touching one another in a sexually suggestive way, and enabled authorities to arrest people even if they had only heard rumors that people had been engaging in such behavior. (Lesbians, however, didn't face the same criminal penalties.) The Gestapo began to keep "pink lists" of violators.

Between 1933 and 1945, by the USHMM's count, an estimated 100,000 men were arrested for violating this law, and about half went to prison. It's thought that somewhere between 5,000 and 15,000 men were sent to concentration camps for reasons related to sexuality, but exactly how many died in them may never be known, between the scant documentation that survived and the sense of shame that kept many survivors silent for years after their ordeal.

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The Colorado Prime Timers is proud to give a BIG



to our new members
We now have 172 members

FEBRUARY LUNCH ATTENDANCE
FEB. 27, 50 March 6, 50 March 13, 2
March 20, 49

FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

Revenue	
Membership Renewals	\$329.45
Trade Beer Bust cups sold	\$221.00
Trade Beer Bust tips	\$144.00
Newsletter ad	\$100.00
Unanimous donation	\$100.00
Monthly Total Revenue	\$894.45
Expenses	
Guest meal cards	\$18.48
Newsletter printing	\$83.00
Newsletter postage	\$279.00
Newsletter supplies	\$44.68
Roster: ink, labels, print	\$47.65
Monthly Total Expenses	\$472.81
Net Monthly	\$421.84
Month end checking balance	\$925.19
Savings balance	\$7889.61
Total in accounts	\$8814.80

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 and 37 states out of the 50. 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.

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. Ads are required to be paid for at the beginning of the year (January 1.) 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, or e-mail operaghost198838@yahoo.com. Any attachments must be sent to Dick jpg.

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 Director, 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**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Phil Wade, 3rd
Donald Ramsay, 5th
Bradford Clingan, 5th
Michael Murray, 8th
John Knowles, 8th
James Patterson, 13th
Dick Moore, 14th
Michael Nettleton, 14th
Toby Davis, 18th
Joe Rotello, 20th
Paul Hubble, 23rd
Morgan McKenzie, 26th
Matthew Stenger, 27th and 3 others



***Free lunch card if you attend lunch that Wednesday of your birthday!**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The **May** Newsletter deadline for all articles and activities for the Newsletter **must** be turned into Dick Moore, Newsletter Editor by Wednesday, **April 17th** to be included in the **May** edition for delivery on Wednesday, **April 24th**.

Opinions expressed in various columns with Prime Times are the sole opinions of the writer and are not necessarily of the Colorado Prime Timer organization, it's Board or Editor. All articles, dates and times are subject to change.

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 guarantee a spot with the group, others will be accommodated as possible. If you RSVP and can't make the event, **contact the host as soon as possible.**

The following are articles, announcements, and of scheduled events for the month of March. 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 Joe first. He 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 Joe or by you for the activity. *Any member can coordinate an activity at any time!!!!*

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.

BOARD MEETING

Dick Moore

When: Wednesday, April 3rd.

Time: Right after lunch.

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

Agenda: Treasury report, Membership report, Activities report and anything else we want to talk about. **All members are always welcome to attend!**

HAND, KNEE, FOOT CARDS

Ken Krout: Coordinator

When: Monday, April 8th.

Time: 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Where: 1691 S. Emporia Way, Denver, 80247.

Host: Ron Gloekler.

Call: Ron at, 303.369.0165 to RSVP or or use sign up sheet at lunch. **Limit 12. Make reservations no later than Wednesday, April 3rd.**

BOARD MEETING UPDATE

Dick Moore

When: Wed., April 10th. Time: 12:00 pm.

Where: The Golden Corral.

Agenda: Dick reports on the April Board Meeting. Treasurer's report, Membership report, Activities report and anything else we want to talk about.

OVER-EASY BREAKFAST

Darrel Freeland: Coordinator

When: Sat., April 13th. Time: 9:00 am.

Where: Check the sign up sheet.

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, April 10th.**

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Dick Moore: Coordinator

When: Sun., April 28th. Time: 12:00 pm.

Where: Mimi's Cafe, 205 S. Abilene St., Aurora, 80012, 303.384.9350.

Host: Dick Moore

Call or e-mail: Dick at 720.638.1080, or operaghost198838@yahoo.com, to RSVP or use the sign up sheet at lunch.

Reservations are must, no walk-ins. Make reservation no later than Wednesday, April 24th.

INFO: Casual chain restaurant serving French & American staple in a rustic-inspired setting.

TRADE BEER BUST

Charles McDonald: Coordinator

Our 3rd Beer Bust at The Trade will be on **Saturday, May 11th, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.**

Volunteers of course are needed. Probably looking at 5 to 6 for the four hours. **You MUST stay for the duration of the Beer Bust to receive volunteer credit.**

A sign up sheet is now out. If you've a Colorado Prime Timers T-shirt, please wear it. Our buttons will also be available but bring yours if you have one.

Even if you're not volunteering, we could use your moral support. (*financially, too.*) At our 1st beer bust we raised \$365.00. Cups sold \$221.00 (71), tips \$144.00 (\$72.00 plus anonymous donor matched the tips).

Many thanks to the following volunteers, at the first Beer Bust, February 23rd: **Dick Moore, Allan Jorgensen, Michael Brascia, Howard Martin, Geof Jones and Bob Hileman.** Fun time was had by all.

Look for the full schedule of Beer Busts for the year on page 10.

DINING OUT FOR LIFE

Charles McDonald, Coordinator

When: Thursday, May 2nd.

Where: Shells & Sauce, 2600 E. 12th Ave. 80206.

Call or e-mail: Charles McDonald, 303.520.3120

or chefcharlesd@gmail.com to RSVP or use sign up sheet at lunch. **Reservation are a must and must be made no later than Wednesday, April 24th and is limited to 20 people, first come first serve. NO WALK-INS! Please arrive at least by 5:45 pm.**

INFO: Jazzy little trattoria serving classic & creative fare.

25% of our food bill will be donated back to Project Angel Heart. Project Angel Heart promotes the health, dignity and self-sufficiency of people living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life threatening illnesses by providing nutritious, home-delivered meals with care and compassion.

OVER-EASY BREAKFAST

Jim Mickel: Reporter-At-Large

17 Prime Timers enjoyed the March Over-Easy Breakfast at the Revelry Kitchen in North Denver. It was extremely busy with people waiting and people going all the time. Our group pretty much filled the front dining area.

The menu choices were very good, some quite unusual other than your usual; run-of-the-mill fare. The wait staff was incredible, at the tables all the time with coffee. Talk about a happy and content group. Parking is somewhat of a problem but didn't have to park to far.

A few of us had the regular breakfast but a few had a different type of waffle and some had a different type of French toast. All in all excellent. No complaints this time.

Another successful Over-Easy. Thank you, Darrel. You must have a list as long as your arm of breakfast places.

We all look forward to the April 13th outing.

HAND, KNEE, FOOT CARDS

Jim Mickel: Reporter-At-Large

Mike Brascia hosted 11 Prime Timers for the March card club. Of course, we all enjoyed the different 'goodies' that were brought, and consumed, Mike, being the congenial host, was kept very busy.

We had 2 tables, six at one and four at another. A canasta game got going with Mike, Joe Rotello and Rick Knoll. No partner. Quite a challenge but lots of fun and brought back memories when I was young.

It was great being together again. Happy to see Larry Lombard with us again. We all look forward to out next card playing day, Tuesday, April 8th at Ron Gloekler's home. (*see page 4*)

NIGHT ON THE TOWN

Jim Mickel, Reporter-At-Large

All 11 Prime Timers arrived at the 240 Union Grill on a bitter cold Tuesday evening, March 5th. We are certainly a hardy group, or maybe not too smart! Either way, we had a good time.

We were set up at a long table away from the main dining area which made it easy to converse.

Excellent meals, no complaining. Mainly Italian but you could order most anything. Our waitress was very helpful and had a loud voice so we 'oldsters' could hear very well. The staff was great. Young man kept our water glasses filled and even hung up coats.

Rick Knoll mentioned that he and his partner had visited this same restaurant a number of years ago but it was entirely different now.

Thanks, Charles. It was a great evening out despite the chilly weather. The May 7th outing is date. Charles will keep us posted.

ST. PATTIE'S POTLUCK

Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Potluck was held on Saturday, March 16th in Wheat Ridge. Lots of green and the best in culinary delights from the corn beef and cabbage, red potatoes, Irish stew, along with plenty of salads and desserts.

Dick provided a little bit of entertainment during the get-together. He had the attendees work out a survey of such with 26 sentences that had to be filled in with the correct words. This took up most of the time as members worked alone and together to get the correct answers. Dick presented prizes to those who played and got the most correct answers.

22 members had a good time with lots of get-together, and food. The party was marred by the fact that 32 members had signed up for the potluck and 10 members didn't bother to inform Charles McDonald that they would not be attending, who went to a lot of effort to make the entree and set up the party room and made the day fun.

This has happened before and it doesn't seem to bother members to take the time, 5 minutes or less, to call and cancel a reservation. How irresponsible.

Members who do this must realize that you have cost the chapter money, and a lot of effort to bring this and other activities to you for your enjoyment. No wonder the coordinators don't want to put the effort forward. Maybe we will just cancel extra activities coming up. Let's try and do better in the future.

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 6th BOARD MEETING

Dick Moore: Acting Secretary

The meeting was brought to order by president, **Dick Moore** at 12:30 pm. Present were **Dick Moore**, president; **Rafael De Jesus**, vice president; **Larry Jeffries**, Membership Director; **Charles McDonald**, Special Events Director; **Bob McSherry**, Membership-At-Large Director; visitor, **Geoff Jones**.

OLD BUSINESS

Bob McSherry, reported on the following suggestions from members:

Dues for couples should be raised.

The Board decided this would be tabled until the end of the year.

There is too much talking during the door prizes. Members can't hear the numbers. Number caller should stand.

Charles McDonald reported that he is in the process of finding a restaurant for this year's Dining Out For Life night, May 2nd. He was somewhat disappointed at the low attendance for the St. Pattie's Day Potluck.

Larry Jeffries reported that our membership is now down to 172 down from 174 last month. This is due to number of reasons. A motion to accept the report was made and seconded and was passed unanimously.

Rafael De Jesus was quiet this month.

NEW BUSINESS

Dick mentioned that our first **Trade Beer Bust** on Saturday February 23rd was a big success not only with plenty of help but also financially. (*see Financial Report on page 2*). He also mentioned our next one, March 31st. is shaping up well with

A discussion on the food served at the Annual Christmas Party last year was not quite up to par. It was suggested that the committee picking the items would get a list and present it to the members to decide what they would prefer. This was shot down as it is strictly up to the committee to make that decision.

The Board unanimously decided that the door prizes would be dropped completely in favor of 2 to 3 special item drawings. Gifts from the organization will continue to be given.

Another item for the Christmas Party will be to be able to use the restaurants PA system so everyone will be able to hear whats going on.

The last item brought up was the finalization

(*after 4 months*) of the chapter By-Laws. They are available now.

With no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, April 3rd.

BRAVERY UNDER DURESS

From Joe Rotello

On February 20, 2019, Rick Knoll, of the Colorado Prime Timers, was presented the first Annual **Bravery Under Duress Award** for his



meritorious service in safely navigating the fierce winter blizzard of February 6, 2019, which did engulf him and his three passengers as they attempted their return home to west Denver following a Colorado Prime Timers weekly luncheon.

When they left the luncheon the snow in that area was 3 or 4 inches and accelerating fast. Visibility was almost zero with snow on the roads.

Rick bravely faced the swirling whiteout conditions and accumulating icy slush across the windshield. The slush began to gather under the wiper blades and the interior of the windshield became coated with frost. The defroster was not keeping the windshield free of frost because of the slowed down wiper blades.

Rick was trying to concentrate on the variables outside the car. He had to pull off the road to clean off the slush from under the wiper blades. He was tense enough just to concentrate on the conditions of the road.

He delivered his three occupants and himself safely to the warm comforts of their respective abodes.

Congratulations and thank you, Rick, for your bravery under duress. It just goes to show that us Colorado drivers are the best when it comes to

staying cool, calm, and collected in any weather.

HONORABLE MENTION

On Wednesday, March 13th, Denver was hit with a 100 year "Bomb Cyclone" of snow. Talk about up to your ----- in alligators. Two "brave" Prime Timers, **Larry Jeffries** and **Charles McDonald**, ventured out for the Wednesday luncheon at the Golden Corral. They were the only two that showed. Later, the Golden Corral closed due to a power outage in the area. It would be wise to keep a close watch on the weather reports!!!

Gay Holocaust Victims (continued from page 2)

From the few survivors and prison guards who have shared their stories, it's been learned that those sent to concentration camps were segregated, for fear that their sexual preference was contagious. Many were castrated. Some were used as guinea pigs in various medical experiments to find a cure for typhus fever and a cure for homosexuality, the latter of which led the SS to inject them with testosterone to see if it would make them straight. At the same time, some Kapos (prisoners selected by the SS to keep fellow prisoners in line) are said to have demanded sexual favors from prisoners, who were known as "doll boys," in exchange for extra food or protection from hard labor.

Yet in the post-war years, fear of arrest and imprisonment didn't go away. The Nazi law stayed in place until a 1969 West German law decriminalized gay relationships among men over 21. As one of the USHMM's curators has pointed out, even as the Allied powers carefully described SS guards torturing prisoners by dipping their testicles in hot water and sodomizing them with broomsticks. Data on these victims started to be cited in 1977, after a statistical analysis by sociologist Rudiger Lautmann of Bremen University claimed that as many as 60% of the gay men sent to concentration camps may have died. The first reference to pink triangles in TIME also appeared that year, in a story about gay-rights activists in Miami who attached the symbols to their clothes as a show of solidarity while protesting a vote to repeal a law protecting gay people from housing discrimination. When the magazine noted that the symbol was "reminiscent" of Nazi-era yellow stars, a reader wrote in to note that they were in fact analogous, not "reminiscent," as both the star and the triangle were real artifacts of that time. "Gay people wear the pink triangle today as a reminder of the past and a pledge that history will not repeat

itself," he added.

And while the Miami effort did not succeed, the activists did succeed in bringing national attention to the way they had reclaimed the pink triangle as a symbol of solidarity. In 1979, Martin Sherman's play *Bent*, inspired by Heger's memoir, opened on Broadway; in the play, one of the characters trades in his pink triangle for a yellow star, "which gives him preferential treatment over the homosexuals," as TIME's review put it. The magazine called the play "audacious theater" and a "gritty, powerful and compassionate drama." Sherman later said that he had also based the play on research by Holocaust scholar Richard Plant, who was having trouble finding a publisher who would turn it into a book, as the topic was still considered taboo. It was later published as *The Pink Triangle: The Nazi War Against Homosexuals*.

By that time, the gay community was facing a very different threat: HIV and AIDS. The activists who formed the organization ACT-UP to raise awareness about this public health crisis decided to use the pink triangle as a symbol of their campaign and alluded to its history when they declared, in their manifesto, that "silence about the oppression and annihilation of gay people, then and now, must be broken as a matter of our survival." Avram Finkelstein is credited with designing the campaign's pink triangle — which is right-side up, instead of the Nazi-era upside-down pink triangle — after conservative pundit William F. Buckley suggested that HIV/AIDS patients get tattoos to warn partners in a 1986 New York *Times* op-ed. Earlier this year, Finkelstein said that the op-ed was a "galvanizing moment," at a time when there was "public discussion of putting gay men into concentration camps to keep the epidemic from spreading." This bolder stance required a more boldly colored triangle. He explained that the triangle in the middle of the campaign's signature "Silence=Death" poster was fuchsia instead of pale pink, as a nod to the punk movement's adoption of the "New Wave" color. (He said the background of the poster is black because "everyone in lower Manhattan wore black.")

More recently, pink triangles have been visible during gay rights demonstrations worldwide that were sparked by reports that gay men were being persecuted in Chechnya. For example, outside of the Russian embassy in London on April of 2017, protesters scattered pink triangles with messages written "Stop the death camps." Three months

later, the German parliament voted unanimously to pardon gay men convicted of homosexuality during World War II, awarding €3,000 to the 5,000 men still living, and €1,500 for each year they were imprisoned. The vote came about 15 years after the issuing of an official apology and almost a decade after the unveiling of a memorial to gay Holocaust victims in Berlin. Another well-known memorial is the Pink Triangle Park in the Castro district in San Francisco, which calls itself “the first permanent, free-standing memorial in the U.S. to gay Holocaust victims.”

The last death of someone forced to wear the pink triangle during the Nazi era is believed to have come in August of 2011, with the death of Rudolf Brazda at the age of 98. The symbols of pride that will be proudly worn around the world this month are a reminder of both what he survived and the pride that came after.

Written by Olivia B. Waxman
May 31, 2018



Prime Timers Worldwide Convention San Antonio

“An Exciting Affordable Convention In A Beautiful City!”

Plan **NOW** for the Prime Timers trip to the picturesque city of San Antonio, Texas, October 29 -November 2.

Registration is \$175 per person for Prime Timers.

Amenities:

Free hospitality room with drinks and food provided.

A day pass on the Riverwalk river barges on the San Antonio River.

Embroidered Polo Shirt.

Educational Seminars.

Daily **FREE** hot buffet breakfast for registered guests.

Luncheon Buffet on Day 1.

Masquerade Party on Halloween.

“Golden Girls” theme final dinner buffet with the Golden Chorus entertainment.

Hotel:

The hotel is located on the banks of the San

Antonio River on the famed Riverwalk. El Tropicana by Hilton is a 275-room facility completely set aside for Prime Timers making this a wonderful experience. Room rates are at negotiated rate of \$124 for one or two persons and \$132 for three or four occupants plus taxes.

Make plans now to be in San Antonio in October, 2019.

From the President of the Colorado Prime Timers, Dick More:

Hey!! Maybe the Colorado Prime Timers chapter could host the next Worldwide Convention in 2021. Maybe before I retire as president after 17 years, at the end of 2020.

If **they** can do it, I **know** the Colorado Prime Timers can do it. Let's not become a do-nothing chapter. Think about it, who knows, it could happen!!!!

Our best wishes for a fast recovery go out to Ted Carnes who is recuperating from a stroke.

Ted is undergoing therapy at
The Center
8550 Lowry Blvd.
Room 235

He can receive visitors but for only about 10 to 15 minutes at a time. After 1:00 pm. Call The Center before you go as he may still be in therapy.
303.676.4000.



Let Me Finish

Dick Moore, President

**Secrets To My Long-Lasting Success:
“You Earn Luck”**

After eight decades, I think I have mastered the keys to a successful life . . . and I credit them to all of the influential people in

my life: such as parents, and friends.

"I was taught many years ago, "if it's not true, don't worry about".

I come from hard working stock and I'm proud of it. You have to get up every day and just try hard. That's what I still wake up willing to do: try my hardest."

I'm a sort of practice guy, a repetition guy, you can tell me to do something, but I'm likely to take that as incentive to prove you wrong. I'm not a tough guy, I'm not a jock, so you can yell at me all day long, and that won't hurt me . . . I'm just going to try to get better.

Work your ass off, and don't let the effort show. Also: treat people the same, not based on who they are or what they are. Show them common kindness. Don't be colored by their fame, profession, or fortune. I don't get all excited by people blowing smoke up my ass. You have to stay honest.

This choice, the careers I have experienced required me to be all in. Life should prepare you for the opportunities . . . and they will come, it's just that we don't know when.

So until then, all you can do is invest in yourself. I've always worked hard, I've always tried to pay attention to the little things . . . but here's the real secret: *there are no little things.*

And while some may be struck by luck alone and propelled into financial security, I believe life's careers require much more.

I have been quite fortunate to have probably been in the right places at the right times.

Not only has my vocation benefitted me but also personal activities have been a big part of my life.

As I have said, I am not a jock, but did enjoy my time playing volleyball and being president for 8 years to that organization.

Seventeen years ago, after trying to be a jock, I decided to quietly settle into a much slower life style. I joined the Colorado Prime Timers. Not only did I join, I became president and still am and am a better person for it.

For all that these 80 years have brought, I'm a very luck guy, and I certainly feel like I have earned it.



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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SPECIAL ACTIVITIES COMING UP



BEER BUSTS AT TRADE
3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Sunday, March 31st
Saturday, May 11th
Sunday, July 21st
Saturday, October 19th
Saturday, December 28th



DINING OUT FOR LIFE
Thursday, May 2nd



PRIDEFEST
Saturday, June 15th,
Sunday, June 16th



MOUNTAIN PICNIC
Yet to be determined



**COLORADO
PRIME TIMER'S ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS PARTY**
Saturday December 14th



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E-MAIL NOTICE

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7	8 Hand, Knee, and Foot Cards Birthdays Michael Murray John Knowles	9	10 Lunch Board Meeting Update	11	12	13 Over-Easy Breakfast Birthday James Patterson
14 Palm Sunday Birthdays Dick Moore Michael Nettleton	15	16	17 Lunch Newsletter Deadline	18 Birthday Toby Davis	19 Good Friday	20 Birthday Joe Rotello
21 Easter	22 Earth Day	23 Birthday Paul Hubble	24 Lunch  Newsletter Delivery	25	26 Birthday Morgan McKenzie	27 Birthday Matthew Stenger
28 Sunday Brunch	29	30			Happy Birthday to 3 others	

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