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Baltimore President Visits Colorado Prime Timers



Dick Moore, Ralph Welsh, Rafael De Jesus

Ralph Welsh, president of the Baltimore Prime Timer Chapter made a short visit to Denver and with the Colorado Prime Timer's "Discussion Group" at the Trade on Wednesday afternoon, August 7th.

Ralph was in Denver to attend a conference on the performing arts sponsored by the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York City.

Ralph's position in this organization is to support sight impaired people in describing the actions of a play or musical. This gives them an insight on what the show or play is all about.

Ralph met a few members from the Colorado Prime Timers and would have joined the Wednesday luncheon group but due to a communication flap, he was only able to attend the group at Trade.

We talked to him about the Baltimore chapter and their

many activities. The chapter is really involved with a lot of cultural events in Baltimore. Might be well for the Colorado Prime Timers to use their play book for future activities.

Ralph has been president for a number of years with a group of 47 Prime Timers or so,

Those Prime Timers who got to meet Ralph had great and meaningful conversations with him. Thank you, Ralph!

We all hope that he will return so we can show him some real Colorado Prime Timer hospitality.

We always look forward to Prime Timer members from other chapters who visit us.

The Colorado Prime Timers is proud to give a BIG



to our new member **Anthony James Newsome** We now have 166 members

JULY/AUGUST LUNCH ATTENDANCE July 31-52; August 7-53; August 14-51; **August 21-49**

JULY FINANCIAL REPORT

REVENUE

Membership Renewals	\$320.00					
Beer Bust tips	\$80.00					
Beer Bust cups	\$120.00					
Beer Bust additional cash	\$30.00					
Monthly total revenue	\$550.00					
EXPENSES						
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Monthly total expenses	\$217.93		
Roster printing	\$124.47		
Guest comp. lunches	\$18.46		
newsietter printing	\$75.00		

Net Monthly	\$332.07		
Month-end checking balance	\$3355.24		
Savings balance	\$7892.93		
Savings interest	\$0.67		
Total in both accounts	\$11248.17		

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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 Timer's 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 3X2-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 720,447,5429, or e-mail operaghost198838@yahoo.com. Any attachments or art work must be sent to Dick jpg.

Membership Dues

Yearly membership dues are \$20.00 per member. 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. PO Box 300274, Denver, Colorado 80203 or you can pay the Membership Director, at any Wednesday Luncheon.

As of July 1, 2019 all membership dues are

\$20.00 per member. Couples living at the same address will no longer be able to pay \$25.00 for 2.

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 sheet, no reservations.* Just come and enjoy the food and conversations with your fellow Prime Timers. Guest 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 discounted \$9.23 lunch price.

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE GRATUITY!
Social hour and lunch are
11:00 am to 1:00 pm
at South Santa Fe Drive & Hampden

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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The **October** Newsletter deadline for all articles and activities for the Newsletter **must** be turned into **Dick Moore**, Newsletter Editor by Wednesday, **September 18th** to be included in the **October** edition for delivery on Wednesday, **September 25th**.

Opinions expressed in various columns with Prime Times are the sole opinion 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 **August**. 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 is not expected to arrange transportation.

A GET WELL QUICK TO ANTHONY GUZMAN

ANTHONY GUZMAN WHO HAS UNDERGONE A TRIPLE BY-PASS AT SWEDISH MEDICAL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ron Gloekler, 1st Mark Cesario, 1st Darrel Freeland, 9th Anthony Guzman, 9th Jeff Haddox, 24th Anthony Newsome, 26th Glenn Crismyre, 27th David Vogel, 28th



Free lunch card to be used at a later date if you attend lunch that Wednesday of your birthday!!

PRIME TIMERS OUT N' ABOUT

COFFEE TIME

When: Every Monday.

Time: 8-10 am.

and one other

Where: Paneras, 640 S. Colorado Blvd.

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

Where: The LGBT Center, 1301 E. Colfax.

NIGHT ON THE TOWN

Charles McDonald: Coordinator When: Tuesday, September 3rd.

Time: 6:00 pm.

Where: Bent Fork: 12191 East Iliff Avenue,

80014. 303.337.6600.

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Cost: \$8 to \$25.00.

Call or Email: Charles at 720.309.3696 or chefcharles@gmail.com to RSVP or use sign up sheet at lunch. Reservations must be made no later than Wednesday, August 28th. The Bent Fork Info: The Bent Fork serves a diverse offering of traditional dishes that are inventive, fresh, and flavorful. It's a great place to enjoy the company of others and good conversation.

BOARD MEETING

Dick Moore, President

When: Wednesday, September 4th.

Time: Right after lunch.

Where: Golden Corral, 3677 S. Santa Fe Dr. Agenda: Treasurer's Report; Membership Report; Activities Report; and anything else we care to talk about.

MEMBERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

OVER-EASY BREAKFAST

Darrell Freeland: Coordinator

When: Saturday, September 14th.

Time: 9:00 am.

Where: Check the sign up sheet or call. Call or e-mail: Darrell at 303.789.3897 or e-mail dffreeland@q.com to RSVP or use sign-up sheet at lunch., no later than Wed., Sept. 11th.

HAND, KNEE, FOOT CARDS

Ken Krout: Coordinator

When: Monday, September 9th. Time: 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Where: 1601 S. Emporia Way, 80247.

Host: Ron Gloekler.

Call: 303.369.0165 to RSVP or use sign-up sheet at lunch. Limit 12. Make reservations no later than Wednesday, September 4th.

BOARD MEETING UPDATE

Dick Moore: President

When: Wednesday, September 11th.

Time: 12:00 pm.

Where: The Golden Corral, 3677 Santa Fe Dr. Agenda: Dick will report on the September Board Meeting, Treasurer's Report; Membership Report; Activities Report; and anything else we want to talk

DIKSY'S PUB

When: Saturday, September 28th.

Time: 7:00 pm, til?

Where: 3630 Vance St. #107, Wheat Ridge, CO.

Host: Dick Moore

Cost: \$10.00. For this you get all the libations

and food you want.

Reservations are a MUST. Use the sign up sheet at lunch. No phone call reservations. Reservations no later than Wednesday, September 25th. LIMITED TO 12!!!



"JUDY" the movie

Sam Gallegos is organizing a group to see the new Judy Garland movie "Judy" when it premiers in late September. Starring Rennee Zellweger as Judy Garland. This movie tells the story of Judy's final London concert in 1968 as well as her courtship with her fifth husband Mickey Deans. No theater or times have been announced yet for the movie. We will be looking at going to a matinee so no one will have to drive at night, and if there is enough interest, we will also meet somewhere for lunch close to the theater. Please see Sam at the weekly lunches for more details, as there will be no need to RSVP.

HAND, KNEE, FOOT CARDS

Jim Mickel: Reporter-At-Large

We had a FULL HOUSE on Monday, August 12th at Mike's house for the monthly Hand, Knee, Foot Card Club. A most delightful time was had by all.

Mike set up two tables in his family room. The usual table for six and a card table for four players.

We had an abundance of goodies to enjoy. Ham and scalloped potatoes plus the goodies. No one went home hungry.

Parking on the street was available since Regis was on vacation.

A fine time was enjoyed by everyone. See you next month at Ron Gloekler's over on the eastside.

DARREL'S ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY Saturday, August 3rd

(Photos by Ron Hurd)

















ANNUAL COLORADO PRIME TIMER'S PICNIC Saturday, August 24th

The Annual Colorado Prime Timer's Picnic was held Saturday, August 24th at Prospect Park in Wheat Ridge, Colorado. 37 members and guest out of 41 enjoyed an afternoon of camaraderie, bingo and of course FOOD! The Golden Corral catered the entrees of BBQ chicken, sausages, and BBQ beef brisket. The members furnished, salads, and desserts and the chapter furnished soda and water. A great time was had by all and those of you that missed it should really try and make it next year. A big thanks to Charles MDonald for organizing a great yearly activity and to all of those who attended. (*Photos by Ron Hurd*)











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SUNDAY BRUNCH

Submitted by Dick Moore: Coordinator

Well,normally I would hesitate to criticize a restaurant, but after the fiasco at The Good's Restaurant on E. Colfax, Sunday, August 18th I have to let loose.

A bright Sunday morning, a feeling of fall was in the air and 5 Colorado Prime Timers Rick Knoll, David Brunt, Zac Scott, Jim Parks, and Dick Moore, looked forward to having a nice brunch at The Good's Restaurant.

We were set at a nice table in the shade outside with anticipation of a great time for our first outing at this restaurant.

Not a large menu but sufficient and prices were moderate to high, depending on what you order.

Orders were taken along with drink orders. Rick had a regular Bloody Mary, \$7.00; and Dick had a scotch Bloody Mary, \$13.00. They not only charged him for the regular Bloody Mary but also charged him \$6.00 for the scotch.

From then on it was down hill.

The wait for food was extremely long and when it did come, two of the orders were wrong.

Replacements took even longer. We were told they would subtract these difficulties from the bills, not happen.

It was probably, no it was the worse Sunday Brunch I had ever attended and would not recommend this restaurant to my worst enemy.

Next Sunday Brunch will be October 20th and is yet to be decided where, but I assure you it will be a lot better than this one!

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. Also, don't forget to let our Membership Director, Larry Jeffries, know of any changes in your profile, Send to lejeff40@aol.com.

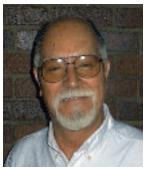
FOOD BANK DONATIONS

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.)

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

Is there something you would like to share with your fellow Prime Timers? Are you aware of news, health information, or upcoming community events? Do you kudos for a fellow Prime Timer? Questions for the Board?

Let us know about it. Send us an e-mail. We'll be happy to print your contribution. Send your questions, comments, pictures, or news to **Dick Moore** at operaghost198838@yahoo.com.



Let Me Finish

Dick Moore, President
So What Does It Mean to Be a
"Friend of Dorothy?"



As as much as I think myself as a seasoned traveler, I have heard the phrase "Friend of Dorothy" many times but didn't really know where or how the term came from.

Well, here it is!

For LGBT people of previous generations, a "friend of Dorothy" term is a familiar saying, but for many younger queer folks, the only place where they may have heard the term is that scene in Clueless when Murray tells Cher that her charming, well-dressed crush Christian is a "Disco-dancin', Oscar Wilde readin', Streisand ticket-holden' friend of Dorothy. You know what I'm saying?"

Well, for those of you who *don't* know what Murray was saying, here's a little primer course on the classic gay slang.

The phrase has been recorded as far back as World War II, a time when homosexuality was illegal. Along with "Mrs. King, " (another euphemism used in the gay community) these two mysterious women became a subtle way for men to signal to each other their true sexuality.

One possibility for who this term may have come from is the wonderful Dorothy Parker, an eccentric and witty writer, socialite, and political activist from the early part of the 20th century.

Married to an openly bisexual man who called himself "queer as a billy goat," the pair wrote and entertained in New York and Hollywood until Parker was blacklisted as a Communist during the McCarthy era for her Civil Rights push. She welcomed many queer people into her circles, and on her death, left her estate to Martin Luther King, Jr.

The most likely candidate for whom the term originates from, though, is none other than Dorothy Gale.

Upon first publication, the Oz books were a sensation of their own inspiring musicals, plays and movies even before the 1939 MGM epic. And they were really queer. The books are full of strong woman in close relationships with each other, gender bending princes, and more. In 1906's *Road to Oz*, the Polychrome (literally the Rainbow's daughter, although that's pure coincidence as the LGBT rainbow flag as we know it was debuted in the '70s) tells Dorothy "You have some queer friends, Dorothy." And our plucky young heroine replies, "The queerness doesn't matter, so long as they're friends!"

The movie certainly can't be ignored in this story. Pair that grand decadence with a story line about loneliness and not fitting in, with heartfelt songs about going "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" to find where you belong, away from a drab life . . . is it any wonder it resonated with the queer community?

One of the last places the use of "friends of Dorothy" still persists strongly is the cruise industry. Possibly because it does lean into an older crowd, gathering of "friends of Dorothy" still populates many cruise ship itineraries. But even this is beginning to fade, as many cruise ships shift to more recognized and common terminology as the LGBT community becomes more accepted. Judy Garland

Then Dorothy herself became an icon of the queer community. While many criticized her for being "too old" to play the bright-eyed little girl of Baum's novels possibly aged up to include a romance that never made it to the screen) no one can deny she left a hell of an impact. The movie launched her from popular to icon.



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Special Activities Coming Up



Diksy's Pub Saturday, Sept. 28th 7:00 pm



Beer Bust at Trade 3 pm to 7 pm Saturday October 19



Annual Christmas Party Saturday, Dec. 14



Sheila's Pet Pampering
No one loves your pets more!

Sheila Keathley
Pet Whisper
720.209.5725



sheilakeathley@gmail.com \$35 for the 1st pet and \$10 for each additional pet FREE house sitting included Colorado Prime Timers
Newsletter is available on the club web site and can be downloaded by members who do not attend the Wednesday Luncheons. Printed copies are available at the Wednesday Luncheon while they last to any member who does not have online access.

WELLNESS CHECK CALL

Would you like to receive and/or make a **Wellness Check Call** each morning.

Have someone with a schedule similar to yours to pair with and phone one and another every morning at the same time.

If you would like more details and to be added to the list, phone **Joe Rotello** at 303.422.8712.



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