

# Kiwanis

## The Manitou Spirit

### NEWSLETTER



Club Newsletter for  
Meeting of 4/12/2010

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President 2009/10

**Gary Smith**

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[www.ManitouKiwanis.org](http://www.ManitouKiwanis.org)

Tonight's Guests: None Tonight

Birthdays: Jay Pretzer's dad, Roland, is 84!

Howard Casey's daughter, Ellen Dennis, is 60.

Anniversaries: Tom Henschen celebrated 35 Years with American Family Insurance  
Ernie Adams celebrated being one of Tom's 1st customers!

<u>From:</u>	<u>Tonight's Happy Dollars for:</u>
Steve E.	Happy his wife got "normal markers" on her tests.
Morris D.	Happy that Mickelson and Rockies won and that he played golf today.
Craig C.	Happy the Dow closed above 11,000. 2) Happy Morris liked the horseradish, but "shocked" he put it on <i>pork loin!</i>
Greg B.	Happy that he and Barbara gave out 25 BUG (bring Up Grades) awards.
Tom H.	Happy to be going to Las Vegas, courtesy of American Family...
Ron L.	Going on a trip to San Diego to see grandson, Thomas, graduate from Marine Boot Camp!
Darold J.	Enjoyed perfect weather for past weekend's model airplane training session.
Rich B.	1) Thanks to Tom for giving him pictures of his old store, complete with Jackalopes! 2) Happy Marcy is here, but where's Howard?

#### **---TONIGHT'S Meeting - Club Business NOTES ---**

- We have been asked to use our cooking trailer for a Business Improvement District free pancake breakfast over Memorial Day weekend. It was discussed and approved by the club. We will probably participate and be there as part of our Membership Drive.
- Community Action Fair will be 3-6 on Sunday at City Hall. Everyone please come to see the 30 or so organizations operating within Manitou Springs.
- Greg Baker said it appears we may be able to establish a K-kids club at Ute Pass Elementary next year, what with new schedule for longer day next year.

#### **TONIGHT'S WINNERS!**

**Dime&1/2 Pot**-Morris D. **Big HELLO**- Gary S. **Big\$\$** - Jay P.

#### **Upcoming Programs**—

April 19—Michelle Carvell

**Greeters April 19, 2010:**  
**Steve Ekerholm and Darold Jones**



**Tonight’s Program: Marcy Morrison, our former Mayor, County Commissioner and currently Insurance Commissioner for the State of Colorado, gave us a talk on insurance issues at the State level and how we will be effected by the ObamaCare bill.**

Member Name

- Ernie Adams
- Lew Archer
- Chuck Armstrong
- Greg Baker
- Mike Baker
- Richard Baker
- Fred Bormann
- Craig Carnick
- Louis Carpenter
- Howard Casey
- Morris Deul
- Steven Ekerholm
- Garry Garrison
- Tom Henschen
- Darold Jones
- Ron Lancaster
- Martin Leopard
- Jay Pretzer
- Barbara Schaefer
- Gary Smith
- Bill Stewart
- Dan Stuart
- Joel Toman
- Dave Valier
- Larry Wellman
- Herb Wilson

- Marcy handed out numerous pamphlets published by DORA (Department of Regulatory Affairs) and her Insurance Division. Since these contained complete information on a variety of subjects, such as “What to do When and Insurance Company denies your Coverage”, the content will not be repeated here.
- The new bill, among hundreds of other features, will eliminate the concept of pre-existing conditions and lifetime limits on health insurance. Plus some copays will go away as well. The state high risk pool, Cover Colorado, will be expanded to handle these high risk, high cost patients so all eventually can have coverage.
- Prescription drug coverage will be expanded over time to close most of the “donut hole” in coverage now existing for seniors on Medicare plans.
- Carrier Exchanges will be created and small businesses will be given tax credits of 35% as an inducement to cover their employees. Different rules will apply to small businesses under 25 employees than for large ones.
- Colorado is one of 36 states who are already part of an insurance “compact” which is trying to standardize coverage across the nation in several insurance lines like life insurance, long term care and others.
- The changes contained in this 1100+ page bill will be phased in between now and 5+ years from now and will be gradual as the bureaucracy necessary to implement these massive changes is created.
- Of course, how all of this will be paid for is still to be determined!

Note: I have an emailable copy of the entire Health-care Bill and can email it to you if you ask me!

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