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tion of the Palmer Ridge geothermal project, see above.)

In response to a question from board Treasurer Ron Schwarz, Overton said that the district has \$15 million in cash savings. Setting aside \$8 million in case of an emergency, this leaves \$7 million for the district's use without withdrawing from reserves.

### Benefits plan overview

Director of Human Resources Kristen Steuber explained the district's benefits plan for 2022-23.

At present, 437 individuals participate in health insurance coverage from Kaiser and United Healthcare. This includes family coverage. Premiums are expected to increase by 7.5% in the upcoming year.

The district is part of the Colorado Employers Benefits Trust, an organization which coordinates coverage for several districts and handles COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) coverage for those who wish to continue health coverage after leaving the district's employment, and claims.

In answer to a question from Schwarz, Steuber said that the district's benefits are up to par with adjacent districts.

Steuber also said that there will be a request for proposals in January of next year to compare health plan alternatives.

## Robert Joseph Rissacher

**1925-2022**



Robert Joseph Rissacher passed away peacefully at his home on April 23, 2022 at the age of 96. He was surrounded by family and friends who prayed the rosary with him.

Bob was born to the late Joseph and Jeanne Rissacher on June 28, 1925, in Long Island, New York. As a young man

Bob began a lifetime of dedication to community by serving in the military and training as a bombardier, during WWII.

In 1948, he married his wife of 56 years, the late Mary Rose Rissacher. Bob and Mary honeymooned in Colorado and decided to make a home there. Bob attended the University of Denver while working for George Berbert and Sons. He later went on to own Denver Surgical Supply Company.

Bob was very involved with his daughters in the Lakewood Westernaires, traveling to horse shows throughout the United States and Canada. He was a mentor, not only for his daughters, but for many young people who were experiencing difficulties in their lives.

He was a long time member of the Woodmoor Country Club, an avid golfer, playing many years in the Woodchoppers member guest tournament, even scoring a hole in one! He introduced the wonderful game of golf to generations of family and friends.

Bob was a devout Catholic. He belonged to the Knights of Columbus, sang in both the St Bernadette's choir (Lakewood) and the St Peter's choir (Monument). After the passing of his wife Mary, he became a Stephen's minister. He fulfilled a lifetime dream by traveling with the Order of Malta to Lourdes in 2017.

Bob had a true sense of joy and a genuine love of people. He never missed an opportunity to say "what can I do for you" or to tell someone "I'm so proud of you".

Bob is survived by his three loving daughters and their spouses; Mary Jo and Bill Cameron, Kathy and Ron Royce, Jean and John Wheaton, and by his grandchildren; Hayden Kirby, Memory Stein, Will Cameron, David Cameron, Cameron Pappas, Collin Royce, Jeff Royce, Steven Royce, Sarah Wheaton and Jenna Wheaton. He had the good fortune of having 16 great grandchildren. As a loving and joyful husband, father, and grandfather, Bob will be deeply missed.

In his last years, Bob was blessed by a truly compassionate team of caregivers and hospice providers known as Team Bob.

Services will be held May 13 at Saint Peter's Catholic Church in Monument. The Rosary will be said at 9:30 am followed by the Funeral Mass at 10 am. All are welcome. A celebration of his life following the services will be held at his home in Woodmoor. In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to St Peter's Catholic Church or to Pikes Peak Hospice.



**Above:** At the D38 board meeting April 18, Coaches Dave Jones and Sheila Ferguson presented the Monument Warriors, a group of athletes affiliated with the Special Olympics, devoted to offering athletic opportunities for adults and youths with disabilities. This team has competed in bowling and baseball and will soon participate in track and field. Photo by Jackie Burhans.

### Policy discussion

The board voted to approve four policies regarding non-discrimination and sexual harassment. These policies refer to students and personnel and include reporting processes.

### Recognitions

Early in the meeting, Superintendent KC Somers congratulated a number of individuals and groups for their achievements:

- Coaches Dave Jones and Sheila Ferguson presented the Monument Warriors, a group of athletes affiliated with the Special Olympics, devoted to offering athletic opportunities for adults and youths with disabilities. This team has competed in bowling and baseball and will soon participate in track and field.

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