



**Minutes -- AABC MOAA Meetn 12 August 2017 at 0800 Hours
Frasier Meadows Sky Lounne**

Call to Order & Pledge of Alliance -- Jim Morfeld, President
Introduction & Welcome of Visitors & Guests - President

Chaplain’s Corner, Hal Riggs

- Presented an Inspirational Message remembering Aug 6 Hiroshima and Aug 9 Nagasaki as well as his friend who served on CA35, The Indianapolis.
- Those members with August Birthdays were recognized.
- Glad to see Bob Brockish could join us today; he’s had some health issues but happily, is bouncing back.
- Chapter Social at the Boulder Dinner Theater, performance of “Rock of Ages”, on Sunday, 10/25/2017. Seating starts at 5:30 pm. Please see Gary Reid today if you want to join us.

From the President

- Thank you to Mike Goss for hosting the highly successful Chapter Picnic 08 July 2017.
- Thank you to David Lettering for preparing the Chapter Newsletter; to Gary Reid for coordinating contributors; to Carl Wright for his article “The Iron Brigade”; and to Mike Goss for his article “A Short Sea-Story”. Membrs are encouraged to submit articles.
- AABC has received a 2016 MOAA Five Star Award for Chapter Excellence. Thank you to Dick Smith for preparing an extensive Letter of Excellence Report and for member support resulting in this award.
- The 2018 Nominating Committee will begin its work next month to identify candidates. Consider running! All offices are open for this election! The timetable is October 2017 - Submission of Nominees; November 2017 - Election; December 2017 - Installation.
- Some chapters have had success in appointing assistant/deputy members to work with elected officers on chapter responsibilites. This results in more involvement & training. So if you don’t want to run for an elected office this year, please consider putting your name in for an appointed position as an assistant to work with an elected officer (Program, Membership, Secretary, Treasurer). The Chapter also needs a Communications Director who would work with David Lovering on the Newsletter.

LEE LAWSON – Legislative Report will be presented next meeting.

DICK SMITH, VP Colorado Council of Chapters (CCoC)

- On Saturday, Sept 9, 2017, AABC will host the CCoC meeting here at Frasier Meadows after our regular breakfast meeting. All are invited. There is also a social Friday night Sept 8, at 6 m at the Gondolier and all are invited to this as well. Hope you will attend.

- **5 Star Award -- the key criteria** that resulted in our 5 Star Award
 - Member participation in meetings & our national membership #'s.
 - Excellent Web Site.
 - Excellent chapter newsletter prepared by David Lovering & Gary Reid.
 - Close association with CU ROTC & our annual scholarships.
 - Excellent programs put together by Mark Menich.
 - Extensive Legislative Briefings from Lee Lawson.
 - AABC support of the Colorado Council of Chapter (CCoC).
 - Mark Lindon's work recruiting new members.
 - We all had a part in wining this supberb excellence award and as a result, we have free breakfast in September.

OFFICER REPORTS

Mark Menich 1st VP & Programs -- Programs Ahead

09SEP2017 John JJ Mackin USS Colorado (SSN788) commissioning
14OCT2017 Ed Sealover Colorado Excursions with History, Hikes & Hops
11NOV2017 Dr. Peter Steinhauer Vietnam: Then & Now
02Dec2017 Annual Christmas Lunch & Installation of Officers @ The Boulder Country Club

Mark Lindon, 2nd VP & Membership

An encouraging growth report from National indicates that MOAA, as of July 31, recruited 716 new monetary incentive qualified chapter members.

Gary Reid, Treasurer

- CALLERS -- The Board wants to recognize and thank our meeting callers. We have Marge with us today and many others support us but are not always able to attend the meetings.
 - Janet Desgalier, a long time caller, is no longer able to make calls. We thank Janet and also Nancy Shain, a new caller who is taking over Janet's list.
 - Audrey Schlack another longtime caller is no longer able to make alls. We thank Audrey and our new member Carol Brookshire for taking over Audrey's list.

□ Account Balances as of 31July2017

AABC MOAA Cash	\$ 50.00	
AABC-MOAA General Fund	5,608.65 *	
ROTC Scholarship	2,414.35	
USO Donations	<u>721.25</u>	—
TOTAL	\$8,794.25	

* May 2017 Board approved & reviewed with members philanthropic support of \$500 to “Boots to Suits” (waiting for tax id#) & \$500 to the Rocky Mountain Hyberbaric Institute – both efforts benefit veterans. These donations have not yet been withdrawn from chapter funds.

Veronica Hebert Secretary – Thank you to those Board Members who stepped in while I was away in June & July.

ROTC Scholarship 50:50 Raffle: Raffle conducted by Norm Reese & the Secretary. \$132.00 was collect and won by Jim Patterson. Thank you to Jim who donated his 50% of the winnings to the ROTC Scholarship Fund.

PROGRAM Introduced by Mark Menich, 2nd VP & Program Chairman
The scheduled presenter, J. Brian “Bear” Lihani, was to speak on NORAD today but unfortunately a family emergency resulted in his being out of town & unable to join us.

We greatly appreciate **David M. Hays**, Special Collections and Archives, University of Colorado Boulder Libraries, who was able to reschedule his January presentation to today. Mr. Hays will discuss the University of Colorado's Japanese Language School, and its graduates' contributions to the World War II effort, as well as post-war peace and occupation activities.

David M. Hays is an archivist and has directed US Navy Japanese/Oriental Language School Archival Project at the Special Collections and Archives of the University of Colorado at Boulder Libraries since 2000.

David was born into an Army family, to a 1942 USMA graduate, then the Commander of the 2/26th Infantry in Bamberg, FRG. The family was later stationed at: Yokosuka, Japan; Carlisle Barracks; West Berlin; and West Point. He received his BA at the University of Idaho, with an Army ROTC scholarship, served as a Field Artillery officer in the 1/11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Fulda, FRG, and the 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment at Fort Bliss, TX, from 1975-1979. He received his MA in US History from the University of Colorado in 1981 and taught US History as a doctoral student in the 1980s. He has worked in the Archives since 1981, on and off, and since 1988, full time.

Thank You to David Hays from the President & Conclusion of the Chapter Meeting.

8/12/2017/Secretary