

AABC MOAA
Minutes of Chapter Meeting
14January2017

President Jim Morfeld called meeting to order & led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hal Riggs, Chaplain's Corner, shared inspirational thoughts; note Andy Carhartt has broken his leg: no January birthdays present today. Gary will discuss upcoming Boulder Dinner Theatre Social.

Dick Smith, VP CCoC:

- Jim Sherman is 2017 CCoC President; Barbara Green from Durango/Four Corners Area is Secretary/Treasurer (spouses now eligible membership & office).
- 28-29Apr2017 tentative dates for CCoC State Convention in Colorado Springs.
- 09Sept2017 CCoC Board Meeting @ Frasier Meadows following AABC Chapter Meeting.

Mark Menich, 1st VP & Program provided preview of February Program:

"Remember and Honor Project"; Brad Hoopes will discuss his passionate project of interviewing and preserving the stories of veterans. To date he has interviewed 500+ Northern Colorado veterans. From this project he took out 70 stories from the WWII section and wrote the book Reflections of Our Gentle Warriors. He hopes to do the same with Korean, Vietnam and present day conflict interviews. What started out as a simple project to preserve stories has turned into an all-consuming effort to help and honor veterans in any way he can. Served on the committee that built the Veterans Plaza in Ft Collins.

Mark Lindon, 2nd VP & Membership:

- Discussed membership efforts; also we are counting on members to bring guests.
- Roster membership scrub underway & chapter eligible for \$50 bonus from National.
- Welcomed Pete Kelley (pkSPORT@comcast.net) who brought John Elmendorf, a guest who plans on joining our chapter! Congratulations!

Treasurer Gary Reid reported excellent financial situation (Gen Fund approx. \$4200; Scholarship Fund approx. \$3800). Chapter annual dues of \$30 due. MOAA magazines free on side table. Boulder Dinner Theatre 29Jan2017 1800 Hours; must get reservation in today; discounted rate of \$41; "Thoroughly Modern Millie" has received excellent reviews.

Secretary Veronica Hebert reported that the meeting & board summaries and the 2017 Chapter Calendar of events on the tables; please review/take.

50:50 Raffle (Veronica and Gary) won by Steve Frank (donated full amount \$70 to scholarship fund).

Superb Program from Dr. Bill Petty on Ahmose: An Egyptian Soldier's Story; please see attached flyer for details. We thank Dr. Petty for sharing over a hour of fascinating facts/research on Egypt from 3500 years ago.

**Military Offices Association of American
Admiral Arleigh Burke Chapter**
Frasier Meadows, 350 Ponca Place, Boulder 80303
0800 Hours 14JAN2017

PROGRAM



Dr. Bill Petty was born and raised in Oklahoma, graduated from West Point and, after serving four years in the Army, received his PhD in engineering from the University of Illinois. His interest in Egypt dates from when he was six years old, but his serious study began in 1990. As an avocational Egyptologist for the past 25 years Bill has traveled and worked extensively in Egypt, including providing financial support for a number of excavations. He is a member of the Explorers Club, the Egyptian Study Society and the American Research Center in Egypt. Bill lives in Colorado with his wife, Nancy.

Dr. Petty is the author of eight books on Egyptian language and history including: Hieroglyphic Dictionary: A Vocabulary of the Middle Egyptian Language; Luxor: Gods, Grit and Glory; Ahmose: An Egyptian Soldier's Story, the book he will primarily be discussing 14Jan.

Ahmose: An Egyptian Soldier's Story

The 3,500 year old story of Ahmose is being told here for the first time in a book intended for the Egypt enthusiast as well as the general public. Relying on ancient tomb inscriptions, papyrus texts, scribal exercises painted on wooden tablets, published sources, and a requisite amount of conjecture, the author has written an interpretive biography of this remarkable man.

Ahmose lived through one of Egypt's greatest periods of transition, from a divided and conquered country into the world's first super power. He was an active soldier for over 40 years during the early 18th Dynasty and fought under three kings: Ahmose, Amenhotep I, and Thutmose I. Through his personal bravery and shrewd investments, Ahmose grew from a lowly recruit into a high ranking officer, and a wealthy land owner, whose social status rose to the point that his grandson served as tutor for the son of King Thutmose I. By the time of his death, at age 67, Ahmose had lived during the reigns of seven pharaohs, including Egypt's greatest king, Thutmose III.

In addition to Ahmose's biography this book contains the full translation, with explanation, of his autobiography as it appears on his tomb wall, as well as the translations of several other, related historical documents. It also contains information on the Egyptian calendar, the organization of the military, and other subjects of interest.