



The Arapahoe Sertoman

THIS WEEK IN REVIEW August 13, 2015

This week's Reporter – Don Smith

Song: Mike Magee **Pledge:** ? **Prayer:** Rev. Robinson

Guests: Kim Hoffman, Rev. Robinson's LSC; Alice Perkins, Jim's wife; John Laudermilk, friend of Ed Bezjak and future member.

Fines: Several fines for members eating too much BEFORE the meeting called to order; Table one for a guest and a fine to the guest (The Cat Man). Oh, can't forget a fine to Jim Perkins for subjecting Alice to such a rowdy group.

Announcements: As you can see in the upper left corner of the page, we have a new logo. This is the one the club overwhelmingly selected.

John Laudermilk has submitted an application for membership; this is his "first" publication of said app.

Mike Magee is wondering if enough people would be interested in a trip to the Vehicle Vault: <http://www.vehiclevaultco.com/>

Last week, Doug Harder warned everyone that he has a new Membership drive going and said there will be hell to pay if we don't participate.....(well, he didn't exactly say it that way). His team Captains will be: Mike Magee, Phil Grimm, Scott Manley, Pat McKim, John Vierthaler & Don Smith. Team members will be selected next week and the main rule is....50 & Under (just a suggestion). (No trolling Colfax). More details when available.

President Bill mentioned an open house BBQ that Step 13 is having Aug. 22nd 11am to 3pm, it's called a "Step Fest".

Patsy, aka Pat, has mentioned a golf gathering Aug 31st. [It's the Greg Reilly memorial Golf Gathering](#) to raise money for Adaptive Adventures. He passed a sign-up sheet around and need one more player. The cost to player is \$50 and the club picks up the balance of \$500 for the tournament.

2 Birthdays this week, Jim Helmick and Dick Laskey.

Western Welcome Week is Aug. 15th. Could use a couple more workers; contact Tim if you can help out.

Jim Rees has more gift cards (King Soopers), get a card or use the one you have to help offset the clubs expenses. If you need a replacement, you need to get it from Jim, not Kings Soopers.

Remember, if you bring in a new member and he stays 6 months, you get Free Dues - per new member for a quarter.

Sertoman of the Day: John Vierthaler was born in 1941, the son of Immigrants. His Father is from Austria and fought in WWI for the Kaiser. His mother was from the Austria-Hungarian Empire. They both immigrated to Pittsburgh, PA independently and met while they lived there. John was born in Pittsburgh and grew up on the Ohio River.

John went to Aspen Wall HS in Aspen Wall, PA. It was torn down about 10 years after he graduated. John went on to Grove City College in Grove City, PA., a private college founded by the heirs of the Sun Oil Company. It is a very independent college.

In 1963, he was in Air Force ROTC because they had mandatory military service and paid \$30 a month. Graduated with a commission as a 2nd Lt. Spent 3 years in Atlanta, "defending our nation". Went to Law School at Emory University in Atlanta, GA at night. Got out of the military and transferred all his credits to the University Of Pittsburgh School Of Law and graduated a year later. Worked for Alcoa as a corporate attorney. Later went to work for his father-in-law. By this time he was up to three kids. The family used to come up to Colorado to ski. After four years of trips, Brenda, his wife, convinced John to move to Colorado. He moved out with two adults, three kids, two dogs, and two cats. (They lost one of their cats in Russell, Kansas).

John worked for Bill Malone who inducted him to the club in October of 1980. He opened his own office after leaving Bill's firm. He has been in the same office at the corner of Wadsworth and Bowles for the past 22 years. John does estates and trusts, real estate, small business and civil law.

Brenda passed away a few years ago, then he was remarried for a short time and now he is single BUT, he just informed us that he is engaged to Cindy. He farms for a hobby, tends dry land and raises horses and chases coyotes on horseback for fun. Name of the farm is "Four Valley Farm" because in Austrian his name translates into "four valleys". BUT, he just informed us he is getting out of that business and going to have a sale of all his equipment. He does not plan on retiring though, he likes law just too much for that. Listen to [John Vierthaler.mp3](#)

Program: Randy Smith introduced JJ Makin, Chairman of the USS Colorado (SSN788) Commissioning Committee. Capt John J. Mackin, USN (Ret.) came today to tell us about the new submarine that is being built and will go into operation next year. He also had a Power Point presentation which you can see here in PDF format: [USS Colorado.pdf](#)

USS Colorado is the 15th of the Virginia class submarines. On June 25, 2012 Gov. John Hickenlooper and Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus hosted a ship naming ceremony at the state Capitol in honor of USS Colorado. The Virginia-class submarine, designated SSN 788, started construction in March of 2012 and is expected to be delivered to the fleet in late 2016. She is being constructed at Electric Boat shipyard in Groton, CT known as the "Submarine Capitol of the World". She is the fourth ship named Colorado.

From: <http://usscoloradocommittee.org/about/>

Listen to [JJ Mackin.mp3](#) <http://usscoloradocommittee.org/>

At the Board Meeting, the members voted to be a sponsor of the USS Colorado.

Upcoming programs and events:

Aug 15 – Western Welcome Week

Aug 20 – Carol Huserik, Craig Hospital

Aug 27 – Diana Thompson – The Power of Emotions

Sep 3 – Amanda Wilson – Releasing Stress & Embracing Joyful Living

Sep – 2015 Mtn. West Reg. Conv. In Estes Park

Dec 15 – Christmas Party at Maggiano's

[Future Programs:](#) [Past programs.pdf](#)

Upcoming SOD list:

Aug 20 – Mike Ballew

Aug 27 – Bill Benton

Sep 3 – Ed Beznak

(BOD means Board Of Dir. meeting)

Flying Five: Scott Manley **Pot of Gold:** Pat McKim **Hand Shake:**

Sertoma's "Dual District" Website: <http://www.sertomacolorado.com/>

The club's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Arap.SERT.1952?ref=profile>