



The Arapahoe Sertoman

THIS WEEK IN REVIEW January 28, 2016
This week's Reporter – Don Smith

Song: Dave Miley **Pledge:** Dick Enslow **Prayer:** Rev. Robinson

Guests: Alice Perkins, Jim's wife: Vicky Oren, Rev. Robinson's LSC.
Chad Kasson, friend of Dick Mason.....A repeat Guest:

Fines: To Joe Gomez for a negative remark about the Broncos.

Birthdays: n/a

Announcements: Bill had some eye work done so Scott Manley filled in as President.

There will be a Past President's meeting next Tuesday, Feb. 2nd at 7pm at 2695 S. Franklin, corner of Franklin and Yale.

It was mentioned at the Board Meeting that we will be looking for a Service to Mankind and a Sertoman of the Year in the not too distant future. Put your thinking cap on and come up with some ideas.

Dave Miley is still working on the go-cart track in Highlands Ranch,
K1 Speed . <http://www.k1speed.com/>

Last week's Bronco's Patriots winners are: Schillo, Hiss, Athey & Harder.

Bronco's Panthers Pool wasn't filled out so no image. Good luck.

Rick Jacobus had a "sign-up sheet" to pass around for the last time for the upcoming Freedom Week event Feb. 16th, a Tuesday so there will NOT be a lunch that Thursday, the 18th. If you don't show, you still pay unless you can get a replacement. Talk to Rick about it.

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: Jim Helmick had the honors once again. Jim was born in Toledo Ohio on August 11, 1936, on the banks of the Maumee River. At the age of 19 he enrolled into the University of Toledo and 10 years later received his degree in Electrical Engineering. In the meantime, he got married and fathered 3 children who have produced so far 7 grandchildren. While in night school, he worked at a large hardware store from 54-60, and at Toledo Scale from 60-64. His work caused him to travel a lot, going to Texas, Alabama, Nebraska, Iowa, New Jersey, California and Colorado. Jim was born between wars and although he did register for the draft, he was not called.

He started working for Johns Mansville in 1965, George Hannes hired him in Ohio. In 1974 he had to choose between staying married or moving to Colorado. Since his wife wished to stay in Toledo with the kids and grand kids, and since it is obvious that Jim is here in Colorado, the choice is clear. Jim later remarried and is now married to Barbara, his wife of 37 years and he has 2 daughters and a son plus about 7 grandkids and one great grandchild.

Jim held various positions with J.M. including director of fiber glass research and director of marketing. After spending sometime in California in the minerals division, Jim left J.M. in 1990 and returned to Colorado in 1998. Rich Carlson brought him into the club in 1998.

Listen to [Jim Helmick.mp3](#)

Program: John Vierthaler introduced Chris Forsyth who founded The Judicial Accountability project.

The Judicial Integrity Project is a non-partisan non-profit focused on judicial reform. We pursue procedural and informational measures with the goal of increasing the public's confidence in the judicial system and ensuring justice for all.

A fair and impartial justice system is an indispensable element our society. Yet too often, all of our attention is focused on political candidates for offices in the legislative and executive branches. And the result is that our justice system suffers due to a lack of attention. Meanwhile, we go to the voting booth without knowing much, if anything, about the judges who are up for retention.

That's why we formed The Judicial Integrity Project -- we need to focus some attention on the judicial branch. From the discipline commissions to the performance commissions to the nominating commissions, we can make tweaks that will improve the justice system.

The Honest Judge Amendment would remove conflicts of interest in the system.

What happens when four judges are on the judicial discipline commission, judges make the rules regarding judicial discipline, and the director of the discipline commission reports to judges? Absolutely nothing. And that's the problem. The dismissal rate of complaints against judges in Colorado hit 97% in 1993 and has averaged 97% ever since.

The Honest Judge Amendment would transfer the power to discipline judges to the Independent Ethics Commission, which already exists and disciplines members of the executive and legislative branches. Ensuring the Code of Judicial Conduct is actually enforced is essential for increasing public confidence in the judiciary. The Honest Judge Amendment is a top priority for us. But we need your help to get it on the ballot.

(copied from: <http://www.judicialintegrity.org/>) Listen to [Chris Forsyth.mp3](#)

You can print out a petition and get up to 24 signatures to help get this on the ballot. A link is on their page. View Chris's presentation here: [Judicial Integrity](#)

Upcoming programs and events:

- Feb 4 – Bill Baldaccini, History of the Korean “Conflict”
- Feb 11 – Stuart Sanderson, Pres. Colorado Mining Association
- Feb 16 – Freedom Week Lunch – NO LUNCH THE 18th
- Mar 3 – Dennis Rodriguez – The Super Human Effort
- Mar 24 – Lily tang Williams – candidate for US Senate

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

Upcoming SOD list:

*Feb 4 – John Lauder milk
Feb 11 – Mike Magee
Feb 18 NO LUNCH
Feb 25 – Scott Manley
Mar 3 – Jack Marshall
Mar 24 – NO SOD*

(BOD means Board Of Dir. meeting)

Flying Five: Jack Marshall **Pot of Gold:** Bob Stein **Hand Shake:**

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