



# THE MT. EVANS CHAPTER GAZETTE

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## Ralph Buckwalter of Rocky Mountain Shipwrights Speaks to the Mt. Evans Chapter



Left to Right: Ralph Buckwalter with the ship model "Black Prince;" and Dr. Bill Valentine, VP Mt. Evans Chapter  
(Photo by Karen Hampton)

The Rocky Mountain Shipwrights are members from all walks of life and professions who are interested in building model ships, whether from the ships of ancient Egypt to the ships of today's modern navies. The ships can be built from kits sold by modeling companies to those built according to plans provided by the same companies. The ship modelers can enter their models into competitions to judge their skills. The ships are not judged in competition with other ships, but judged according to the craftsmanship and accuracy of the construction. Ship builders may receive gold, silver or bronze awards for their efforts.

Ralph Buckwalter brought to the meeting the first ship that he constructed that was from a kit. The

## COSSAR BOM to be Held June 8 at Rock Bottom Restaurant at County Line

On Saturday, June 8, COSSAR will hold its next Board of Managers (BOM) meeting beginning at 11:00 am. The meeting is sponsored by the Castle Rock Chapter and will be held at the Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery located at County Line and C-470.

The business of the Colorado Society will be conducted at the BOM meeting. However, any Compatriot is invited to attend. In order to make the meeting more interesting to attendees, COSSAR President Rick Neeley has invited Compatriot Ray Walker to speak to the group. Ray is an avid collector and he will bring and discuss some of his powder horns that he has collected over the years. It should be a very interesting presentation.

Look for the invitation to the meeting that will be sent out from the COSSAR Secretary. Please join us for the meeting and the presentation.

## DAR Flag Raising

On the morning of Flag Day (Friday, June 14), the DAR Peace Pipe Society will hold its Flag Day flag raising for the 108<sup>th</sup> straight year. Started in 1911, before the Denver Park system was inaugurated, the Peace Pipe Society has been raising the American flag atop Genesee Mountain in what now is Denver's Genesee Park.

For the past several years, COSSAR has participated in the event with several COSSAR members raising the flag and the COSSAR Color Guard providing a musket salute. This year, Bob Haines, COSSAR Vice President, will be one of the speakers.

“Black Prince,” a cutter named because its black sails made it invisible at night, was commissioned by Benjamin Franklin as the Ambassador to France from the Colonies with Letters of Marque issued by the Continental Congress during the Revolutionary War. It was the first American privateer that preyed on British ships off the coasts of England and France. It would be joined by two other privateers, the Black Princess and Fearnot.

For about a year, the Black Prince captured British merchant ships and received ransom from their captains or seized the ships, cargo and crew. The crews would be held until exchanged for American crews captured by the British. The goods would be sent back to the colonies where they were desperately needed. The Black Prince would eventually be driven on the rocks by the British Navy and destroyed.



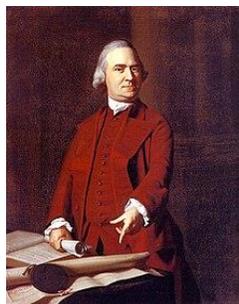
Flag Day 2018: Capt Bob Easterly and Rick Neeley

This always is an enjoyable event and you are welcome to attend and be part of the ceremony. If you are a member of the Color Guard, you are encouraged to participate in the flag raising and salute.



May 11 Mt. Evans Chapter Attendees  
(Photo by Karen Hampton)

**Next Mt. Evans Chapter Meeting**



GIVE ME LIBERTY!

Our September 7, 2019, Mt Evans Chapter meeting will have another great speaker. For those who missed Sid Rundle two years ago, you will not want to miss his in-character Samuel



Mt. Evans Chapter Color Guard Coordinator Don Crago in full regalia  
(Photo by Karen Hampton)

**Geneva Glen Patriot Chest Encampment**

Geneva Glen is nestled in the mountains of Indian Hills, Colorado, just off H-285. Established in 1922, it provides an exciting educational and comprehensive leadership program for children ages 6 -16.

The Mt. Evans Chapter has been invited to provide its Patriot Chest presentations to the young campers consisting of three presentations: The Run Up to the Revolutionary War; Life in Colonial times and You’re in the Army Now. As given at the Cresthill Middle School presentations, about 30 campers will spend

Adams enactment. For those who have heard Sid, you might want to bring someone to the presentation whom you would like to sponsor into our Chapter.

Sid has been the Principal at Cresthill Middle School in Highlands Ranch for the past 10 years. He has been a friend to our Chapter and is a true Patriot. He actively is instrumental in inviting our hard charging Patriot Chest members, the Color Guard, and a group of our Chapter Compatriots on his campus; just ask Chaplain Rob Hampton about our friend.

Early in his teaching career as a classroom history teacher, Sid indicates that he realized his power of storytelling to help young adolescents grasp complex concepts and better retain learned information. Utilizing as many original source documents as possible, Sid has pieced together a fictionalized retelling of a meeting on the Boston Commons that culminated in the Boston Tea Party and the Sons of Liberty involvement dressed as Indians.

Through his research, he suddenly became fascinated with the mysterious vocal figure of Samuel Adams and his involvement in the revolution of the American colonies. Sam was a firebrand who stoked the fires of liberty and rebellion as you will glean from Sid's presentation. You knew where Sam stood in regard to "what to do with the lobster backs."

Sid indicates that when most people hear the name Sam Adams they think ...beer. However, Sid feels that we should remember Sam as one of the single most important Founding Fathers of the birth of our nation. It is Sam Adams' story seeking an answer to the crucial revolutionary historical question, words that are still echoing in modern times today. . ."When is enough...enough?"

So come one, come all, bring your family, bring your grandchild, bring a friend who you would like to invite into our great fellowship of proud Compatriots. They will want to join for the same reasons you joined. We need to keep our Patriots' nation building story alive. If not by you, then who will?

Our meeting will be at the Broken Tee Golf Club, 2101 W. Oxford Ave, Englewood, CO 80110, from 9:00 to 11:00AM. The buffet breakfast is \$20 per person paid at the door. Please bring the exact

approximately 20 minutes at each of the three tents where the presentations will be given. Participants will include Mt. Evans and other COSSAR Compatriots and DAR members.



The presentations will be given all day Wednesday, June 19 and a half day, Thursday, June 20. If you would like to participate, please contact Compatriot Robert Hampton, Patriot Chest Chair.

### 2019 SAR Congress



The 129<sup>th</sup> SAR Congress will be held July 5 – 10, 2019 at the Hilton-Orange County in Costa Mesa, California.

The Congress begins on Saturday, July 6 with a reception hosted by the California Society with a Newport Bay Harbor cruise. Sunday is the traditional "Trooping of the Colors" by the President General followed by a Memorial Service for our fallen Compatriots. Monday through Wednesday include meetings of the Congress and the Trustees. Each night there will be dinners for attending delegates.

Colorado is entitled to send several delegates to the SAR Congress. If you would like to be appointed as a Colorado delegate, please contact your Chapter President or the COSSAR Secretary. Each year, several Colorado delegate positions go unfulfilled. This is an opportunity to learn about SAR, meet many SAR delegates from across the nation and participate in the governance of SAR.

**The USS Stark Report**

amount so our good friend Mike will not have to wear a money belt.

**Bill Valentine, PhD, Vice President**

**Mt. Evans Chapter Presents Medals to JROTC and Sea Cadets**

On April 5, 2019, Compatriot Steve DeBoer of Littleton awarded Cadet SMSgt Tyler Brown of the Gateway High School in Aurora with the Bronze JROTC Medal and certificate. "It is enjoyable to see these fine young men and women that participate in the JROTC activities," stated Steve DeBoer. "It is an honor to recognize one of the cadets who has demonstrated outstanding accomplishments in the program."

Compatriot Captain Robert Easterly (U.S.N.R., Ret.) of Castle Pines awarded Cadet Brooke Slaughter of Aurora High School with a Bronze JROTC Medal and certificate on April 26, 2019.



Left to Right: Capt Bob Easterly; Cadet Brooke Slaughter

Compatriot Bob Haines awarded ten Bronze JROTC Medals and certificates to junior cadets at the ten Denver Public Schools participating in the Denver Army JROTC Brigade on May 7, 2019. The awardees included: Cadet LTC Jon Pelletier of Denver South; Cadet SGT Eugene Madronero of Denver North; Cadet Captain Fernando Torres of Denver West; Cadet Captain Victoria Torres of Manual; Cadet Captain Ryan Water of George

In the last newsletter we described the Americanism Report that each Chapter and State Society completes to document its activities. The second report required of the Chapters and State Societies is the USS Stark Report.

This report documents all the activities that the organizations have made on behalf of veterans. So, if you visit veterans in hospitals or clinics, provide them with supplies or in any way support them, your Chapter and State Society receives credit for that activity. It is important that if you engage in any of these activities that you drop a note to the President so that he can add it to the USS Stark Report, if it qualifies.



Left to Right: Curt Ledall; Hannah Ledall and Melanie Ledall

(Photo by Karen Hampton)

**!!UPDATED EMAIL ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS!!**

Please provide the Mt. Evans Chapter President with any updated email addresses or phone numbers so that we can keep in contact with you. Thanks.



Left to Right: Sandy Carter-Duff; Duane Duff  
(Photo by Karen Hampton)

**New SAR Compatriot Inducted**

Washington; Cadet 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Saul Claustro of Abraham Lincoln; Cadet 1LT Alana Love of Thomas Jefferson; Cadet LTC Tien Nguyen of John F. Kennedy and Cadet Captain Chariliz Ruiz of Montebello.

On April 28, 2019, Captain Easterly presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to PO1 Emerson J. McClary at the Naval Reserve Center at Buckley Air Force Base. "This is the first year that we have made an award to a Sea Cadet," explained Captain Easterly. "We appreciate the opportunity to recognize the hard work and dedication displayed by these fine young men and women."



### Chapter Officers and Chairs

- President - Bob Haines
- Vice President - Bill Valentine
- Secretary - Alan Coombs
- Treasurer – Mike Coyner
- Registrar - John Hockley III
- Historian - Robert Gordon
- Chaplain - Robert Hampton
- Patriot Chest – Robert Hampton
- Color Guard – Don Crago
- Awards/Facebook – Curt Ledall
- Flag Certificate/Website – Luke Rutz
- C.A.R. Liaison – Brad Balow



Left to Right: Bob Haines, Mt. Evans Chapter President; Jonathan Hungerford; and fiancé' Danica Cline  
(Photo by Karen Hampton)

Jonathan William Hungerford was inducted into the Sons of the American Revolution on Saturday, May 11, 2019 at a meeting of the Mt. Evans Chapter, Colorado Society, Sons of the American Revolution (COSSAR) held at Mimi's in Lone Tree, Colorado.

Jonathan documented his relationship with 1<sup>st</sup> LT Spencer Clack in Captain William Rylan's Company in Henrico County, Virginia. Jonathan is currently attending the University of Colorado in Boulder, Colorado where he is soon to graduate with an Engineering degree.

### Next Meetings

Don't miss the upcoming meetings of the Mt. Evans Chapter and the Colorado Society:

- June 8 – COSSAR BOM – Rock Bottom Restaurant at County Line
- June 14 – Flag Day – Genesee Park
- June 19 – 20 – Geneva Glen Color Guard Encampment
- July 6 – 10 – SAR Congress – Costa Mesa, CA
- August 3 – COSSAR BOM – Grand Junction
- August 10 – COSSAR Picnic – location TBD
- August 24, - Mt. Evans Chapter BOM – Colorado Blvd. IHOP
- Sept 7 – Mt. Evans Chapter meeting – Broken Tee Golf Club