Next Reunion In Colorado Springs, CO.
September 17th to September 21st
At the Academy Hotel
8110 N Academy Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO 80920
Phone # (719) 278-7017: Call here for reservations.
Room rate is $79.00 per night and includes complimentary breakfast!

Another “America the Beautiful” place for our get-together. Make your plans and reservations as soon as possible we plan to be there. Hope many of you will be able to do the same.

Mike and Lynne DeBol Masthead Editors

Colorado is the only U.S. state that lies entirely about 3,281 feet in elevation. The point where the Arikaree River flows out of Yuma County Colorado, and into Cheyenne County Kansas, is the lowest point in Colorado at 3,317 feet elevation.

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Colorado has more micro breweries per capita than any other state.

Colorado contains 75% of the land in the US with an altitude over 10,000 feet.
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Navy News

The USS Blue Ridge Recently helped conduct the search for the Missing Malaysian Aircraft

USS Blue Ridge (LCC-19)

Seventh Fleet command ship

USS Blue Ridge is a Blue Ridge-class amphibious command ship. As the command ship for Commander, U.S. Seventh Fleet, Blue Ridge provides the highest quality capability for seagoing command and control of theater level forces by naval and/or joint commanders during peacetime or conflict and provides preeminent naval support for U.S. diplomatic initiatives and objectives. Blue Ridge is 620 feet long, 82 feet wide, and displaces 19,290 tons fully loaded. The ship can reach speeds of 23 knots and has a complement of 819 ship's company and approximately 240 staff personnel

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Dear Shipmate,

By virtue of all the information contained in this edition of The Masthead, you will note we have only five and a half months before the 26th Annual Reunion in Colorado Springs. Reunion Chair, Dave Long, has again formulated a terrific event. Wonderful hotel. Scenic, national treasures for optional tours. And an optional night of entertainment and dining. Your Officers and Board of Directors hope to see you there!!

As shipmates have stepped up to assume the key Association positions of Secretary and Treasurer, Dave Long and Sam Saverine respectively, one key committee chair post remains unfilled. That’s the Hospitality Room Chairman/Couple. I remind you, once again, that Tom and Carole Welch took charge of that function for a number of years and are truly entitled to a break from the responsibility. However, they have assured me they will provide whatever back up guidance and information is needed for the new individual or team to get off and running in a smooth transition. Failing thus far to have a shipmate step up to handle this responsibility poses an opportunity to present the only fall-back options I can think of: Individual attendees purchasing their own beverages and snacks at local stores and taking them back and forth to the Hospitality Room whenever it’s open; and/or, buying drinks at the hotel bar and taking them to the Hospitality Room. As you might imagine, both of these options are far removed from the wonderful, extensive and cost-effective “buffet” of beverages and snacks we’ve come to enjoy over the years! I am presenting this scenario early enough in the year to allow sufficient time for a shipmate or shipmate team to consider accepting the Chair of Hospitality….and ability to contact Tom and Carole for discussion. Please contact any of the Officers if you are willing to serve. Again, with thanks, in advance!

Review the enclosed reunion information, make your hotel reservation, and complete and mail the Registration Form. Carol and I look forward to seeing you in Colorado Springs!

Yours in service,

Ray Zall

2014 Member Dues Reminder
$12.00 per year (preferably 2 years) due January 1st pay $12.00, next due 1/1/15 or pay $24.00 next due 1/1/16.
You are not due unless there is a “dues” next to your name/address on this Masthead. Send your check or money order, To: USS Mt Mckinley Association noting your name and member # after January 28th TO:
Sam Saverine
30 Westleigh Dr.
Harwinton, CT 06791
This years dues “2014” must be paid by or before April 30th.
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**Reunion Registration 2014**

**September 17th– 21st**

Academy Hotel Colorado Springs, CO.

( Hotel Registrations made separately call 719-278-7017)

*Return this form with your payment on or before August 15th, 2014*

Register the following for the 2014 Reunion. Print your name(s) Residing in.. City & State as you wish them to appear on the name badges.

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If you wish your Name badge to include the Ship you served on, your rate/rank and actual years served aboard that ship (ex. 59-62) Please complete the following:

Ship name or Flag staff_________ Rate/Rank_______ Yrs. Served______

Division_______

Total # of persons Registered ____@ $80.00 Each............................................................total $_____

Tours are optional

Thursday September 18th       Tour____Tickets@ $35.00 Each.............................total $_____
Friday September 19th (Option A) Tour _____Tickets@$49.00 Each................total $_____
Friday September 19th (Option B) Tour _____Tickets@ $55.00 Each............total $_____

Total amount enclosed (reunion+ tours).........................................................Total $_____

Option A: Iron Springs Chateau Dinner and Show 5:00pm (approximately)

Option B: Pikes Peak Cog Railway 9:00 am (approx.) Includes transportation and Rail Ticket

_Banquet meal choices_

*London Broil # requested___ Grilled Sesame Chicken # requested___*

*Vegetable Lasagna # requested___*

**Mail To: Attn: Sam Saverine Treasurer**

30 Westleigh Dr. Harwinton, CT 06791
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Pikes Peak Cog Railway

Since 1891, the Pikes Peak Cog Railway has taken millions of people on an unforgettable trip to the 14,115 foot summit of Pikes Peak! Past cascading streams and forests of aspen and pine, the world's highest cog railroad reveals lovely panoramas that inspired "America the Beautiful." Trains run year-round.

Iron Springs Chateau

In 1964, the Chateau Players formed, and the Iron Springs Chateau style of melodrama and Vaudeville entertainment was born. Today, the Iron Springs Chateau still sits at the base of the Pike's Peak Cog RR, and continues the tradition of great food and fun for tourists and locals in the Pikes Peak Region.

Situated in Manitou Springs, the Iron Springs Chateau began as a candy and cigar store that was operated for several years beginning in 1880. This open-air summerhouse, that was constructed at the site of the Ute Iron Springs, changed owners several times before the Iron Springs Company purchased it and began to sell the "iron springs" mineral water commercially.

The Iron Springs Company built an Adirondack style wooden pavilion over the Ute Iron Spring, which it sold in 1887 to J.G. Hiestand, who built the original building now known as the Iron Springs Chateau Melodrama Dinner Theater.

The Goldmine Room of the Iron Springs Chateau is the remains of the original structure built by Mr. Hiestand. Although the Ute Iron Spring font has been capped and lies beneath the Goldmine Room’s floor, the Iron Springs Geyser remains accessible to the general public.

US Air Force Academy

The 18,000 acre AirForce Academy containing:

The exquisite 17-spired, interdenominational chapel, where the cadets march in their inspiring Noon Formation.

Also included Falcon Stadium, the cadet glider port and the new 3.8 million-dollar visitors’ center.

Off We Go into The wild blue Yonder!
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Members and Non Members reported deceased since 12/31/13
John P Wall 12/5/13
Member # 1027
On Board 62-63
HNSN “H” Division
Farewell Shipmate.

USS Mount McKinley Association Financial condition Report as of 03/28/2014

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The English Language

Let's face it - English is a crazy language.

There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple.

English muffins weren't invented in England or French fries in France.

Sweetmeats are candies while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are animal organs.

We take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

The wind is too strong to wind the sail!

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COMMUNICATION IMPROVEMENT

The Association president, other officers, board members and committee chairmen continually communicate with shipmates about up-to-date Association matters and various activities. The fastest means to communicate important, timely information is by e-mail. While some shipmates may already have an e-mail address posted in the Membership Roster, some of these may have changed. Other shipmates simply didn’t list their e-mail address.

You can help in this communication improvement effort by sending your current e-mail address to Association president Ray Zall at:

zallrite@earthlink.net

Type “MM e-mails” in the subject box.

By doing so, you then will be added to our Association’s new e-mail database. Thanks for your help!

Dear Ladies,

You are cordially invited to
the USS Mount McKinley Reunion’s

Ladies Garden Party and Tea

Thursday, September 18 at 3:30 PM
(room to be announced)

Dress “Garden Party” Fabulous
Hat, Gloves, Scarf & Pearls

Best regards, Carol Zall
USS Mt McKinley Assoc.
c/o David Long
Membership Secretary
41 E Belmeadow LN
Chagrin, OH 44022

USS Mt McKinley Association Our Purpose:
To Promote Patriotism and Camaraderie among
those who served on board the USS Mt McKinley
during that ship’s 25 years and 10 months active ser-
vice to the U.S. Navy from May 1st 1944

Reunion 2014 In Colorado Springs,
Colorado

Tour Options for Colorado Springs

AIR FORCE ACADEMY & GARDEN OF THE GODS  Thursday, 9/18/14
Enjoy a relaxed, hassle-free tour to the 18,000-acre Air Force Academy. After we pass through the North Gate, you will view Diamond Lil, the B-52 Bomber. Next, a lovely scenic overlook off North Gate Road. You're in for a treat in visiting the exquisite 17-spired, interdenominational chapel, where the cadets march in their inspiring Noon Formation. Other attractions today include Falcon Stadium, the cadet glider port and the new 3.8 million-dollar visitors’ center. Afterwards, you travel to the Garden of the Gods Park. Not surprisingly, the Garden of the Gods is the most photographed site in the United States. Bring a camera! One of the world’s greatest natural wonders, this gallery of amazing red rock sculptures was created more than 300 million years ago by violent geological forces. Fantastic formations jut skyward at heights of over 300 feet. Several stops will be made to view such spectacular monoliths as Balanced Rock and the Kissing Camels.

20 Person Minimum $35.00 Per Person  Four hour tour.

(Option A) IRON SPRINGS CHATEAU  Friday, 9/19/14  5:00pm. (approx.)
All ages can appreciate an evening of hilarious entertainment at the theater. This theater has been providing the Pikes Peak Region with quality entertainment for more than 30 years. Your delightful evening begins with a family style dinner. This consists of delicious barbecue beef ribs and oven fried chicken, complete with all the trimmings and free seconds. The exciting show is a fun filled comedy melodrama. Audience participation is encouraged! Following the melodrama is a foot stomping sing-along and a vaudeville backdrop. Includes transportation, Dinner and Show TOUR LENGTH: 5 HOURS

20 Person Minimum $49.00 Per Person

(Option B) PIKES PEAK COG RAILWAY  Friday, 9/19/14  9:00am
If you could take only one tour while in the region, this has to be it! Pikes Peak is America’s Mountain; this isn’t because it’s the highest, but because it rises, solitary and majestic, out of the Great Plains. Discovered by Zebulon Pike in 1806 it rises 14,110 feet above sea level. As you travel up the mountainside aboard one of the last true cog railway trains in America, you will experience three distinct geographical regions marked by striking changes. At the summit you will feel you are on top of the world! Please bring along a jacket or sweater – you will need it at the top!

TOUR LENGTH: 4 HOURS - 10 Person Minimum-$55.00 per person (Includes transportation and railway ticket)