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#### **Calling All Compatriots**



Next meeting - December 22, 2012 1:00 PM at the Cattlemens Restaurant

#### December Meeting



Vista del Lago High School

Home of the Engles





Entertainment for our December meeting will be provided by the student choir from Vista del Lago High School in Folsom, singing a selection of Christmas Carols and Holiday music.



The next meeting of the Mother Lode Chapter will be held on Saturday, December 22, 2012, at 1:00 PM, at Cattlemens Restaurant in Rancho Cordova. If the telephone committee has not taken your menu selection(s) by December 18th, please call Tom Chilton at (916) 933-6576 for reservations. Payments must be **guaranteed for each reservation made**. Wives, guests and visiting compatriots are always welcome.

### The President's Corner by Bob Conover

## Mother Lode Chapter Officers for 2012

**President** 

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Open

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Tom Douglas

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Tom Douglas

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**Dispatch Editor** 

Vacant

Historian

John Krahn

Webmaster

Vacant

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**Eagle Scout Program** 

Vacant

ROTC Program

Vacant

**Knight Essay Contest** 

Vacant

Valley Forge Program

Vacant

Law Enforcement Program

John Krahn

Flag Certificate Program

Doug Stone

**Americanism Poster Contest** 

Tom Adams

As the holiday season quickly approaches, I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. This next year is going to be a challenge for all of us as the future is unknown. Here's hoping that we will survive whatever comes to us on January 2013.

I want to remind everyone about the December 22nd Christmas joint meeting at Cattlemens Restaurant off Highway 50 at Hazel Avenue. To help raise additional funding for the youth and other awards programs, anyone who has any items that they would like to donate for our raffle, please bring them and notify Joy Krahn. Joy has volunteered to run the raffle. Let's support her as best we can.

As this year comes to a close, we must get ready for next year's chapter's contests and the service awards. Tom Adams needs a lot of help in getting into the class rooms and presenting the challenge to the students.



Bob Conover Mother Lode Chapter President

Remember the December 22, 2012, joint meeting. Please notify Tom Chilton on your meal choices and the number of guests. See you on the 22nd.

In Patriotic Service

**Bob Conover** 

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# Announcement Special Joint Meeting

As many of you already know, I am a dual member of the Mother Lode Chapter. My primary membership is in the Sacramento Chapter, where I currently serve as their President. Your Mother Lode officers, along with the Sacramento Chapter officers, have worked together to plan a special joint meeting of the two chapters. It will be held at 1:00 PM, on Saturday, December 22, 2012, at the Cattlemens Restaurant. This is an opportunity to meet and greet SAR members from another chapter in a spirit of fellowship during this Christmas season. Christmas music will be performed by a choral group from Vista del Lago High School located in Folsom.

After the program, the Mother Lode Chapter will hold a raffle conducted by Mrs. Joy Krahn. Mrs. Krahn was instrumental in arranging for the Thomas Kinkade Gallery in Placerville to donate a framed **Thomas Kinkade** print (Yosemite Valley) for this raffle (see the photo at the bottom right of this page). By the way, the photo does not do the print justice. In addition, the Cattlemens Restaurant has donated a \$40.00 gift certificate for the raffle. All the proceeds from this raffle will go to the Mother Lode Chapter.

I hope all of the Mother Lode Chapter members will avail themselves of this opportunity to meet the Sacramento Chapter members, and join in an afternoon of good fellowship, good food, and good music.

This is a plated meal, with all meals requiring a reservation. I will call

each of you early next week to take your meal selection(s). Don't forget that our wives, children, and friends are always welcome to attend our meetings. I look forward to seeing you on December 22nd.

If you cannot attend this meeting, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Tom Chilton





Tom Chilton, President Sacramento Chapter



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#### Cattlemens Restaurant

You can trust us 'cause here in the West, a cattleman is only as good as his word.

Cattlemens is a casual, western-themed steakhouse chain. Founded in 1968 by a father-son team with decades of experience in the cattle business, eight locations now serve California. Still family-owned and operated, each location follows the "Cattlemens Code," offering the feel and flavor of the old west, aged and hand-cut beef, the finest ingredients, and old-fashioned Western hospitality. Serving generous portions and all-natural Harris Ranch beef, Cattlemens is always in good taste.

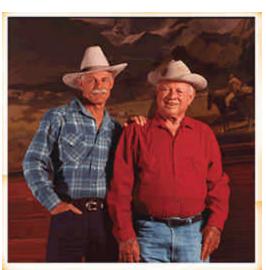
#### **Directions**

Westbound Highway 50: Westbound on 50 to the Hazel Avenue exit. Turn left onto Hazel Avenue and continue over the highway overpass. Turn left onto Folsom Boulevard and take the first or second entrance into the Nimbus Winery Complex. Follow the signs to the restaurant.

Eastbound Highway 50: Follow eastbound Highway 50 to Hazel Avenue exit. Turn right onto Hazel Avenue and take an immediate left onto Folsom Boulevard. Take a left into the Nimbus Winery complex and follow the signs to the restaurant.

#### **Parking**

Cattlemens has a well-lighted lot that accommodates 95 automobiles and is handicap accessible.





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### **Photos from the November Meeting**



Secretary Tom Douglas presents Mary Cory with the SAR Certificate of Appreciation.



Marilyn Chilton, Ray Chant, and Joy Krahn.



Past President Jim Young and Sam Bradley

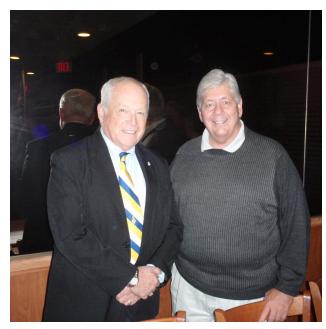


Prospective member Chuck Smith.

## More Photos from the November Meeting



Gene and Jeannie Myers



Tom Adams and CASSAR Past President Wayne Griswold





### Minutes of the Meeting held on November 27, 2012

By Tom Douglas

The meeting was called to order by Registrar Jim Young, in the absence of President Bob Conover, at 6:35 PM, at Denny's Restaurant in Cameron Park.

Chaplin Myers gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Compatriot Sam Bradley and the SAR Pledge led by Compatriot Wayne Griswold.

The following guests for the evening were introduced: Joy Krahn, (LAUX), dual Member Tom Chilton and his wife, Marilyn Chilton, (Sacramento DAR), Jeannie Myers, (El Dorado DAR), Chuck Smith, a prospective member, and Mary Cory, tonight's speaker. There were eight members in attendance.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved.

Reports: **Secretary**: Tom Douglas reported he sent out a dues letter early in November and to date has received very few replies. The chapter report has to be sent to the state secretary by December 30. Secretary Douglas would like to receive all member's dues by December 15 so he can prepare the membership report.

**Treasurer**: Compatriot Douglas reported a balance of \$3,310.00 in the checking account. \$780.00 of the balance is 2013 dues. The savings account has a balance of \$501.00.

**Registrar**: Compatriot Young is working on two applications:

prospective members Bob Fray and Chuck Smith.

Historian: no report



Tom Douglas Secretary and Past President

Youth Activities: Compatriot Adams reminded the chapter of the upcoming brochure and poster contests throughout the area in which Mother Lode participates. Judging for the brochures is in February, and the poster presentation will start in February with judging for the posters in April. Three schools usually participate in the brochure contests and five schools in the poster contest. The El Dorado Civil Air Patrol gave a presentation of the proper use of the American Flag to the Sacrament Chapter CAR. The Sacramento Chapter of the CAR meets in El Dorado County. There are plans to establish a new CAR chapter, tentatively named the Capitol CAR chapter, that will meet in Sacramento. The Sacramento chapter SAR has agreed to assist this new CAR chapter, and will donate \$250 to help get the new chapter off the ground.

Dispatch Editor: we need someone to step up and take on the editor position.

It was noted that Mother Lode dual member and Sacramento Chapter member and President **Tom Chilton** received the SAR Distinguished Service Medal at the recent Fall Manager's meeting. Compatriot Tom Adams and his wife, Anne, received a framed Certificate of Appreciation from the NSSAR for their dedication to the Youth Programs and particularly to the Brochure Contest.

Compatriot Chilton mentioned in the future the CASSAR newsletter, The Compatriot, will be mailed by subscription only. It will continue to be available online. The December meeting will be a joint meeting with the Sacramento Chapter on December  $22^{nd}$  at the Cattlemens Restaurant on Hwy 50. Joy Krahn has been working on a raffle for that meeting that will include a framed print from the Thomas Kinkaid Gallery. Other donations will be accepted for the raffle.

Guest Speaker Mary Cory gave a very interesting presentation on the El Dorado County Museum, and received a Certificate of Appreciation for her presentation.

Compatriot Tom Chilton presented two flags from the Sacramento Chapter's collection. The Serapis Flag and the Gadsden Flag were described by Compatriot Chilton.

The Benediction was given by Compatriot Myers, and the SAR Recessional was led by Compatriot Adams. After the singing of "God Bless America", the meeting was adjourned at eight PM by Compatriot Young.

Respectfully submitted;

Tom Douglas, Secretary

# Mother Lode Chapter's 2012-2013 Calendar

December 15 - Wreaths Across America Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon

December 22 - 12:00 noon
A joint meeting with the Sacramento Chapter will be held at the Cattlemens Restaurant on Folsom Blvd. near Hazel Avenue. See pages 3 and 4.

January 28 - Regular meeting at Denny's Program to be announced

February 25 - Regular meeting at Denny's Program to be announced

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