



Mother Lode Dispatch



Calling All Compatriots

Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 6:30
PM

Denny's Restaurant– 3446 Coach Lane – Cameron Park. CA.

REMINDER Our NEXT Meeting is (the 4th Tuesday of the Month)
September 24, 2019
NO MEETING in JULY or AUGUST

Mother Lode Chapter Meeting Minutes, June 25, 2019 Denny's Restaurant, Cameron Park, CA

The meeting was called to order by Chapter President Mike Muetz at 6:40 PM. Chancellor Doug Drake gave the Invocation, Executive Vice President Sam Bradley led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Compatriot John Krahn led the SAR Pledge.

There were eight members, **Tom Adams, Gene Bell, Sam Bradley, Tom Douglas, Doug Drake, John Krahn, Mike Muetz**, Duel Member **Tom Chilton** (Sacramento) and two guests, **Joy Krahn** and **Marilyn Chilton** present.

The minutes of the **May 28, 2019** meeting were approved as submitted in the May *Dispatch* by Secretary Douglas with the addition that Compatriot Tom Adams be acknowledged for his work on the Mother Lode *Dispatch*.

Secretary Douglas did not have a report as such but had three books from a collection he received from Cecilia Wolary, the widow of deceased member Lee Wolary. Secretary Douglas offered the books to members that would like them. It was brought up that the books be put in a library so all could share the books. There was a discussion about the disposition of the books and because there was no offer from members to hold the books as a library and having no place to store the books at member's homes it was decided to give the three books to members that wanted them.

Treasurer Bob Conover was not able to attend the meeting due to an injury to his leg. He would email a report to President Muetz.

The ML Chapter does not have a registrar but Compatriot Adams with the assistance of Genealogist General, NSSAR, Jim Faulkinbury, have completed the SAR application for new member Cade Guidera. The application has been signed and is ready to be mailed to the CASSAR Registrar for state approval. Secretary Douglas will mail the application.

Compatriot Adams reported the youth programs have been completed for the year. All presentations have been made and awards have been given. He mentioned, although he had some good pictures of awards being given to the winners in the youth programs, he did not publish them in the Dispatch because he did not have a release from any of the youth's parents/guardians. Doug Drake said the Chapter needs to have release forms on hand at these awards to be able to use the pictures in the Dispatch to acknowledge the youth participation.

Compatriot Adams continued with a discussion on awards for teachers that have supported the Chapter for some time. It was noted some years ago one of the teachers was given the Bronze Citizenship Medal with a plaque as a thank you for being supportive for a number of years. Rob Flowers of Camerado Middle School is such a teacher. Compatriot Adams asked for suggestions as to a proper award. Compatriot Bradley suggested an inscribed glass “trophy” that could be placed on a desk. Compatriot Bradley is going to look into the award. Compatriot Adams also mentioned that Rob Flowers would be a great candidate for membership in the SAR. He has been approached in the past and although interested he has not agreed to applying. Secretary Douglas mentioned the possibility of bringing him into the Chapter as an Associate to get him started in the process.

It was noted the Chapter Color Guard made three appearances during the month of May. Youth awards at Sam Adams Academy, Youth awards at Camerado Middle School, and Memorial Day activities in Placerville.

Compatriots Doug Drake and Sam Bradley gave a presentation on Revolutionary War Uniforms and the differences in a “uniform” and a “costume”. Compatriot Bradley wore his uniform and Compatriot Drake had his costume and did the commentary.

Chancellor Drake gave the Benediction, Compatriot Adams led the SAR Recessional and Compatriot Chilton led the singing of “God Bless America”. President Muetz adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Tom Douglas

Russ Kaiser shares US Coast Guard Auxiliary Aviation Division Experience



Compatriot **Russ Kaiser** gave a very informative presentation of his duties as a US Coast Guard Auxiliary member in the aviation division of the USCG Auxiliary (AuxAIR)

AUXAIR participates in many Coast Guard missions including:

- Search and Rescue,
- Ports,
- Waterways and Coastal Security,
- Marine Safety,
- Pollution Response,
- Aids to Navigation, and
- Ice Reconnaissance.

Russ brought several pieces of equipment and clothing USCG members use. He shared some of his experiences, principally as a spotter in an aircraft, and also as a certified boat safety inspector.



Doug Drake and Sam Bradley in Colonial Uniforms



Doug and **Sam** gave us a presentation on Colonial uniforms. Sam wore a heavy wool uniform. Doug wore what he called a “costume” because it was made to look like a Colonial uniform, but was much lighter. The uniforms were presented to the members as the Mother Lode Chapter moves to field a Chapter Color Guard. Doug explained how and where members can purchase uniforms. He also pointed out that there are an abundant of public event opportunities to wear the uniform and bring further recognition to SAR. **Tommy Douglas** shared his experience wearing his colonial uniform, as did **Tom Chilton**.

Can you find 5 differences between the California Seal and the National Seal?



Did you find these?

1. The National Seal has 4 framing concentric circles vs. 2 for California
2. The National Seal date is April 30, 1889 vs. July 4, 1876 for California
3. The Minuteman in the center is different on the two seals
4. The stars are filled solid on California seal vs. open stars on National seal

Can you find the fifth difference? Graphic Artist Robert Grande, of Champion Awards in Rancho Cordova – *who makes our Medallions*, pointed it out to me.

The rest of the story ... In 2014 when we were granted permission to use the California Seal for the Brochure Contest Medallion we were required to place the Registered Trade Mark ® icon on each Medallion. Before the 2019 Congress I asked Robert to create a one-off National Medallion so I could show it to the National Americanism Committee Chairman to promote the idea that the National Society might follow California and begin also using Medallions – rather than the ribbons we use today. I had Robert put the Registered Trade Mark ® icon on the National Medallion too – and that’s when he discovered the **5th** difference.

Robert pointed out to me the California Seal had **7** stars on the right and **6** stars on the left – as in **76**, (*makes sense!*) ... but the National Seal has it reversed, **67!**

Why Not Plan on Going to Our Fall Meeting?

This is very nice Hotel with great rates! The ride from the airport is quick

144th Annual Fall Board of Managers Meeting

of the

California Society, Sons of the American Revolution

November 1 - 2, 2019

Hosted by the Orange County Chapter

Wyndham Irvine Hotel

17941 Von Karman Ave., Irvine, CA 92614

*A Special SAR Room Rate of \$125.00 per night (single or double) is available until October 9th.
Make Hotel Reservations at (949)345-1856. Parking is \$5 per day. Free Shuttle from OC Airport.*

Meeting Reservation Form

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Chapter: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City/Zip: _____ Email: _____

Arriving: ___ Thursday, October 31st, ___ Friday, November 1st, ___ Saturday, November 2nd

Registration is \$160.00 per person by October 1, 2019 or \$175.00 after October 1st.
The fee includes meetings, Friday and Saturday luncheons, and the Saturday Gala Dinner Banquet.

Number of Registrants: ___ @ \$160 Late Registrations ___ @\$175 Total: _____

Non-registered Friday Luncheon: ___ @ \$45 each

Non-registered Saturday Luncheon: ___ @ \$45 each

Non-registered Gala Dinner Banquet: ___ @ \$75 each

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

*Checks should be payable to Orange County Chapter, SAR and mailed with this registration form to:
Mark Torres, 5584 Los Palos Circle, Buena Park, CA 90620
Questions? Contact Mark at mblastus@yahoo.com*

Please mark your meal choices:

Friday Public Service Luncheon

___ Braised Yankee Pot Roast w/Mashed Potatoes or ___ Salmon w/Rice Pilaf

Saturday Youth Luncheon

___ Chicken Piccata or ___ Turkey & Avocado Croissant

Saturday Gala Dinner Banquet

___ Beef Wellington or ___ Atlantic Salmon

(vegetarian options available)

Representing the Mother Lode Chapter
Tom Adams, Doug Drake and Kevin Tierney
Will be there!

2019 SAR National Congress

July 5, 2019 - July 11, 2019

Orange County Hilton Costa Mesa

Hosted by the California Society SAR

Go to CASSAR Website:

<http://www.californiasar.org/2019-Congress/>



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