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# Mother Lode Dispatch



Calling All Compatriots



## June 23, 2015 Roberta Long - Featured Speaker

**Roberta Long** is the author of *FOLSOM: 1960-Present*, which was published on March 11 by Arcadia Publishing Company. It is a full-color photo-essay about the first city to be included in Arcadia's new Modern Images of America series.

Roberta has been a correspondent for the local newspapers since the 1990s. From 2003-2008, she was managing editor of *Folsom Life*, *Village Life* and *Cameron Park Life* newspapers. She retired as editor to concentrate on writing, specializing in natural resources (water and forestry), and history.

Roberta and her husband, David, moved to Georgetown in 1975, where they raised two daughters in a cedar log cabin on five acres of forestland. Daughter Alexis, an emergency physician, is now Director of Emergency Services at Marshall Medical Center. Daughter Helen is the librarian at the British School of Chicago.

Roberta is now a resident of Folsom, but maintains her roots in El Dorado County. She is secretary of the board of directors of the Folsom Historical Society, a member of the El Dorado County Historical Society, Divide Chamber of Commerce, El Dorado Community Foundation Public Relations Committee, and El Dorado County Economic Development Advisory Committee.



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

The next meeting of the Mother Lode Chapter will be held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at 6:30 PM, at Denny's Restaurant in Cameron Park. Wives, guests and visiting compatriots are always welcome. Come socialize with us at 6:15PM. The meeting will start promptly at 6:30 PM.

## From the Mother Lode President

### Mother Lode Chapter Officers for 2015

**President**

Tom Adams

**1st Vice President**

Open

**2nd Vice President**

Open

**Secretary**

Tom Adams (Acting)

**Recording Secretary**

Open

**Treasurer**

Wayne Griswold

**Registrar**

Jim Young

**Chaplain**

Gene Myers

**Sergeant at Arms**

Open

**Dispatch Editor**

Tom Chilton

**Webmaster**

Tom Adams

**Historian**

John Krahn

### Committee Chairmen

**Eagle Scout Program**

Sam Bradley

**ROTC Program**

Open

**Knight Essay Contest**

Open

**Valley Forge Program**

Open

**Community Awards Banquet**

Tom Chilton

**Law Enforcement Program**

John Krahn

**Flag Certificate Program**

Doug Stone

**Elementary School**

**Poster Contest**

Tom Adams

**Middle School**

**Brochure Contest**

Tom Adams

### JUNE 2015

**Greetings Mother Lode Chapter members and friends:**

Last Month was our month for wrapping up our youth contests by visiting the schools and presenting our awards. Sam, Gene and I went to Jackson for the Poster Contest awards; Bob, Jim and I went to Holy Trinity for the Poster Contest and also for the Brochure Contest awards; Wayne and I went to Rolling Hills, and Kevin and I went to Camerado Springs for the Brochure Contest awards. We topped it off our youth awards by having our Chapter Poster Contest Winner and her Mother join for dinner here last month.



**Tom Adams**  
President - Mother Lode Chapter

This year we did something special. We honored three local teachers with the Mother Lode Chapter Distinguished Teacher Award. These are three teachers who have each supported our youth programs for five consecutive years. Gene and I presented the award to Pamela Banks at Jackson Elementary, Kevin and I presented the award to Rob Flowers at Camerado Springs Middle School, and I presented the award to Jeremy Roderick at Holy Trinity Parish School. All of the teachers were clearly moved by our recognition. We received many favorable comments from the teachers and their colleagues at the events.

We are now going to take the summer off for a couple of months. Our National Society Congress will be held next month in Louisville, Kentucky, which Anne and I plan to attend. Most of you know that I am the National Brochure Contest Chairman again this year, so that's why we're going back there – to run the National Brochure Contest.

Have a safe summer. And let's get together again in September! – *Tom*

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## Minutes from the May 27, 2015 Meeting

By Tom Adams

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chapter President Tom Adams. The invocation was given by Chaplin Gene Myers. Past President Sam Bradley led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by Tom Chilton leading the SAR Pledge. There were 6 Mother Lode Chapter members and 9 guests in attendance. This included our Poster Contest Chapter Winner, Madison, and her Mother, and our guest speaker Jill Kearney, El Dorado County History Museum docent.

### Reports:

#### President's Report -

Tom reported we did not have an Executive Committee Meeting this past month, but we did conduct business via phone, text messages, emails and conversations.

Tom attended, on behalf of the Chapter, the Gold Country Chapter's Annual Community Awards Event in Auburn on Saturday morning, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

Tom completed an on-line survey from CASSAR regarding our Chapter's activities as part of the State Society's research into acquiring a D&O insurance for chapters through a State policy.

Tom reported on our current Youth Activities – specifically our in-school awards: Tom, Gene Myers and Sam Bradley ran the Jackson Elementary School Poster Contest Awards; Tom, Jim Young and Bob Conover conducted the Holy Trinity Parish Poster and Brochure Contest Awards; Wayne Griswold, along with Tom, ran the Rolling Hills Brochure Contest Awards.

Tom made reference to a *Dispatch* article regarding the need for donations. He reminded the Chapter we cannot survive without donations. In particular, he stated, we need to cover our recent purchase of the Mother Lode Chapter pins which the chapter members voted last month to be used as our participation awards for our contests. Tom said he will see that letters continue to go out to donors by members and from outside the membership. Wayne Griswold, our Treasurer, informed Tom that to-date \$50 has been received in donations to offset the unbudgeted purchase of the Mother Lode Chapter lapel pins for \$380.

Related to receiving donations, Tom asked Tom Chilton to tell the members how Chris Ferguson, a friend of the Sacramento Chapter, happened to donate \$100 to the Mother Lode Chapter's Community Awards event.

A portion of the minutes from the previous meeting (printed in the current *Dispatch*) were read – and the minutes were approved. The minutes contained the motion to purchase 250 additional Mother Lode Chapter pins (at cost of approximately \$385) to be used as participation awards for youth contest and as a promotional items whenever warranted.

Tom reported we have a rubber stamp for business cards with our Tax ID information. Bob Conover has the stamp and will bring it to subsequent meetings.

We have a new web site! See *Dispatch* article in the May Dispatch for more information.

Tom announced the schedule of our **Mother Lode Chapter Distinguished Teacher Award** for three teachers, from three different schools, who have supported our youth programs for *five (5) consecutive years*. He passed around the three framed awards.

#### Secretary – No Report

Treasurer – Treasurer Griswold was not present, but earlier in the day he had spoken to Tom and told him the Chapter is still in the black, but he is concerned about the unbudgeted expenditure such as the recent purchase of the Mother Lode Lapel pins.

Registrar – Registrar Jim Young introduced candidates Mike Muetz and Jeff Doyle. Both Mike and Jeff have attended our meetings before. Jim stated all was going well with their applications.

Historian – John Krahn had no report.

# Minutes from the May 27, 2015 Meeting

By Tom Adams  
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**Youth Activities** – The Chapter was honored to host our Chapter Poster Contest Winner, Madison, and her Mother. Madison wore her medallions: 1<sup>st</sup> Place School (Holy Trinity), 1<sup>st</sup> Place Chapter and Honorable Mention Medallion from CASSAR. Madison who had already received **\$50** in prize money from the Chapter, and was given another check for **\$50** from the CASSAR. The Brochure Contest winner, Max, was ill the day of the Chapter meeting and could not attend. Max finished 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Brochure Contest State Competition and received a check for **\$300** from CASSAR.



L-R: President Tom Adams, Poster Contest winner Madison, and her mother.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Community Recognition Awards Banquet** – Tom Chilton gave his Committee report. The event will take place on **October 27<sup>th</sup>** at the **Cold Springs Golf Country Club**.

**NRA Grant & Color Guard** – No additional progress to report  
**Partners in Patriotism** – Sam Bradley reported that he and others participated in stationing flags over Memorial Day. Sam will work on preparing the Partners in Patriotism form and submit it to Ron Barker, CASSAR Committee Chairman.

**CASSAR Best Chapter Awards** – Tom Adams said he is complying with the reporting requirements, and Mother Lode will compete next year.

**D&O Insurance** – CASSAR is in discussion to see if a policy can be written with the state to cover Chapters. Tom has submitted activity information regarding Mother Lode, and will serve as the Chapter's contact. The Benediction was given by Gene Myers; Jim Young led the SAR Recessional and Tom Chilton led us in singing, "God Bless America". The meeting was adjourned.

**Presentation:**

The features speaker, Jill Kearney, is a second generation resident of El Dorado County and descendent of pioneer Californians. A docent at the County Historical Museum, she began to research characters and events of Placerville and the Gold Country in more depth when she got involved in the Historical Society's downtown walking tours. Her research interest focused on the events around 1864, beginning with James B. Hume's career and ultimately launching the accumulation of several folders and binders full of information about the Stage Robbery known as "Bullion Bend," that occurred June 30, 1864, and the band responsible, "Captain Ingram's Partisan Rangers." Her presentation was thoroughly enjoyed by the attendees.



President Tom presents Jill Kearney with the SAR Certificate of Appreciation.



Prospective member Mike Muetz and his wife, Judy.

# Mother Lode Chapter Distinguished Teacher Award

By Tom Adams

Mother Lode Chapter Distinguished Teacher Award was presented to three (3) teachers from three different schools, who have supported our youth programs for five (5) consecutive years. The three recipients were surprised and delighted as were their friends and colleague who know of their dedication and commitment to teaching American founding principles.

At a previous Chapter Meeting the three framed awards were shared with the members. The Award contains our Mother Lode Chapter logo and a mounted SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal. The National Society established the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal in 1895. Its stated purpose is: "The Bronze Good Citizenship Medal recognizes persons whose achievements are noteworthy in their school, community or state."

That certainly applies to the three teachers the Chapter wanted to recognize. However, these teachers meant even more to the Society, the Mother Lode Chapter felt, so the medal was mounted in an encase frame, along with the Chapter's logo.

A "Distinguished Teacher Award" certificate was crafted by Wayne Griswold that reads, "**Honoring consistent dedication in support of the historical programs of the Mother Lode Chapter, California Society, Sons of the American Revolution.**"

The three teachers receiving this award were: **Pamela Banks**, Jackson Elementary, for her continuous support our Poster Contest; **Jeremy Roderick**, Holy Trinity Parish, for his continuous support our Poster Contest; and **Rob Flower**, Camerado Springs Middle School, for his continuous support our Brochure Contest.



**Rob Flowers**  
Camerado Middle School



**Pamela Banks**  
Jackson Elementary School



**Jeremy Roderick**  
Holy Trinity Parish School



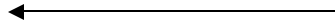
# Mother Lode Chapter's Youth Contest Winners for 2015

By Tom Adams

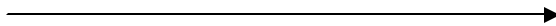
This year was another good year for the Mother Lode Youth Programs. We had 99 Children from four schools enter our Poster Contest and our Brochure Contest. Here are the Winners!



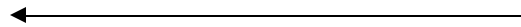
Poster Contest Winners at Holy Trinity, Madison, Emma and Aiden. Their teacher is Jeremy Roderick (not shown)



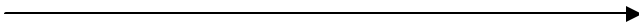
Poster Contest Winners at Jackson Elementary, Laney, William and Seth along with their teachers, Pam Banks and Jacqueline Tweed.



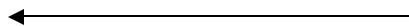
Brochure Contest Winners at Holy Trinity, Max, Faith and Eden. Their teacher is Julie Van Houten.



Brochure Contest Winners at Rolling Hills, Stephanie, Lilanne and Prachi. Their teacher is Eric Perkins.



Brochure Contest Winners at Camerado Springs, Fischer, Lilly and Franz. Their teacher is Rob Flowers.



## This Year's Community Awards Banquet

### Mark your calendar now!!

The Annual Community Awards Banquet is the Mother Lode Chapter's **signature event**. This year it will be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at the Cold Springs Gold and Country Club. As in the past, we have invited local police, sheriff, and fire officials to identify members of their staff who have performed acts above and beyond what is normally expected of them. We have invited the local CHP, the Placerville Police Department, the Rescue Fire Department, the El Dorado Hills Fire Department, and the Cameron Park Fire Department to participate this year. It is hoped that we will have at least ten recipients, ten spouses/guests, and ten supervisors, for a total of at least 30 guests. I hope that all of our local members will plan to attend this special event. It is possible the we will have more guests than members unless you mark your calendars now.

This year our own Lt. General Douglas Stone, (USMC retired) will be our speaker. General Stone spoke at the Sacramento Chapter meeting in January, 2015, and gave a very interesting first-hand account of terrorism, how terrorists are recruited, and what is happening in the United States. He made a special point that the terrorists believe so strongly in their cause that they are willing to die, much like those who fought in the American Revolution. Don't miss this opportunity to hear General Stone speak!!!

Tom Chilton



Lt. Gen. Doug Stone  
(USMC Retired)

## Daniel Boone - a Patriot of the American Revolution

Born September 22, 1734, in Exeter, Berks County, Pennsylvania, **Daniel Boone** was a son of Squire and Sarah (Morgan) Boone. Daniel's grandfather, George Boone immigrated to this country from England in the 1717.

Daniel married Rebecca Bryan on August 14, 1755, Yadkin, Rowan County, North Carolina. From this union there were ten children including: James, Israel, Susannah, Jemima, Levina, Rebecca, Daniel, Jesse, William, and Nathan.

Daniel Boone is famous for his service to his country. In 1777 he was wounded by the Indians during a battle at Boonesborough, KY. He was captured by the Shawnee Indians, but later escaped in time to help defend Boonesborough against a 10 day siege by the Shawnees. He served under General George Rogers Clark in 1780, fighting in the battle of Piqua, and in 1782 in the battle of Blue Licks, the last battle of the war..

Daniel Boone died on September 26, 1820, in St. Charles, St Charles County, Missouri. Rebecca died on March 18, 1813, in Marthasville, Warren. Missouri. New member **Jeffery Thomas Doyle** is a descendant of Daniel Boone.

## Your Ancestor - a Patriot of the American Revolution

Your ancestor's biography could be here next month. All you have to do is write his or her bio, and send it to me as a Word document (.doc, .rtf, etc.). Most of the information can be found on your SAR application. You send it to me - I guarantee you will see it in an upcoming edition of the Dispatch. If you need help writing your ancestor's bio, I will be happy to assist you. Tom Chilton

# Mother Lode Chapter's 2015 Calendar

September 22, 2015 - Regular meeting at Denny's  
Program to be announced.

Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon,  
CA. Ceremony start at 9:00 AM sharp. Wear  
warm clothes!

October 27, 2015 - Community Awards Banquet to be  
held at the Cold Springs Golf and Country Club.  
Lt-General Douglas Stone (USMC Retired) will be  
our speaker.

December 18, 2015 - Joint Christmas meeting with the  
Sacramento Chapter. Details to follow.

November 6-7, 2015 - CASSAR Fall Manager's  
meeting to be held at the Riverside Mission Inn. This  
is a great opportunity to visit this historical treasure.  
Details will be in the next California Compatriot.

January 26, 2016 - Regular meeting at Denny's.  
Program to be announced.

November 24, 2015 - Regular meeting at Denny's  
Program to be announced  
December 12, 2015 - Wreaths Across America

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