



Next Meeting Tuesday, September 28, 2021, at 6:30 PM
at the Denny's Restaurant on Coach Lane in Cameron Park

Mother Lode Chapter

NEXT Meeting at DENNY'S!

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To: Members and Friends of the Mother Lode Chapter SAR

**DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS
THE OCTOBER BANQUET HAS
BEEN **CANCELED**, SO THE 2021
COMMUNITY AWARDS WILL BE
PRESENTED AT THE AWARDEE'S
SITE BY OUR COLOR GUARD**

Mother Lode Chapter Executive Committee Minutes August 6, 2021, 9:30 AM

The Executive Committee met at the home of **Tom Douglas** to discuss the upcoming community awards banquet and the possible effects the present COVID-19 increase might have on upcoming gatherings.

Present for the meeting were **President Mike Muetz, Secretary Tom Douglas, Treasurer Bob Conover, Chancellor Doug Drake, Past President Tom Adams** and Chapter Member **Matt Adams**. Matt was present as a friend of the Executive Committee for his expertise in the food and restaurant industry.

Tom Adams presented an informational sheet from a health care provider in El Dorado County (attached to the minutes) regarding the impacts across the organization and the community due to increased cases of COVID. **Doug Drake** mentioned the legal ramifications and the possible financial responsibility to the Chapter Officers if a guest or member got sick with the Coronavirus after attending the Chapter Banquet.

After much discussion it was decided by consensus, due to possible COVID restrictions, in the best interest of the Chapter and the community in general there should not be an in person banquet for this year.

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However, it was also decided we needed to proceed with the award presentations. The conversation then turned deciding the best way to present the awards. It was agreed by the committee the award (medal and certificate) would be presented by members of the Committee, in period uniform if possible, in a frame suitable for the occasion (information attached to the minutes). A short bio and picture of the awardee, similar to the banquet program bio, to be attached to the back of the framed certificate and medal.

When the awardees are known, **Tom Douglas** will print the certificates, **Tom Adams** and **Matt Adams** to follow up on getting medals and certificates framed. **Tom Douglas** to inform, by letter, the entities involved (Sheriff Office, CHP, and Placerville PD) of the changes in our presentations, **Tom Adams** to follow up with the Emergency Medical recipient.

Times and dates of awards TBD.

(After the meeting Mike Muetz notified the Legion Post and the CAP Cadets that we will wait until 2022 to have the dinner.)

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Douglas, Secretary

Proposed Chapter Endorsement of **John Dodd** for
National Society Secretary General – by **Tom Adams**
(1 of 3)

At our next meeting I will make the motion that the Mother Lode Chapter endorse **John L. Dodd** for **Secretary General** of the **NSSAR** for **2022-2023**, and for our Chapter President to inform PPG Jack Manning, in an email, jack@manning.net, of the Chapter's endorsement.

My favorite remembrance of John Dodd was at a Spring Meeting in Sacramento. He rose to announce the formation of a Summer International Youth Exchange Program between us and France, our Revolutionary War allies. After describing the exchange program, he concluded by saying that he personally hoped to exchange a 14-year-old American teenage boy for a 21-year-old French girl. ... **Now, that's funny!** I have been a big fan of John Dodd ever since.

More seriously, over the years I have had many opportunities to be around John and to seek his counsel. You may know I spent the last 10 years developing and promoting our Middle School Brochure Contest in California and Nationally. Over the years I have attended and pitched the program at 38 State Conferences, National Leadership Meetings in Louisville, and Congresses across the county. All along the way I needed support from the SAR leadership and John was always there to support me and the program. He was always accessible, very SAR knowledgeable, and to counter my tendency to be a little too tightly wound when pitching the importance of SAR's role in young education, John's good nature attitude had a calming effect. His advice was always sensible.

I am delighted to see John step up and offer his leadership skills to our society – we need it. I urge the Chapter to endorse John L. Dodd for **Secretary General** of the NSSAR for 2022-2023.

Proposed Chapter Endorsement of **John Dodd** for
National Society Secretary General – by **Tom Adams**
(2 of 3)

Secretary General
johnldodd@twc.com

To: John L Dodd

Sat, Jul 24 at 7:32 PM

Compatriots:

I am pleased to announce my candidacy for Secretary General of the NSSAR for 2022-2023. I currently am serving as your Treasurer General, after several years on the NSSAR Foundation Board. This, plus my prior service of two years as Chancellor General, and serving on the executive committee for PG's Magerkurth, Leishman and Manning, has prepared me to assume the additional leadership responsibilities of the Secretary General office. I have served as Vice President General of the Western District, as well as Trustee of the California Society. I am a past president of the California Society and currently chancellor and one of three Trustees of the California Society's invested funds. Additionally, I was the state chairman of our successful 2019 Congress and have participated for many years in leadership positions in the California society. My prior service has provided me an deep understanding of the various "moving parts" of the SAR and our mission.

Through the growth and expansion of our Society's vibrant youth and education programs, the NSSAR has taken great strides toward fulfilling a key purpose: to inspire "the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers." I wholeheartedly support these efforts, which set us apart from the approximately 200 other lineage societies in America. I can best advance these goals by continuing to serve the SAR in the role of Secretary General. I ask for your support, your endorsement and your vote.

I would appreciate your personal endorsement and the endorsement of your chapter, state and district. Please send endorsements to John T. "Jack" Manning, President General 2019-2021, preferably by email to jack@manning.net, or by mail to 10 Old Colony Way, Scituate, MA02066, by February 1, 2022.

Thank you, and I look forward to continuing to serve our society.

Proposed Chapter Endorsement of **John Dodd** for National Society Secretary General – by **Tom Adams** (3 of 3)

John L. Dodd, Esq. candidate for **Secretary General**

National Service

Treasurer General 2021-2022
Foundation Board, 2016-2018, 2019-2021
VPG, Western District, 2016
Chancellor General, 2 years
Executive Committee, 5 years
State Chair 2019 Congress
Nominating Committee 2012
Council of State Pres., Secretary/Treasurer 2012
Chair: Handbook Committee, 2 years
Chair: Bylaws Committee 2012-2013
France Youth Exchange Program
Chair 2011-2021, Vice-Chair 2010-2011
Committee Member: Bylaws, Resolutions
Legal Advisory, Premium Medals, Congress
Planning, Budget, GWEF Fund Raising
Significant Foundation Contributor
Attended thirteen Congresses and innumerable
leadership meetings
Member: France & Germany Societies

State and Chapter Service

Trustee CASSAR Invested Funds, 2015-2021
President, California Society 2011-2012
Trustee and Alternate Trustee
Executive V.P., CASSAR 2010-2011
V.P. South, CASSAR 2008-2010
Chancellor, CASSAR 2002-2006, 2009, 2017-
2019
Revised CASSAR state bylaws
Served on numerous CASSAR committees,
including 2008 & 2019 Congress
Orange County Chapter
President, 2004, 2005, 2008
Chancellor 2001- 2016

SAR Awards

Minuteman class of 2016
Patriot Medal
Silver & Bronze Distinguished Service Medal
Gold Roger Sherman Medal (with oakleaf)
& Silver & Bronze
Meritorious Service Medal (with oakleaf)
Good Citizenship Medal (Silver & Bronze)
Silver and Bronze Sam Adams Congress Medal
Silver and Bronze Colorguard Medals

Personal and Community

Married to Karen Jean Williams (DAR) 30 years
Attended U. C. Davis, B.S. and J.D. from
Western State College of Law
Hobbies: flyfishing, horseback riding, BBQ,
genealogy, reading, & home maintenance



Professional

Member of California and Orange County
Bar Associations
Certified Specialist, Appellate Law, since 1996
Private practice: John L. Dodd & Associates
1989 to present
Staff Attorney, Calif. Court of Appeal, 1987-88
Admitted to the bar of the United States
Supreme Court, 9th and 7th Circuit Court of
Appeals

State Bar of California

Committee of Bar Examiners, 2001-2005
Chair, 2004-2005
Vice-Chair, subcommittee on Education
Standards, 2003
Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation,
1998 -2001
Committee on Appellate Courts, 1997

Orange County Bar Association

Board of Directors, 1996-2002
Chair: Appellate Section 1994
Orange County Barristers President, 1996
Investment Policy Committee

United States Commission on Civil Rights

Calif. Advisory Committee, 2007-2013

Please send letters of endorsement via email
before February 1, 2021, to:

P.G. Jack Manning: (email preferred)

Jack@manning.net

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Date/Time	Event
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