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Calling All Compatriots



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Featured Speaker - Kevin Tierney

Kevin Tierney has been in field of education for 25 years. He is currently the Coordinator of Professional Development for the El Dorado County Office of Education. Prior to this position he was the Instructional Technology Coach for the Buckeye Union School District, and prior to that taught 8th grade history at Rolling Hills Middle School.

Kevin has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History from San Francisco State University, a Master of Arts Degree in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis on Technology in the Classroom, and a Master of Arts Degree in History with an emphasis on Colonial American and Native American studies. In addition to his career in education, Kevin is an outstanding tenor banjo player, having started at the age of nine. He has performed at the Oakland Coliseum, the Sacramento Jazz Jubilee, as a guest performer with the Pacific Philharmonic Orchestra, and many other venues.



Kevin is a member of the Mother Lode Chapter.

Denny's

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

The next meeting of the Mother Lode Chapter will be held on Tuesday, September 22, 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

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- Law Enforcement Program**
John Krahn
- Flag Certificate Program**
Doug Stone
- Elementary School Poster Contest**
Tom Adams
- Middle School Brochure Contest**
Tom Adams

SEPTEMBER 2015

Greetings Mother Lode Chapter members and friends:

Welcome back from summer!

The main topic has to be our upcoming Mother Lode Chapter Community Awards Banquet next month on Tuesday evening, October 27th, at the Cold Springs Golf Country Club in Placerville. I hope you make plans to attend. Look for the article on the event in this issue.

We will have our regular meeting in November, and then close out the year with a join Christmas Meeting with the Sacramento Chapter SAR on Friday evening 7PM, December 18th at Cattlemen's Restaurant, 12409 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova. Make plans to attend that event too.

I hope many of you can join us. – *Tom*



Tom Adams
President - Mother Lode Chapter



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Minutes from the June 23, 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 7 guests in attendance, which included our featured speaker, author Roberta Long, of the Folsom Historical Society.

Reports:

Presidents Report -

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

Tom made reference to a *Dispatch* article regarding the need for donations. He reminded the Chapter that we cannot survive without donations. In particular he stated we need 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.

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.

Mother Lode Chapter Distinguished Teacher Awards went very well. Our **Mother Lode Chapter Distinguished Teacher Award**, went to three (3) teachers, from three different schools, who have supported our youth programs for *five (5) consecutive years*. At the previous Chapter meeting the three framed awards were shown to the attendees.

Secretary – No Report

Treasurer – Treasurer Griswold was not present, but earlier in the day had spoken to Tom and told him the Chapter still in the black, but he is concerned about the unbudgeted expenditure.

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

Historian – John Krahn had no report.

Youth Activities – Tom reported that our 2014-15 Youth Awards Program was another success.

Unfinished Business:

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

NRA Grant & Color Guard – No additional progress to report

Partners in Patriotism – Sam Bradley reported, after participated in the stationing flags over Memorial Day, he will work on preparing the Partners in Patriotism form and submit it to Ron Barker, CASSAR Committee Chairman.

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Photos from the June 23, 2015 meeting



President Tom Adams presents the SAR Certificate of Appreciation to Roberta Long.



Gene and Mary Lou Bell



President Tom Adams presents past-president Sam Bradley with his Supplemental Certificate for Benjamin Capron.



Ray Chant and Jim Young.



Mother Lode Chapter's 5th 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 that 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!!!



Lt. Gen. Doug Stone
(USMC Retired)

Minutes from the June 23, 2015 Meeting

By Tom Adams

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

The Benediction was given by Gene Myers; Jim Young led the SAR Recessional and Tom Chilton led us in song, "God Bless America". The meeting was adjourned.

Presentation:

The 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. Using slides from her book, she took on a journey of the last 50 years of Folsom and the surrounding area.

Mother Lode Chapter's 2015 Calendar

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.

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

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.

November 24, 2015 - Regular meeting at Denny's Program to be announced

December 12, 2015 - Wreaths Across America Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon, CA. Ceremony start at 9:00 AM sharp. Wear warm clothes!

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