

Veterans day activities 2009 *by Bob*



Yes we are off and running in a new year but since there was no Newsletter in December, we missed the opportunity to report any of the activities on Veterans day 2009. There were lots of events, of course, but two participated in by our members included Grass Valley and Placerville. Photo below left is our Pres Ken Blue addressing the gathering in Grass Valley. On the right Al Raanes by memorial in Placerville. In the lower photo a Placerville



crowd gathers for the activity there. *Photos by Becky Blue and Sally Raanes.*



Wreaths Across America at the Sacramento Valley National Veterans Cemetery.

The program for 2009 took place in a cold rainy morning on the 12th of December. Crowds measured in the hundreds in spite of the weather. All branches of the service were represented at



the ceremony and our Merchant Marine wreaths were carried this year by Ken Blue and Bill Fairfield. George Heidel at Igo Cemetery near Redding, Ca. Thanks to all who purchased wreaths this year.