

Voices from Donner Summit and the Bottom of the South China Sea

- Stories of the Chinese Railroad Workers Who Built the US Transcontinental Railroad

Free
Admission



Refreshments
Served

Sunday, October 15th, 2017

Auburn Placer County Library
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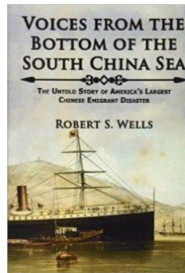
9:00 - 9:30am	Remarks	10:20 - 10:50am	Film Screening
9:30 - 10:20am	Book Presentation	10:50 - 11:00am	Book/DVD sign

Book Presentation

-Voices from the Bottom of
the South China Sea

Author: Robert S. Wells

This book tells the story of the "Titanic of the East", a story of 400 Chinese born -U.S. immigrants and how they helped to build the transcontinental railroad and America West, only to perish, just hours away from their long awaited return to China. The author pieces together the recently recovered documents to tell what really happened; thereby, allowing the lost voices to tell their larger story to the world from the bottom of the South China Sea. (<http://southchinoisvoices.com>)

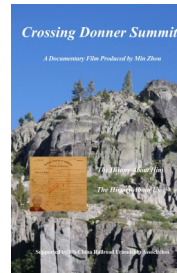


Documentary Film

- Crossing Donner Summit
Producer: Min (Susan) Zhou

This 20-minute documentary film provides highlights of a two-day train ride from Oakland to Reno in May 2015. This special train ride commemorated the efforts of tens of thousands of Chinese workers that were hired from China by the Central Pacific Railroad to help build the First Transcontinental Railroad. Gene Chan, one of the descendants of the Chinese workers, tells his family story, one of back-breaking work on the railroad, only to be driven out of the Sierra mountains with other Chinese immigrants after the completion of the Central Pacific Railroad.

(<https://vimeo.com/ondemand/chineseworkers/172963284>)



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