



# Captain Barron's Bugle

Captain William Barron Chapter #25  
Sons of the American Revolution



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## President's Message

### March, 2012

If anyone missed our meeting in January with our six Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest contestants, then you really missed a great experience. All six contestants were as good as we have seen. Our winner will represent the Captain William Barron Chapter very well at State. This year we had contestants from three area high schools and hope to have more next year. The contest is not only good for the students, but it gives us reassurance that our country has a great future. These students will be our next leaders.

And speaking of leaders, our March meeting will be the changing of the guard for our Chapter. TXSSAR President Bill Marrs will install our new officers for the Captain William Barron Chapter. Tom Copeland will be installed as President for the next two years. Over the past few years, Tom has spent more hours working for our chapter than any other member. He has been our Color Guard Commander, Gun Raffle Chairman and our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. Tom will help the Captain William Barron Chapter move to higher ground. Let's all support Tom in this effort. Our chapter will only be as good as its members.

These last two years have been a real highlight for me. I have attended several State meetings and have had the opportunity to meet our State officers. I have also made many new friends and have seen our Chapter move forward on promoting patriotism in our community. If we want our country to remain as we know it, then we must do more. I really feel that our country is in real trouble. Groups like the SAR must step up. I know you will answer the call. Thanks for the support you have given me over the past two years.

I look forward to seeing each of you at our meeting on March 27, 2012. God bless America and God bless the Sons of the American Revolution.

Tim West, President

## Get To Know ... Sam Kidd



Sam C. Kidd, Jr. is a fifth generation native of Smith County. Born into a family of rose growers, Sam attended Robert E. Lee High School and the University of Texas, was a competitive swimmer at both schools, and married his high school sweetheart, Sherry Bradley. Sam went on to earn BBA and MBA degrees from Stephen F. Austin State University.

Sam's career included being a Human Resource Manager at Carrier Air Conditioning in Tyler (25 years), a credit union branch manager (15 years), and he is currently a director on the Board of Directors of Telco Plus Credit Union. He is also a Past President of the East Texas Genealogical Society. Additionally, he and Sherry are currently volunteers at the Smith County Historical Society, where they are tour guides and research consultants. Sam is also the SCHS Treasurer and Office Manager. Sam is currently the Secretary of the William Barron Chapter of the SAR.

Sam and Sherry live on Lake Tyler and enjoy sailing. Sherry has three DAR ancestors and Sam has five SAR ancestors. They have two children and two grandchildren.

## Minutes -- January 24, 2012 Capt. William Barron Chapter 25 TXSSAR - S.A.R.

The regular bimonthly membership meeting of Capt. William Barron Chapter, S.A.R., was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2012, at The Woman's Building in Tyler, Texas. Twenty-one members and forty-three guests attended the meeting. President Tim West called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM and asked Chaplain Don Majors to say the invocation. The pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags were led by Matthew Lee and the S.A.R. pledge was led by Tim.

Tim introduced guests, other than those present for the oratory contest. June Everheart announced the local D.A.R. chapter would conduct an ancestor research seminar on Feb. 24.

Mike Everheart inducted two new S.A.R. members, John Barnes and Dennis Brand, with their respective wives Jane and Reta. Matthew Lee presented a Certificate of Appreciation to David McLeod for his work as Chapter Treasurer and publisher of the "Bugle".

Steve Lee then announced the nominations for Chapter Officers for the next two years: President Tom Copeland, 1st VP Matthew Lee, 2nd VP John Merritt, Treasurer David McLeod and Secretary Sam Kidd. Steve also named several other members who had agreed to serve in other important rolls.

The meeting then adjourned for buffet dinner. After dinner, Tom Copeland explained the rules for the Rumbaugh Oration Contest, which had six students from three different high schools. Each contestant gave their talks and then the judges left the room. During that intermission, Paula Warren led everyone in patriotic songs and various other announcements were made to help fill the time.

When the judges returned, Tom announced the contest results:

- 1st Savannah Williamson, Lindale H.S., \$300
- 2nd Taylor Parker, Whitehouse H.S., \$100
- 3rd Celeste Padron, Brownsboro H.S., \$75
- 4th Caleb Cade, Brownsboro H.S., \$75
- 5th Arjun Rawal, Whitehouse H.S.
- 6th Lindsey Clanton, Lindale H.S.

Don Majors gave the benediction, the members recited the S.A.R. closing and the meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

**Sam Kidd**, Secretary

## The Majors Family To Perform At March 27 Meeting

The Captain William Barron Chapter of the SAR welcomes The Majors Family to our Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please join us for an evening of patriotic music, performed live.

The Majors Family has recorded three CD's together (Gospel, Southern & Patriotic). They are native Texans and have been singing as a family all of their lives. The ascendants of the Majors family settled in Mt. Vernon, Texas, in 1849, and their mother's family settled in Gilmer, Texas in April, 1836. Ascendants of the Majors family have served in the American Revolution, War Between The States, World War One, and World War Two.

The Majors Family consists of:

Don Majors: Don and his wife, Gloria, took the pastorate of First Assembly of God in Hawkins, Texas, on 11/27/88 and still serve in that capacity. They have two grown children and six grandchildren. Don currently serves as Chaplain of the Captain William Barron Chapter of the SAR.

Steve Majors: Steve Majors, brother of Don, is an ordained minister and has pastored at churches in Spring, Texas and Tyler, Texas, as well as serving as a full-time Evangelist. He is a member of the Captain William Barron Chapter of the SAR. He is a songwriter and has recorded six CD's. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Tyler and have two children and three grandchildren.

Stacey Majors Hendrix: Stacey Majors Hendrix, daughter of Steve Majors, is a high school teacher in Whitehouse, Texas. Moreover, she is a volleyball and basketball coach. She is married with two children.

Celeste Majors: Celeste Majors, daughter-in-law of Steve Majors, is a pre-school teacher at Cain Elementary in Whitehouse, Texas. She is married with one child.

The Majors Family will be assisted by Charlene McCloure and Scott Solis.

### SAR Websites

**National SAR:** [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org)

**State SAR:** [www.txssar.org](http://www.txssar.org)

**Captain Barron Chapter:**  
[www.rootsweb.com/~txwbcsar/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~txwbcsar/)

### 2012 Captains William Barron Chapter of the SAR

#### Meeting Dates & Times

**Tuesday, 3/27/12 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, 5/22/12 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, 7/24/12 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, 9/25/12 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, 11/27/12 6:30 p.m.**





The Captain Barron Chapter thanks Tim West for his leadership for these past two years.



Tom Copeland, Tim West, Matthew Lee & Mike Everheart. Canton DAR "George Washington Tea" February, 2012



Savannah Williamson, Lindsey Clanton, Taylor Parker, Arjun Rawal, Celeste Pardon, & Caleb Cade. Oration Contest Participants. Tyler Woman's Building, January 24, 2012



Compatriot Dennis Brand ( with wife Reta) and Compatriot John Barnes ( with wife Jane) being sworn in by Compatriot Mike Everheart. Tyler Woman's Building Tyler, Texas January 24, 2012

**Help Wanted...**

Our chapter needs your participation. However, if your time is short, you can still help. Your tax-deductible contributions are vital to our success. The SAR is a registered 501(c)3 charitable organization. What you give goes into our East Texas community through our SAR scholarships, programs, and benevolence. Thank You!





**Thank You Tim & Carolyn!**

Tim & Carolyn West have hosted the Captain William Barron Chapter Executive Staff Meetings at their home, Rose-land Plantation, every other month for the past two years. During that time, they have provided a tremendous place to conduct our meetings, and have also provided a five-star lunch to the staff at each meeting, at their expense. This display of courtesy is treasured. We are grateful for your kindness.



Tom Copeland, Judge Guthrie, and Paula Warren ( Mary Tyler Chapter, DAR) Immigration & Naturalization Swearing in Ceremony, Tyler, Texas. March 3, 2012

**Traditions Restaurant to Cater Captain Barron Chapter Meeting**

Traditions Restaurant will cater this month's Captain William Barron Chapter Meeting to be held at the Tyler Woman's Building on Tuesday, March 27, at 6:30 p.m. TWB Catering, who has provided this service for many years, has closed.

For \$20 per person, this month's menu items are:

Tossed salad and assorted dressing (served at your table)

Your choice of one entree' of:

Grilled Marinated Chicken Breast or  
USDA Choice Carved Roast Beef w/ Au Jus Sauce

Two sides of:

Garlic Pepper New Potatoes (sauteed)  
Seasoned Green Beans

Your choice of one dessert of:

Homestyle Banana Pudding or  
Mississippi Mud Brownies (served at your table)

Tea, Coffee, and Water served at your request.