



Captain Barron's Bugle

Captain William Barron Chapter #25
Sons of the American Revolution



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David McLeod, Editor

President's Message

Compatriots,

Tom Copeland has chosen to step down as our chapter President and I, as 1st Vice President, now move into the office of President of the Captain William Barron Chapter. After Tom's resignation, the board held a meeting on Saturday, May 5th, to discuss our options and we all feel confident that our chapter will continue to progress. We have many patriotic members who love America and the many fine programs of the Sons of the American Revolution. It is extremely important that we all stand together to continue our youth programs, color guard activities, school programs and naturalization ceremonies.

Please join us on Tuesday, May 22nd, as we welcome our TXSSAR President, Bob Clark, to our chapter. Bob will update us on his plans as State President. I love America and I love the Sons of the American Revolution! I ask for your help and your prayers as we continue to move our chapter forward.

God Bless America, God Bless Texas and God Bless the Sons of the American Revolution!

Matthew Lee

Letter From The Editor:

"Changes aren't permanent, but change is."

This saying is apropos to everything in each of our lives. The Captain William Barron Chapter is no exception. We thank Tom Copeland for his excellent patriotic service to our chapter, and are very happy that he will remain an important member. We thank Matthew Lee for accepting the position of President. He's also a multi-year veteran of the SAR, and has experience in all of the programs that we do.

Our chapter currently consists of about 70 members. We thank you for being a member. We also thank those of you who devote your time, energy, and talents to this organization. You do it without pay and on your own time. All for the sake of charity. This spirit of patriotism -for the love of our country - is what binds all 70 of us together. Thank you for your support of this organization.

Get To Know ... Matthew Lee



Matthew Lee is a graduate of the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, is an 8th generation Texan, and a 13th generation American. Joining the SAR in 2004, he is the new President of the Captain William Barron Chapter.

Matthew and his wife, Kristin, a graduate of the University of Texas, are partners in LPH Productions, a family owned video and marketing company. Kristin is a Neo-Natal nurse at Trinity Mother Frances Hospital.

Matthew is an active member of the Captain William Barron Chapter Color Guard and has chaired the Flag Retirement Ceremony for the past several years. He worked with NSSAR President General Edward Butler at the SAR Congress in Atlanta, Georgia, and has produced videos for the NSSAR. Matthew holds memberships in the Sons of the Republic of Texas, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge, as well as other civic organizations.

Matthew and Kristin are proud parents of 2 year old Mason, whose SAR papers are being finalized. They are expecting their second child in November. Matthew is the son of past Chapter President Stephen Lee and DAR Honorary Regent Anna Marie Lee. His brother, Britton, has just had his SAR papers approved from National. They attend Grace Community Church.

Minutes -- March 27, 2012
Capt. William Barron Chapter 25
TXSSAR - S.A.R.

The regular bimonthly membership meeting of Capt. Barron Chapter, S.A.R., was held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at The Woman's Building in Tyler, Texas. Eighteen members and twenty-three guests attended the dinner meeting. President Tim West called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. Don Majors gave the invocation, Matt Lee led the flag pledges and Tim led the S.A.R. pledge.

Tim introduced TXSSAR President and Mrs. Bill Marrs, David McLeod introduced his daughter and Don Majors introduced his singing group and their family members.

Mike Everheart and Steve Lee reported on the TXSSAR State Convention held last weekend in San Antonio, where Mike and Tom Copeland received awards. Mike is stepping down as Regional VP and Steve is taking that position. Our chapter's oration contest winner, Savannah Williamson, won second place at State and received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Paula Warren, on behalf of NSDAR and the Mary Tyler Chapter DAR, presented Capt. William Barron Chapter an award for its many efforts to show proper respect for the U.S. flag. Tim displayed the newly framed, original charter of Capt. William Barron Chapter.

The new Officers were then sworn in for a two year term by TXSSAR President Bill Marr:

Tom Copeland, President
 Matthew Lee, First V.P.
 John Merritt, Second V.P.
 David McLeod, Treasurer & Newsletter Editor
 Sam Kidd, Secretary
 Steve Lee, VP Region 10
 Larry Oliver, Webmaster

Mike presented a plaque to Tim for his service as chapter president, Tom Copeland gave a gift to Carolyn West in appreciation of her graciously hosting the chapter officers' meetings over the past two years, and TXSSAR president Bill Marrs also gave Carolyn a gift. Tom then gave a brief acceptance speech.

Bill discussed the new state position of Communications Secretary. He also told of improvements to the SAR web site, including more genealogy records and the SAR policy manual being posted there.

The meeting then adjourned for dinner (served by Traditions Restaurant), after which Don Majors and his musical group entertained everyone with historic songs.

Tom announced the next Officers' meeting would be at Spring Creek BBQ Restaurant at noon on Tuesday, May 22. Don Majors said the benediction and Tom led everyone in the S.A.R. closing. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Sam Kidd, Recording Secretary

BOB CLARK

President Of TXSSAR To Speak at the May 22 Meeting
 98th State President,
 Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution

Robert M. (Bob) Clark's family has been in Texas for six generations and in Dallas for five. He is a graduate of the University of Texas, SMU graduate business school, and Oklahoma City University Law School. He and his wife and daughter live near downtown Dallas and he practices law with a specialization in Civil Trial Law. A little more relevant to the SAR, he was a certified genealogist for 15 years and has been an Eagle Scout for 49 years. He has previously served as president of the Texas Society Sons of the Revolution, Texas Governor and national Attorney General of the Founders and Patriots of America, and Deputy Governor General of the Society of Colonial Wars. He is also a member of the Society of Cincinnati and the Sons of the Republic of Texas. In the SAR, he has twenty-three proven ancestors, was president of the Dallas Chapter, state chancellor, staff secretary, and holds the Patriots and Alexander Hamilton medals.

His wife of 25 years, Kimberly Clark, has nine proven DAR Revolutionary War ancestors. She has been regent of the Nancy Horton Davis DAR Chapter and was the Organizing Regent of the Sarah Cockrell Chapter, as well as chairing quite a few state committees and serving as a National Vice Chairman. They have one daughter, Ashley, who is in the C.A.R., and will be a junior at the Hockaday School in Dallas this fall.

SAR Websites

National SAR: www.sar.org

State SAR: www.txssar.org

Captain Barron Chapter:
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.



Past President Stephen Lee and President Tom Copeland congratulate Chapter Essay winner Lindale H.S. senior Savannah Williamson at the TXSSAR convention. Savannah placed second in the state competition. San Antonio, TX 3/24/12



John Merritt presenting Savannah Williamson with the Texas SAR Oration Contest 2nd place Certificate. April, 2012

2012 Fund Raiser

The 2012 Gun Raffle Fund Raiser sales drive has begun. With our raffle proceeds, we are able to do many great things for our community throughout the year.

As we did last year, we are relying on our members to help. Raffle tickets will be mailed to you. For \$20, you can purchase 6 raffle tickets. Purchase more if you wish. Simply write your name on the tickets, send them back with your check, and you will be eligible to win. With our member's help, we can cover the cost of our guns.

Additional sales, through gun shows, direct solicitation, and word-of-mouth, will therefore help to cover the cost of what we do throughout the year. If you can sell additional tickets, that would be great. If you can help us man our booths at various gun shows this year, all-the-better. The next gun show, for which we have a booth, is June 23-24 in Tyler. We are thankful for your help.

This year, two winners will be drawn. The 1st drawing will be for a black powder, 50 caliber, firing long rifle (revolutionary war facsimile). The 2nd drawing will be for a black powder, 50 caliber, firing pistol (revolutionary war facsimile).

The drawing will be made on November 27. Each ticket has two chances of winning. Thanks for your help!

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!



Where we Meet...
Tyler Woman's Building
 911 S. Broadway • Tyler, TX 75701



Compatriot Stephen Lee, Martha Rivas, Judge John Love, & Compatriot Tom Copeland - Naturalization Ceremony (Ms. Rivas Received Her Citizenship) Tyler, TX 4/11/12



Mike Everheart, Tom Copeland, and Dr. Wendell Edwards (Edmond Terrill Chapter)
 Army Ranger Tanner Higgins Funeral
 Lake Fork, Texas 04-22-12



The Majors Family, and their band, performed for the Captain Barron Chapter SAR on March 27. It was a great night of patriotic music. Thank You!

“Quartermaster” Position Created

At the April 25 officer’s meeting, it was voted on and approved to create the position of Quartermaster. This position will possess, maintain, and distribute the Captain Barron Chapter’s inventory of medals, awards, pins, and other items. This will streamline our management of chapter property.

This position has been offered to and accepted by Mike Everheart. Any members who are in possession of chapter property are asked to contact Mike.

Thank you, Mike, for your continued service to the Captain William Barron Chapter.

Flag Retirement Ceremony To Be Held on June 16

The Captain William Barron Chapter of the SAR will conduct its annual flag retirement ceremony on Saturday, June 16, at 9:00 a.m. at the Tyler Memorial Cemetery, 12053 S.H. 64 West, Tyler, TX 75704.

The United States Flag Code, first adopted in 1923, and later made into law in 1942, defines the processes by which United States flags are to be retired. It’s with great honor that the Barron Chapter retires these flags. Please join us for a ceremony that will last approximately one hour.

Savannah Williamson Places 2nd at TXSSAR Oration Contest

Savannah Williamson, a senior at Lindale H.S., placed second at the TXSSAR Joseph S.Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest in San Antonio in March.

Ms. Williamson, who will be attending Texas A&M University, received \$500 from the TXSSAR and \$500 from the War of 1812 Society. She had previously won \$300 from the Captain William Barron Chapter for finishing first in our competition.

Congratulations, Savannah!