

Captain William Barron Chapter Sons of the American Revolution





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David McLeod, Editor

The President's Message

Compatriots,

WOW! This has already been a busy summer for the Captain William Barron Chapter Color Guard. The Color Guard continues to make appearances around East Texas and, you'll have to admit, we always get noticed. There is not a time that, when we are in uniform, someone does not ask what organization we are representing. This is our chance to introduce them to the Sons of the American Revolution, highlight our historic, patriotic, and educational goals, and to invite them to join our organization. Without a doubt, The Color Guard is an effective outreach of our chapter. We invite you to join us!

The 2012 Flag Retirement Ceremony was a huge success. We honorably retired over 150 non-serviceable American flags with the help of several chapter members and members of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP). The CAP helped make this a very reverent ceremony. Thanks to Air Force Colonel David Pierson for delivering our keynote address. We appreciate all those who helped and attended. Thanks to Billy Robinson and his staff at Memorial Park Cemetery for hosting the ceremony.



Our country celebrated our nation's independence on July 4th, the date which marked our nation's 236thbirthday. This year is shaping up to be a pivotal year for America. The same could be said of our country in 1776. Now, like then, it is of paramount importance to elect representatives who share the ideals of our founding fathers, which we strive to keep alive through the SAR. I urge you to be politically active in support of the candidates that you feel share these SAR ideals.

Special Notice:

Our next Chapter Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the private room at Traditions Restaurant,

(traditionstyler.com), 6205 S. Broadway, Tyler, TX 75703. Our Executive Staff, by a unanimous vote, thought it wise to relocate our meetings to Traditions from The Woman's Building. With this change, you can choose to eat or not ... and your menu options are significantly greater than what we were able to provide at The Woman's Building. There will be a \$5 per member "cover charge" to cover the dining costs of our special invited guests and guest speakers. We hope you will support this change. Please plan to attend.

It is an honor to serve this wonderful Chapter and Society! God Bless America, God Bless Texas, and God Bless the Sons of the American Revolution!

Matthew Lee

The Sons of The American Revolution

The Sons of the American Revolution is the leading male lineage society that perpetuates the ideals of the war for independence.

As a historical, educational, and patriotic, non-profit corporation organized under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, we seek to maintain and expand the meaning of patriotism, respect for our national symbols, the value of American citizenship, and the unifying force of "*e pluribus unum*" that was created from the people of many nations -- one nation and one people.

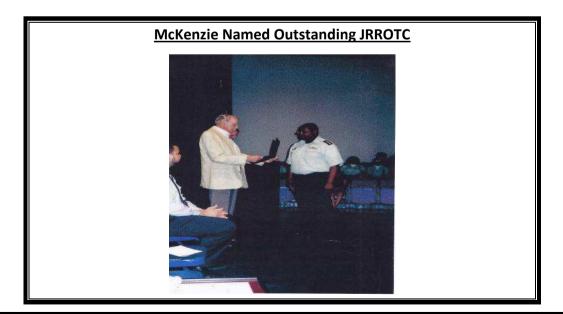
Get To Know ... Dave McLeod



Dave McLeod is married to Marcy McLeod and they have two daughters, Kate (12) and Liz (10). They live in Tyler.

Dave is a native Tylerite and is a graduate of John Tyler High School, Tyler Junior College, and Texas A&M University. He is a Certified Public Accountant and is an Officer and Director of Dynamic Cable Holdings, Inc. Dave is a Partner in Silver Creek Cattle Ranch in Grapeland, Texas.

Dave enjoys being with his family, playing sports with his daughters, and writing fiction. He is currently the Captain William Barron Chapter's 2nd VP, Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor. He is also a Director with the East Texas Veterans Memorial.



Compatriot Bob Davidson travelled to John Tyler High School on April 19, 2012, to present Tyrell McKenzie with a Bronze J.R.O.T.C. medal, a Certificate, and a \$100 check from the Captain William Barron Chapter.

Tyler Fire Chief Tim Johnson

To Speak at July 24th Chapter Meeting

The Captain William Barron Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution welcome <u>Tyler Fire Chief Tim Johnson</u> as featured speaker at our July 24th meeting at Traditions Restaurant (<u>www.traditionstyler.com</u>) 6205 S. Broadway, Tyler, TX 75703, at 6:30 p.m.

Chief Johnson has served the city of Tyler for 31 years as a firefighter, driver, captain, senior captain, and district chief. Chief Johnson has also served as Pension Chairman of the Tyler Firefighters Relief and Retirement Fund for nearly 18 years. He is also the Emergency Management Coordinator for the City of Tyler.

Please join us as we welcome Tyler Fire Chief Tim Johnson.

Captain William Barron Chapter

Color Guard Roster

The Color Guard is a special part of the Sons of the American Revolution. It serves as an inspiration ... and a reminder ... to our community of the principles on which our nation was founded. The Captain William Barron Chapter is grateful to those who serve in our Color Guard:

Matthew Lee (Commander), Bob Davidson, Mike Everheart, Cliff Johnson, Britton Lee, Steve Lee, Don Majors, Tom Miller and Tim West





Gun Raffle Update

Thank you to our Compatriots who have bought tickets to our annual Gun Raffle. If you haven't bought your tickets yet, we urge you to do so. If you didn't receive any tickets, please let us know. The money we raise is poured right back into our community. Your donation is tax-deductible.

If you'd like to donate some of your time selling tickets in one of the upcoming gun shows at which we'll have a booth, please contact Mike Everheart at <u>Mike@EverheartFamily.com</u>. Thank you!

SAR Websites:

National SAR: www.sar.org

State SAR: <u>www.txssar.org</u>

Captain Barron Chapter:

www.rootsweb.com/~txwbcsar/

2012 Captain William Barron Chapter

Meeting Dates & Times

Tuesday, 7/24/126:30 p.m.Tuesday, 9/25/126:30 p.m.Tuesday, 11/27/126:30 p.m.

Minutes -- May 22, 2012

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TXSSAR -- S.A.R.

The regular bimonthly membership meeting of Capt. William Barron Chapter, S.A.R., was held on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at The Woman's Building in Tyler, Texas. There were 16 members and 25 guests present. Matthew Lee opened the meeting at 6:30 PM and announced that due to Tom Copeland's resignation as President of the Chapter, as First Vice President he was assuming command of the chapter. He then had Chaplain Don Majors say the invocation, followed by the pledges to the flags and the SAR salute. Matthew then introduced the numerous guests present.

Past President Tim West was given a certificate for his service the past two years. Matthew introduced all newly elected Chapter officers. Everyone was encouraged to attend the next flag retirement ceremony.

Mike Everheart presented Jeff Austin III with five supplemental patriot certificates, making a total of 20 he has been able to prove. Mike gave a status report on our annual rifle raffle and announced the Color Guard will conduct presentations on June 5 and 14. Mike then inducted three new SAR members: William Matthew Newton, Ian Geofrey Hyde and Britton William Lee. He also introduced Clyde R. Futrell, a transfer into the chapter from Illinois.

John Merritt presented an Emergency Medical Services medal and certificate to Craig Scott Mattingly of Trinity Mother Frances Hospital and announced Dr. Fernandez, who was unable to attend, will also be receiving a similar award.

The meeting then took a break for dinner.

After dinner, John introduced Bob Clark, Texas State SAR President, who gave a short talk about his background and the missions of SAR. President Clark was presented with a Barnes & Noble gift certificate after his presentation.

Don Majors then gave the benediction and Matthew led everyone on the SAR closing. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

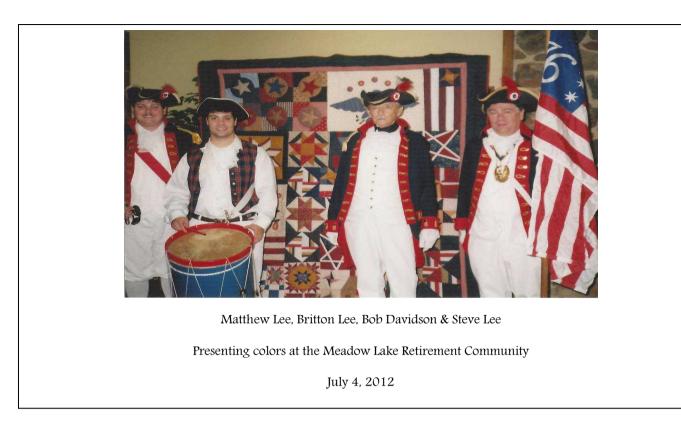
Sam Kidd, Secretary



Air Force Colonel David Pierson

Flag Retirement Ceremony

June 16, 2012



Tyler Firefighter Jeff Hudgens

To Receive SAR Fire Safety Medal and Certificate

The Captain William Barron Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will present Tyler Fire Captain Jeff Hudgens with the Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate of Appreciation at our July 24th meeting at Traditions Restaurant.

Having been with the Tyler Fire Department since 2006, Captain Hudgens is currently the Training Captain over all training for the Tyler Fire Department. He holds an intermediate firefighter certification from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection as well as an EMT-Paramedic License from the Texas Department of State Health Services. Captain Hudgens is also currently the Fire Chief of the City of Van, Texas Volunteer Fire Department.

Please join us as we welcome and honor Tyler Fire Captain Jeff Hudgens.



