

Captain Barron's Bugle

**Captain William Barron Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution**



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David McLeod, Editor

The President's Message

Compatriots,

I can't believe 2012 is about to enter the history books! This year has flown by and has certainly been a roller coaster with a sluggish economy, many Americans out of work, seeing the effects of Hurricane Sandy and then watching a presidential campaign that seemed to last all year.

As we enter the Thanksgiving and Christmas season I want to give thanks for our courageous ancestors. Our forefathers knew that they might possibly lose their land, homes and possessions, but still vowed to fight and establish a new and independent nation. It had to have been terrifying to realize they were risking, not only their own lives, but the lives and safety of their families. God bless them for their courage and bravery to take a stand for what was right!



The Gun Raffle has been a huge success and some lucky winner will be selected at our November 27th meeting. Don't forget that tickets can still be purchased thru the 27th of this month. A big THANK YOU to Mike Everheart for serving as Chairman! The profits from the raffle will be used to fund scholarships, school and chapter contests, and programs as well as to underwrite various community activities.

The Captain William Barron Chapter was a very visible and viable part of East Texas in 2012 and we all can take great pride in the many ways in which we gave back to our community. It is our privilege to reinforce to our community the great history of this nation and of our patriotic values. We want to insure that those values will still be alive for future generations. Speaking of future generations, a new SAR prospect, Hunter William Lee was born on October 25, 2012. Kristin and I really appreciated the telephone calls, cards, and emails that were sent our way. God Bless America, God Bless Texas and God Bless the Sons of the American Revolution!

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 ... Rev. Don Majors



Don Majors is a native East Texan. He was born in Tyler, Texas. His mother's family settled in Gilmer, Texas in 1836, and his father's family settled in Mt. Vernon, Texas in 1849. He met his wife Gloria Ramirez while attending college in Houston, Texas.

He attended San Jacinto Junior College, McMahon Court Reporting College, and Berean University of the Assemblies of God. Gloria and Don both worked in the legal field in Houston, Texas for several years. Gloria worked as a legal secretary, and Don worked as a certified court reporter for the State of Texas. He was ordained with the General Council of the Assemblies of God in Houston, Texas on April 18, 1985.

They came to Hawkins, Texas on November 27, 1988 to pastor the First Assembly of God, and this year they will celebrate their 23rd year as pastor of this local assembly.

They have two grown daughters and six grandchildren.

Thanksgiving

On 10/3/1789, President George Washington issued a proclamation naming Thursday, 10/26/1789, as an official holiday of "sincere and humble thanks". On 10/3/1863, President Abraham Lincoln made the traditional Thanksgiving celebration a nationwide holiday. Let us give thanks!

Tyler Mayor Barbara Bass to be Featured Speaker At November Chapter Meeting



The Captain William Barron Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution is pleased to welcome Tyler Mayor Barbara Bass as its featured speaker on November 27, 2012, at Traditions Restaurant. The meeting will start at 6:30 (please arrive at 6:00 if you plan to eat).

Mayor Bass has lived in Tyler for over 30 years and has been extremely involved in the community. She is the first female Mayor of Tyler and is currently serving her third and final term as Mayor.

Mayor Bass is a Certified Public Accountant with more than 31 years of experience. She holds an accounting degree from Texas A&M - Commerce, and is a partner with Gollob Morgan Peddy & Co., P.C., Certified Public Accountants in Tyler.



Members of the Captain William Barron Chapter Color Guard, represented by Mike Everheart, Matthew Lee, Tim West, Britton Lee, Steve Lee, and Bob Davidson, presented the colors at the Veteran's Day program at Workplace Solutions, Tyler, Texas.

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.

The drawing will take place at our November 27th meeting. For tickets, please contact Mike Everheart at Mike@EverheartFamily.com. Thank you!

SAR Websites:

National SAR: www.sar.org

State SAR: www.txssar.org

Captain Barron Chapter:

www.rootsweb.com/~txwbczar/

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Meeting Dates & Times

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

Tuesday, 1/22/13 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 3/26/13 6:30 p.m.

Minutes – September 25, 2012

Capt. William Barron Chapter 25

TXSSAR -- S.A.R.

The regular bimonthly meeting of the membership of the Capt. William Barron Chapter, S.A.R., was held on Tuesday, September 25, 2012, at Traditions Restaurant in Tyler, Texas. The meeting was held jointly with the Piney Woods Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas. About forty people were present. After everyone had eaten, President Matthew Lee called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Don Majors gave the invocation and the pledges to the flags and S.A.R. were recited.

Tom McCall, Piney Woods Chapter S.R.T., introduced David Hanover, the international president of S.R.T. He also had the members of S.R.T. and D.R.T. stand to be recognized.

Britton Lee discussed the history of the flag known as the Star Spangled Banner. David Hanover displayed and discussed three of the seven historic Texas flags he had brought. Steve Lee told about attending the S.A.R. annual meeting in Philadelphia. Matthew Lee presented Don Majors and Britton Lee with Certificates of Appreciation for their recent help with our flag retirement program.

Mike Everheart reported on the Chapter's gun raffle and the new and prospective members. He discussed his visit to the new Veteran's Home near UTHSC and suggested our chapter should support that facility; everyone agreed. He also said the Color Guard would be at the Edgewood Heritage Event on Nov. 10. Mike then inducted the new member James K. Wimberley of Bullard.

Anna Lee said the local D.A.R. chapter has created a garden at the new Veteran's Home in honor of Joy Hague, Texas State Regent and everyone is invited to the Sept. 28 dedication.

David Hanover conducted a brief ceremony changing the name of the Angelina chapter of S.R.T. to Milton Irish Chapter. He gave a brief account of Irish's involvement in the Texas Revolution.

Tom McCall introduced Tom Gann, who gave a very interesting program on the life of Stephen F. Austin. Afterwards, Matthew Lee and Tom McCall gave him a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift certificate to Barnes & Noble Bookstore.

Matthew led everyone in the S.A.R. closing and Sam Hopkins gave the benediction. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Sam Kidd, Secretary



The Captain William Barron Color Guard, represented by Don Majors, Britton Lee, Steve Lee and Mike Everheart, at the Election Day Patriotic Program at Holly Brook Baptist Church.



Britton Lee (above) and David Hanover (below) discuss the meaning, symbolism, and history behind historically significant flags at the Captain William Barron Chapter meeting, September 2012.

Email Addresses Needed

Many of our members are now receiving their Captain Barron's Bugle newsletter via email instead of U.S.mail. It's convenient for our members, and saves the chapter money that can be used to further our charitable causes. We estimate that we can save up to \$600 per year in printing, envelopes, and postage.

If you'd like to be a part of our email newsletter distribution list, please send an email to dynamicdmcleod@aol.com.

Thank you!



Compatriot Mike Everheart inducts Jim Wimberly into the Sons of the American Revolution, September 2012.



Presidents Matthew Lee (SAR, center) and Dr. Tom McCall (SRT, right) present Tom Gann with Certificates of Appreciation from both the Sons of the American Revolution and the Sons of the Republic of Texas, September 2012.