

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,

Ready or not, 2013 is here! The Captain William Barron Chapter played a very vital role in our community during 2012.

The Color Guard is the most visible part of our chapter and always presents the opportunity to spread our patriotic message. During 2012, the Color Guard posted the colors at eight different naturalization ceremonies at the Federal Courthouse, posted colors at numerous DAR functions around East Texas, and participated in a number of church and civic gatherings.

We sponsored a very successful flag retirement program and took part in different Veteran's programs. Reverend Don Majors and Stephen Lee presented the Patriotic Flag program around East Texas and are already booked during the first several months of the New Year. Honorary Mary Tyler Chapter Regent Anna Marie Lee and Sergeant at Arms Britton Lee assisted in displaying the flags during each performance. Thanks to all who have worked to make our Chapter so successful!



We welcome the students who will be participating in the Janice Caldwell Finals of the Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Essay Contest. This is always one of my favorite meetings of the entire year. Our chapter has, over the years, sponsored students who went on to become state and national winners. I am keeping my fingers crossed for another winner from the Captain William Barron Chapter!

A standing ovation is due to Mike Everheart for his outstanding job as Chairman of the Rifle Raffle. This year was very successful. The proceeds will be used to help fund our youth programs and scholarships.

It's an honor to serve as your President and I would encourage all members to become active in our chapter as we enter a new year. 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.

Local High School Students **Vie For** **Captain William Barron Chapter Oration Contest Title**

Please join us at 6:30 on Tuesday, January 22, at Traditions Restaurant in Tyler for our annual Oration Contest. High school students from 20 Tyler-area High Schools have been invited to participate. Five outstanding high school orators have been selected to compete for the \$525 in scholarships that our Chapter will award.



Each student will recite a patriotic essay, by rote, in front of our audience. The essays will be five-to-six minutes in length. Three anonymous judges will score the speakers on Composition, Delivery, Significance, and History. The winner of our Chapter's contest will compete at the SAR State Oration Competition in Dallas, which will pay \$3,200 in scholarships, and the winner of the State competition will compete at the SAR National Competition in Kansas City, which will pay \$6,500 in scholarships.

Please join us as we welcome our area's best high-school orators!

Where We Meet

Our Chapter's January meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, in the private room at Traditions Restaurant, 6205 S. Broadway Avenue, Tyler, TX 75703. If you plan to eat dinner and/or socialize, you may want to arrive at 6:00.



President Matthew Lee, Larry Goddard, Anna Marie Lee, and Mayor Barbara Bass at the Captain William Barron Chapter Meeting on November 27, 2012.



1st Vice-President John Merritt presenting Tyler Police Officer Jason Compton, who had recently saved a citizen's life, the Sons of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Certificate on November 27, 2012.

SAR Websites:

National SAR: www.sar.org

State SAR: www.txssar.org

Captain Barron Chapter:

www.rootsweb.com/~txwbcsar/

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Meeting Dates & Times

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

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

Tuesday, 5/28/13 6:30 p.m.

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TXSSAR - S.A.R.

The regular bimonthly meeting of the membership of Capt. William Barron Chapter, S.A.R., was held on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, at Traditions Restaurant in Tyler, Texas. Forty-eight members and guests were present. After everyone had eaten, President Matthew Lee called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Don Major said the invocation and the pledges to the flags and S.A.R. were recited.

Matthew and Mike Everheart introduced several distinguished guests and prospective members. Britton Lee explained the significance and history of the Rhode Island "Hope" flag. Matt introduced Larry Goddard, executive director of Tyler Independent School District Foundation, who spoke briefly about the need for everyone to support the Foundation's mission to improve education in Tyler. After his remarks, Matthew presented Mr. Goddard with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Mike then installed three new S.A.R. members: James Perkins III, James Perkins IV and Gerald Bellis. John Merritt introduced Tyler Police Officer Jason Compton and his wife. John explained how Officer Compton had saved a citizen's life recently and then awarded him the Good Citizenship Certificate.

David McLeod introduced Tyler Mayor Barbara Bass, who presented a program on the city's recent achievements and where Tyler's leaders are taking us in the future. After her talk and some questions, Mayor Bass was presented a gift card to Barnes & Noble and a Certificate of Recognition.

Mike announced we sold 644 tickets and raised a little over \$3,300 from our raffle sales. He discussed the Chapter's programs that benefit from these funds. Mayor Bass then helped Mike draw the two winning tickets.

There being no further business, Don said the benediction and the members recited the SAR Closing. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Sam Kidd, Secretary

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



James Perkins IV and James Perkins III being inducted into the SAR on 11/27/12.



Mayor Barbara Bass assisting Mike Everheart with the drawing of the Rifle Raffle winners.

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