

Captain William Barron Chapter Sons of the American Revolution





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The President's Message

Compatriots:

What a busy summer!

I know we all enjoyed celebrating our 237th anniversary of the birth of our nation on July 4th. As a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, this should afford us an extra incentive to reach out and tell others of our patriotic message. Our country desperately needs a group like the SAR to keep our country's history alive as we honor our patriot ancestors that founded this great nation.

As President and Color Guard Commander of the Captain William Barron Chapter, I can truly say we have been quite active! The Color Guard continues to be the most visible part of our chapter and have represented our chapter at numerous events. The Color Guard presented the colors at Memorial Day ceremonies at Memorial Park Cemetery, posted the colors at the Veterans Day Golf Tournament at Holly Lake Ranch, posted the colors on July 4th at a special reading of the Declaration of Independence, and also participated in Naturalization Ceremonies at the Federal Courthouse in Tyler.

Membership is always critical to any organization and the Captain William Barron Chapter is no different. Please take every opportunity to promote our chapter and invite any perspective member. It is an honor to serve as your President.

God Bless You, God Bless Texas, and God Bless The Sons of the American Revolution!

Matthew Lee, President Capt. William Barron Chapter, NSSAR

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.



We, therefore, The Representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, that these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of the Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.



Suzanne Hennon to Perform <u>As</u> <u>Abigail Smith</u>

Please join us on Tuesday, July 23, as Suzanne Hennon performs as Abigail Smith. Please arrive at 6:00 p.m. for socializing and meals (if you prefer). The formal meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at approximately 8:00 p.m. . The meeting will be held at Traditions Restaurant, 6205 S. Broadway, in Tyler.

Abigail Smith Adams was the wife of John Adams, the first Vice President, and second President, of the United States, and the mother of John Quincy Adams, the sixth President of the United States. She was the first Second Lady of the United States and the second First Lady of the United States.

She is remembered for the many letters she wrote to her husband while he stayed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania while he attended the Continental Congresses.



Bob Davidson Presents the Junior ROTC Award To Nieko I. Whitlock of John Tyler H.S.



Status of our 2013 Gun Raffle

First, I would like to thank those Capt. William Barron members who have purchased 2013 gun raffle tickets this year. As I have said many times, the majority of the revenue that we pull in each year comes from the purchase of raffle tickets by our membership and by citizens who purchase tickets at the many gun shows we attend each year.

It takes a lot of revenue annually to not only run a chapter, but to fund the many school scholarship programs we participate in. However, many in our membership have not purchased raffle tickets this year. I am asking each of you who have not purchased raffle tickets this year to please do so.

The Capt. William Barron Chapter presents scholarship money through the many SAR school contests that are offered annually. In order to sustain these scholarship programs, we must have the revenue to do so. Thank you for your past support and please continue to do so. Thank you so much.

Michael Everheart Annual Gun Raffle Chairman

Did You Know?

The Sons of the American Revolution consists of 28,000 members in over 500 chapters in the United States, Canada, France, Germany, Switzerland, and The United Kingdom.

Raffle Drawing to Give Away Free Meal at Traditions Restaurant

The officers of the Captain William Barron Chapter have unanimously approved a raffle drawing to take place during our meeting on July 23. You must be present to win. Simply sign in when you arrive and you will be eligible to have your Traditions invoice for your meal (plus one guest) paid for by the Chapter. Good luck!



Capt. William Barron Chapter Color Guard At Memorial Day Program at Memorial Park Cemetery



The Captain William Barron Chapter thanks Steve, Matthew (and his son), Britton, Bob, Tim, Mike, and Don for representing our Chapter, and what it stands for, so faithfully and admirably. You guys are the best.

Email Addresses Needed

About half 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 <u>dynamicdmcleod@aol.com</u>.

Thank you!

SAR Websites:

National SAR: <u>www.sar.org</u>

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

Captain Barron Chapter:

www.rootsweb.com/~txwbcsar/

2013 Captain William Barron Chapter		
Meeting Dates & Times		
Tuesday, 7/23/13	6:30 p.m.	
Tuesday, 9/24/13	6:30 p.m	
Tuesday, 11/26/13	6:30 p.m.	

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Thank You!



The Captain William Barron Chapter thanks Major General John Furlow for his outstanding presentation, "The Fighting Clarke's" at our May Chapter meeting. Pictured, left to right, is President Matthew Lee, Major General Furlow, and 1st Vice President John Merritt.