



Captain Barron's Bugle

Newsletter of Captain William Barron Chapter No. 25, Tyler, Texas
Davidson, Editor

The President's Message

Compatriots,

If you are like me, you can't help but notice the outpouring of anger, in its various forms, playing out across our country. Kneeling while the National Anthem is played is just one example. Protestors marching through the streets, for myriad causes, is another. The integrity of journalism being questioned ... the integrity of elected officials being questioned ... the list goes on and on.

As bothersome as it is to see so many Americans unhappy for one reason or another, I am reminded that, without the Bill of Rights of the United States of America (Amendments #1-#10 to the U.S. Constitution), our citizenry would not have the ability to raise their voices, blow off their steam, reduce their anxiety, and perhaps, effect change.

Without the "pressure release valve" of our Bill of Rights, history shows us, over and over again, what eventually transpires: Revolution ... or the violent quashing of a Revolution. One of the two. George Mason, native son of Virginia, first wrote his version of the Bill of Rights in 1776 (called the "Virginia Declaration of Rights") as part of the 1776 Constitution of Virginia. Mason had come to the conclusion that, left unchecked, the brand new United States government would, eventually, follow the path of the English government and trample the rights of the individual.

In September, 1787, the delegates to the Constitutional Convention gathered at the State House (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia to sign the new United States Constitution. One of the delegates on hand was George Mason ... yet, in part because the Constitution did not include a Bill of Rights to protect the liberties of individuals ... Mason refused to sign the document he played such a large role in crafting. This protest alienated him from many of his closest friends, including George Washington.

Four years later in 1791, Mason's vision was finally realized. With some edification from Mason's close friend, James Madison, the first ten amendments to the Constitution, i.e. The Bill of Rights, was proposed and ratified during our nation's first Congress.

All these years later, Americans, for right or wrong, are still protesting, speaking out, and rising up. It is the American way. Among many Patriots, we have George Mason ... one of America's original protestors ... to thank for that ability to do so.

Please join us on **Tuesday, November 14th**, at 6:30 p.m. at Traditions Restaurant for our final Chapter meeting of 2017. Thank you for being a member of our Chapter. I look forward to seeing you.

Kind Regards,

Dave McLeod
President, Capt. William Barron Chapter

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**Chapter Meetings @ 6:30
4th Tuesday (Except November)**
at Traditions Restaurant,
6205 S. Broadway, Tyler

**November 14, 2017 –
2nd Tuesday**

January 23
March 27
May 22
July 24
September 25

Arrive as early as 5:45 if you wish to socialize and/or eat dinner. Meeting begins at 6:30 and ends before 8:00.

New Chapter Members

We welcome five new compatriots to the Barron Chapter – admitted to membership as shown.

Carl Davis 9/08/17
John Kassaw 9/22/17
Cullen Malone 9/08/17
Thomas Stevens 9/22/17
Jim White 8/23/17



Barron Chapter Meeting

Britton Lee, Vice President

This month's speaker will be Edgar Case, known to his friends and family as "Ed". Ed has always had a passion for history and will be speaking on the topic of George Washington. Some of Ed's past history has been treasurer, Board of Directors at Generation One, chief financial officer of Ehleph Energy Exploration, former treasurer of Solvay North America, former senior financial consultant at E.I. duPont de Nemours. Ed has studied international economics and international law at the Fletcher School of Tufts University, studied finance and international business at University of Chicago Booth School of Business. We look forward to hearing Ed's riveting discussion over Washington!

Our Law Enforcement Award will be presented to Mr. Christopher McBryar of the Henderson Police department for selflessly putting his own life on the line while under fire.

Rifle Raffle Drawing

Compatriots, the drawing for the new rifle will be held at our November 14th meeting. For those of you who purchased tickets, thank you. Your participation in this fundraiser allows our chapter to accomplish our educational and outreach missions.

It's not too late to purchase tickets. Please contact Mike Everheart via telephone (903)877-2691 or michael-everheart59@gmail.com

Tickets will be sold at our Chapter Meeting on November 14th prior to the drawing.



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Veterans Day November 11, 2017

Davidson, Editor

The Veterans Administration offers a certificate of appreciation on behalf of any veteran of any war, including the French and Indian Wars, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, War Between the States (including Confederate soldiers) and World War I ... (my personal knowledge) and surely any other military service.

It is a beautiful certificate on parchment stock with embossed gold seal of the United States at the top. It reads:

The United States of America

Honors the memory of

John Doe

This certificate is awarded by a grateful nation in recognition of devoted and selfless consecration to the service of our country in the Armed Forces of the United States.

*(signed) Donald J. Trump
President of the United States*

Certificates will be available for viewing at the November meeting.

The required form is: (Google search)
VA Form Aug 2014 40-0247

Mail form and military documents to:

Presidential Memorial Certificates (41B3)
National Cemetery Administration
5109 Russell Road
Quantico, VA 22134-3903
**Or Fax To: 1 (800) 455-7143
VA Form Aug 2014 40-0247**

A separate form must be filled out for each veteran, accompanied by military documents or some form of public record of the service. It is likely to take several months to receive the certificates, but there is no charge for them.

***This information was passed along
by Leland and Nancy Carter***

In Honor of Veterans Day

Sent along by Jim Wimberly

thefreedomrock.com

There is a huge rock near a gravel pit on Highway 25 in rural Iowa. For generations, kids have painted slogans, names, and obscenities on this rock, changing its character many times.



The rock is repainted each year by the artist -- Ray 'Bubba' Sorensen -- with a different tribute to veterans. These images were the 2003 painting. The paintings remain completely undisturbed. It's quite an impressive site.

A Veteran—whether active duty, discharged, retired, or reserve – is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check payable to “The United States of America” for an amount, “Up to and including his life”.



Here's the artist -- Ray 'Bubba' Sorensen



...continuing our publication of:

Treaty of Paris



Done at Paris, this third day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three.

The Definitive Treaty of Peace 1783

Article 2:

And that all disputes which might arise in future on the subject of the boundaries of the said United States may be prevented, it is hereby agreed and declared, that the following are and shall be their boundaries, viz.; from the northwest angle of Nova Scotia, viz., that angle which is formed by a line drawn due north from the source of St. Croix River to the highlands; along the said highlands which divide those rivers that empty themselves into the river St. Lawrence, from those which fall into the Atlantic Ocean, to the northwesternmost head of Connecticut River; thence down along the middle of that river to the forty-fifth degree of north latitude; from thence by a line due west on said latitude until it strikes the river Iroquois or Catarauquy; thence along the middle of said river into Lake Ontario; through the middle of said lake until it strikes the communication by water between that lake and Lake Erie; thence along the middle of said communication into Lake Erie, through the middle of said lake until it arrives at the water communication between that lake and Lake Huron; thence along the middle of said water communication into Lake Huron, thence through the middle of said lake to the water communication between that lake and Lake Superior; thence through Lake Superior northward of the Isles Royal and Phelipeaux to the Long Lake; thence through the middle of said Long Lake and the water communication between it and the Lake of the Woods, to the said Lake of the Woods; thence through the said lake to the most northwesternmost point thereof, and from thence on a due west course to the river Mississippi; thence by a line to be drawn along the middle of the said river Mississippi until it shall intersect the northernmost part of the thirty-first degree of north latitude, South, by a line to be drawn due east from the determination of the line last mentioned in the latitude of thirty-one degrees of the equator, to the middle of the river Apalachicola or Catahouche; thence along the middle thereof to its junction with the Flint River, thence straight to the head of Saint Mary's River; and thence down along the middle of Saint Mary's River to the Atlantic Ocean; east, by a line to be drawn along the middle of the river Saint Croix, from its mouth in the Bay of Fundy to its source, and from its source directly north to the aforesaid highlands which divide the rivers that fall into the Atlantic Ocean from those which fall into the river Saint Lawrence; comprehending all islands within twenty leagues of any part of the shores of the United States, and lying between lines to be drawn due east from the points where

the aforesaid boundaries between Nova Scotia on the one part and East Florida on the other shall, respectively, touch the Bay of Fundy and the Atlantic Ocean, excepting such islands as now are or heretofore have been within the limits of the said province of Nova Scotia.

Article 3:

It is agreed that the people of the United States shall continue to enjoy unmolested the right to take fish of every kind on the Grand Bank and on all the other banks of Newfoundland, also in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence and at all other places in the sea, where the inhabitants of both countries used at any time heretofore to fish. And also that the inhabitants of the United States shall have liberty to take fish of every kind on such part of the coast of Newfoundland as British fishermen shall use, (but not to dry or cure the same on that island) and also on the coasts, bays and creeks of all other of his Britannic Majesty's dominions in America; and that the American fishermen shall have liberty to dry and cure fish in any of the unsettled bays, harbors, and creeks of Nova Scotia, Magdalen Islands, and Labrador, so long as the same shall remain unsettled, but so soon as the same or either of them shall be settled, it shall not be lawful for the said fishermen to dry or cure fish at such settlement without a previous agreement for that purpose with the inhabitants, proprietors, or possessors of the ground.

Article 4:

It is agreed that creditors on either side shall meet with no lawful impediment to the recovery of the full value in sterling money of all bona fide debts heretofore contracted.

Article 5:

It is agreed that Congress shall earnestly recommend it to the legislatures of the respective states to provide for the restitution of all estates, rights, and properties, which have been confiscated belonging to real British subjects; and also of the estates, rights, and properties of persons resident in districts in the possession on his Majesty's arms and who have not borne arms against the said United States. And that persons of any other description shall have free liberty to go to any part or parts of any of the thirteen United States and therein to remain twelve months unmolested in their endeavors to obtain the restitution of such of their estates, rights, and properties as may have been confiscated; and that Congress shall also earnestly recommend to the several states a reconsideration and revision of all acts or laws regarding the premises, so as to render the said laws or acts perfectly consistent not only with justice and equity but with that spirit of conciliation which on the return of the blessings of peace should universally prevail. And that Congress shall also earnestly recommend to the several states that the estates, rights, and properties, of such last mentioned persons shall be restored to them, they refunding to any persons who may be now in possession the bona fide price (where any has been given) which such persons may have paid on purchasing any of the said lands, rights, or properties since the confiscation.

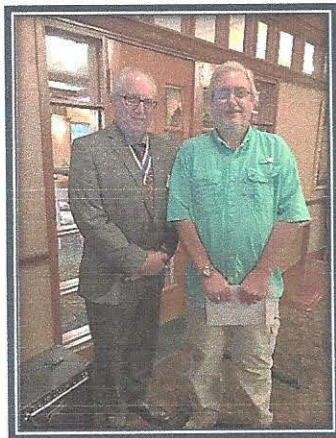
And it is agreed that all persons who have any interest in confiscated lands, either by debts, marriage settlements, or otherwise, shall meet with no lawful impediment in the prosecution of their just rights.

...to be continued

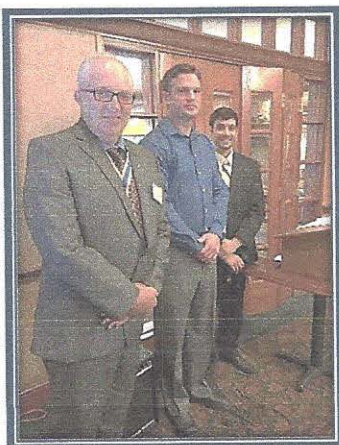
**Initiation of Two Members
at September 26, 2017 Meeting**



Compatriot Mickey Redwine
and President Dave McLeod



President Dave McLeod
and Compatriot Jim White



President Dave McLeod, Fireman
Damon Darty, and Vice-President
Britton Lee. Mr. Darty was awarded the
Fire Safety Commendation Medal at the
Barron Chapter Meeting on 9/26/17



Naturalization Ceremony-9/26/17

Leta Porter-DAR; Susan Newman,
Co-Chair of Americanism Committee,
DAR; Paula Warren, Chair of
Americanism Committee & Honorary
Regent, DAR; Vice-President Britton
Lee, SAR; Judge Love, Magistrate of
Federal Court; Matthew Lee, SAR;
Beverly Wait, Honorary Regent, DAR

**Capt. Barron Chapter
Nominating Committee Set**

The Capt. Barron Chapter Nominating
Committee Members are Mike Johnson,
Sam Kidd, and Matthew Lee.

The purpose of the Nominating
Committee is to contemplate, interview
and then nominate, to the Chapter
members, candidates for the following
four chapter officer positions:

President, First Vice President,
Treasurer, and Secretary

Our Nominating Committee is open to
questions, comments, or suggestions by
our Capt. Barron Chapter members. The
nominations will be published in the
January 2018 edition of The Bugle.
Chapter Officers will be elected at the
1/23/18 chapter meeting. The new
Chapter Officers will be formally
installed at the 3/27/18 chapter meeting.

By rule, other nominations will be
accepted from the floor at the 1/23/18
meeting.

Each officer position is for a two-year
term.

Thank you!

Kind Regards,

Dave
(903) 539-6921



Vice Pres. Britton Lee, John Tyler
Teacher Ms. April Caldwell, and
President Dave McLeod 9/26/17



Vice Pres. Britton Lee, Oration Contest
Champion Jose Romero (John Tyler
High School), Matthew Fernandez
(Woodrow Wilson High School-Dallas),
Michelle Potter (All Saints High
School), Evan Pan (All Saints), Jorge
Castillo (John Tyler), and President
Dave McLeod at Oration Contest

A Pin Drop

When in England, at a fairly large
conference, Colin Powell was asked by
the Archbishop of Canterbury if our
plans for Iraq were just an example of
'empire building' by George Bush.

He answered by saying, "Over the
years, the United States has sent
many of its fine young men and
women into great peril to fight for
freedom beyond our borders. The
only amount of land we have ever
asked for in return is enough
to bury those that did not return."

You could have heard a pin drop.

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Minutes – September 26, 2017 Captain William Barron Chapter – S.A.R.

The regular bimonthly meeting of the members of Capt. William Barron Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, was held on Tuesday evening, September 26, 2017 at Traditions Restaurant in Tyler, Texas. Twenty-three members and about fourteen guests were present. After dinner, President Dave McLeod called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Marvin Massey gave the invocation, Sam Kidd led the pledge to the American flag, Matthew Lee led the pledge to the Texas flag and Dave led the Salute to the S.A.R.

Dave asked if there were any changes to the July Minutes, and hearing none, those Minutes were declared accepted as printed in the most recent "Bulletin". Current and past officers of various local men's and women's heritage organizations were recognized. Dave also recognized teachers and parents of tonight's oration contest participants, and also special guest Damon Darty of the Tyler Fire Department.

For the visitors in attendance, Dave gave a brief history of The Sons of the American Revolution and discussed our missions. He told a little about the scope of our Oration Contest, with our regional winner next going in two weeks to the State SAR conference in Galveston, and possibly to the National SAR conference later. He said the local winner gets \$300 and most other participants also receive cash prizes.

Mike Everheart reminded members we all need to support the Rifle Raffle because it is one of our primary sources of revenue to support our missions. Matthew Lee gave a report on the East Texas Color Guard's recent and upcoming activity.

Britton Lee introduced Tyler Firefighter Damon Darty and told about his outstanding service in that field. Daman was presented the SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medal and Certificate. He thanked the Chapter and said he really enjoyed serving our city in this way.

Dave swore in two new members of Barron Chapter and SAR: Mickey Redwine and Jim White, who were each given their membership rosette and membership certificates, and each addressed the members to express their pleasure at qualifying for membership.

Oration Contest Chair Britton Lee explained the rules of the Regional Oration Contest, and stated we have five contestants from three different high schools, including Dallas. With Sam Kidd as timekeeper, the five students then gave their patriotic speeches in the order they had drawn earlier. After the talks, Judges Matthew Lee, Michael Hurley and Mike Everheart left the room to deliberate.

While the judges were out, Dave presented John Tyler H.S. teacher April Caldwell with a Certificate of Appreciation for her work over the years encouraging students to enter our speech contests. The candidates introduced themselves, told what school they attended and whether they had any college or career plans.

The judges returned and announced the following results:
First place, \$300 prize and medal—Jose Romero, John Tyler H.S.
Second place, \$100 prize—Michelle Potter, All Saints School
Third place, \$75.00 prize—Jorge Castillo, John Tyler H.S.
Fourth place, \$50.00 prize—Evan Pan, All Saints School
Fifth place—Matthew Fernandez, Woodrow Wilson H.S., Dallas.

Dave said the first four contestants should see Treasurer Marvin Massey to collect their prizes. He also said Jose's travel and hotel expenses at the TXSSAR convention in two weeks in Galveston will be paid by TXSSAR and we wish him great success there.

There being no further business, Marvin Massey gave the benediction, everyone recited the SAR Recessional and the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Sam Kidd, Secretary

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Barron Bank Balance - October 2017 \$8,286.28

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Barron Membership – 94

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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 an 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.

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SAR Websites

National SAR www.sar.org
State SAR www.txssar.org
Captain Barron Chapter
www.rootsweb.com/~txwbcsar/