

Sons of the American Revolution



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Newsletter of the Captain William Barron Chapter #25 Tyler, Texas

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Compatriots and Friends of the Chapter

Hope this issue of Barron's Bugle finds everyone in good health and spirit. Our annual July meeting of the Piney Woods Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas and the Captain William Barron Chapter went very well. Rob Jones gave a presentation on the Smith County Historical Society. Rob asked J.B. Smith, the former Smith County Sheriff and current President of the Smith County Historical Society, to join him and say a few words as well. I want to thank the non-vaccinated attendees from both groups that wore masks during the meeting.

It's time to start taking nominations for 2022 Chapter officers. The election will be at our January 2022 meeting but we need to start the process. If you are interested serving the Chapter as an officer contact Nominations Chair Dave McLeod at dynamicdmcLeod@gmail.com. The TXSSAR Chapter President's handbook will give you the job descriptions. The link to the handbook is:
<https://www.txssar.org/!!TXS!!SAR!!/pdf/cpm0910.pdf>.

If you are unable to download it off the Texas Society private website let me know and I can email it to you.

We are also in need of a compatriot to step up and be our webmaster-are you the one? The website is up and running and the State Society will train you. Contact me or any officer for details.

Hope to see you at our September 28th meeting.

Stay safe!

Michael Johnson
 President-Registrar
 Captain William Barron Chapter TXSSAR

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LEAST WE FORGET

Saturday, September 11th, Patriot Day, will mark the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks on America. On that day, in three different locations, 2,996 lives were lost – 2,606 at the World Trade Center, 125 at the Pentagon, and the 265 passengers on four airplanes. Of those lost at the Trade Center, 343 were NYC firefighters, 1 was a NYC Fire Patrol Officer, 72 were law enforcement officers from 8 local, state, and federal agencies, and 8 were EMS members from private companies that responded to the event. An additional 55 military personnel lost their lives at the Pentagon. Only 18 survivors were pulled from the rubble of the World Trade Center and 1100 are missing.



There will be an event on the Square on 9/11 starting at 7:30 AM with a nationwide moment of silence at 7:46 AM. If you can't make the event, please take a moment at 7:46 AM. Fly your flags at half-staff in memory of those lost 20 years ago. Watch your local news for detailed information on the event.

CONSTITUTION DAY SEPTEMBER 17th

We must not forget that on September 17, 1787 the founding fathers signed the most important document in American history, the U.S. Constitution. It has withstood many challenges over the years but still stands the test of time.

VIETNAM VETERAN RECOGNITION PROJECT UPDATE

On August 1st, the Texas African American Museum and the Texas Parks and Wildlife held an exhibit on the Buffalo Soldiers at the Museum in Tyler. African-American veterans in attendance were recognized for their service to the country. As is often the case in Tyler, we found out about this after the event. But in the following days the Chapter was able to make contact with two of the veteran's groups in attendance and presented 10 Vietnam packets to one group and 4 Vietnam packets to the second group. Thanks to Gloria Washington, Executive Director of the Museum, for her assistance in helping us contact those veterans' groups. We will be sending an additional 20 packets to Kay Hable (DAR) in Corsicana, Texas. She and her husband will be attending a West Point reunion and distribute the packets at that event.

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CHAPTER VETERANS' PROJECT

Compatriot King Cole, the Chapter's Veteran's Coordinator, is working on a project to recognize Chapter members who are veterans. Contact him at coleek@gmail.com for more details. Through his efforts, National recently recognized Sam Hopkins, Allen Brown, and King as members of the SAR Vietnam Service Veterans Corps and entitled them to wear the SAR War Service Medal with the Vietnam Service Bar. Carl Davis was recognized as a member of the SAR Military Service Veterans Corps and he is entitled to wear the SAR Military Service Medal. Each man will also receive the SAR Certificate of Patriotism. Congratulations and thank you for your service.

BARRON CHAPTER MEMBER SPEAKS IN LONGVIEW

On July 21st the Longview DAR chapter hosted "Patriotism Matters". Their guest speaker was Barron Chapter Member Michael Foley. Michael is a graduate of Lee High School and currently is a sophomore midshipman at the U.S. Naval Academy. Barron Chapter Chaplain Rev. Gerry Giles and his wife, Laura who is a member of the Mary Tyler DAR Chapter, attended the event and provided this photo. (L-R Gerry Giles and Michael Foley)



NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

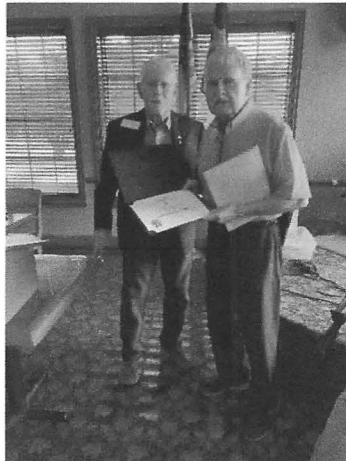
We hope to induct two new members to the Chapter at the September meeting. Don Gustovich whose ancestor was Joshua Rowe, a private in the North Carolina militia, and Joe Williams, whose ancestor was Micah Porter, a private with the Massachusetts troops who responded to the Lexington alarm. They should be approved before the meeting. Also, Compatriot James Kidd had 8 of 12 supplementals approved in July and we will present him with his approved supplementals. These supplementals are based on supplements his father and compatriot, Sam Kidd, and his mother, Sherry (DAR), had previously had approved. Compatriot Matthew Ellis has four supplementals at National.

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JULY MEETING



(L-R) SRT Chapter President Dr. James Newsom presented SAR/SRT Compatriot Rob Jones with the 2020 SRT Summerfield G. Roberts Award winning book and SAR Chapter President Johnson presented Rob with a U.S. Flag flown over the Capitol and a SAR Certificate of Appreciation for his presentation on the Smith County Historical Society



(L-R) SAR Chapter President Mike Johnson presented Smith County Historical Society President, and former Smith County Sheriff, J.B. Smith with a Certificate of Appreciation for the SCHS and he was also presented with our Vietnam Veteran Recognition packet for his military service in the Vietnam conflict.

Photos by SAR Compatriot Keith Parris

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- 9/6 Labor Day
 - 9/8 the Battle of Eutaw Springs 1781
 - 9/11 Patriot Day marking the 20th anniversary of the day Al-Qaeda attacked America
 - 9/11 Texas First Responders Day
 - 9/11 the Battle of Brandywine 1777
 - 9/16 the Battle of Harlem Heights 1776
 - 9/16 the siege of Savannah begins 1778
 - 9/17 Constitution Day
 - 9/17 National POW/MIA Day
 - 9/18 Birthday of the modern-day U.S. Air Force
 - 9/19 Battle of Saratoga 1777
 - 9/25 Gainesville, Tx Medal of Honor Parade 10:00AM
 - 9/26 Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day
 - 9/28 Battle of Yorktown 1781
 - 9/28 *Chapter Meeting*
 - 10/4 Battle of Germantown 1777
 - 10/7 Battle of Kings Mountain 1780
 - 10/11 Columbus Day, celebrated on the 2nd Monday in October
 - 10/19 Victory at Yorktown 1781
 - 10/28 National First Responders Day
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A COMPATRIOT'S PATRIOT

Compatriot Bob Plunkett's patriot was Joseph Lemasters. Joseph was born in Maryland on November 15, 1748. He enlisted in Morgan Town, Virginia on December 26, 1776 in Captain David Scott's company of the 13th Virginia Regiment under the command of Colonel William Crawford. He served until discharged on March 1, 1780 by Lt. Colonel Richard Campbell of the 9th Virginia at Fort Pitt. He fought at Brandywine and at Germantown. Joseph then marched to near Pittsburg and fought several fights with Indians. Joseph held the rank of orderly sergeant. Joseph received a warrant from Virginia for 200 acres for his service. In 1818 he offered the land for sale but was only offered \$15 for a hundred acres. In 1819, he applied for a pension and was awarded \$8 per annum. He died in Williamson County, Tennessee on August 10, 1826. Joseph's grandson, Joseph Lemaster McKay would settle in the Republic of Texas and his daughter Susan McKay would be born in the Republic in 1841. These are two of Bob's ancestors that settled in the Republic of Texas. Bob joined the Barron Chapter in December 2017 and is a life member of the Sons of the Republic of Texas.

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SEPTEMBER 28th MEETING

There will be a meeting on September 28th at Traditions Restaurant on South Broadway. It will start at 5:30 pm and end at 7:00 pm. Come early to eat and socialize-at a safe distance. Our speaker will Bill Hurst. His topic will be Mary Draper Ingles. Bill is a 25-year member of the SAR and a member of the Edmund Terrell Chapter.

Today the board of NET Health called for masks in schools and businesses due to the high infection rates. Hospitalizations have reached new single-day records seven times since August 24th. To avoid cancelling meetings, we must continue to take precautions to ensure the safety of all attendees. Non-vaccinated attendees must wear masks and maintain social distancing except when eating. For vaccinated attendees, the mask is optional, but encouraged.

MINUTES FOR THE JULY MEETING

The Chapter meeting, held jointly with the Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT), at Traditions Restaurant was called to order at 5:36 PM by Chapter President Mike Johnson. Reverend Gerry Giles gave the invocation. SRT President, Dr. James Newsom led the pledges to the flags, and SAR VP Terry Cowan delivered the Salute to the SAR.

There being no corrections or objections, the minutes of the May 2021 meeting as published in Captain Barron's Bugle were approved. The SRT minutes were approved by the SRT members.

The scheduled SAR/SRT Eagle Scout presentation was cancelled as the recipient contracted Covid-19 at Scout Camp in Arkansas. Compatriot John Merritt will present the SAR and SRT Scout Certificates to him at a later date.

The SAR Chapter's Veteran Coordinator, King Cole, explained that the SAR Veterans Committee recognizes veterans' service to America and serves those veterans with various programs. He described how veterans can receive an SAR Certificate of Patriotism upon enrollment in a "veterans corp."

Rob Jones, a member of SAR and SRT, spoke on the mission and resources of the Smith County Historical Society (SCHS) and introduced former Smith County Sheriff J. B. Smith, the President of the SCHS. Sheriff Smith encouraged all present to utilize the many historical resources of the SCHS. An SAR Certificate of Appreciation to the SCHS was presented to J. B. Smith along with a Vietnam pin. President Johnson presented to Rob Jones an SAR Certificate of Appreciation, an American flag flown over the U.S. Capitol and SRT President James Newsom presented Rob with the current SRT Summerfield G. Roberts award winning book.

President Johnson informed the Chapter that SAR National HQ approved 8 supplemental applications for James Kidd with 4 more to follow. National HQ is processing 2 new membership applications. President Johnson reminded all present that today is Korean War Armistice Day.

SAR VP Terry Cowan led the SAR Recessional followed by Reverend Giles giving the benediction.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectively submitted

Allen Brown, Chapter Secretary

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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-partisan, 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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Tax-deductible donations to the Chapter's Scholarship are always welcome. A donation of \$20 from each member will cover the cost of our Scholarship, please make a donation. Contact Chapter Treasurer Tom Russell if you would like to donate. Thank you for your support of this project.

Membership inquiries and questions about supplementals and memorial memberships should be directed to Chapter President-Registrar Michael Johnson at the above email address.

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I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed, a democracy in a republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States, a perfect union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

William Tyler Page, 1917, accepted by the U.S. House of Representatives on April 3, 1918

Thank you for your continued support of the Chapter and the SAR

God Bless America!