

Captain Barron's Bugle

Captain William Barron Chapter #25
Sons of the American Revolution



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PRESIDENT ELECT GEORGE WEST TO SPEAK AT MARCH MEETING

We are honored to have as our March speaker, President Elect George West of the Panhandle Plains Chapter #10 in Amarillo. The title of Compatriot West's presentation will be "Some Unsung Heroes of the American Revolution."

Compatriot West was born in 1938 in Coffeyville, Kansas, and in 1943, he came to Texas as fast as his mother and father and World War II could get him here.

After teaching two years in high school, George was offered a position at what is today the Department of Energy's Pantex Plant in Amarillo, Texas. His work included research and development with high explosives that are used in today's nuclear weapons, testing the resistance of structures to accidental explosions, and security of facilities as threats have changed.

The past twenty years were devoted to highly classified intelligence activities, and George served as a member of a team that was awarded two National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citations by the Director of Central Intelligence for "...furnishing sensitive In 1992, George served as an negotiations." 14th the IAEA expert consultant for (International Atomic Energy Agency) inspection in Iraq, under the supervision of the UN Security Council.

For the past ten years, George was a member of several delegations involving Mutual Reciprocal Inspections of nuclear weapon related facilities in Russia and in England. He retired from Pantex in 2005 after forty-two years, but has since been asked to return as a part-time consultant.

Compatriot West joined the Panhandle Plains Chapter in 1993, and has since proven six supplemental ancestors. He has made many speeches in the Texas Panhandle for various groups about the American Revolution, and has been a participant in fifth grade science programs. He has been awarded numerous medals by his chapter and the Texas Society, including the Silver Color Guard and Patriot medals.

Compatriot West lives in Canyon with Judy, his wife of twenty-nine years, where they stay busy with their eight children and their five spouses, and all ten grandchildren, some of them members of CAR, DAR, and SAR. Please join us on Tuesday, March 27, 6:30 p. m. at the Woman's Building, and meet our next state president, President Elect George Thomas West.

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MINUTES OF THE JANUARY, 2007 CAPT. WILLIAM BARRON CHAPTER MEETING

President Tom Miller called the meeting to order. There were twenty-eight members present and twelve guests. Compatriot Leland Carter gave the Invocation, and President Miller led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, Texas Flag, and the salute to the SAR flag. President Miller introduced the following guests: Janice Caldwell, Speech and Debate teacher at Lindale High School, Anthony Bernardelli, Cassy Skipper, and Cameron Thompson, the three contestants for our Joseph Rumbaugh Oration competition.

Billye Nolan, Regent of the Mary Tyler. DAR, Joe Yeakley, director of the Tyler Memorial Park Cemetery and his wife Denise, prospective member Roger Carson and his wife, prospective members Barney Jones, and Dr. Herman Peace. Also introduced were Mrs. Hallie Thompson, Mrs. Bernardelli, mother of Anthony Barnardelli, Dr. Helen Williamson, and Past State President Roy Adams and his wife Maxine.

President Miller made the following announcements. The Chapter's Annual Report had been completed and turned in to TXSSAR. with a total of 6005 points which indicates the Capt. William Barron Chapter members were very busy patriotically serving the community of Tyler and beyond. The children's programs our chapter participated in included the Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest, Junior R.O.T.C. contests, and fourth and fifth grade poster contests. Compatriot Leland Carter was busy making patriotic presentations at several schools during organizations and heritage Compatriot Miller also reminded everyone of the TXSSAR, state meeting that will be held in San Antonio March 23, 24, and 25. Judges for the Oration contest were Col. John Cole, Tim West, and Jimmy Jones.

President Miller presented a well-deserved Certificate of Appreciation to Sergeant-at-Arms Archie Anderson who has served our chapter's events honorably and faithfully over the past year. Compatriot Mike Everheart presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Joe Yeakley, Director of the Tyler Memorial Park Cemetery for providing a site for our annual American Flag Retirement Ceremony. "Thank you Joe!" Mary Tyler Regent, Billye Nolan was presented with the prestigious Martha Washington Medal and Certificate for her outstanding support for the Capt. William Barron Chapter and its programs in the community. What a wonderful relationship we have with the very fine Mary Tyler Chapter!!! Mike Everheart congratulated President Tom Miller for his leadership in 2006 that resulted in a very productive year which was reflected in our Annual Chapter Report.

First Vice President Sam Kidd, Jr. asked all members to give comments on our past programs and make suggestions as to what type of programs we would like to see in the future.

Dinner was served.

President Tom Miller called the meeting to order and Sam Kidd announced some upcoming events. Compatriot Kidd then introduced the first oration contestant, Anthony Bernardelli. Anthony's five-minute oration focused on the writings of Thomas Paine.

The second orator, Cassy Skipper, spoke about the various spies in the American Revolution, particularly a lady spy known as "No. 355." The third and final speaker, Cameron Thompson, made a five-minute presentation on Paul Revere.

Compatriot Sam Kidd turned the meeting back over to President Miller who asked the three oration judges to retire and select a winner in the Rumbaugh Oration competition. The results: third place went to Cameron Thompson, second place, Cassy Skipper, and first place and winner was Anthony Bernatelli. All three contestants are winners and we appreciate them participating in the Rumbaugh Oration Contest. President Miller presented Mr. Bernatelli with the first place medal and certificate. Presented with a Certificate of Appreciation was teacher and coach Janice Caldwell.

Donald Boyd, Secretary

CHAPTER PHOTOGRAPHS



Archie Anderson receiving Certificate of Appreciation



Joe Yeakley receiving Certificate of Appreciation



Mary Tyler Chapter Regent Billye Nolen receiving the George Washington Medal and Certificate



Janice Caldwell receiving a Certificate of Appreciation



Rumbaugh Oration contestants Anthony Bernardellie, Cassy Skipper, and Cameron Thompson



Tom Miller and Anthony Bernardelli



Dr. Herman Peace and Barney Jones



Donald Boyd, Chapter Secretary, writing up the minutes of the meeting while Roger Jacobs patiently waits for dinner.

Financial Report March 2007 General Fund Balance \$3800

President's Message

Compatriots, in the early years of our nation, Christianity was an important part of our forefathers lives and did it not play a large role in forming our great nation? Here are a few random quotes:

"It is impossible to rightly govern without God and the Bible."-George Washington

"The Bible is a book worth more than all the other books that were ever printed."-Patrick Henry

"Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty, as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation to select and prefer Christians for their rulers."-John Jay, First Chief Justice of the Supreme Court."

These are just a few quotes from our forefathers that prove we are a Judeo-Christian nation. God bless America, or leaders and our troops.

President Tom Miller



Bob and Lois Davidson with Janice Caldwell and Anthony Bernardelli at District Competition.

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Wm. Barron 2007 Meeting Schedule

March 27th, 2007

May 22nd, 2007

July 24th, 2007

September 25th, 2007

November 27th, 2007