



# Captain Barron's Bugle

Captain William Barron Chapter #25  
Sons of the American Revolution



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## Our Very Own "Three Majors and A General" To Entertain Us at our May Meeting!

Once again our membership will be entertained by Larry McClellan, Steve Majors, Stacey Majors Hendrix, and Don Majors, at our May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Steve, Don and Larry are members of the Capt. William Barron Chapter. Few chapters can boast a singing group, much less one with the talent of our three members.

The singing group's theme will be the "Celebration of American Musical Culture" with a variety of patriotic, gospel, and military songs that will keep us entertained throughout the evening.

Don Majors is senior pastor of the First Assembly of God Church in Hawkins. He studied music at Berean University in Springfield, Missouri. Don received his Bible training at Southwestern Assembly of God University in Waxahachie, Texas.

Larry McClellan is a retired teacher from the Tyler ISD and has also taught at T.K. Gorman High School. He has served as music director for several churches in Tyler. He holds both Bachelors and Masters Degrees in history from East Texas State University.

Steve Majors has an associate degree in history from San Jacinto Junior College. He studied history and finance at Sam Houston State University and Berean University in Springfield, Missouri. Steve is currently employed by Stewart Blood Center and is associate pastor of Cornerstone Church in Tyler.

Please join us on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. at the Woman's Building on South Broadway. Our "Three Majors and a General" group will keep you entertained, we guarantee it.

### Memorial Day Ceremony

The Capt. William Barron Chapter Color Guard will present the Colors at the annual Memorial Day ceremony at Tyler Memorial Park Cemetery on Hwy 64 West. This most beautiful and sacred of our patriotic holidays draws hundreds of former veterans who come to honor their dead comrades and the dead of all wars this country has been involved in. It is a day of heroes, a day to remember their sacrifices and their deeds; a day of memories of loved ones and friends; a day when all are united in a common purpose to honor and remember others and what they did to preserve our country and our freedom. The ceremony starts at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Color Guard members should come at least thirty minutes early to prepare for the ceremony.

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### **Minutes of the March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Capt. William Barron Chapter Meeting.**

President Tom Miller called the meeting to order and the Invocation was given by Rev. Don Majors. There were thirty four members present and twenty one guests. President Miller led the pledges to the U.S. Flag, the Texas Flag and the Salute to the SAR flag.

President Miller introduced the following guests. State President George West and his wife Judy, Tommy Copeland and his wife Dena, Barney Jones, Roger Carson and wife Betty, Britton Lee, President of the local CAR chapter, Britt Mowery, and friend Crystal Mcilvenne, Gaylen Hayes and wife Pam, and Bill Hay and wife Starling.

President Miller inducted three new members into the chapter; Roger Carson, Dr. Herman Peace, and Barney Jones. Each received the new membership certificate and rosette.

President Miller presented Color Guard Certificates to Steve Lee, Rev. Don Majors and David White.

Mike Everheart gave the report on the 2007 State meeting which was held in San Antonio. He noted that several members of the Capt. William Barron Chapter were recognized at the state meeting for achievements during the 2006 year. Tom Miller was recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation from state president Tom Green for his outstanding support of President Green during his term as state president. Chapter Color Guard Commander Larry Ashburn received the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and a Certificate of Appreciation from President Tom Green. Past President Roy Adams received the Alexander Hamilton Medal for his contribution to the Patriots Fund. Mike Everheart won the Hartsell-Stephens Award for the most new members as a first line sponsor with nineteen new members in 2006. Mike Everheart also reminded everyone of the Board of Managers Meeting in Plano on October 26, 27, and 28, 2007. Since this BOM meeting will be only a hundred miles from us, we encouraged all our members to attend this meeting and experience how the Texas Society is run at the state level.

Mike Everheart informed the members that our Joseph Rumbaugh Oration contestant, Anthony Bernatelli from Lindale High School, had won the State Oration Contest in San Antonio and will

represent the chapter and Texas at the National Meeting in July in Williamsburg. Dinner served.

V.P. of Programs, Sam Kidd re-opened the meeting after dinner and introduced Judy West, wife of State President George West. She spoke about some of the activities of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Sam then introduced our speaker, state president George West who gave a presentation on "Some Unsung Heroes of the American Revolution." President West talked about some of his ancestors who participated in the Revolutionary War. He also told us that over 60,000 soldiers of the Revolutionary War died of disease or malnutrition and only 4, 200 men died from battle wounds. President West also talked about the DNA ancestor identification program which he thinks is the "wave of the future."

President Miller presented President West with a Certificate of Appreciation, and then led in the SAR Closing. The benediction was given by Rev. Don Majors.

Compatriot Donald Boyd, Chapter Secretary

#### Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter Officers

**President** -- -- Tom Miller  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President/ Programs**-Sam Kidd  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President** -- -- Bobby Davidson  
**Publicity/Media** -Mike Everheart  
**Chaplain** -- -- Rev. Don Majors  
**Secretary** -- -- Donald Boyd  
**Treasurer** -- -- George Hall  
**Asst. Treasurer**--Christopher Williamson  
**Registrar** -- -- Max Herring  
**Historian** -- -- Open  
**Sgt. At Arms** -- -- Archie Anderson  
**Eagle Scout Chairman** -- -- Steven Lee  
**Bugle Editor /Publisher**—Mike Everheart

**March Meeting Photographs**



Britton Lee receiving the Eagle Scout Medal and Certificate from State President George West and Chapter president Tom Miller.



Prospective member Gaylen Hayes and wife Pam.



Dr. Herman Peace, Roger Carson, and Barney Jones receive their New Membership Certificates from President Miller.



Visitor Bill Hay and wife Starling



TXSSAR President George West and wife Judy visit with Lois and Bobby Davidson and Sam Kidd.



Roger and Betty Carson with Andy Traylor and Sam Hopkins.

## President's Message

A general definition for Liberty and Law is as follows:

1. Liberty is defined as the ability to make a choice between several alternatives and carry out that chosen alternative without being forced by another person to make or avoid any specific choice.
2. Law is defined as statements of what a person can and cannot do to avoid penalties imposed by the state.

Somewhere this wonderful country has gotten off course because of greed, self interest, workers in the government not doing their job, lack of strong resolve to keep the thing that has made the United States of America the greatest country on earth. Today we have politicians but what we need are statesmen. Our forefathers gave us this wonderful country and it is up to each generation to preserve it. Today no one wants to be politically incorrect. I am glad our forefathers didn't worry about that! Do you remember Nikita Khrushchev stating they would bury us from within? If we don't wake up, he will be right. In 1776 we had an enemy in England to fight, one that only wanted economic rewards and control of us. Today, in 2007, we are facing an enemy that has no one country that we face and the most profound part is that their goal is to kill us and our way of life. I've been saying for years that our forefathers gave up their wealth for freedom, today we are giving up freedom for wealth. It is going to bite us in the posterior if we don't stop.

Like Forrest Gump, that's all I have to say about that! May God continue to bless America.

President Tom Miller

### William Barron Chapter 2007 Meeting Schedule

July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007

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### Financial Report

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**General Fund Balance \$ 3,800**