

Captain Barron's Bugle

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"The American Revolution Moved to the Southwest"

September Program

On Tuesday evening, September 23, 2008, 6:30 PM, the Woman's Building, 911 S. Broadway Ave., Tyler, Texas, will be the location for the fourth joint meeting with the Piney Woods Chapter, Tyler, The Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT). The speaker will be Archie P. McDonald, Ph.D., the well-known Professor of History at Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas. Dr. McDonald will compare the revolutions of 1776 and 1836: "The American Revolution Moved to the Southwest."

Dr. McDonald has taught history for 43 years and serves as director of the East Texas Historical Association and editor of the Association's Journal. He is a past president of the Texas State Historical Association, past vice chair of the Texas Historical Commission, and is the author/editor of more than twenty books on historical topics and one book of humor titled Helpful Cooking Hints for HouseHusbands of Uppity Women. He has also written "Nacogdoches the Oldest Town in Texas," a CD audio driving tour for the Nacogdoches Convention & Many of us are familiar with his Visitors Bureau. contributions to the column "All Things Historical" with Bob Bowman, published regionally in several newspapers across East Texas.

This joint meeting will provide both chapters the opportunity to get to know the respective members and membership requirements, hopefully expanding both organizations' numbers. Some of the SRT members' ancestors served in the American Revolution and later resided in the Republic of Texas, prior to statehood. Many SAR compatriots are members of or are eligible for membership in SRT. For others of us, our families arrived after the SRT eligibility date of February 19, 1846; or, as latecomers to Texas like to say, "We got here as fast as we could!"

Let us provide a full house for Dr. McDonald and extend a Captain William Barron welcome to the members and officers of the Piney Woods Chapter of SRT.

SRT Piney Woods Chapter Officers

President: Stan Stokes*

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- * SAR Captain William Barron Chapter, Tyler, member
- ** SAR Athens Chapter, Athens, member
- *** SAR East Texas Chapter, Longview, member

Heroes To Be Recognized!

The Capt Wm Barron Chapter of The Sons of the American Revolution will honor Tyler Police Officers Daniel Richardson, Officer Adam Colby and Officer Sgt Dan Grissom for their action of Heroism at the Chapter regular meeting at 6:30 pm on Sept 24, 2008 at the Woman's Building at 901 South Broadway, Tyler. TX Continued on Page 2

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The three Tyler Police Officers saved the life of a trapped victim in a burning automobile at great risk to their own lives on June 24, 2008. Officer Daniel Richardson, found a car engulfed in flames with a victim locked inside. Shortly thereafter, Officers Colby and Sgt Grissom arrived on the scene to assist. Officer Richardson failing to gain entrance or to get the victim to respond and now with flames appearing out from under the vehicle, Officer Richardson was forced to retrieve a fire extinguisher from his patrol car. The victim began to respond and assisted by kicking out the windshield. Officer Richardson began to spray the car and victim whose clothing was now on fire. Finally, the Officers were able to remove the victim from the vehicle, which was now in eminent danger of exploding and moved him a safe distance and began administering aid while the Tyler Fire Department contained the automobile fire. Their heroic actions saved the life!

Minutes of July 22 Meeting

A regular membership meeting of Capt. William Barron Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, was held on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 at The Woman's Building in Tyler, Tx. Fifty-two members and guests were present.

Chapter President Stephen Lee called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Rev. Don Majors offered the invocation. Col. John Cole led the pledges to the American and Texas flags and the Salute to S.A.R.

President Lee recognized several guests, including Dr. Warren Hunt and his wife, Johnny and Norma Holley, George and Mary Hagger, and Jim Greebon.

President Lee announced that our Rumbaugh oration competitor, Philip Hayes, placed second at the national S.A.R. competition. A letter of appreciation to the Chapter from Master Hayes was read. Mr. Lee also announced that our Knight essay contestant who had won the State S.A.R. competition failed to place at national.

Tim & Carolyn West and Steve & Anna Lee have just returned from attending the D.A.R. Continental Congress in Washington D.C., and Mr. Lee gave a report on that activity and his wife Anna's achievements there.

Mike Everheart and Anna Lee gave brief reports on final plans for the TXSSAR Business Officers Meeting that our Chapter is hosting August 1-2 in Tyler. The event will take place at Holiday Inn Select, there are 71 registered attendees at this time, and volunteers are needed to staff the registration table. The ladies will be treated to a bus tour of Tyler and the Municipal Rose Garden while the men are in their B.O.M. meetings.

President Lee said our September meeting would be a joint affair with the Piney Woods Chapter, Sons of the Republic of Texas. David Hanover of that group discussed their plans to honor the Commander of the Texas Navy.

Compatriot David White was recognized with certificates and medals for two supplemental ancestors he has been able to prove.

Tom Copeland discussed the progress he, Bobby Davidson and Tom Miller have made in selling raffle tickets for a historically correct black powder pistol and rifle, the proceeds of which will help our Chapter in its activities. He asked everyone to work on selling the raffle tickets that were recently mailed and to contact him when they needed more.

President Lee asked if there was any additional business, and hearing none, the meeting was adjourned for everyone to have dinner.

After dinner, Program Chair Tim West introduced Dr. Warren Hunt of Longview, who gave a very interesting talk about the life and exploits of navel hero John Paul Jones.

After Dr. Hunt's talk and several questions, Col. Cole led the group in the S.A.R. Closing and Rev. Don Majors gave our benediction and the meeting adjourned.

Sam C Kidd, Secretary

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Financial Report August 30, 2008

General Fund Balance

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A "Pre-4th of July" Patriotic Program was presented to the Holt House on July 2 by members of Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter. Left-to-right are Larry Ashburn, Leland Carter, Jerline Hembree of Holt House, and Don Majors.



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Dr. Warren Hunt (right) was our guest speaker and he gave a very interesting program on Revolution War Naval Hero John Paul Jones.



Steve & Anna Lee and Tim & Carolyn West at Mt. Vernon. They were attending the D.A.R. Continental Congress in Washington D.C.

Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter Gun Raffle

For the last 3 years, our Chapter has held a Gun Raffle for the purpose of raising money to help fund projects.



This is a picture of the beautiful historically correct 1760 Kentucky 50 Cal. Black Powder Firing Pistol (above) and historically correct 1720 Pennsylvania 50 Cal. Black Powder Firing Rifle (below). Both to be raffled off as one prize during our November Meeting; need not be present to win.





Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$12 or 6 for \$20.

President's Message

Compatriots,

Let's take back America! I have had numerous conversations over the past month, and to a person, each person has expressed a deep concern about the state of affairs of our country. Our moral and political values are certainly not what is desired so what can be done? I am convinced America is at a pivotal crossroad, and as is the policy of the National Sons of the American Revolution, we will not endorse a particular political candidate or party. However, I strongly urge each of you to exercise your freedom to go to the polls and vote! Our forefathers paid the price, in establishing the United States of America, so that we would have certain freedoms, among them the opportunity to vote our conscience. As members of the SAR we not only have the opportunity, but the responsibility to educate our community about our country's history and its rich heritage. Fly the American flag, demonstrate your patriotism and don't be afraid to tell others about our great society. Please do not take your right to vote for granted. The future of our country is at stake.

What an outstanding TXSSAR Board of Management August 1-3! We made a huge impression on all who attended and I am still receiving compliments. Thanks to Mike Everheart for chairing the BOM, Larry Ashburn, Rev. Don Majors and Bob Davidson for presenting the Patriotic Program, for Three Majors and A General entertaining at the Saturday banquet, and for everyone who volunteered their time and effort to make the BOM such a success!

We are excited about our joint meeting with the Piney Woods Chapter, Sons of the Republic of Texas September 23. Some of you hold membership in both groups and we also look forward to seeing some new faces at the meeting. There is a great similarity between SAR and SRT as patriots in both groups were willing to place their lives on the line to bring about a better live for themselves and their families.

Please take an opportunity to become involved in the Captain William Barron Chapter. If you have an interest or suggestion, don't hesitate to let me know. There are jobs to be done and we would all benefit from your efforts. I believe we have the best chapter in the state and the more involved we are; the better we can share our patriotic message to the community. God Bless You!

Steve Lee, Chapter President

We Are Very Proud of Philip Hayes!

Philip Hayes is a senior at Lindale High School and a student in Ms. Janice Caldwell's Speech/Debate Class. Philip was our Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter winner in the Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest held during our January meeting and Philip was invited to participate in the TXSSAR Joseph Rumbaugh State Competition in March. Philip placed second at the state level and is shown below with Bobby Davidson (left) and Steve Lee (right).



Philip participated in the NowDebateThis scholarship program, not associated with SAR, held in Philadelphia, Pa. Philip, debating who was the better president Washington or Lincoln, won six of seven debating rounds and tied in the seventh. Philip was selected as one of two finalists and was invited to debate August 19 at Constitution Hall in Philadelphia with the debate being a web cast on the Internet with the winner receiving \$150,000 scholarship and the runner-up \$50,000. The public determined the winner by voting online, text messaging and/or calling a toll-free telephone number. We are very happy to report that Philip was voted the winner!

Philip has since been invited to speak at the Republican National Convention on Tuesday evening, September 2, around 6:30 PM. Some of the people Philip will be sitting with include Rudy Giuliana, former mayor of New York City, Mike Huckabee, former governor of Arkansas, Tom Ridge, former governor of Pennsylvania, Governor and Vice-Presidential Nominee Sarah Palin of Alaska and former U. S. Senator Fred Thompson.

William Barron Chapter Schedule 2008-9

Meetings:

September 23, 2008 November 25, 2008 January 27, 2009

Local/State/National Events Calendar:

Color Guard Calendar:

Board of Managers Meeting In Tyler

I want to express my appreciation to the Capt. William Barron Chapter members who registered, attended, and contributed to the wonderful success of the August BOM meeting held at the Holiday Inn Select in Tyler. Steve Lee and I have had many TXSSAR members from around the state thank us at the meeting or by e-mail afterwards on the wonderful job our chapter did. We had twenty Capt. Barron members who contributed to the success of this meeting. Barney Jones, Larry Oliver, Archie Anderson, Sam Kidd, and Matthew Lee ran the registration table in shifts without a flaw. Tom Copeland sold over \$800.00 in gun raffle tickets. Anna Lee did a wonderful job in setting up and running the Ladies Tour to the Rose Museum that was a huge success. Anna and Lois Davidson did an outstanding job setting up and covering the ladies hospitality room. Their colorful patriotic display and delicious snacks the chapter wives provided was appreciated very much. Bobby Davidson, Don Majors, and Larry Ashburn provided educational entertainment with their school Revolutionary War flag program at the Saturday luncheon. Several chapters asked for a copy of their flag program to take back to their chapters for use in their community's schools. At the Saturday night banquet, our own Three Majors and a General performed for the TXSSAR membership and their wives. Special thanks to Don Majors, Steve Majors Stacey Hendrix Majors, Larry Majors, and Celeste Majors for an outstanding musical program. Special thanks also to Chapter President Steve and Matthew Lee for helping insure that everything was set up and ready to go during the long, heavily scheduled Saturday. Thanks go to Roger Jacobs, our editor, for taking the many pictures that will be placed in our Bugle newsletter. A very special "Thanks" to my wife June for her support over the past nine months and helping me at every step. Captain William Barron Chapter, job well done! Thank you for your dedication and hard work! Mike Everheart



Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter President Stephen Lee kicks off the Saturday Evening BOM Banquet.



Color Guard posts "The Colors" at BOM.



Three Majors and a General performed for the TXSSAR membership and their wives.



The SAR Ladies were entertained with a trip to the Tyler Rose Museum. This picture above was taken in front of the Museum.



Grand Prize winner receiving Christmas Tree Skirt donated by Jo Poynter from Capt. William Barroz Chapter Ladies Auxiliary.

Hero Tales From American History

In 1895 Theodore Roosevelt and Henry Cabot Lodge coauthored a book *Hero Tales From American History*, Copyright 1895 by The Century Co. These two great Americans thought it worth their time to tell as they say "in simple fashion" the stories of some great Americans - Americans such as George Washington, John Quincy Adams, Daniel Boone, and George Rogers Clark to name a few. In their Preface in the book they endeavor to explain why they thought they needed to write the book. Please read and reflect on what these Gentlemen had to say over 113 years ago word-for-word, line-by-line and attempt to understand what they thought their reasons were for writing the book. Are not some of their reasons also our reasons for being and belonging to The Sons Of The American Revolution?

First, a little background on each: Theodore Roosevelt (Oct. 27, 1858 – Jan. 6, 1919) was the 26th



president of the United States. Roosevelt served many roles in his life – Governor of New York, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, professional historian, lawyer, naturalist, soldier, explorer of the Amazon Basin, and author of 35 books including works on outdoor life, natural history, the American Frontier, political history, naval history and his autobiography. He

negotiated for the U. S. to take control of the Panama Canal and its construction in 1904. He was the first American to be awarded the Nobel Prize winning its Peace Prize in 1906. His image stands alongside Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln on Mount Rushmore. Roosevelt was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor in 2001 for his

actions on Kettle and San Juan Hills during The Spanish American War. Roosevelt was married to Edith Kermit Carow and to whom the book was dedicated.

Henry Cabot Lodge (1850 – 1924) was born in Boston, Massachusetts. In 1872 he graduated from Harvard College; later returned and received his Ph.D. in History and his Law Degree 1874. He was U.S. Representative from Massachusetts from 1887 to 1893 and U.S. Senator from 1893 to 1924. Lodge was a strong backer of U.S. intervention in



Cuba in 1898, arguing that it was the moral responsibility of the United States to do so. Lodge maintained that the United States needed to have a strong navy and be more involved in foreign affairs

TO E. K. R.

To you we owe the suggestion of writing this book. Its purpose, as you know better than anyone else, is to tell in simple fashion the story of some Americans who showed that they knew how to live and how to die; who proved their truth by their endeavor; and who joined to the stern and manly qualities which are essential to the well-being of a masterful race the virtues of gentleness, of patriotism, and of lofty adherence to an ideal.

It is a good thing for all Americans, and it is an especially good thing for young Americans, to remember the men who have given their lives in war and peace to the service of their fellow-countrymen, and to keep in mind the feats of daring and personal prowess done in time past by some of the many champions of the nation in the various crises of her history. Thrift, industry, obedience to law, and intellectual cultivation are essential qualities in the make-up of any successful people; but no people can be really great unless they possess also the heroic virtues which are as needful in time of peace as in time of war, and as important in civil as in military life. As a civilized people we desire peace, but the only peace worth having is obtained by instant readiness to fight when wronged - not by unwillingness or inability to fight at all. Intelligent foresight in preparation and known capacity to stand well in battle are the surest safeguards against war. America will cease to be a great nation whenever her young men cease to possess energy, daring, and endurance, as well as the wish and the power to fight the nation's foes. No citizen of a free state should wrong any man but it is not enough merely to refrain from infringing on the rights of others; he must also be able and willing to stand up for his own rights and those of his country against all comers, and he must be ready at any time to do his full share in resisting either malice domestic or foreign levy.

> HENRY CABOT LODGE. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Washington, April 19, 1895