



Captain Barron's Bugle

Captain William Barron Chapter #25
Sons of the American Revolution



The Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest Chapter Finalists Present Their Orations

January Program

Each year the Captain William Barron Chapter sponsors local high school students in the SAR speech contest known as The Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest. In previous years our local representatives have gone on to compete in Regional, State, and National SAR contests with distinction.

At our January Chapter meeting, we will have a chance to hear the outstanding oration of several Lindale students, who have been chosen from among their classmates as the best of that group. This will be those finalists' first chance to deliver their 6-minute patriotic speeches to an "outside" audience.

Last year our Chapter members and guests enjoyed the special treat of hearing these young people talk about the American Revolution. Our January meeting will begin at 6:30 PM Tuesday, January 27, at The Woman's Building, 911 S. Broadway Ave. in Tyler. Come prepared to be thrilled by the patriotic speeches of these fine young Americans. As usual, the buffet dinner will cost \$15.00 per person.

Lest We Forget Our Forefathers' Sacrifices



S.A.R. Emergency Medical Service Medal Presented

Ms. Stacy Gregory was presented with the S.A.R. Emergency Medical Service Medal and Certificate during the November chapter meeting. Stacy is a Flight Nurse and Emergency Room Helicopter Flight Coordinator at Trinity Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler. Congratulations Stacy!



Left-to-right: Steve Lee, Bobby Davidson, Stacy Gregory, Texas State Representative Leo Berman, and Tom Copeland

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Minutes of Nov. 25 Meeting

The regular bimonthly meeting of Capt. William Barron Chapter 25 was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2008 at The Woman's Building in Tyler, Texas. Fifty-four members and guests were present.

Barron Chapter President Stephen Lee opened the meeting at 6:30 PM by having Rev. Don Majors offer the invocation. Tom Copeland and Matthew Lee presented the colors, Tom led the pledge to the American flag and Matthew led the pledge to the Texas flag. Steve Lee then led the pledge to the S.A.R.

President Lee then welcomed all members and guests. He specifically introduced Rep. Leo Berman and his wife Lou Ann, Philip Hayes and his parents Ron & Janet Hayes, Dr. Luis Fernandez, Stacy Gregory and her husband Steve and sons T.J. & Zachary, Elfiline Mills and Wal-Mart coworker Teresa Mitchell, Carolyn West's parents Bill & Zelma Snow, Carolyn's sister and brother-in-law Angela & Rusty York, and Dave McLeod.

Steve then discussed how he and Mike Everheart had gone on Nov. 14 to receive a Wal-Mart scholarship grant of \$1,000 for our five chapter school programs. Mike then joined Steve at the podium and they presented Elfiline Mills of Wal-Mart with a Certificate of Appreciation.

President Lee presented the Texas S.A.R. Medal to Rev. Don Majors, who recently celebrated his 20th anniversary as minister of First Assembly of God Church in Hawkins, in recognition of his service to his church, school programs and chapter color guard.

Steve read part of a letter from Tyler Police Chief Swindle, thanking our chapter for honoring three of his officers with our Heroism Awards. Steve also discussed some of the recent activity of the chapter color guard.

Larry Ashburn, Tim West, Tom Copeland and Leo Berman were presented S.A.R. Flag Certificates. Tim West was also given a new S.A.R. rosette to replace one he lost on a recent trip to the D.A.R. Continental Congress.

The raffle committee of Tom Copeland, Bobby Davidson and Tom Miller were brought up and thanked for their efforts over the past several months, which resulted ticket sales of \$3,218.00 and a net profit to Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter of \$2,241.54. The tickets were then thoroughly mixed and the winning ticket was drawn: Mark Cone of Henderson, who purchased his winning ticket at the Longview Gun Show. Steve presented S.A.R. coffee mugs to the three committee members in appreciation of their efforts.

President Lee asked if there was additional business, and hearing none, the meeting adjourned for a buffet dinner.

After dinner, Steve asked Tom Copeland to present the S.A.R. Emergency Medical Service Medal and Certificate to Stacy Gregory, who is a Flight Nurse and E.R. Flight Coordinator at Trinity Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler.

Steve then told the audience of the accomplishments of Philip Hayes of Lindale H.S. since he won the chapter's

Rumbaugh Oration Contest last January, including winning the state contest, finishing second in the national contest, receiving a \$150,000 scholarship in the "Now Debate This" contest, and being asked to speak at the Republican National Convention. Tom Copeland and Leo Berman then presented Philip with the S.A.R. Bronze Good Citizenship Award.

Tim West introduced the evening's speaker, Texas Representative Leo Berman, who talked about the effect of rampant illegal immigration in our state and some of his efforts to pass legislation addressing the problem. After his talk, he answered several questions and was presented a Certificate of Appreciation and gift certificate to Barnes & Noble Book Store.

Steve asked if there was additional business or announcements, and hearing none, he led everyone in the S.A.R. Closing. Rev. Don Majors gave the benediction and the meeting was adjourned.

Sam Kidd, Secretary

Financial Report October 30, 2008

General Fund Balance

\$6278.07

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Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter Officers 2008-10

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\$1000 Wal-Mart Scholarship Grant for S.A.R. Chapter School Programs being presented to Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter's Steve Lee and Mike Everheart. L-to-R: Steve, Mike and Wal-Mart's Elfiline Mills.



Front row are Jacks Elementary School students who attended Veterans Day Ceremony at Rose Lawn Memorial Cemetery; back row L-to-R are Color Guard members Steve Lee, Jack Ludwick, Bobby Davidson, Texas State Rep. Leo Berman, Larry Ashburn, and Tim West.



Compatriot Rev. Don Majors receiving the Texas S.A.R. Medal in recognition of his 20 years of service to

his church, school programs and chapter color guard. Congratulations Don!



Mr. Philip Hayes was presented with the S.A.R. Bronze Good Citizen Award. Philip won our chapter's Rumbaugh Oration Contest last January, Philip also won the state contest, finished second in the national contest, received a \$150,000 scholarship in the "Now Debate This" contest, and was asked to speak at the Republican National Convention last summer. L-to-R Tim West, Philip Hayes, Steve Lee, and Tom Copeland. Congratulations Philip, we are very proud of you!



Capt. Wm. Barron Chapter Color Guard presented the colors at Maude Laird Middle School's Veteran's Day Program held November 10 in Kilgore. Left-to-Right are Compatriots

Bobby Davidson, Mike Everheart and Steve Lee.



Receiving S.A.R. Flag Certificates from Chapter President Steve Lee are Compatriots Tom Copeland, Tim West, Larry Ashburn and Texas State House Representative Leo Berman. Left-to-right are Steve,

President's Message

Compatriots,

The Captain William Barron Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, is alive and well in 2009! I want to express my gratitude to each member for your contributions to our chapter and the community. Our community involvement during 2008 was outstanding, as we participated in patriotic programs, Flag Day activities, Naturalization Ceremonies, Veteran's Day programs and a host of other special observances. In August, our members banded together to bring about a highly successful Board of Management meeting. During 2009, I pray we will continue the work of our great society!

Over five years ago, Larry Ashburn accepted the role of Commander and organized the Captain William Barron Chapter Color Guard. The Color Guard is the most visible part of our chapter and we continue to be well received, continuously gaining great publicity for the SAR. Larry has always been proud that colonial flag seamstress, Betsy Ross, was an ancestor. Her talent passed through the generations and was inherited by Larry, demonstrated by his tailoring of our handsome, colorful uniforms! He also wrote and choreographed our patriotic program that is presented to schools, churches and other organizations. Larry's list of contributions to SAR goes on and on. During our January meeting, we will honor Larry for his accomplishments and induct Tom Copeland as his successor as Color Guard Commander. Please thank Larry for his many contributions to our chapter!

What a fantastic black powder musket and pistol raffle! Many thanks to the committee of Tom Miller, Bob Davidson and Tom Copeland. The chapter realized a profit of almost \$2,241.54, which added much needed funds into our treasury. We will now be able to utilize that money to benefit our youth programs. Thanks, guys! (Left-to-right in the picture are Compatriots Bobby Davidson, Tom Miller and Tom Copeland).



Please make plans to attend the TXSSAR Annual Convention, March 19-22 at the Fredonia Hotel in Nacogdoches. If you are unable to attend the entire meeting, come when you can! We will all be able to learn a great deal from this event and want our chapter to be well represented!

2009 is shaping up to be a pivotal year for the United States. We have a new President and Congress, the economy is up and down and we are faced with some pretty frightening consequences around the world. Remember, America has experienced her share of stressful and demanding events during her 232 years. We must all

banded together as God-fearing men, not afraid to stand up for our nation, as we continue to carry on the message of the Sons of the American Revolution.

God Bless You!

Steve Lee, Chapter President

Raffle Winner Awarded Pistol and Rifle – Congratulations Mr. Mark Cone



Mr. Mark Cone (center) of Henderson, Texas seen being presented the historically correct 1720 Pennsylvania 50 cal. black powder-firing rifle and the 1760 Kentucky 50 cal. black powder-firing pistol on December 1, 2008 by Tom Copeland (left) and Larry Ashburn (right) of the Capt William Barron Chapter. Mr. Cone's ticket was drawn November 25, 2008 at the Chapter's meeting.

Mr. Cone purchased the winning ticket at the Longview Gun Show on July 2, 2008.

Mr. Cone works for Texas Eastman Chemical in Longview. Mr. Cone is married and he and his wife have three children.

Congratulations Mark!

William Barron Chapter Schedule 2009-10

Meetings:

January 27, 2009

March 24, 2009

May 26, 2009

July 28, 2009

Local/State/National Events Calendar:

TXSSAR Annual Convention in Nacogdoches

March 19 – 22, 2009 at the Fredonia Hotel

Color Guard Calendar: