



THE GOLDWATER JOURNAL

Newsletter of the Barry M. Goldwater Chapter
Arizona Society Sons of the American Revolution



October & November 2012

Minutes of the September 20, 2012, Chapter meeting:

Location:
Coco's Restaurant
4514 E. Cactus, Phx, Ariz.

The September meeting was opened at 6:30 by Chapter President Earl Atwood, Sr.

Compatriot Mike Jones gave a presentation regarding the successful 122nd NSSAR Congress held in Phoenix.

Compatriot Ed Karr gave a report from the Chapter Officer Nominations Committee regarding the slate for 2013 which contains the following:

- President: David A. Swanson
- Vice President: Dennis E. Weiland, MD
- Sec/Treasurer: Scott Hewitt
- Chaplain: Robert H. Bohannon
- Registrar/Genealogist: William Orr
- Chancellor: Gerald Richards
- Public Affairs Officer: J. Michael Jones
- Sergeant-at-Arms: open
- Historian: David A. Swanson
- State Board of Managers: H. Robert Young

The election for Chapter officers occurs during the November meeting and those elected are inducted as the last item of business during our January 2013 meeting.

Guest speaker: Mr. Jonathan Butcher, from the Goldwater Institute, gave an exceptionally interesting speech regarding our Arizona schools. His talk generated a great deal of questions from those present.



Combined October and November Journal

Due to a scheduling conflict, the *Journal* editor finds it necessary to combine the October and November issues. (His staff and their assistants will also be unavailable—as if that is something new.)

Minutes of the November Chapter meeting will be contained in the December issue.



Photos of Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Compatriots—2012 year book

During the past few months photos of Compatriots who attended meetings have been taken for the 2012 Barry M. Goldwater year book. Photos will be taken during the next two meetings (there is no December meeting); however, if you can't attend either please mail or e-mail a photo of yourself to David Swanson, Chapter Historian. All 2012 BMG Compatriots will be listed in the book—if you would like your occupation listed (people reading the year book 75 years from now might think it was pretty neat)—send that info to Swanson as well.



2013 dues are coming due

Soon we will all be receiving our dues notice for 2013—please help our state society secretary and send them in ASAP.

Speaking of dues, our Chapter's Board of Managers voted to increase the dues for our Chapter by \$5.00; however, that will be off-set since our annual dues to the state society will be reduced by \$5.00. For the last five years our state dues were increased annually by \$5.00 to help off-set our expenses for hosting the 2012 Congress. The BMG Chapter can really use the extra money to help with any future expenses and programs.



Amazon.com and the SAR

Please remember that when making purchases from Amazon.com (regardless of what you purchase) be sure to use the link found on the NSSAR website homepage to log onto Amazon—a portion of what you spend is returned to the NSSAR General Fund.

<http://www.sar.org/>



Barry M. Goldwater Chapter—November 16, 2002—November 16, 2012

HAPPY 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Arizona Society SAR - New Chapter Meeting Minutes October 24th, 2002

1. Meeting opened by President Pro Tem Robert Bohannon at 6:30 PM at the Denny's Restaurant.
2. 18 members/prospective members in attendance.
3. Secretary Bill Barton passed around the attendance sheet and asked all members to verify/update their name, address and contact information.
4. Unanimous vote taken in favor of naming the new chapter the "Barry M. Goldwater Chapter".
5. The new chapter charter was passed around for signatures. Fifteen (15) current members signed which is sufficient to file with Louisville. Robert will seek additional SAR member signatures after the meeting and then forward on to Louisville for action.
6. According to Robert, once the new chapter is formed, the signing members will become members of this new chapter. Until then, we should all pay our 2003 dues to our current chapters. Members may elect to have "dual chapter memberships" if they wish to remain with their prior chapter as well.
7. Current officers of this chapter are "pro tem" until the charter is received. We will then hold another election for the "official" officers.
8. Board of Managers meeting on November 16th was discussed. Pre-registration is required – form attached to Sarizona publication and is available on our AZ Society website (which can be most easily located by going to the SAR website www.sar.org and then clicking on Arizona). All members are welcome. Officers are encouraged to attend their respective workshops.
9. Committees:
 - a. ROTC – Bob Young agreed to be chairman. (He is also the AZ SAR State Chairman for this committee). Robert Bohannon and Bill Barton agreed to help as presenter.
 - b. Eagle Scout – Bill Barton agreed to be chairman. Dan Finch agreed to help on this committee. Andy Wheeler also agreed to help. Andy is also the AZ SAR State Chairman for the Eagle Scout program.
 - c. Color Guard – we will not have a separate color guard for our chapter at this time. Anyone interested in joining a color guard should see Robert Bohannon who will put you in contact with other SAR color guards in the Phoenix area.
 - d. Americanism – tabled any action related to this committee until a later date.
10. Our next meeting will be a Holiday Meeting at Cocoa's Restaurant (4514 E. Cactus Road) on December 5th 6:30PM. The format will be a holiday mixer so spouses and significant others are welcome. Please see attached for details and RSVP information.
11. Meeting adjourned by President Pro Tem Robert Bohannon at approximately 8PM.

Barry M. Goldwater Chapter 10TH Anniversary

Well, as you can see by the Chapter meeting minutes, 15 Compatriots signed the Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Charter at the October 24, 2002, meeting. While the actual Chapter charter is unfortunately missing, we do have the signed charter application which contains the following names (with national and state numbers):

Robert H. Bohannon 122098/1167
Robert C. Bohannon Jr. 79143/Life 288/267

Earl E. Atwood Sr. 149423/1866
David Anthony Potts 94988/1543
H. Robert Young 148672/1852
Daniel L. Finch 87301/300
Keith E. Ragsdale 140743/1687
William G. Barton III 158079/2068
Andrew J. Wheeler 153944/1958

BMG Charter signers—continued

Dennis E Weiland MD 159113/2091
Michael D. Weiland 159114/2092
Matthew A. Weiland 159127/2094
William C. Orr 152591/1927
Richard J. Henry 148364/1846
Robert L. McClow 157573/2053



A little bit of AZSSAR, SAR, and Arizona history—continued

By David A. Swanson

Here is a continuation of the early of the AZSSAR and its members.

Next up is **Shirley Christy**, one of our Arizona State Societies charter members. Here is some interesting information about him as printed in the book *Portrait and Biographical Record of Arizona*. Chapman Publishing Company 1901:

This popular citizen of Phoenix, the son of Col. William Christy, is the general manager of the Arizona interests of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York City. Though comparatively young in years and in the business world, he is meeting with success in his business enterprises and is fully justifying the abundant faith which his numerous friends have reposed in him, predicting a brilliant future for him at the threshold of his commercial career.

. . . . He was born in Des Moines, Iowa, January 18, 1874, and was just nine years of age when he accompanied his parents to Phoenix. He pursued his education in the public schools, later attending the University of Southern California at Los Angeles. When eighteen years of age he started upon his business life by becoming an employee of the Valley Bank of Phoenix, and, after serving in the capacity of collector for a period, he was promoted to the position of paying teller.

When the Spanish-American War came on Mr. Christy became chief clerk in the Paymaster's Department, holding a commission with the rank of second lieutenant. For some time he was stationed in Washington, D.C., and was later transferred to San Francisco, awaiting developments in the far west. After peaceful relations between the United States and Spain had been declared our subject decided to resign his post and on December 1, 1898, returned to the

usual walks of life. Resuming his former post as paying teller in the bank he continued in that office until June 1, 1899, when he tendered his resignation in order to accept his present responsible position. A member of the board of trade and a director of the Maricopa club, and also actively identified with the Sons of the American Revolution and with the Sons of Veterans, he bears his due share in the general commercial and social circles of Phoenix, never failing in patriotism and public spirit. As president of the Young Men's Republican Club he has wielded no slight influence in local politics and firmly believes in the policies of his party.

An important event in the life of Mr. Christy took place in Des Moines, Iowa, December 19, 1895, when he married Miss Abelina Creighton, daughter of Col. James H. Creighton, now of Phoenix. During the long struggle between the North and the South he served with the rank of colonel in the Eighteenth Iowa volunteer infantry and of late years is an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Loyal Legion. His wife, the mother of Mrs. Christy. . . . was born in Lebanon, Mo. . . . and her father, Alexander Hudson [was]. . . One of eight men of Wright county, Mo., who had the courage to declare themselves on the side of the Union just at the outbreak of the Civil War, he served in a Missouri regiment. While at his home, early in the morning, he was called out of his house and assassinated by guerillas. Mrs. Christy . . . is a graduate of Simpson College where she pursued courses in classics and music. As a musician she has won more than local renown, for her talent is beyond question. Desiring to perfect herself in her loved art she spent the greater part of 1900 in Europe studying under fine masters. . . . Sharing the popularity which Mr. Christy enjoys she is an honored member of local society and as a member of the Methodist Episcopal church performs her due share in the religious work in Phoenix.



Shirley Christy

(Shirley Christy—continued)

The *National Register of the Society Sons of the American Revolution 1902* shows:

MEDAL LIST
OF
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
WHO SERVED IN THE
WAR WITH SPAIN.

MEMBERS OF STATE SOCIETIES SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

TO WHOM

The National Society Has Presented Medals in Recognition of Their Services in the Spanish-American War.

MEMBERS OF THE ARIZONA SOCIETY.

Charles Bennett Christy, Corporal Seventh California Infantry, U. S. Volunteers.
George D. Christy, Captain First Territorial Volunteers.
Shirley A. Christy, Paymaster's Clerk, U. S. Volunteers.



Obverse. Reverse.
Bronze Medal presented to Members S. A. R. who were regularly enlisted to serve in the War with Spain.



Chapter meeting information for October 18, and November 15, 2012

Our next two meetings will be on October 18th and November 15th at 6:30 p.m. at our same meeting location, Coco's Restaurant, 4514 E. Cactus, Phoenix.

Speaker information is not available at this time.

Please see the attached meeting notice and agenda

Fly the Arizona state flag throughout 2012 and encourage others to do the same. It's a beautiful flag that represents a beautiful state!
Celebrate our state's centennial

Ancestor biographies wanted for your newsletter.

If you would like to see your patriot ancestor's information in our newsletter please send it to the newsletter editor (try to limit the size to a double sided paper.)

Past Chapter Presidents

- Robert H. Bohannan 2002-2004
2007-2008
- H. Robert Young 2005-2006
- Carlton V. Phillips 2009
- John R. Conrad 2010
- Earl E. Atwood Sr. 2011



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Barry M. Goldwater Chapter
Arizona Society
Sons of the American Revolution

Chapter Meeting Notice

The next two meetings of the BMG Chapter will be held on Thursday, **October 18, 2012**, and **November 15, 2012**, at 6:30 p.m.

Location: Coco's Restaurant
4514 E Cactus Road
Phoenix, AZ (602) 953-9155

Compatriots, wives, prospective members, and guests are cordially invited to attend these and all meetings.

Dinner will be ordered from a menu specially prepared for us. There will be a choice of several different entrees, so there will be something for everyone. The cost is \$15.50 per person, which includes: dinner, soft drinks, tea, coffee, tax and gratuity.

(Please bring your check made out to BMG Chapter AZSSAR or have correct change and please give it to me before the beginning of the meeting or at the latest, the dinner portion of it.)

The meeting agenda is contained on the following page. (Please copy and bring it).

If you plan on attending the October meeting please notify David Swanson at swanson1854@yahoo.com or telephone (480) 515-2798 on or before October 15th. If you plan on attending the November meeting please notify Bob Young at: bob.young1@cox.net or telephone (602) 481-7037 on or before November 12th.

Just a reminder, we have chapter meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars. (No meetings during June—August and December)

Thanks. See you at the meeting!

David A. Swanson, Secretary/Treasurer
Barry M. Goldwater Chapter AZSSAR



Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Arizona Society, SAR

Agenda October 18, & November 15, 2012

Call to Order 6:30 p.m.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

SAR Pledge

We the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution, who by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

Business Session

Treasurer's Report
Other officer reports or remarks
New member inductions
Officer elections (November meeting)

Dinner

50/50 Raffle

Program

Speakers to be determined

Benediction

God Bless America

SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men.

Adjournment