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

December 2012

Notice—there is no Barry M. Goldwater Chapter meeting for the month of December—our next scheduled meeting is on January 17, 2013. ~ ~ ~ Have a very Merry Christmas ~ ~ ~

Minutes of the October 18, 2012, Chapter meeting:

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

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

New Compatriots inducted

Compatriot Gordon Smith was inducted by Barry M. Goldwater Chapter President Earl Atwood Sr.:



Compatriot Peter Combs Jr. was present at the meeting. He transferred from the Virginia State Society to the Arizona State Society and our Chapter on October 18, 2012.

Compatriot Combs's Patriot Ancestor is Captain Phineas Beardsley, 7th Reg't, under Col. Heman Smith 1775, CT.



Compatriot Peter Combs Jr.

Welcome to the Chapter!



Minutes of the November 15, 2012, Chapter meeting:

The November meeting was opened at 6:30 pm by Chapter Present Earl Atwood Sr.

The following Compatriots were elected to serve the Barry M. Goldwater Chapter for 2013 and will be installed at the January 2013 meeting:



Kathryn Smith (daughter of Compatriot Gordon Smith) pinning on Gordon's new SAR rosette

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| President | David A. Swanson |
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| Chancellor | Gerald M. Richards |
| Public Affairs | J. Michael Jones |
| Historian | David A. Swanson |
| AZSSAR BOM | Bob Young |

Chapter President Earl Atwood extends his thanks to our Nomination Committee composed of Compatriots Rob Bohannon, Ed Karr and Bob Young.

Speaker:

Mr. Hal Gibson, a member/representative of our AZ. Film Industry, was a very interesting speaker. He was very well versed and experienced in film production and held our attention easily with so much knowledge of filming from all aspects. He had countless questions from all in attendance and was warmly received.



In Memoriam

Compatriot Frank Clark 148360/1842 passed away on August 27, 2012. Compatriot Clark joined the Barry M. Goldwater Chapter in 2004 and prior to that was a member of the Paradise Valley Chapter.



Judy Richards, wife of Compatriot Gerald M. Richards passed away on October 24, 2012.

Wreaths Across America—December 15th

Please join your fellow Compatriots and help place wreaths on grave sites at the National Cemetery, 23029 N. Cave Creek Road, on December 15th at 10:00am. (While the address is on Cave Creek Road, the entrance is on Pinnacle Peak Road, east of the intersection of Cave Creek and Pinnacle Peak Roads.)

What is Wreaths Across America? Here is an excerpt from its website: “Wreaths Across America is a nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. Our mission, Remember, Honor, Teach, is carried out in part by coordinating wreath laying ceremonies in all 50 states and beyond. . .” Among other things, the organization also coordinates “veteran services and recognition through a variety of programs, and provide schools with teaching aides for projects throughout the year.”



New BMG Chapter members

The following Compatriots have transferred to our Chapter effective October 13, 2012:

D. Brian Karr (son of BMG Compatriot Ed Karr) and Brian’s sons D. Brandon Karr and Chris Karr. Edmund P. Karr III (Ed’s oldest son and a primary CASSAR member) is also now also a dual member of our Chapter.

Welcome, Karr family, to the Chapter!



Christmas shopping, 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/>



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.

Captain George D. Christy is 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:

Now one of the promising and ambitious members of the bar in Phoenix, Captain Christy was born in Osceola, Iowa, September 24, 1869, and is the son of Col. William Christy. He was educated in the public schools in Des Moines, Iowa, and was a member of the class of 1883, in the high school, but came to Phoenix before the graduation in June. Arriving in the far west he entered the University of Southern California, and was graduated in 1890 with a degree of Bachelor of Science.

As a business venture, Mr. Christy engaged in the cattle business while superintending his father’s farm, and met with a gratifying degree of success. Following a long- thought-out determination as to his future life work he entered the law department of Harvard College in 1896, temporarily discontinuing his studies in 1898. Upon returning to Arizona he volunteered


in the Spanish-American war, and during the service was raised from the rank of adjutant to that of captain of Company A. After being mustered out in February of 1899, he returned to Harvard College in the fall of the same year, but on this occasion as before, was obligated to relinquish the ambition of graduating owing to the illness of his father. In 1900, he was admitted to the bar in Arizona, and is now conducting his legal affairs under the firm name of Millay & Christy.

Mr. Christy is variously interested in the political, social, and other enterprises which help to enliven his progressive town. As a firm believer in the principles and undertakings of the Republican party he is destined, in the estimation of his fellow-townsmen, by the virtue of general ability and equipment, for a brilliant future. He is an ex-member and secretary of the county committee, and was an alternate to both the St. Louis and Philadelphia conventions. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Socially he is esteemed for his many and admirable and substantial traits of character, and is popular with all who come within the radius of his optimistic and tactful personality.



Chapter meeting information for January 17, 2013

This is our next regularly scheduled meeting which will take place at Coco's at 6:30 pm. More information will be available in the January 2013 newsletter.

 **Fly the Arizona state flag 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. Bohannon 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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