

Next Meeting: Monday, May 12th, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting, Rococo's, 122nd & N. May

April Program: Relegion in the Revoluntary War



Rob McElroy has served as a minister for the last 40 years. He worked in the Houston area from 1974 to 1986 and has lived in central Oklahoma since that time. Rob enjoys reading, travel and gardening. He is a passionate sports fan. Rob is the father of two sons, Shawn and Jonathan, both of whom live nearby with their families. He is grandfather to Kip and Cosi, ages 4 and 2, and has found grandfathering to be the greatest adventure in life. He likes to explore new information and welcomes the challenge of developing explanations. Rob has been very happily married to his wife Teri for 44 years. He currently serves as the pulpit minister for the Britton Road Church of Christ.

Rob McElroy will be presenting a very interesting and fascinating discussion topic of **"Religion in the Revolutionary War"**. Specifically focusing on the role of the local minister in championing the cause and persuading involvement in the quest for American freedom.

OKSSAR 109th Annual Congress, Norman, OK; Saturday, April 26th

President Martin Reynolds and Secretary/Treasurer George Thompson invites all OKC/SAR members, to attend the 109th Oklahoma Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Norman, OK on Saturday, April 26th. Many excellent programs including this year's keynote speaker, Genealogist General Larry Cornwell USAF-Ret., from Alabama. All fellow members, their wives and guests are encouraged to attend for great fellowship, an excellent lunch, interesting programs and impressive ceremonies. A block of rooms are available until April 17th at the Sooner Legends Hotel, (405)701-8100; Group code: SARIC. For more information please contact President Martin Reynolds or Secretary-Treasurer George Thompson. A good showing from the OKC/SAR will be greatly appreciated. So mark the date and please try to attend.

Chapter President's Message

I have come to the end of my two year term as president of our chapter this



month.I wish to thank all of you for your forbearance and equanimity as I have muddled through at your expense. I have of course gotten the best end of the bargain by getting to know many of you so much better as well as come to know the structure and dynamics of our organization at the chapter. state and national level. I have only scratched the surface at the state and national level but plan to better acquaint myself in those areas in the future. My plans at the chapter level are to assist president elect Cowan in any way he needs as well as apply myself to the VA program that he has so ardently advanced as chairman. I am so proud to have been able to induct my two sons and elder brother into the chapter, a rare privilege indeed. In closing I want to especially thank my two main mentors Wayne Nash and George Thompson without whom I would have been without rudder or sail. Thank you all for giving me this opportunity to serve.

Membership Roster, DUES Payment & inquiries, contact Secretary George Thompson. (405) 722-1286; gdt40@cox.net

OKC/SAR Website: <u>http://</u> okssar.com; Questions, please contact Glenn Lee (405)216-3388

OKC-SAR Color Guard Commander Henry Baer III, invites members to join the Color Guard. For more information contact Commander Baer at 405-720-2909.

OKC/SAR on Facebook: facebook.com/okcsar; for more information: Michael Sanford @ (405) 445-9415

Articles, suggestions & news for the OKC/SAR Sentinel are encouraged & may be submitted to Patrick Cowan, Editor; (405)755-7200, or email, <u>pcowan@cox.net</u> President Reynolds with new member Stephen Edward Lake, sworn in during the March meeting; and his wife Elsie, and daughter Jessica. Stephen Edward Lake's Ancestor Patriot is Levi Parker.



Many thanks to Compatriot and past President, Glenn Fast who shared at the March meeting the research he recently finished on his ancestor Christian Fast. The very interesting presentation included 7 pages of factual & documented maps, historical data & references from the pre-revolutionary days, through the American Revolution, and post revolution days. Thank you very much Compatriot Fast. Other members who would like to share their ancestor research findings are welcome & encouraged to do so.



New members sworn in during the March meeting are L to R; Dr. William Emery Reynolds,with wife Sandra; Austin Patrick Reynolds with mother, Rebecca; and President Martin Reynolds (center); Ancestor Patriot for both Reynolds is John Emery.

Registrar Robert R. Thomas reports we presently have 109 active members, with 4 applications pending & National waiting review.

ALL MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO BRING AT LEAST A PAIR OF NEW OR USED SOCKS ETC. FOR OUR LONG TERM BASIC NEEDS PROGRAM FOR OUR LOCAL & STATE VETERANS.

HELP YOUR CHAPTER GROW: Do you have a son, grandson, brother or male family member or friend who may be interested in making application for membership in SAR? Contact Robert Thomas, Chapter Registrar (405-737-6181) rbjthomas@sbcglobal.net; and Wayne Nash (405-844-4740)pnwnash@sbcglobal.net, who are available to assist in the genealogy, research and locating necessary documents.

Please join your fellow Compatriots in attending the next OKC/SAR dinner meeting on Monday, April 14th: 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting; Great food, excellent program & the best of Compatriots company!