

The Buffalo Soldiers



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Join us Monday night as we explore the story of the Buffalo Soldiers or African Americans in the military during the Indian Wars. •For membership inquiries, contact Secretary Henry Baer at hcb <u>aer3@icloud.com</u>. Craig Crow at (405)834 9401 or <u>CCROW6@gmail.com</u> can assist you with locating the necessary documents.

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•Chapter meetings are held on the second Monday of every month except June, July, and August, at Rococo's, 122nd & North May Ave in the North Park Mall in Oklahoma City. Members and their guests meet at 6 PM to place dinner orders with the business meeting starting at 7 PM.

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Had the pleasure of attending Naturalization Ceremonies at the Federal Courthouse, December 7, 2018. I was primarily in attendance for my sister in law Thuy whose birthplace was Viet Nam. I witnessed 95 individuals from 28 countries ranging from Bosnia to Zaire change their status from resident to citizen. Most of us are citizens by birth these 95 were citizens by choice and had made the decision to put in the time, work and some expense to gain their citizenship. They took the oath to set aside their old citizenship and pledged to protect and defend their new country if necessary also each of them registered to vote.

The feelings they had might be compared to what our ancestors felt as they stepped off of the ship from their home country. Their individual stories would be fascinating to hear, they probably felt joy, apprehension and a measure of fear for what the future would hold for them. For these new Americans, America held the promise and hope of a bright future of freedom where they and their children might become everything they could be. Let us never take these hard won freedoms for granted. I doubt that these new Americans will.



The color guard participated in the "Patriot Laying of the Wreath Ceremony" at historic Fort Reno chapel and cemetery on December 16. Those

in attendance were Commander Terry Handley, Al Lankford, Bob Thomas, Martin Reynolds and Henry Baer. Photo from El Reno Tribune.