

Next Meeting: Monday, Sept. 8th, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting, Rococo's @ 122nd & N. May;

HAPPY 238th BIRTHDAY AMERICA!



OKC/SAR Color Guard members on Memorial Day at the 45th Infantry Division HQ; (above) left to right: Al Lankford, Bob Thomas, young admirer, Henry Baer III, Wayne Nash, Howard Ferrell, Martin Reynolds & Ron Schrouf. Other Color Guard members include Glenn Fast, Mike Sanford & Cory Shipman. You're welcome to join the Color Guard, contact Commander Henry Baer @720-2920. Up next: Cheer on the Color Guard at the LibertyFest Parade in Edmond on the 4th of July @ 8:45am; Picture below is from the 2013 LibertyFest 4th of July Parade in Edmond. Thanks to all Color Guard members for your many hours of dedication and service to OKC Sons of the American Revolution.



Chapter President's Message

4th of July greetings fellow Compatriots. I am honored and privileged to serve as your President for the next two years. I would like to invite and encourage



every member to become actively involved with our local, state and national societies of the Sons of the American Revolution. From the various committees to our esteemed Color Guard, your participation would be greatly appreciated.

Please put our monthly meetings on your calendar, and plan on joining your fellow Compatriots for excellent dining, great comraderie and interesting programs from September through May.

Every member is welcome to offer suggestions for programs, and other activities, so don't be bashful. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our September 8th meeting. God bless each and all, and God Bless the United States.

In Patriotism,

Patrick Cowan

For membership roster inquiries please contact OKC/SAR Secretary George Thompson at (405) 722-1286; gdt40@cox.net

OKC/SAR Website: http://okssar.com: questions, please contact Glenn Lee @ (405)216-3388

On facebook: facebook.com/okcsar; for further information, please contact Michael Sanford @ (405)445-9415

Color Guard Commander Henry Baer invites all interested fellow Compatriots to join the OKC/SAR Color Guard. For further information, please contact Commander Baer at (405)720-2909

Articles, suggestions and news for the OKC/SAR Sentinel Newsletter are encouraged and may be submitted to Patrick Cowan, Editor; (405)755-7200, or email to: pcowan@cox.net

BE SURE AND JOIN YOUR FELLOW COMPATRIOTS ON MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 8th FOR THE MONTHLY MEETING: 6:00 DINNER; 7:00 MEETING.

Inducted during the May meeting are new members Robert Goodwell (left) whose Compatriot Ancestor is Mosias Maupin (VA) and Robert Ashley Ives, whose Compatriot Ancestor is Elisha Ashley (VT) WELCOME FELLOW COMPATRIOTS to the OKC chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.



President Patrick Cowan reports there will be a leadership brainstorming session to better define our objectives and goals on Monday evening, July 14th at 6:00 at Rococo's. All members are invited to bring their ideas and suggestions for the coming year. Dinner menu is available. Please RSVP to President Cowan: pcowan@cox.net or 755-7200 if you plan on attending.

JULY 4th, 1776

On July 4, 1776, delegates to the Continental Congress in Philadelphia voted to adopt the Declaration of Independence. The men who issued that famous document realized they were signing their own death warrants, since the British would consider them traitors. Our forefathers came to certain conclusions and decided upon certain courses of action which have been a great blessing to the world. They were people who came under influence of a great spiritual development and acquired a great moral power.

No other theory is adequate to explain or comprehend the Declaration of Independence. It is the product of the spiritual insight of the people. We live in an age of science and abounding accumulation of material things. These did not create our Declaration. Our Declaration created them. The things of the spirit come first. Unless we cling to that, all our material prosperity, overwhelming though it may appear, will turn to a barren scepter in our grasp. If we are to maintain the great heritage which has been bequeathed to us, we must be likeminded as the fathers who created it!

** From the desk of: Robert R. Thomas, Chapter Registrar: *We now have 114 members with three applications pending & two being processed.*

<u>HELP YOUR CHAPTER GROW:</u> 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 /or Wayne Nash (405-844-4740) pnwnash@sbcglobal.net, who are available to voluntarily assist you in genealogy and locating necessary documents.