

# SAR Sentinel

Oklahoma City Chapter Sons of the American Revolution



December 2017

Heading by Megan Sanford

Next meeting is Monday, December 11, 6 PM dinner, 7 PM meeting at Rococo's, North Park Mall

## Chapter inducts four new members



Compatriot Robert Thomas, left, helped induct four new members at the November meeting: Stephen Lane Adkins (Patriot - James Archer of PA), Calvin Luther Long (Patriot - John Long, of NC), Calvin Darrell Wayne Long (Patriot - John Long of NC), and Robert Norris Blodgett, Jr. (Patriot - Joshua Blodgett of NH).

## SAR Specialty License Tag

Many organizations, like the Lions Clubs, have specialty automotive vehicle tags in Oklahoma. These tags are used in conjunction with the regular tags. If at least 100 pre-orders exist, Oklahoma will produce an approved SAR specialty license tag that can be annually purchased for \$15 and used in place of the regular license tag, which still must be purchased. Show your pride by being one of the first compatriots in Oklahoma to participate. Even if you only participate one year, you will help SAR compatriots to be able to participate in this state program.



## Featured Program US Marine Corps. Reserve



The annual toy drive for Toys for Tots occurs at the December meeting. Sgt. Montana Christeson of Rocket Battery F, 2d Battallion, 14th Marines will be present to receive the toys our members bring to the meeting. We need:

**Unwrapped Toys:** Bring a new toy for any age, except realistic looking guns for donation to Toys for Tots.

**Basic Needs:** Bring Tootsie Rolls, Mint Patties, Peppermints, Famous Amos Chocolate Chip Cookies, and Pringles, along with new or gently used clothing for donation to the veterans.

Additionally, the Bob Ives Barbershop Quartet will perform holiday songs at the December meeting. Come join us for the fun!

## Six Foreign-Born Patriots You Should Know

### Bernardo de Galvez

In his role as the governor of Louisiana, then a Spanish province, Gálvez aided colonials by allowing munitions, medicine, and other supplies to be shipped via the Mississippi River. Gálvez became one of the best friends the cause of independence had.

In 1779, Gálvez launched an offensive against British-controlled West Florida. Raising a diverse army of Spaniards, Creoles, free blacks, Indians and a colonists, he seized control of several British forts along the Mississippi. He marched on Pensacola in 1781 and captured it.



While Gálvez remains little known today, he is credited with having transformed the war by bottling up British forces along the Gulf Coast and preventing them from pressuring the colonials. Along with serving as the namesake of Galveston, Texas, he is one of only eight people in American history to have received honorary American citizenship.



Above: The recent discovery of a 235-year-old watercolor panorama of a Continental Army encampment by Pierre L'Enfant features the only known wartime depiction of George Washington's headquarters near his troops. The tent is also the marquee exhibit at the Museum of the American Revolution, which opened in April in Philadelphia.



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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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