

# SAR Sentinel

Oklahoma City Chapter Sons of the American Revolution



February, 2014

Heading by Megan Sanford

Next Meeting: Monday, February 10th, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting, Rococo's, 122nd & N. May

## February Program:

### **REVOLUTIONARY WAR LUMINARIES, FORT GIBSON**



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William D. Welge is author, contributor and editor of a number of books and articles and reviews.

The focus on this topic will be primarily about Governor Montfort Stokes, former governor of North Carolina who was appointed commissioner to treat with the Cherokee Indians as they arrived in Indian Territory. Stokes served for a number of years at great hardship and personal loss of fortune while attending to his duties in the territory. His office was about six miles from Fort Gibson. Late in life in the early 1840's, Stokes mentions to his superiors in Washington D.C. about his war service during the fight to separate from the tyranny of the King of England. He is ignored by officials in Washington D.C. dying in 1842 and is buried at Fort Gibson.

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**MEMBERS, please be sure and pay your 2014 dues or you will be taken off the membership list & will no longer receive you newsletter.**

## Chapter President's Report



Never in the history of mankind has so great a prosperity existed for so many millions in one nation. We are by and large an acquisitive, competitive and active people. However for my part some of the best feelings of accomplishment I have had has been in the mentoring of others. As a part of both our heritage and national character we seem to thrive on helping others to help themselves, be that in scholastic, economic or benevolent venues. As we grow older we are ever better able to both have the time and experience to share that treasure of knowledge we have accumulated over a lifetime. In my opinion this is but a small repayment for having won the lottery of being an American and hope that you will seek opportunities in your community to do the same. I guarantee you will be the richer for it in a currency that will never be devalued and you can never lose.

In Patriotism,

Martin Reynolds

Membership Roster, inquiries, contact Secretary George Thompson. (405) 722-1286; [gdt40@cox.net](mailto:gdt40@cox.net)

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

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**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.**

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

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

***New member Scott Melrose Peters (center) is inducted during the January meeting. President Martin Reynolds (L) & Registrar Bob Thomas (R) present Compatriot Peters his membership certificate. Compatriot Peters wife, Mary Lynn Peters is present for the induction ceremony. Patriot Ancestor is Giles Parman. Welcome Compatriot Peters.***



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***Welcome new member Lt Cmdr Terry Duane Handley of Edmond, OK, who is a Dual Member of the OKC Chapter; from the Boerne, TX chapter. Boerne is NW of San Antonio, TX, where Compatriot Terry Handley served as Boerne Chapter registrar. His Patriot Ancestor is Nathan Hall. {picture not available at press time}***

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***Colonial Days @ the Capitol OKC-SAR Color Guard members Wayne Nash (right), Howard Ferrell (left), and Al Lankford, (not pictured) represented the OKC SAR chapter during the Colonial Days at the Capitol, Friday, January 31st. Unknown local young lady posing with Wayne & Howard. Compatriot Wayne Nash reports they were very busy, everyone wanted pictures with the Color Guard! Great fun and excellent Public Relations. Thanks Compatriots Wayne Nash, Howard Ferrell and Al Lankford.***

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**Registrar Robert R. Thomas reports we presently have 123 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 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](mailto:rbjthomas@sbcglobal.net); and Wayne Nash (405-844-4740) [pnwnash@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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, February 10th: 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting; Great food, excellent program & the best of Compatriots company!**