

SAR Sentinel

Oklahoma City Chapter Sons of the American Revolution



March 2017

Heading by Megan Sanford

Next meeting is Monday, March 13, 6 PM dinner, 7 PM meeting at Rococo's, North Park Mall

Servant of veterans to speak at March meeting

Scotty "Dee" Deatheridge, executive director of Honoring America's Warriors, will present the program at the March meeting.

Honoring America's Warriors is a non-profit tax-exempt organization dedicated to supporting the physical, mental, and spiritual wellness services to our nation's veterans

Dee grew up in a military family and has dedicated his life to serving our war heroes their families that deal with the daily stresses brought on by the reality of war, overseeing all aspects of the organization.



President's Dispatch



Compatriots,

Please join me in welcoming Scotty Deatheridge, presenting "Honoring America's Warriors" on Monday, March 13th.

Reading Tim Marshall's *Prisoners of Geography* has highlighted how truly special our country is. Nowhere else in the world are there so abundant natural resources, natural harbors, navigable waterways, and natural defenses that were fertile ground for our young nation. Our forefathers seized upon this opportunity and grew it to become a shining example of democracy to the world.

Additionally, any items that can be donated for our Veterans would be appreciated. Compatriot Patrick Cowan takes clothing, toiletries and shoes to the VA each month.

Respectfully,
Kyle Reynolds

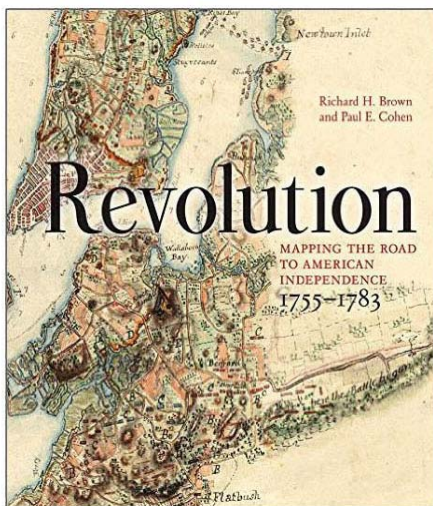
George III's Revolutionary Thoughts Online



Queen Elizabeth II launched the Georgian Papers Programme to publish online a trove of documents now housed in Windsor Castle's Round Tower written by the British monarchy in the 18th and 19th centuries, including writings by King George III on the American Revolution.

Organizations in the United States partnering with Queen Elizabeth II include the Williamsburg-based Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture and William & Mary and Kings College London.

The documents may be found online at georgianpapers-us.wm.edu.



Mapping the road to American independence

Through a collection of sixty historic maps, Richard H. Brown and Paul E. Cowen illustrate the shifting territorial claims and illuminate American military strategy.

The book, *Revolution: Mapping the Road to Independence 1755-1783* begins with the Battle of Fort Duquesne at the start of the French and Indian War (1755-1763) and continues through the Siege of Yorktown at the end of Revolutionary War.

The play that influenced revolutionary thought

Some scholars, including historian David McCullough celebrated author of *1776*, believe that several famous quotations of the American Revolution were inspired by a play written by Joseph Addison in 1712: *Cato, a Tragedy*.

The play is based on the last days of Marcus Porcius Cato Uticensis (95–46 B.C.), a Stoic who resisted what he considered the tyranny of Julius Caesar. Addison's play deals with individual liberty versus government tyranny, Republicanism versus Monarchism, logic versus emotion, and Cato's personal struggle to hold his beliefs in the face of death.

Cato's dramatized resistance made him an early American icon of liberty. The play is rumored to have been performed at Valley Forge at George Washington's request.

Famous quotations inspired by the play include: Patrick Henry's "Give me Liberty or give me death!" which references Act II, Scene 4: "It is not now time to talk of aught/But chains or conquest, liberty or death."

Nathan Hale's valediction: "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country" references Act IV, Scene 4: "What a pity it is/That we can die but once to serve our country."

The play also inspired the name of the Cato Institute, a libertarian think tank based in Washington D.C.

112th Annual Oklahoma SAR Congress on April 8th

The Ardmore Chapter of the SAR cordially invites all compatriots and wives to the 112th Annual Oklahoma SAR State Congress at the Greater Southwest Historical Museum in Ardmore on April 8th, 2017.

Casey Killblane, the keynote speaker, was the personal assistant to the former First Lady Barbara Bush. There is also a special program for the ladies featuring Lt. Colonel Janet Sue Banks during the business meeting.

Registration forms and payment should be directed to the Oklahoma Society SAR Secretary/Treasurer Phil Hunt before April 3rd.



•For **membership** inquiries, contact Secretary George Thompson at 405.722.1286 or gdt40@cox.net. Both Bob Thomas at 405.737.6181 or rbjthomas@sbcglobal.net or Wayne Nash at 405.844.4740 or wlnash80128@gmail.com can assist you with locating the necessary documents.

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•Join the **Color Guard** by contacting Commander Terry Handley at 405.285.4933 or thandley1@me.com.

•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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