

# SAR Sentinel

Oklahoma City Chapter Sons of the American Revolution



May 2017

Heading by Megan Sanford

Next meeting is Monday, May 8, 6 PM dinner, 7 PM meeting at Rococo's, North Park Mall

## Adding genetic testing to your tool bag for better genealogical research



Above: Pat Miller McFall, NSDAR Vice President.

Pat McFall, former OSDAR State Regent & Current NSDAR Vice President, will present her program on the use of DNA testing in genealogy at the May 8 SAR meeting.

DNA testing can provide scientific evidence of both immediate and distant familiar relationships as well as estimates of ancestral origins based on collections of DNA from different populations. One testing company promises to provide health reports and screening for genetic diseases.

Family history research includes traditional activities of gathering oral history and searching records such as births, marriages, deaths, and census records. Additionally, it is strongly suggested that we begin to genetically test as many of our family members as our pocketbooks will bear.

### President's Dispatch



Compatriots,

Please join me in welcoming our guest speaker Pat McFall to speak on genetic testing tools in genealogy.

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

### Conduct during hoisting, lowering, or passing of U.S. flag

*During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the flag is passing in a parade or in review, all persons present except those in uniform should face the flag and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart. Those present in uniform should render the military salute. When not in uniform, men should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Aliens should stand at attention. The salute to the flag in a moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes. 36 U.S. C. § 177.*

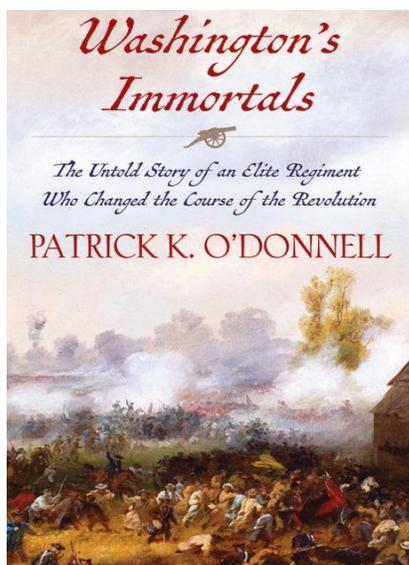


Above: At the April meeting, Robert Thomas pins new compatriot Craig Crow as Kyle Reynolds completes the induction ceremony. Below: Cover art from Washington's Immortals: The Untold Story of an Elite Regiment Who Changed the Course of the Revolution.

## Read the untold story of Smallwood's Battalion

Military historian Patrick O'Donnell's *Washington's Immortals: The Untold Story of an Elite Regiment Who Changed the Course of the Revolution* tells the dramatic story of the First Maryland Regiment in the Revolutionary War. Known as Smallwood's Battalion, the First Maryland Regiment was present at many of the major battles of the Revolutionary War, including the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Camden, Cowpens, Guilford Courthouse, and Yorktown.

Smallwood's Battalion is remembered for its heroic actions at the Battle of Brooklyn in late August 1776. With Washington's army surrounded on three sides by the formidable British forces, 400 soldiers from the battalion held off the British, allowing the rest of the trapped Continental Army to escape across the Gowanus Creek to safety. The battalion suffered heavy losses for their bravery with 256 dead or missing and many wounded or taken prisoner by the British. As Washington watched the carnage unfold, he remarked, "Good God! What brave fellows I must this day lose!"



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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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