

SAR Sentinel

Oklahoma City Chapter Sons of the American Revolution



October, 2012

Heading by Megan Sanford

[NEXT MEETING: Monday, Oct. 8th, 6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting, Oklahoma BarBQ, 50th & Meridian](#)



October Speaker: **GARY PARSONS (left)** presents **MONEY OF OUR ANCESTORS**
By Al Lankford

It is likely that in the last few days you have completed several transactions with the swipe of a card or a quick exchange of currency. Without a trusted means of exchange none of this would be possible and our economy would slow down drastically. This is the world that our Colonial ancestors had to deal with and their creative solutions

are fascinating. Gary Parsons, President of the Oklahoma Numismatic Association and past President of the Oklahoma City Coin Club will present "Money of our Ancestors" he will explore the early money and methods used by our ancestors to conduct commerce. Mr. Parsons will also bring a sample of his extensive collection for examination.

Mr. Parsons will discuss the repressive system of Mercantilism imposed on the American colonies by England. This system is part of the reason that Americans decided that it was time to go their own way.

Gary Parsons holds graduate and undergraduate degrees from the University of Central Oklahoma as well as being a graduate of all American Numismatic Association classes on grading coins and notes as well as counterfeit detection. He has been a collector and specialist in "United States Banknotes and Exonumia" for almost 60 years including almost ten years of experience as a part time dealer.



WELCOME, new member Gary Frazier who is sworn in during the September meeting by President Martin Reynolds with Registrar Bob Thomas (far left) and Compatriot Gary Frazier's wife, Marilyn pictured. Gary's Compatriot Ancestor is John Frazier from North Carolina.

Chapter President's Message



Compatriots,

When I attended my first SAR regional meeting I was impressed with the liveliness of the debate. At the very first session where there was an attempt to change the selection process where the annual meetings locations were chosen, one side advocating this and another that, it was with growing concern as the debate advanced that it would erupt at any moment into a shouting match at best, if not fisticuffs.

These were very serious people indeed I concluded that I have thrown in with it seemed. However all was eventually resolved with a decision of inaction, peace and harmony being restored. I expect that our forefathers might have been the type to settle similarly intransigent positions with either the subtleties of debate or the occasional knocking of heads together when all else failed; it seems that the apple has not fallen too far from the tree

In Patriotism,

Martin Reynolds

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IN YOUR LOCAL CHAPTER**

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

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

Color Guard Commander Henry Baer III, invites all interested fellow Compatriots to join the **OKC/SAR Color Guard**. Events this fall include: **Czech Fest. Parade, Yukon, this coming Saturday, Oct. 6**; Veterans Day 45th Infantry Museum, Nov. 12; Wreaths Across America, Ft. Reno, December. 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

CHAPTER BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS SEPTEMBER MEETING

President Martin Reynolds called the September OKC/SAR meeting to order with an agenda full of chapter business matters and highlighting the welcoming of new member Gary Frazier.

Committee appointments and reports included By-Laws, President Martin Reynolds; Budget, Sec./Treas. George Thompson; Veterans Committee, Patrick Cowan; Speakers, Al Lankford; Publicity, Quinton Hiebert; Oversight, Mike Sanford; Service, Wayne Nash, and Color Guard, Henry Baer.

Compatriot Quinton Hiebert invites all members to help out at our OKC/SAR booth at the Czech Festival this coming Saturday, Oct. 6th, in Yukon. To volunteer & for more information please contact Quinton at 405-324-8612; qlhcpa@myfam.com **OKC/SAR is providing our Color Guard for the Czech Festival parade.**

Compatriot Patrick Cowan reported our OKC/SAR-VA Hospital long term basic needs project is making progress. Fellow Compatriots are encouraged to bring their new or used clothing to each meeting from now on. Invite your family members to contribute their clothing too, and they will be delivered to the VA Hospital within a couple of days. Other items that are always needed include hotel size shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion; tee shirts, underwear, socks etc. tooth brush's & toothpaste; Local business's participating indefinitely with OKC/SAR project include D-Dent, Inc who is donating 100 tooth brushes & 100 tubes of toothpaste each month. Thanks go to D-Dent & Executive Director Shirley Harris. Also Chesapeake Energy is starting an annual OKC/SAR-VA Hospital basic needs drive beginning the first of December, 2012, and then every December henceforth. Thanks to Chesapeake Energy. The Homeland Grocery at May & Britton has pledged a box of bananas, oranges, apples each month, indefinitely, and is encouraging other Homelands to do the same; thanks to GM Jerry Ward at the May & Britton Homeland. With the winter coming, all members are welcome to bring jackets, sweaters & coats to be given to our Veterans. Other local companies are being contacted to provide different basic needs indefinitely, to our Veterans through our OKC/SAR Veterans program. Anyone interested in participating in the VETERAN VISITATION segment of the program, or have any questions may contact Patrick Cowan; (405)755-7200; pcowan@cox.net.

From the desk of: Robert R. Thomas, Chapter Registrar: We now have 133 members, with no applications pending.

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; and Wayne Nash (405-844-4740) pnwnash@sbcglobal.net, who are available to assist in the genealogy and locate necessary documents (no charge).