



February 18, 2023

- **Meeting Agenda**

- Supplies: Attendance Sheet, Pledge Cards, Flags, Lectern, Projector, DVD Player
- Call to Order
- Invocation
 - “Almighty God, we ask your blessing on this chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. As our purpose is to promote sound learning and true patriotism and to further all that is good in our community, so we pray that you will strengthen our hands in all that we undertake, that we may serve our nation to your honor and glory. Amen.”
- American Flag Salute
 - "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."
- SAR Pledge
 - “We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.”

- **Introductions**

- Officer Reports:

- Secretary

- Treasurer

- Youth Programs

- ROTC & Sea Cadets

- Oration Contest: Scores, Prizes, Award, State Contest

- Introduction of New Members & Guests

- **Old Business**

- Youth Protection Training: All Officers

- Wreaths Across America

- Membership: John Humphrey

- Service Award Categories (Descriptions on Website)

- Calling for Nominations

- **New Business**

- Voting for Oration Contest

- Other New Business?

- **America 250 Minutes**



- **America 250 Minutes: Daily History**

- On February 17, 1765, the House of Commons passes the Stamp Act. The Stamp Act would be one of the primary points of contention between the American colonists and Parliament in the years leading up to the Revolutionary War.
- The Act placed a small tax on 54 separate items, all things made of paper, such as contracts, wills, playing cards, newspapers, almanacs, etc. The Act was part of Prime Minister George Grenville's plan to reduce the massive debt incurred by the British treasury during the French and Indian War. All the money raised by the Act was to be used within the colonies to pay for the expenses of British soldiers stationed there after the end of the war.
- The colonists did not object to paying taxes. They did, however, have a strong opinion about who could tax them. English law provided that people could only be taxed by their elected representatives. Since the colonies had no representatives in Parliament, Parliament could not legally tax them. Instead, they believed the proper bodies to lay taxes on them were their own elected colonial legislatures.
- Parliament did not respond to the formal protests from the colonial governments, so the citizens began to take things into their own hands. Newspapers and citizens published anti-Stamp Act letters and pamphlets and mob violence broke out in numerous places against government officials involved with implementing the Act. The violence became so severe that by November 1, 1765, the intended start date of the Act, not a single stamp distributor was left in the colonies. Every single one had resigned, except for the one from Georgia and that was because he did not arrive until January. When he did arrive, he resigned the next day.
- Many localities in the colonies then passed non-importation agreements, refusing to import British goods until the Act was repealed. This put an enormous amount of pressure on British merchants who began to suffer and lay people off because they could not pay their debts. These merchants began to pressure Parliament to repeal the bill. A change in administration made Lord Rockingham Prime Minister

and he immediately began pushing for a repeal. The Stamp Act was finally repealed on March 18, 1766, causing rejoicing and celebrations both in England and in the colonies.

- **DVD Presentation: Men of the Revolution**
- SAR Recessional
 - “Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a nation of free men.”
- Benediction
 - “May God bless and keep you. May the Lord grant us nobility of character and compassion for the needy, and bind us in fraternal love until we meet again. Amen.”



Delta Chapter Sign In Sheet - February 18, 2023

SAR Members

Guests
