



**September 16, 2023**

- **Meeting Agenda**

- Supplies: Attendance Sheet, Pledge Cards, Flags, Lectern, Sign
- Call to Order
- Invocation (In the absence of a chaplain)
  - “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
- Introduction of New Members & Guests

- **Old Business**

- Invitation for October 6th: Family Heritage Day
  - We can possibly have a table at the event.
- BOM Nov 3 & 4 of 2023 @ Queen Mary (Registration Online & Easy)
- The 250th Member Directory project is still underway. You will be receiving a postcard requesting that you update your membership details. If you do not, erroneous information about you will be published in the new directory.

- **New Business**

- The DAR has asked our chapter if we would join them on Oct 14th at 10:00am at the Stockton Rural Cemetery for a day of service where we help with historic preservation by cleaning up a portion of the Stockton Rural Cemetery. They have been assigned to the Japanese area near Alpine Ave. (Side note: That is where my grandparents are buried.)
- Officer Elections
  - October: Any Member Can Announce Interest in Serving. Chapter Members can also nominate others for service.
    - Needed Positions: President, Registrar
  - November: Elections
  - Awards: We will also have an awards presentation in November.

- **America 250 Minutes**



- **America 250 Minutes: Daily History**

- Samuel Adams was born into a wealthy Puritan Boston family. He was educated at Harvard and went into business after graduating. After several attempts at business failed, Adams found his real success in politics. In 1747, he was elected to his first political office as a clerk for Boston Market. He later served as a tax collector for the Boston Town Meeting. The town meeting asked him to write their instructions to their members of the House of Representatives in 1764. This writing proved to be the first instance of a public body claiming that Parliament had no authority to tax the colonies.
- In the decade leading up to the Revolution, Adams was a member of the House of Representatives and served as that body's clerk, giving him a great deal of influence. Adams became one of the leading voices against Parliamentary overreach in Boston and was closely associated with other patriotic figures such as James Otis, John Hancock and his second-cousin, John Adams.
- Adams wrote the "Massachusetts Circular Letter" in response to the Townshend Acts, which placed taxes on various items, in 1768. The letter was sent by the House of Representatives to the other colonies, asking them to join in challenging the Townshend Acts. The British responded by dissolving the legislatures of Massachusetts and any other colonies that supported the letter.
- Bostonians resisted the taxes of the Townshend Acts and Parliament occupied the city with soldiers, leading to the Boston Massacre. Adams published numerous letters and articles denouncing British policies and called for the mass meeting of citizens that led to the Boston Tea Party. Adams helped organize the boycott of British goods and helped create the Committees of Correspondence which kept the colonies in contact with one another.
- In 1774, Adams was sent to the Continental Congress, where he served continually for the next 7 years. While in Congress, Adams was a leading advocate of American independence from early on. He served on numerous committees, especially those dealing with military matters. He signed the

Declaration of Independence and served on the committee that wrote the Articles of Confederation, America's first governing document.

- In 1779, Adams helped write the Massachusetts Constitution with John Adams and James Bowdoin. He returned to Massachusetts politics for good in 1781 and served often as the moderator of the Boston Town Meeting. He served in the state Senate and helped promote public schools in Boston, even for girls. Adams was originally against the US Constitution, thinking it gave too much power to the federal government, but he supported it after the promise was made to include a bill of rights. He voted to support the Constitution at the Massachusetts ratifying convention in 1788.
- Adams was elected lieutenant-governor of Massachusetts in 1789 and served in this position until the death of Governor John Hancock in 1793. Adams was then elected to the governorship annually for the next 4 years, after which he retired from public life. Samuel Adams died on October 2, 1803 and was buried in the Granary Burying Ground in Boston.

- **Presentation: Boston Tea Party**

- [PDF Here](#)

- **Upcoming Dates**

- October 14th at 10:00am Stockton Rural Cemetery Clean Up
- October 21st: Chapter Meeting
- November 3 & 4: California Society SAR Fall Business Meeting
- November 11th: Veterans Day
- November 18th: Chapter Meeting, Awards & Elections
- December 16th: Wreaths Across America & Boston Tea Party 250

- **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 (In the Absence of a Chaplain)**

- “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 - September 16, 2023

**SAR Members**

**Guests**

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