

Our December Meeting

December 16, 2020



Compatriot Allen Greene (L) and Compatriot Allan Perkins (R) are in attendance for the December business meeting. Normally, the last meeting for the chapter occurs in November but with so many new Compatriots joining, it was a good time to get business in order to be prepared for 2021!

Robert Rankin, Texas SAR

Spring Creek Barbecue & Zoom November Meeting Highlights Business Meeting

- ❖ President Bruce McMordie presents This Day in History on the Boston Tea Party
- ❖ Nominations for Chapter Officers and Committee Chairmen
- ❖ Welcome Committee/Mentors for New Members
- ❖ Chapter Yearbook, Newsletter and Webpage
- ❖ JROTC Liaison
- ❖ Member Recognition and Presentation of Medals

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This Day in History



President Bruce McMordie (above) presents. On this day in history, December 16, 1773, the **Boston Tea Party** takes place when a group of angry patriots dump the tea from three ships into Boston Harbor to protest Parliament's tax on tea. In 1767, the **Townshend Acts** placed a tax on tea and other items for the first time, leading to boycotts of English goods in the colonies. The **Townshend Acts** were finally repealed in 1770, except for the tea tax, which Parliament left in place to assert that it did indeed have the right to tax the colonists.

Samuel Adams and several dozen men, some dressed as Mohawk Indians, marched to Griffin's Wharf and boarded the ships. 42 tons of tea from all three ships was dumped into the harbor, so much that the water of Boston Harbor was reportedly brown for a week! The dumping of the tea on this date was important because it meant the tea could not be resold to pay the taxes.



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Above: Compatriot Bobby Smith and Compatriot Jerry Clanton listen in on the business matters being discussed.

Below: Members of the Robert Rankin Color Guard (L-R): Allan Perking, Bobby Smith, Allen Greene and Tom Jackson.



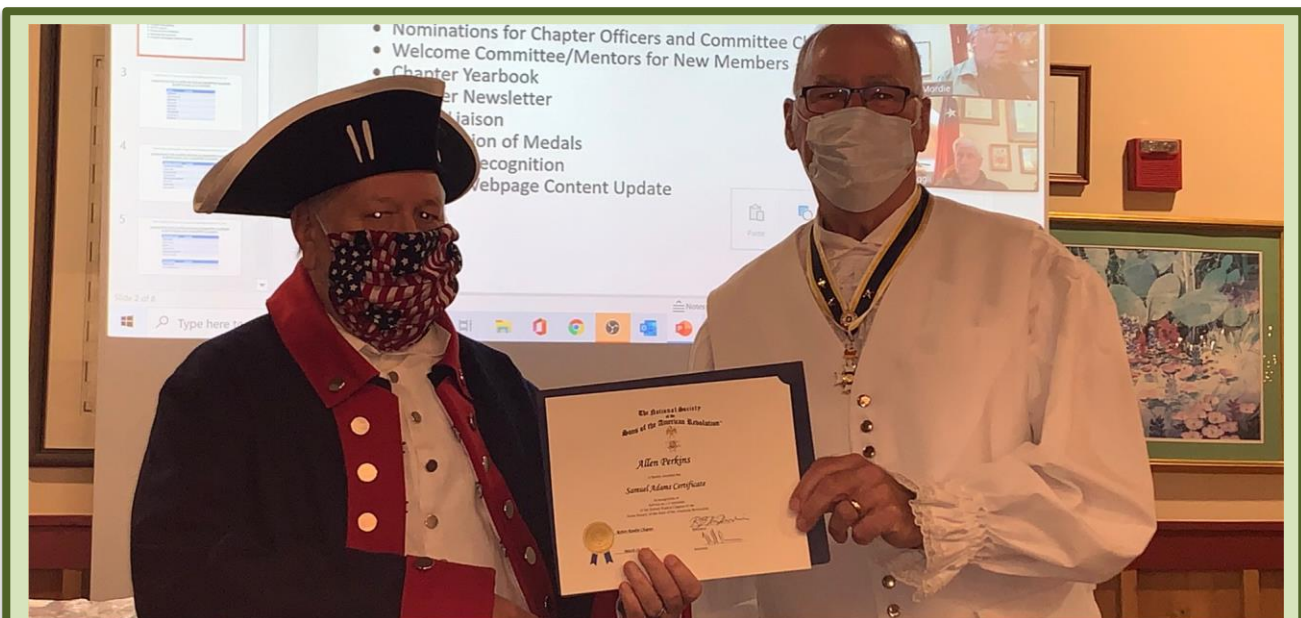
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Member Recognition



Compatriot Jerry Clanton (L) is presented the George Washington Certificate by Compatriot Allen Greene (R).



Compatriot Allan Perkins (L) is presented the Samuel Adams Certificate by Compatriot Allen Greene (R) on the anniversary of the Boston Tea Party!