



Robert Rankin Chapter #62
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Robert Rankin President
Bruce McMordie

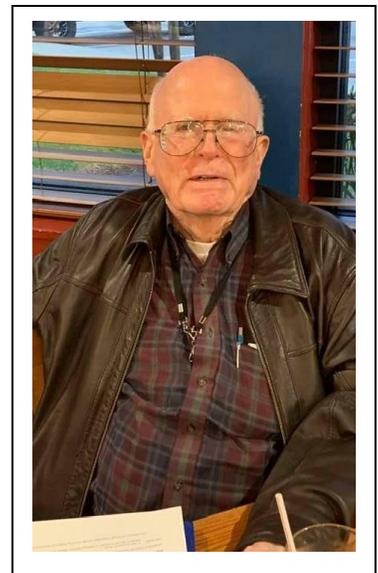
Message from the President

February has proved to be challenging for some in our chapter, as well as Compatriots throughout the state, as the freeze brought power outages and frozen pipes that would eventually cause even more damage.

It is not easy for some to ask for help. I encourage you to check on your fellow Compatriots to ensure they are okay and to see if help is needed. Some may not need the assistance but will undoubtedly appreciate the thought, those who need the help will be grateful.

Even though things are starting to get back to normal around town, due to the freeze, the March meeting will be pushed back a week to March 17th.

February Meeting



Above: Compatriot Theron McLaren and his wife, Olga, (at left) share a table with Compatriot Fred Jackson and his wife, Brenda. Top right photo: One of our newest members, Compatriot Don Andress.



New member Compatriot Richard Wimbish

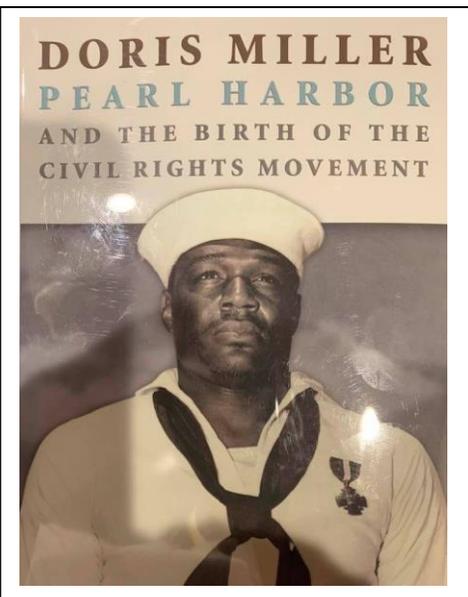
February Meeting

This is another hybrid meeting. Guest Speaker Dr. T. Michael Parrish joined us via Zoom, President Bruce McMordie presented This Day in History "Washington's Birthday" as prepared by IPP Allen Greene and Jennie Muggli and Paula Menard were awarded Certificates of Appreciation. These certificates were awarded in recognition of contributions with helping individuals become members of the SAR. Paula was recognized for assisting with the applications for Michael Bell and his son, and she will be eligible for a medal after assisting with the application of a third individual.

Guest Speaker Dr. T. Michael Parrish

The speaker is Baylor University professor, Dr. Parrish and he has two presentations. The first is his new book called Doris Miller Pearl Harbor and the Birth of the Civil Rights Movement. Since this is Black History Month, it is only appropriate that he leads with a story of this courageous sailor and hero of the Pearl Harbor attack.

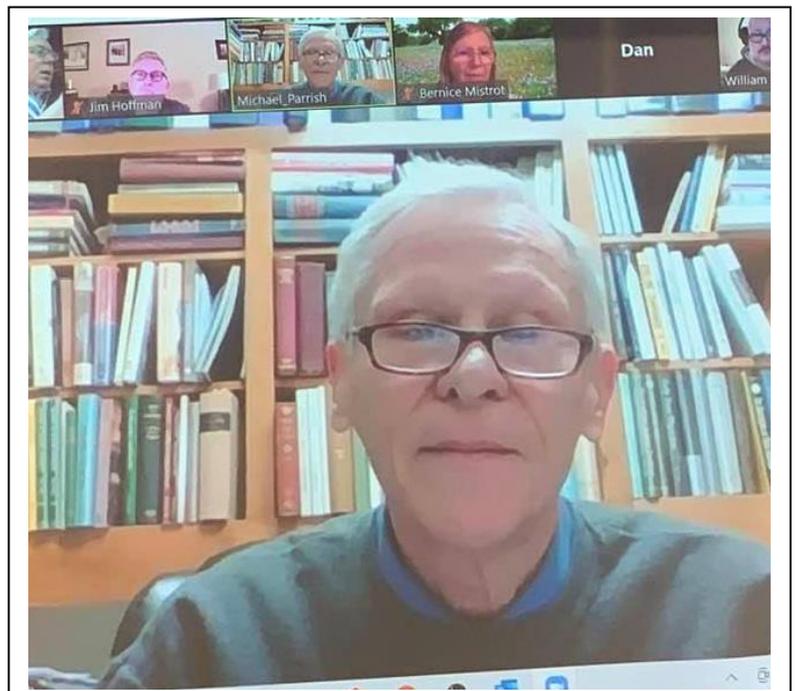
His second presentation is on the impact of George Washington upon Abraham Lincoln. This is a fascinating presentation and the Q&A afterwards is lively. He notes that Lincoln was staunchly anti-slavery, but not an abolitionist. But rather, an incrementalist, like the founding fathers.



Author Dr. T. Michel Parrish spoke about Doris Miller's role in the attack at Pearl Harbor

Lincoln did not forecast the civil war, but he did note you cannot have a country one way and the other way at the same time. He also reminds us that the impetus for Lincoln's assassination was his reminder to the Louisiana convention that black males should be granted suffrage.

Dr. Parrish reminds the group that you only see whites at civil war battlefields. Although we cannot truly see things from somebody else's point of view, we can most definitely try.



Robert Rankin Youth Contests

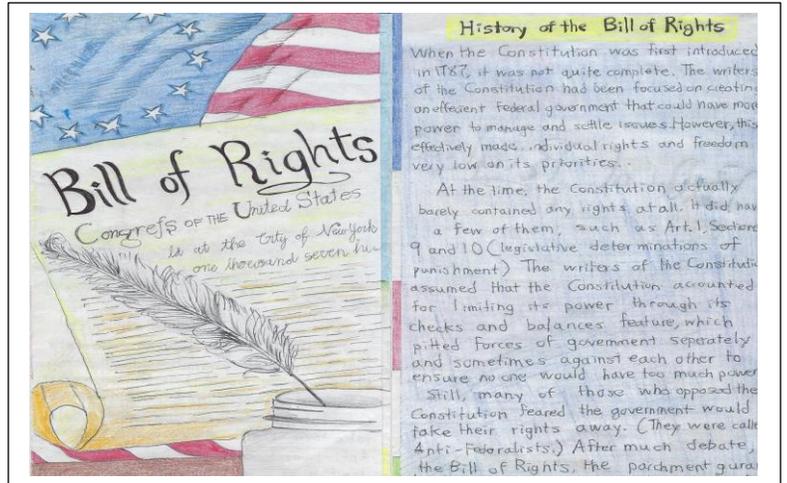
Once again, the Robert Rankin Chapter has participated in the MSBNC brochure contest. Several Robert Rankin winners have placed at the state level, with Kate Y. Jeong placing first last year. This year, approximately 130 students submitted entries.

2021 Brochure Contest Winners are:

- 1st Place –Seungho Jeong
- 2nd Place – Saanvi M Sunkavalli
- 3rd Place – Kimberly J Alfaro

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT:

- Jiayi Kuang
- Charles A Mayer
- Harrison Chen Shim
- Madelyn W Leung
- Isabella J Gee
- Holland J.L. Jackson
- Andrei Perepelitsa



First Place Brochure by Seungho Jeong

Winning first place in the Knight Essay and the C.A.R. Essay is Victoria Smith. Victoria currently serves as the President of the Texas CAR. In oratory, Jackson Waddle placed 6th in the district competition. In Eagle Scout, Herbert Henry Saegert placed first.



Robert Rankin Poster Contest

Morgan Wolter is the Robert Rankin Poster Contest Winner for a second year in a row. Morgan is a 5th grader at the Branch School. She has been a member of the Captain Edward Weyman Society CAR for two years and is currently serving as registrar. Her patriot ancestor is Alexander "Devil Alex" Ewing of Virginia, who served as aid-de-camp to General Nathanael Greene. She loves art, reading and playing Roblox.

Morgan placed second at the 2020 Texas State Convention and will be competing again at state in 2021.

Robert Rankin Chapter Poster Contest Winner Morgan Wolter

Registrar Update



Your Rankin Registrar Team, starting clockwise top left, includes Registrar Tom Jackson, Genealogist Jack Muggli, angel extraordinaire Jennie Muggli and Assistant Registrar Jerry Clanton. The biggest contributor here is Jennie, who is a lettered genealogist and has been a registrar for over 30 years. She has received each of the three medals that the SAR may give to a lady and has a cluster to go with each one! She has tackled some of the most challenging lineage puzzles successfully!

Congratulations to 2021 New Members

- ❖ Kevin Weber
- ❖ Don Andress
- ❖ Richard Wimbish
- ❖ Robert Dowling
- ❖ Harold Millard
- ❖ Michael Millard
- ❖ Joshua Olachia
- ❖ Micah Olachia

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Upcoming Events

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| National Leadership (Zoom) | March 6 |
| Special Congress | March 13 |
| Rankin Annual Meeting, | March 17 |
| Spring Creek Barbecue (Katy Fwy) | |
| Texas SAR Convention (Zoom) | April 16-17 |
| National Congress, Renton Washington | July 8 |

JUNE 2021						
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