2017 marks the 250th anniversary of the birth of John Quincy Adams.

John Adams famously wrote “I must study Politicks and War that my sons may have liberty to study Mathematicks and Philosophy. My sons ought to study Mathematicks and Philosophy … in order to give their Children a right to study Painting, Poetry, Musick.” The comment seems to describe the story of the family in the generations from John to Henry Adams. Yet the Adamses, whatever else they did, were political men and women. In 1821, an aging John Adams wrote his grandson George Washington Adams, an aspiring poet, that he must study politics, for “without some knowledge of it you will be always in confusion, blown about by every wind.” Politics were central to the story of the Adams family from the start, and at the foundation of the family’s politics was the American Revolution, a revolution that would create an American republic. With that in mind, the 2017 SAR Annual Conference proposes to explore the Adams family’s understanding of the nature, meaning, and significance of the American Revolution over the generations from John and Abigail to Henry and Brooks Adams. It will focus on the way their understanding of the American Revolution shaped their writings and their works from the Writs of Assistance Case in 1761 to Henry Adams’ death in the early 20th Century.

Please join us as the 2017 SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution considers The Adams Family and the American Revolution

Ten Papers in Five Sessions
All attendees of the 2017 SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution may attend all five sessions of the Conference. At each session, two papers will be presented. The Adams Family and the American Revolution will be discussed by scholars such as:

➢ Daniel Walker Howe, Oxford University and University of California, Los Angeles
➢ Jasper M. Trautsch, University of Regensburg
➢ Robert Shimp, Boston University
➢ Robert Eden, Hillsdale College

Other Conference Activities
Attendees who register for the Full Conference Package may also attend the following:

Friday ➢ Cocktail reception
Saturday ➢ Lunch
 ➢ Dinner, followed by a tribute to Lyman Butterfield, late editor of the Adams Papers
Sunday ➢ Brunch and a Roundtable Discussion of Presentations

led by Richard A. Samuelson, California State University, San Bernardino
Hotel Accommodations

The SAR has a block of rooms at Boston Marriott Quincy, 1000 Marriott Drive in Quincy, Massachusetts. Rooms at the Boston Marriott Quincy are from $179 per night, plus applicable state and local taxes. Please make your hotel reservations directly with the hotel. To reserve a room, call 800-228-9290 or 617-472-1000, and tell them you want to attend the 2017 SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution.

If you would prefer to stay somewhere else, or if the SAR’s block of rooms is sold out, there are several other hotels in and near Quincy, Massachusetts.

$250, Full Conference Package, including:
➢ Ten Papers in Five Sessions
➢ Friday reception
➢ Saturday lunch and dinner.
➢ Sunday brunch and the Roundtable Discussion

$100, Ten Papers Package for Adults:
➢ Ten Papers in Five Sessions

$50, Ten Papers Package for Students:
(Full time university or high school students)
➢ Ten Papers in Five Sessions

(These packages do not include meals.)

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Louisville, KY 40202

Please make your check payable to “National Society SAR.” The total number of attendees is limited, so please act soon. Registrations for the 2017 SAR Annual Conference on the American Revolution may be accepted until the Conference convenes or is full, but for planning purposes, please try to submit your reservation by June 1, 2017.

Please call the hotel of your choice directly to make your hotel reservations.

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| Ten Papers Package for Students: ________ | @ $50 ea. | $______ |
| TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED: $________ |