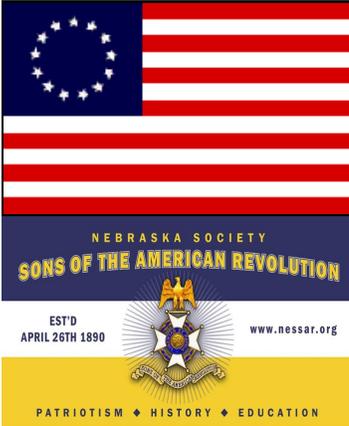




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## SHAWN KURT STONER NEBRASKA SOCIETY President's Message

Compatriots,  
Hot, cold, wet, dry, busy, exciting, and exhausting; all words that sum up the past few months for Nebraskans and the Nebraska SAR. It really is an honor and privilege to be associated with a group of individuals as dedicated and hard working as you, my Compatriots in the Nebraska SAR.

Since my last message to you, we have been growing, sharing, and educating Nebraska about the Sons of the American Revolution. In July, the Color Guard participated in their 2nd annual Independence Day Parade in Ralston, NE. It was a hot, long parade, but we had visibility in front of 40-45,000 members of the public. Omaha President, Thomas Upton, drove his red convertible carrying 2 SAR members and 1 DAR member. Our banner was again carried by Aylin and Nella Dolan, Nebraska CAR President and Past President, respectively.



Also, in July at National Congress, in Costa Mesa, CA, the Nebraska SAR Eagle Scout winner was presented the 1st Place award in the King Eagle Scout Contest. Ambrose Terneus and family members were flown to Costa Mesa, where he presented his essay and received his award, a \$10,000 scholarship. We are extremely proud that "one of our own" has been given such incredible recognition. You can read his essay in the last edition of *The Husker Patriot*.

On August 10, we were in Omaha, conducting a grave marking for our 1st Nebraska Society President, Col. Champion Spalding Chase. Look for more information within the pages of this edition. Earlier in the week, Paul Burrigh and myself, spoke with a reporter from the Omaha World Herald, about the SAR, the ceremony, and Col. Chase. To the surprise of all, Saturday morning's paper had a lengthy

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*Infamous*



*"Brown Bess"*

## Message from the Editors—

After almost 10 years, I am saying goodbye as Co-Editor of your Society newsletter, *The Husker Patriot*. It was a passion, and I sincerely loved helping crank them out each quarter, but it is time to move on and attack some other dreams.

I have absolutely no reservations about giving up these responsibilities because the newsletter will be left in very capable hands, Co-Editors Bill Webb and Paul Burrigh. They might be looking for someone to join the team, so if you are approached, please consider. Editing our newsletter was really fun to do. I'll still keep busy with the Nebraska SAR, writing biographies and researching and submitting more supplemental applications.

—Co-Editor, Robert L. Knott, Jr.

## ALL AROUND THE SOCIETY—3rd QUARTER 2019

### Omaha Chapter News

On 22 Jun 2019, members of our Omaha Chapter met up in Ft. Calhoun, NE at the Rustic Inn for a very good lunch. We had a lot of good conversation and we were able to meet one of our prospective members, Eric Willard.

Members of the chapter that were able to be in attendance include, President Tom Upton and his wife Jane and daughter Kathy, Treasurer John Parsons and his wife Pauline, Secretary Paul Burrigh and his wife Paula, Compatriot Hugh Nehls and his wife Katherine and granddaughter Hannah, Compatriot Bill Webb, Compatriot Mel Burrigh and his wife Sandra, and prospective member Eric Willard.

After lunch we drove over to Fort Atkinson and met at the Visitor's Center. We watched a short movie on the history of the Fort and the 6th Infantry Regiment that was stationed there, with many of the troops being War of 1812 veterans. We then toured the museum, which houses many artifacts from the time of the fort, which was occupied and in use from 1820-1827, as well as Indian relics and other items from archeological digs in the area of the fort.

Afterward, we traveled over to the main fort complex, and toured some of the open rooms and buildings, which housed the barracks, kitchens, offices, and other areas and store-rooms for the troops. The complex also houses the powder magazine, mills, and smith shops that kept the fort running, as well as the main council house that was used for diplomatic purposes when dealing with the various Indian Tribes of the region.

A fun time was had by those in attendance. We hope to be able to do something similar in the future, next summer, that will garner even more interest by the membership, to do something as a group, outside of our regular business meetings.



Compatriots Tom Upton, Paul Burrigh, Hugh Nehls, Mel Burrigh, Bill Webb, John Parsons and families, along with prospective member, Eric Willard at Fort Atkinson.

### Lincoln Chapter News

On Friday, 06 Sep 2019, the Lincoln Chapter had their monthly meeting at Eastmont Towers in Lincoln.

During their meeting, planning began on the American Heritage Dinner, set for this upcoming February, and securing a speaker for the event, the purchase of wreaths for the Wreaths Across America event this coming December 14, and continued a conversation on a Veteran's Memorial Garden, in Lincoln.

Compatriot, Terry Springer, was also presented his War Service Medal and Certificate, for his service in the Vietnam War. The medal was presented by Lincoln Compatriot, and Nebraska SAR Treasurer, John Braisted, who is also Compatriot Springer's brother-in-law.



Compatriot John Braisted, right, presenting the War Service Medal to Compatriot Terry Springer

### Member-At-Large News

#### Meet My Patriot

**Ichabod Crippen (NY) -  
by Compatriot Ronald Benton,  
Burwell, NE**

Recorded from the Cass Genealogy and History, Part 11 (1620-1970), compiled by Belva Grace Lowery, fifth child of Henry DeVerre and Hattie Engle Cass.

Ichabod Crippen was born 03 Aug 1765, to John Crippen, and died 04 May 1826 in Berne, New York. He married Mary Whiting 18 Sep 1783 in Spencertown, Columbia County, New York. Mary Whiting was born 25 Aug 1765, and died 09 Jul 1850, in Broome, New York.

Ichabod Crippen enlisted in the Revolutionary War, under Captain Tearse, Colonel Willett, Albany County New York Militia.

It was a custom in the Crippen families, to recognize the twenty-first birthdays of a son, by presenting him with a Freedom Suit, a horse, a bridle, and a saddle. Not only did Ichabod receive these items, but he did the same for his children, and when his daughters married, they received their choice of a string of gold beads, or ten sheep.

Ichabod's children were, 1. Amos; 2. David; 3. Hannah; 4. Abby; 5. Eliza; 6. Daniel; 7. Elijah; 8. Mary; 9. Rhoda; 10. Anna; 11. Ruby; 12. Ichabod.

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Any Member-At-Large, that has anything that they would like to add to the newsletter, under MAL news, please send your stories, pictures, etc., to Bill Webb or Paul Burrigh, so that all members of the Nebraska SAR can see the things that are happening west of Lincoln and Omaha in our State. We are also still in need of Patriot biographies, like you just read above. If you have not sent one for your Patriot, send one in as well!

## Revolutionary History

This past July, we celebrated the 243rd Anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. As you know, this document laid out our grievances with King George and Great Britain, and declared ourselves a new, free, and independent nation. Here are some fun facts regarding the Declaration and the men who signed it:

- The Declaration was not actually signed on July 4, 1776. President of the Congress, Richard Lee, put forth a motion on independence on June 7, which was tabled until July 1, to give Congressional members time to get feedback from their respective colonies on how to vote. In the meantime, the Committee of Five was formed, consisting of John Adams (MA), Benjamin Franklin (PA), Thomas Jefferson (VA), Roger Sherman (CT), and Robert Livingston (NY), to write the formal declaration. It was presented to the Committee of the Whole on June 28 and entire Congress reconvened on July 1 to hear the report. The vote was taken on July 2, with only New York abstaining in voting, as they had not heard from their colonial assembly on how to vote. Changes to the exact wording were debated and approved, and finally on July 4, the First Continental Congress officially approved the formal document. The Committee of Five was given the task of rewriting the document, with Congressional changes, to make it ready for printing. The official document was not signed by Congressional members until a formal signing on August 2, 1776.

- 56 members of Congress signed the Declaration, though not all who signed, were actually there during the vote to accept it. Some were voted into Congress after the July 2 vote.



- More than one copy exists. After the Committee of Five rewrote the Declaration after the changes, it was printed in the Philadelphia shop of John Dunlap. On July 5, copies were distributed across the 13 colonies to newspapers, local officials and commanders of the Continental Army. These are called the Dunlap Broad sides. These broad sides predate the official document the delegates signed. Of the hundreds thought to have been printed, only 26 survive today.

- When news of the Declaration broke, a riot broke out in New York City. Revolutionary fever had struck and the crowd that heard the reading of the Declaration, became so raucous, they tore down a statue of King George. It was melted down to make over 42,000 musket balls for the Continental Army.

- There is a 44 year age difference in the oldest and youngest signer. Benjamin Franklin was the oldest signer at the age of 70, when he penned his name to the parchment. The youngest signer, Edward Rutledge, was only 26 years old when he signed his name.

- All but 8 of the signers were born in the colonies. Button Gwinnett and Robert Morris were born in England, Francis Lewis was born in Wales, James Wilson and John Witherspoon were born in Scotland, George Taylor, Matthew Thornton, and James Smith were born in Ireland.



- Eldridge Gerry, Oliver Wolcott, Lewis Morris, Thomas McKean, and Matthew Thornton, all signed the document after everyone else on the August 2 signing. Thomas McKean was the last to sign the Declaration, and even though he stated on his deathbed that he signed in front of Congress in 1776, his signature was not on the document as it was presented in 1777. Some historians believe that he may not have signed the Declaration until 1781, a full 5 years after it was adopted.

- John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died on the same day, July 4, 1826, the 50th Anniversary of the Declaration. They worked closely together on the Committee of Five to draft the Declaration, had a major falling out when Adams was elected the 2nd President of the U.S., with Jefferson as Vice President. Their political ideologies did not mesh at all and they did not speak for many years. Later in life, Benjamin Rush got the two to reconcile and they wrote each other very frequently until their deaths. John Adams' final words as he passed away were, "Thomas Jefferson survives". Little did he know that Jefferson had passed away only a few hours earlier.

- Only one signer signed all 4 major founding documents, Roger Sherman. He signed the original Articles of Association, was on the Committee of Five and signed the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, and finally the Constitution. He even contributed, during the Constitutional Convention, "The Great Compromise". Smaller states were worried that a population determined form of representation would leave them with little voice in Congress, he suggested the dual house system we use today; The House of Representatives, based on population, and the Senate, with 2 for every State.

## Nebraska SAR 3rd Quarter Event News

### Purple Heart Honor Flight

On 24 May 2019, the Nebraska SAR CG participated in the Purple Heart Honor Flight Parade in downtown Omaha. The VFW, OPD Mounted Patrol, Police and Fire Honor Guards, and the OPD bagpipe and drum corps, and other local groups, all participated, along with VIP's, including, Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert, Governor Pete Ricketts, Congressman Don Bacon, and Senator Deb Fischer. The VIP's rode in WWII era jeeps at the front of the parade. The parade marched up 10th St. to the Durham Museum, where all the Honor Guards formed up at the entrance as the Purple Heart Veterans and Gold Star family members came through to see all of the support of the public in attendance. It was an honor for the SAR to be part of this ceremony.



With a couple of last minute cancellations from members of the CG, Compatriots Mel Burright and Jim Sly stepped up as our very own "minutemen" and utilized a couple of our loaner uniforms, so we were able to participate in the parade with a full Color Guard. Omaha Compatriot Jim Sly then expressed his interest in joining the Color Guard as a full member, so we are happy to announce that the Color Guard is continuing to grow in number.

### Memorial Day

There were many Memorial Day ceremonies across the State that SAR members participated in.

In Omaha, members of the Color Guard, Chad Sherrets, Paul Burright, Shawn Stoner, Jim Sly, and Tom Upton, participated in presenting the colors, along with the JROTC Color Guard from Millard South High School, at Omaha National Cemetery. Shawn Stoner was due to be at Prospect Hill Cemetery, but due to the storms the night before, the cemetery was too muddy and they had to cancel the ceremony, so he participated at the Omaha National Cemetery with the Omaha CG.

Members of the Lincoln Chapter, John Reinert and Tom Masters, were at the ceremony at Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln, and presented a wreath, on behalf of the Lincoln Chapter, at Soldier's Circle.

### Independence Day



The Color Guard, once again, participated in the Independence Day parade in Ralston, NE. This is a very large event every year, and we were one of approximately 150 parade entries.

Compatriots Chad Sherrets, Paul Burright, Shawn Stoner, John Braisted, and Jim Sly, all marched with the Color Guard, with the banner carried again this year, by C.A.R. members,

Nella and Aylin Dolan. Behind the Color Guard, Omaha Chapter President Tom Upton drove his convertible with Compatriots Mel Burright (Omaha) and Terry Springer (Lincoln), along with DAR member Evelyn Braisted, as passengers. Many spectators stood and either saluted or covered their hearts as the Color Guard marched by.



### Grave Marking Ceremonies

The Nebraska SAR is using 2019 as a celebration year, leading up to our 130th Anniversary, on 26 Apr 2020. As part of this year of celebration, we wanted to begin to honor some of our founding members by hosting our very first Compatriot Grave Marking Ceremonies.

There is a lot of planning and logistics to work through, to put one of these ceremonies together. Members of the State Grave Marking Committee, helped by coordinating the many different organizations that participated with us, contacting cemetery officials and attending meetings, to present what we were planning to do including getting their permission to move forward. We also needed to order food and drinks, contacting the media to help get our program out to the public. Other tasks included setting and installing the SAR Member Marker on the grave sites. Members, who were unable to join in the workings

of the committee, helped by donating to the expenses that begin to accumulate as the planning goes forward. Not only is there an expense for the grave marker itself, but also food, sound systems, chairs, etc. We appreciate each and every member that volunteered their time and money to help us put these ceremonies on to honor our founding Nebraska members. The SAR does offer a Compatriot Grave Marking Medal. To be qualified to receive the medal, you must be part of the grave marking as a participant, planner, or financial supporter. As a financial supporter, you must donate at least \$60 toward the cost of the event. You must participate in, help plan, or donate financially, to a minimum of 15 ceremonies for the Bronze Grave Marking Medal.

For 2019, we decided to honor our 1st State President and our 1st Nebraska SAR member.

**Champion Chase**

On 10 Aug 2019, the Nebraska SAR hosted a Compatriot Grave Marking for our 1st State Society President, Champion S. Chase, at Prospect Hill Cemetery in Omaha.



Omaha Compatriot, and former Mayor and Congressman, Hal Daub, was our featured speaker, talking on the life of Champion Chase. The SAR Color Guard, with help from former VP-General, Mike Rowley (IASSAR), and current VP-General, Chris Moberg (MNSSAR), presented the colors, in conjunction with the Nebraska Rangers, Sons of Veterans Reserve, in Civil War uniform, to present the 21 gun, musket volley, before the playing of TAPS.



Champion Chase was a Lt. Colonel in the Civil War, Omaha Mayor, 1st Attorney General of Nebraska, Commander of the US Grant GAR Post #1 in Omaha, and University of Nebraska, Board of Regent, as well as our first Nebraska SAR President.

A wreath laying ceremony was also part of the dedication, with wreaths being laid by the Nebraska SAR,



Omaha SAR, Lincoln SAR, Nebraska DAR, Nebraska C.A.R., Nebraska SUVCW, Nebraska DUVCW, Tent #1-Omaha DUVCW, and Tent #7-Lincoln DUVCW.



We had a nice crowd in attendance and all enjoyed refreshments afterward.

**Aurelius Bowen**

On 24 Aug 2019, the Nebraska SAR hosted its second Compatriot Grave Marking of the summer. This ceremony was for Dr. Aurelius Bowen, who was our 1st Society member, and 5th State President.



Dr. Bowen was a prominent surgeon, and acted in that capacity, in the 2nd Nebraska Calvary during the Civil War. He was involved in the Battle of Whitestone Hill, during the Sioux Wars in 1863. Nebraska SAR President, Shawn Stoner, presented a short biography of Aurelius Bowen's life, which included a brief excerpt from a book written about the battle.



A wreath laying ceremony was part of this dedication as well, with wreaths being laid by the Nebraska SAR, Omaha

SAR, Lincoln SAR, Nebraska DAR, Nebraska C.A.R., Nebraska SUVCW, and Nebraska DUVCW.

The Nebraska SAR Color Guard was also in participation, along with the Nebraska Rangers, Sons of Veterans Reserve, who provided a musket volley, prior to the playing of TAPS, in honor of Dr. Bowen's Civil War Service.

### President's Message from 1st page

article, including pictures of Col. Chase, his grave stone, and the SAR marker that we placed at his grave. It was a beautiful, slightly overcast morning with a great turnout. Compatriot Hal Daub of the Omaha Chapter, and former Mayor of Omaha and Nebraska Congressman, presented a biography and words on Compatriot Chase. After the ceremony **Compatriot Daub was recognized** by presenting him **with a 35 year Nebraska Society SAR membership pin.** We also had 2 special guests join our Color Guard, Immediate Past VP-General, North Central District, Mike Rowley from Iowa, and current VP-General, North Central District, from Minnesota (and new Nebraska dual member) Chris Moberg. Thank you to all that participated and attended.

On August 24, we had a similar grave marking for our 5th Nebraska President, Dr. Aurelius Bowen, in Nebraska City, NE. Again it was a beautiful, sunny August morning, with a nice breeze, making it a pleasant morning for all. The Color Guard was again in attendance with a compliment of the Nebraska Rangers, Sons of Veterans Reserve, a unit of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, who presented a musket salute for our 5th President, and surgeon for the 2nd Nebraska Cavalry during the Civil War.

We are in the beginning stages of planning another grave marking, probably late Spring or early Summer 2020, in Lincoln, for the 1942 President General, who was a Lincoln and Nebraska member, Sterling Fann Mutz. He is the only President General from Nebraska, so we want to make this a large national event. Look for more details soon in the upcoming months.

Let me close by reminding you that dues notices will be coming out within a few days of this newsletter. Your membership is deeply appreciated and we know that you will endeavor to pay them in a timely manner. To help facilitate easier payment of dues, we will be adding the option to pay them via PayPal. Instructions will be in the dues letter.

### Fall State Meeting

The Nebraska Society Fall Meeting was held at Mahoney State Park, Sunday, September 15, 2019 at 2pm. Lunch was available at the Caddy's Parkside Grill for members and awardees that wanted to eat at the park. President Stoner called the meeting to order approximately 2:30 pm. There was a Quorum. This was followed by the Color Guard posting the Colors, Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR. Past SAR Presidents were recognized followed by the Law Enforcement awards and the awards Nebraska received from 2019 National Congress.

### Awards presented by Nebraska Society

Law Enforcement Medal Awardee - Levi Krause (Recommendation Letter will be in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Newsletter)  
NESSAR Awardee Fred Walden, State Distinguished Service  
NESSAR Awardee - Paul Burrignt, Meritorious Service  
NESSAR Awardee - Merle McAlevy, Meritorious Service

### First Responder Awardee



L—R State President Shawn Stoner, LEO Medal Awardee, Lt. Levi Krause, his spouse Julie Krause, NE Game and Parks Law Enforcement Administrator, Craig Stover

### 2019 Congress Eagle Scout Essay Contest Winner

Arthur M. King Eagle Scout National Scholarship Award of \$10,000 to Ambrose Terneus see article page 7 this issue

### 2019 National Congress Awards to Nebraska Society

King Eagle Scout Award – State that sponsored the first place Eagle Scout National \$10,000 Award  
Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award – Flag Certificate presentation  
Arlene Wilson Groves Award – Award to the State Society based on size, that presents evidence of best implementation S.A.R resolutions and principles (Americanism Report)

### Business meeting - Officers reports

Minutes from Spring meeting accepted  
Treasurers report by State Treasurer, John Braisted  
Registrar report, medals and certificates Robert Knott  
Publicity (Newsletter) William Webb  
Color Guard activities and Patriot Chest purchase, Chad Sherrits  
Web Site - Shawn Stoner  
Grave Markings - Shawn Stoner

### New Business

2020 - is the 130th Anniversary celebration for the Nebraska Society  
2026 - is the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence  
Visit our Web Site for more information <http://www.nessar.org/>

Meeting was adjourned followed by "Until We Meet Again"

The Spring meeting will be held Sunday, April 26, 2020 at Mahoney State Park. Plan to attend

**129th NSSAR 2019  
National Congress**

Chris Moberg, Vice President General, North Central District:



The annual national congress of the SAR was held from Friday, July 5 to Thursday, July 11, 2019. The weather was extremely pleasant the

entire time, making it difficult to return to the hot and humid Midwest. A number of tours were offered during the week, including a "Huntington Library and Gardens" tour, a "Lyons Air Museum and Richard Nixon Presidential Library" tour, a "San Juan Capistrano Mission" tour, and a "Ronald Reagan Presidential Library" tour. The host society reception was a beautiful four-hour dinner cruise in Newport Beach on the Hornblower ship "Endless Dreams." I had the honor of participating with the color guard at the President General's review at Castaway Park, the memorial service at Saint Andrews Church, and congress sessions and banquets at The Hilton Hotel.

Attendees heard outstanding speeches by high school students during the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Orations contest. During the youth awards luncheon, **Nebraska Eagle Scout Ambrose Terneus** was present to read his 1st place essay.



In addition to the reading of the essay, top posters and brochures were

displayed at the luncheon. A unique opportunity at this year's conference was four excellent sessions hosted by the William L. Clements Library from the University of Michigan. The Clements library has one of the best collections of primary source materials for the American Revolution in the country and is proud to be collaborating with the SAR.

Some of the items of business conducted at the national congress included:

1. Two additional classes of membership already in the bylaws were added to the constitution: national life membership and emeritus membership.
2. The memorial membership in the bylaws was changed to allow membership of deceased children and to ensure that a new patriot ancestor is not used on the application.
3. "Independent Audit Committee" was changed to "Audit Committee" in the bylaws, and the number of committee members was increased from five to seven.
4. The bylaws were updated to clarify that life members who let their state society membership lapse do not need to pay national dues upon reinstatement to a state society.
5. Incorrect information about membership requirements for the Ladies' Auxiliary were removed from the bylaws.

Next year's congress will be in Richmond, Virginia. If you would like to attend, feel free to contact me for more information..

**Ambrose Terneus** with Merle



Rudebusch presenting Nebraska's \$500 Scholarship from Merle Rudebusch during the Spring 2019 State meeting at Mahoney State Park. His essay was entered in the NSSAR Essay Competition and can be found

in the 2nd Quarter Husker Patriot.



**Fredrick Charles (Chuck) Walden**

Frederick Charles (Chuck) Walden passed away, peacefully, at the age of 64, on 21 Jul 2019. Chuck was a



member of the Omaha Chapter and was approved for membership on 20 Nov 2013, and was a descendant of Samuel Bridge (PA). From his published obituary:

"Although a less than average span, Chuck did not live an average life. Chuck wore numerous titles, including Eagle Scout, Army Military Policeman, outdoorsman, college graduate, race car driver, IT guru, fixer of all broken things (literally all things), Husband, Dad, and Grandpa."

Chuck was one of 6 Waldens who are members of the Omaha Chapter.

**Ron Benton, Burwell, NE**

Ronald Myron Benton, from Burwell, NE, passed away 09 Aug 2019, at the age of 79. Ron



was a new SAR member, having been accepted into the Society on 07 Dec 2018. Ron was a descendant of Ichabod Crippen (NY).

Ron worked 30 years in the freight and transportation industry. After retiring, and still loving to drive, he drove patrons to appointments with the Burwell Community Memorial Health Center. He was very active as a church deacon, Sunday School teacher and usher through the years.

SOCIETY INFORMATION



**SAR APPLICATIONS**

Please mail all new member and supplemental applications to our Nebraska SAR State Secretary: **Compatriot John Reinert, P.O. Box 83251, Lincoln, NE 68501-3251.** If you need to contact Compatriot Reinert, he may be reached by phone at 402-432-9168 or by email at: [JR6@AOL.Com](mailto:JR6@AOL.Com).

**PLEDGE TO THE SAR**

We the 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.

**SAR RECESSINAL**

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligation to our forefathers, who gave us our constitution, the bill of rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.

**4th Quarter 2019 Meetings and Events**

Friday, Oct 4—Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers, Lincoln, NE

Tuesday, Oct 8—Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:30 pm, Gorat’s, Omaha, NE—Program: 150 Architectural Structures in NE

Friday, Nov 1—Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers, Lincoln, NE

Saturday, Nov 09—**Veterans Day Parade, Lincoln, NE**

Tuesday, Nov 12—Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm, Gorat’s, Omaha, NE—Program: Operation Mulberry; The 75th Anniversary of D-Day

Friday, Dec 6—Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers, Lincoln, NE

Tuesday, Dec 10—Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm, Gorat’s, Omaha, NE—Program: End of Year Celebration; Chapter Elections

Saturday, Dec 14—**Wreaths Across America, 11am, various locations around Nebraska**

**Contact information update**

If you, as a Nebraska SAR member, have recently had a change in address, telephone number, or email contact information, please inform State Secretary, John Reinert. His email is [jr6@aol.com](mailto:jr6@aol.com). Help us keep our records up to date!



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