



## OMAHA CHAPTER

### MINUTES OF THE 08 FEBRUARY 2022 MEETING

The Omaha Chapter of the SAR met at Gorat's Steakhouse. Members and guests attending: Jim Sly, Fred Walden, Mel Burright (Sandy), Paul Burright (Paula), Ben Harvey, John Parsons (Pauline), Tom Upton (Jane), Chuck Real (Marita), Andrew Nehls (Lori), Andrew Sullivan, Drew Whitler (Cheryl), Ron Stites, Merle McAlvey, Craig Noah (Debby)

#### OPENING:

- Call to order by President Paul Burright.
- All Attendees stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Members remained standing and recited the Pledge to the SAR.
- Members introduced attending guests. Introduction of new transfer member Craig Noah and Debby, his wife.
- Meeting minutes from 11 January 2022 were voted on and accepted as presented by the chapter Secretary. Motion.

#### OFFICERS' REPORTS:

- Treasurer Andrew Nehls provided an interesting discussion of his experience in setting up a new business account that included a transfer from a previous individual account. Several errors were made by US Bank in this process that required ordering new checks after the original order had been found to contain a bank error. The new account has now been established under the Omaha chapter SAR. Treasurer also explained how the Wreaths Across America program and our participation benefit our Chapter.
- President Paul Burright provided updated information on pending new applications from both Omaha and Lincoln chapters. These are pending at National, which at this time is working on April 21, 2021 new applications. The Omaha chapter has 11 pending supplemental applications and 5 new applications. All applications are currently being worked either at the local, state or national levels.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- There was no carry-over of old business from previous meetings.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- The American Heritage luncheon will be held 19 February, 2022 at the Havelock Social Hall in Lincoln.
- An information brochure about a DAR liaison program was passed around explaining how new applicants for membership could be exchanged through the DAR and SAR.
- Notation made of the upcoming Greater Omaha Genealogical Society's upcoming spring conference that will include a speaker on how to research Revolutionary War ancestors.
- Merle McAlvey reminded membership of the upcoming SAR state meeting to be held April 24, 2022.
- Chuck Real proposed participation by the Omaha Chapter in the Nebraska National History Day to include a \$200 award to the student who produces the best presentation on the American Revolution. It was decided to forgo any action this year and to discuss at the state meeting.

- Jim Sly suggested that as part of the monthly meetings, he was planning to include a short 5-10 minute presentation by a member that would cover the member's Patriot ancestor.
- Andrew Sullivan wanted to encourage members to think about a heritage defense fund in light of the recent activities that call into review the history of the United States and its founders.

**PROGRAM:**

- **No program scheduled**

**CLOSING:**

- There being no other business, all members rose and recited "Until We Meet Again . . ." The meeting adjourned at 2030 hours. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and agreed to by the membership.
- Next Meeting: **8 March 2022 at Gorat's.**

Respectfully submitted: Chuck Real, Secretary, Omaha Chapter