

OMAHA CHAPTER - Minutes of the 08 March 2022 Meeting

The Omaha Chapter of the SAR met at Gorat's Steakhouse. Members and guests attending: Jim Sly (Janet), Fred Walden (Jan), Mel Burright (Sandy), Paul Burright (Paula), Ben Harvey, John Parsons (Pauline), Tom Upton (Jane), Andrew Nehls, Andrew Sullivan, Ron Stites (Tami), Merle McAlvey, Craig Noah, Todd Vetter (Lucy), David Kentsmith (Kitty), Jim Gansemer (Jackie), Bill Treu (Stacey), Mark Byars (Nicki)

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.
- Meeting minutes from 8 Feb 2022 were voted on and accepted as presented by the chapter Secretary. Motion by David Kentsmith, Second by John Parsons, Accepted by voice vote.

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

- Treasurer Andrew Nehls provided a printed Treasurers Report for the membership detailing the hardships endured in setting up the new account. Motion on approval by David Kentsmith, Second by John Parsons, Accepted by voice vote.
- President/State Registrar Paul Burright gave report on 12 supplemental applications, 4 new member applications waiting for approval at National. Numerous inquiries and applications in various states of progress.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Paul talked about the past District Zoom meeting, as well as the upcoming meeting on March 29. He also reminded the members that we receive points on the Americanism Report for member attendance at these meetings.
- Tom Upton gave a great report on the American Heritage Luncheon in Lincoln in February. We hope to have more members attend next year.
- John Parsons discussed the upcoming ROTC award ceremonies, giving dates and times, and securing volunteers to present medals. We still have 6 open ceremonies that we need volunteers for.

NEW BUSINESS:

- President Paul Burright informed the membership of the resignation of the Chapter Secretary and informed the membership that we need someone to step in and take that role for the remainder of the term.
- New members, Jim Gansemer and Mark Byars, were inducted into the chapter and presented with their rosettes and member certificates. Members mustered in their Patriot at the end of the meeting.
- Jim Sly gave info on the plan to hold a Liberty Tree planting ceremony in Veterans Park in Papillion. More info to come later.
- State President Merle McAlevy reminded the members of the Spring State Meeting on April 24.

PROGRAM:

- Jim Sly gave a presentation on his Patriot Ancestor, Davis Ball
- **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: 12 April 2022 at Gorat's.

Submitted by President Paul Burright