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AMERICA 250! KEARNEY, NE



From the Desk of the President

Presidents Message

Compatriots, Ladies, and Friends,

With the arrival of Spring, it is time for us to gather for our Semi-Annual Meeting at Mahoney State Park this coming April 16. As usual, we will begin the meeting at 2pm. What isn't usual is that they have told us that their food service option is not available at this time. They are currently looking for a new vendor.



Your Executive Committee met this past week and the Board of Managers (formerly, Board of Counselors) will be meeting on April 1st.

The State meeting will be a great opportunity to hear

about the progress our Color Guard has been making, a report on new member growth, as well as the developing plans for America 250.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone.

Thomas Upton
President—Nebraska SAR



Life Membership in the Nebraska SAR

This article is being provided for members who may want to explore Life Memberships in the Sons of American Revolution. We have had many new members approved for membership since we started to offer this option in 2014 and they may not know about it.

National has offered Life Memberships for many years and following their lead, the Nebraska Society started to offer Life Memberships. We currently have 4 members that have purchased a Life Membership. Life memberships can be helpful if the cost of membership dues increase. National Life Membership information can be found at www.sar.org.

If you were unaware that Nebraska had life memberships, this may be an opportunity for you. The official application for a Nebraska life membership can be found on the State web site by clicking on this link:

[Nebraska SAR | est. April 26, 1890 \(nessar.org\)](http://Nebraska SAR | est. April 26, 1890 (nessar.org))

The application may be printed, completed, and then submitted as a hard copy to the State Secretary along with a check made out to the State Treasurer. The cost of the membership is based on your age at the time of your application. Page 2 of the application form has a chart for purchase based on your age.



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State Society News



Welcome New Members



The Nebraska Society is proud to welcome seven new members to our organization this quarter.

Jerry LeRoy Calvin—#225105

Member at Large—McCook, NE
Patriot—Joseph Ricker (MA)
Approved on Jan 27, 2023

Michael Richard Kellar—#225258

Member at Large—Niobrara, NE
Patriot—Richard Bird (NC)
Approved on Feb 10, 2023

Richard Nathaniel Hulse—#225594

Member at Large—North Platte, NE
Patriot—James Codill (NC)
Approved on Mar 17, 2023

Adam Joel Ensign—#225592

Lincoln Chapter
Patriot Daniel Shedd (NH)
Approved Mar 17, 2023

David Grayson Ensign—#225593

Lincoln Chapter
Patriot Daniel Shedd (NH)
Approved Mar 17, 2023

Kyle Ronald Hefner—#225595

Omaha Chapter
Patriot Cephas Kent, Sr. (VT)
Approve Mar 17, 2023

Chadwick Allan Callenius—#225702

Member at Large—Norfolk, NE
Patriot—Robert Colburn (NJ)
Approved on Mar 24, 2023

Welcome to all of our newest members of the Nebraska SAR!!

Supplementals



The Nebraska Society is also proud to announce numerous approved supplemental applications and Patriots.

Nicholas John Mizaur—160582
Omaha

Patriot—Edward Evarts (VT)
Patriot—Samuel Porter, Sr. (CT)
Patriot—Samuel Porter, Jr. (CT/NY)
All approved on Jan 20, 2023

Charles Edward Real—216406
Omaha

Patriot—Nicholas Keefer (PA)
Approved on Jan 20, 2023

Robert L. Knott, Jr—#161712
Omaha

Patriot Samuel Hinds (VA)
Approved on Feb 24, 2023

Compatriot Bob Knott, from the Omaha Chapter, now has 19 approved Patriots, with the approval of Samuel Hinds.

Congratulations to everyone on their approved lineages to Revolutionary Patriots!

Nebraska SAR Member Medal



This reminder is for all Nebraska SAR members who do not have a Nebraska SAR member medal that the medals are available to purchase for all members.

We had 14 approved new members this past year, as well as 4 members that transferred in from other state societies to ours. We also know that there are many current, long term members who do not yet have a member medal.

These Bronze Nebraska SAR member medals (pictured above) are available for purchase, for any member of the Nebraska SAR, for \$25. They are available in both the large and miniature size. You are able to purchase these medals, just for being a member of the Nebraska SAR.

The medal also comes in silver, and the State Society will award a member with the Silver Nebraska SAR medal for attending a National Congress that are held annually in the summer.

If you would like to purchase a Nebraska SAR member medal, contact our State Awards & Medals Chairman, Ron Stites, at rontami@cox.net.

REVOLUTIONARY HISTORY—AMERICA 250!



Virginia establishes Committee of Correspondence March 12, 1773

Committees of correspondence were emergency provisional governments set up in the 13 American colonies in response to British policies leading up to the Revolutionary War. The exchange of ideas, information, and debate between different committees of correspondence helped organize and mobilize patriotic resistance in communities throughout the colonies and built the foundations for the Continental Congress.

Up until the late 18th century, Britain's American colonies enjoyed a high level of autonomy and control over their own political and economic affairs, thanks to the long-standing unofficial policy known as salutary neglect. This began to change soon after the French and Indian War, when King George III and his ministers set out to

strengthen Britain's hold on the colonies (and raise revenue to pay the British War debt).

Tensions began rising in 1764 with the British Parliament's passage of the Sugar Act, which imposed a duty on sugar and molasses imported into the colonies. This was followed swiftly by the Currency Act, which prohibited the colonies from printing their own currency; and the Stamp Act, which required colonists to pay a tax on paper and printed materials.

During the 1760's, Boston, New York, and other colonies established committees of correspondence to organize resistance to such unpopular legislation. These early committees of correspondence were assumed to be temporary structures that would be dissolved as soon as a particular policy was rescinded. They proved effective in mobilizing opposition to British policies. By 1770, Britain had repealed the Stamp Act and most of the Townshend Acts, a series of measures that taxed goods like china, glass,

lead, paint, paper, and tea.

In November 1772, Samuel Adams and other leading patriots formed the Boston Committee of Correspondence in response to the news that governors, judges, and other high officials in Massachusetts Bay Province would be paid their salaries by the Crown, rather than by colonial legislatures. Adams argued that this threatened colonists' right to fair trials, as the judges were responsible to the British king instead of local institutions. After the Boston committee wrote a list of grievances against the British government and distributed it widely, committees of correspondence began forming in towns throughout Massachusetts and beyond.

Growing patriotic discontent in Boston erupted into the Boston Tea Party in December 1773, and British reprisals—including passage of the Coercive Acts (known in the colonies as the Intolerable Acts) in the spring of 1774—would only fan the flames of colonial resistance. Instead of isolating Massachusetts and preventing unified resistance to British policies, the Intolerable Acts instead served to rally more support behind the growing Patriot cause.

Meanwhile, fallout continue from the Gaspee Affair (article in Issue 47, 2nd quarter 2022 of *The Husker Patriot*), which involved a group of Rhode Islanders who burned a British customs ship in June 1772. Parliament had ordered a omission to investigate the ship's burning and send the perpetrators back to England to trial. Viewing this as an alarming act of imperialism, the Virginia House of Burgesses formed its own committee of correspondence in March 1773 to open up communication and organize resistance among the colonies.



Patrick Henry speaking out in the House of Burgesses

By the end of 1774, networks of com-

mittees of correspondence had been established in 11 of the 13 colonies, excluding Pennsylvania and North Carolina, with an estimated total membership of 7000 people.

The committees of correspondence functioned mainly as a means of spreading news and information about the Patriot cause and mobilizing opposition to British policies in cities, town, and rural communities throughout the colonies. Many members were also affiliated with local chapter of the Sons of Liberty, the secret military and political organization that had been instrumental in carrying out the Boston Tea Party.

In the year leading up the Revolutionary War, committees of correspondence provided the structure for choosing delegates to represent each colony at the First Continental Congress, which convened in Philadelphia in September 1774 to demand an end to British repression of colonial liberties. Local committees of correspondence throughout the colonies later collaborated with committees of safety, which were empowered to organize, train, and arm provincial militias as needed.

With the outbreak of war on April 19, 1775 at Lexington and Concord, the committees of correspondence became the de facto government of the rebellious colonies. Though replaced by provincial congresses during the conflict, they continued to function at the local level.

Virginia's Resolutions Establishing a Committee of Correspondence

“March 12, 1773

“Whereas, the minds of his Majesty’s faithful subjects in this colony have been much disturbed by various rumours and reports of proceedings tending to deprive them of their ancient, legal, and constitutional rights.

“And whereas, the affairs of this colony are frequently connected with those of Great Britain, as well as of the neighbouring colonies, which renders a communication of sentiments necessary; in order, therefore, to re-

move the uneasinesses and to quiet the minds of the people, as well as for the other good purposes above mentioned Be it resolved, that a standing committee of correspondence and inquiry be appointed to consist of eleven persons, to wit: the Honourable Peyton Randolph, Esquire; Robert Carter Nicholas, Richard Bland, Richard Henry Lee, Benjamin Harrison, Edmund Pendleton, Patrick Henry, Dudley Digges, Dabney Carr, Archibald Cary, and Thomas Jefferson, Esquires, and six of whom to be a committee, whose business it shall be to obtain the most early and authentic intelligence of all such Acts and resolutions of the British Parliament, or proceedings of administration, as may relate to or affect the British colonies in America, and to keep up and maintain a correspondence and communication with our sister colonies, respecting these important considerations; and the result of such their proceedings, from time to time, to lay before this House.

“Resolved, that it be an instruction to the said committee that they do, without delay, inform themselves particularly of the principles and authority on which was constituted a court of inquiry, said to have been lately held in Rhode Island, with powers to transmit persons accused of offences committed in America to places beyond the seas to be tried.

“The said resolutions being severally read a second time, were, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House, nemine contradicente.

“Resolved, that the speaker of this House do transmit to the speakers of the different assemblies of the British colonies on the continent, copies of the said resolutions, and desire that they will lay them before their respective assemblies, and request them to appoint some person or persons of their respective bodies, to communicate from time to time with the said committee.”

Flag Certificates

Ed Zachary, General Manager, and Scott Herchert, Building Maintenance, were presented the Flag Certificate at Greg Young Chevrolet.



Thomas Augustine, Bank Manager of Premiere Bank.



Charles Elford, Sales Consultant at Superior Honda



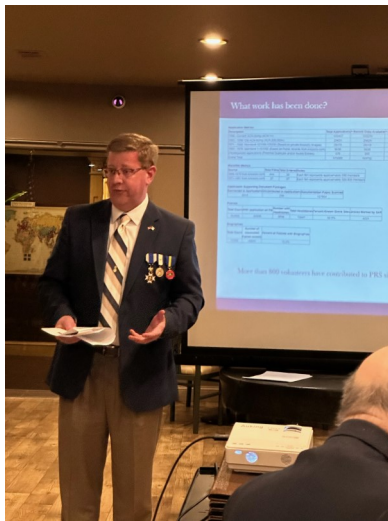
Bill Fuller, President of Ironworkers Local #21.



Chapter Chatter

Omaha Chapter

The February Meeting saw Secretary, Mark Byars, give a presentation to the members in attendance on the changes and improvements to the Patriot Research System. Compatriot Byars, like Compatriots Paul Burright and Ryan Fuller, is a volunteer with the PRS, and helps to upload lineage information, biographies, and other special projects to help improve the site.



On Sunday, Feb 26th, Omaha Compatriots Chad Sherrets and Mark Byars, both members of the Color Guard, did the first Patriot Chest Presentation for the Omaha Chapter for the Webelos Cub Scout den of Pack 396.



They presented to 5 fourth graders, 1 second grader, the Pack Leader, the Den Leader, and 2 of the parents. The presentation was scheduled for

1 hour, but the kids (and adults) had so many questions that it lasted nearly an hour and a half.

Both Mark and Chad broke the presentation up into categories, presenting on the uniforms, soldier's gear, entertainment items, food and dining, and money. Items were able to be passed around to the audience for them to examine. In addition, demonstrations were done including having everyone attempt to blow out the candle inside a pierced tin lantern (nobody could), how cartridges were made by the soldiers and loaded into a musket, and why the soldiers fought in lines. Compatriot Sherrets prepared a recipe based on Martha Washington's cookbook for "Jumbles" cookies so the audience could sample how the food tasted 250 years ago. The cookies were a hit!



The Pack Leader quizzed the kids at the end of the presentation, and they were enthusiastically yelling out the correct answers. At this age, the American Revolution hasn't been covered in school yet (that typically happens in the 5th grade), so this was a great introduction for them!

The Pack Leader and Den Leader both were very appreciative and asked to make this an annual event for the 4th graders. A great time was had by all.



Lincoln Chapter

American Heritage Luncheon

The 10th Annual American Heritage Luncheon was held on Saturday, Feb 18, 2023. The Lincoln Chapter hosts this event and it has been held annually, on the weekend closest to President George Washington's Birthday.

As usual, there were many different lineage organizations represented at the event. Along with the SAR, we also had members of the DAR, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Society of the War of 1812, Daughters of the War of 1812, the Huguenot Society, the Mayflower Society, Son of a Witch, Society of Colonial Wars, Society of American Farmers, and many others.



Members of the Huguenot Society

The speakers for the event are procured from the Nebraska Humanities Speakers Bureau, and this year's speaker was Charlotte Endorff. Charlotte spoke on the Orphan Trains that ran from 1854 until 1929, that carried orphaned youth from the East Coast into the Midwest and Plains states to hopefully get adopted.

Charlotte and her husband had a nice display set up with pictures and other memorabilia of people that they met, interviewed, befriended,

Chapter Chatter

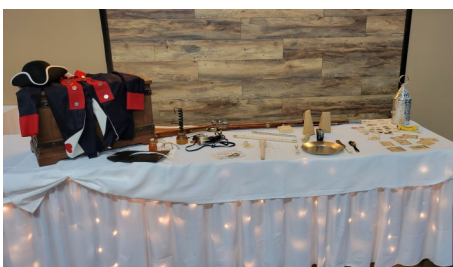
and ultimately worked closely with, that were orphans that rode on the orphan trains in their youth, and helped Charlotte keep the history and the memory of the Orphan trains alive in the communities.



Charlotte Endorff from Nebraska Humanities

There were a few other displays that were set up by SAR members, as well.

Lincoln Compatriot John Braisted, set up a display of the Lincoln Chapter's Patriot Chest, and had out some of the items that are used for presentations to schools and other organizations within the community.

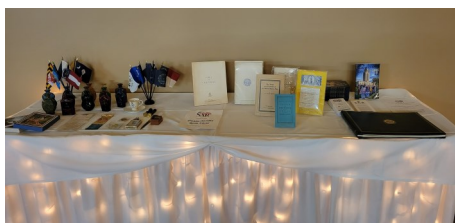


Lincoln Chapter Patriot Chest Display

Omaha Chapter President Paul Burright, also set up a display. The

Omaha display was comprised of different SAR memorabilia and ephemera. Some of these items are over 100 years old, including an Independence Day celebration ribbon from 1893, a member pin from the SAR National Congress in 1915, as well as some other items like a brass letter opener from the SAR National Congress in 1924, and a Nebraska SAR annual meeting brochure on Washington's Birthday in 1928.

There were also some documents, magazines, and books like the SAR National Yearbook from 1895, a book on the Origin and Evolution of the US Flag from the SAR in 1915, an SAR magazine from 1934, and A Bill of Grievances, that the SAR presented to the US Congress on the state of the public schools and the curriculum and textbooks being used to teach un-American ideals. We also had our Omaha Chapter Patriot Muster Roll book out for other members to see.



Omaha Chapter SAR memorabilia and ephemera display

It was another very nice event, allowing our members to mingle, chat, and network with other lineage society members, have a delicious lunch, and listen to a very informative presentation.

If you have not attended an American Heritage Luncheon in the past, make a note on your calendars for the middle of next February to join your Compatriots and celebrate your American Heritage!

Meet My Patriot



Lemuel White (P-318383)

By: Chuck Real—Omaha Chapter

Lemuel White was born about 1748 at his family home near Rockingham, VT. His parents were John and Jemima (Coolidge) who respectively were from Concord and Watertown, MA. John and Jemima were among the earliest colonial settlers in Vermont. According to his biography by Scott Andrew Bartley for the *New England Historical Genealogical Journal*, Lemuel held the rank of Captain, Lieutenant, and Private at various times during the Revolutionary War. In 1778, he married Zilpha (Nichols) Bowdish. She was the widow of a wounded Tory soldier, Moses Bowdish, captured at Bennington, VT, who later died in a militia prison. Her parents were Thomas Nichols and Esther (Bucklin) Nichols of Rehoboth, MA.

In the records of Rockingham, VT, Lemuel is shown as a yeoman landowner. Later, he became the first settler in Shrewsbury, VT. He kept the first tavern in that town and became the town's first representative to the General Assembly. The first town meeting was held in his home, and his marriage was the first in the town with the birth of his first daughter also being the first for the town.

When an alarm was sounded on Jun 10, 1781, Lemuel was appointed Lieutenant and placed in charge of the local militia. When selling his land to his step-son, Asa Bowdish, in 1792, he is referred to as "Captain" White.

Lemuel and Zilpha raised 6 children of their own along with the 3 children from her previous marriage to Moses. The land originally owned by Moses was forfeited to the state because of his actions with the British army.



DISPATCHES FROM THE COLOR GUARD



Saturday, Mar 11, 2023—Omaha, NE

The Nebraska SAR was contacted by the Omaha Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) about participating in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade. This event landed on March 11, the same day that the DAR had requested Color Guard members to participate in their America 250 Memorial Marking in Kearney.

Our numbers were cut in half, but we were able to attend both events; the first time we have been able to participate in two events on the same day!

Commander Chad Sherrets, Lt. Jim Sly, and Compatriots Allyn Sheldon and Andrew Sullivan marched in the parade, which is the first time the SAR has participated in this event. We started at 10am, just as a winter storm was hitting Omaha, bringing with it, sleet, snow, and rain. Fortunately it was a shorter, flat parade route and the public still came out to attend. We had many members of the crowd applaud as we marched along the route, including one person who shouted, "Thanks for your ancestor's service!"

All in all, it was a success which I hope we can attend at full strength next year. As our Color Guard continues to grow, so will the number of outreach events we can participate in.

Report by: Commander Chad Sherrets





DISPATCHES FROM THE COLOR GUARD



Saturday, Mar 11, 2023—Kearney, NE

The Nebraska SAR Color Guard mustered 4 guardsmen for the 2nd DAR America 250! Marker dedication ceremony for the State of Nebraska. This ceremony was performed at the Great Platte River Road Archway Monument in Kearney, NE. This location was chosen as the placement for the Nebraska DAR 2nd District, for its location on the major Interstate highway that bisects Nebraska, and also for the dedication to preserving the very early history of Nebraska, going back to the indigenous populations that lived here at the time of the Revolution, that the Archway provides within its museum.

The Nebraska SAR Color Guard mustered Capt. Paul Burright and Omaha Compatriot Ron Stites as musketmen, Omaha Compatriot Mark Byars carried the U.S. flag, and Past State President Shawn Stoner carried the Nebraska flag. The Color Guard was joined by members of the Kearney Scout Troop #139 who carried the DAR flag, the DAR America 250 flag, and the SAR America 250 flag. We appreciated their help during the ceremony.

The CG received many words of praise and thanks from the attendees for our participation in the event. Many pictures were taken at the marker with many of the officers and members of the DAR.

Report by: Captain Paul Burright



2022 AMERICANISM REPORT



Compatriots,

We did markedly better last year in our Americanism score, over our accomplishments in 2021. Thank you to all of you that were able to contribute in some way towards the Americanism Report. Every little bit that each of us can do, helps our Nebraska SAR.

Here is a summary of our Americanism Scorecard for each category:

Section 1: Media Publicity

2022 Score: 280 2021 Score: 130

We had some improved articles on social media, plus newspaper articles on long time members.

Section 2: Speakers Bureau

2022 Score: 60 2021 Score: 70

We had more members give presentations to chapters, etc., but 2021 had more Patriot Chest presentations, which garner more points.

Section 3: DAR/CAR Support

2022 Pres. Gen. Award: 530 2021: 20

We contributed to the CAR project at Fort Robinson which greatly increased our point total for 2022.

Section 4: Youth Programs

2022 Score: 1080 2021 Score: 175

Getting back to normal with ROTC awards and Eagle Scout award greatly increased our point totals for 2022.

Section 5: Public Service Programs

2022 Score: 155 2021 Score: 170

This is an area that we can greatly improve on by being consistent in awarding EMS/Fire/Police medals, and increasing our participation in parades and other community events.

Section 6: Historic Sites

2022 Score: 0 2021 Score: 0

This section is very difficult for us to get, given our geography away from Revolutionary War sites. The only way to get points here is to participate in an event at an historic site recognized by the National Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee.

Section 7: Grave Markings

2022 Score: 480 2021 Score: 210

We did have grave markings that were done in 2022 for Sterling Mutz and Herbert Bushnell in Lincoln. Patriot Biographies are also in this section, so if everyone gets their Patriot biography sent in, we can greatly improve this score in 2023.

Section 8: Color Guard

2022 Score: 320 2021 Score: 230

The Color Guard is consistently adding more events to the schedule each year, and is slowly growing its ranks of guardsmen. This score should continue to improve as more members participate in more events each year.

Section 9: Medals and Awards

2022 Score: 105 2021 Score: 0

2022 Pres. Gen Score: 270 2021 Score: 15

We did not award hardly any medals in 2021 and did a little better in 2022. This score should also look to improve in 2023 with a renewed focus on this section.

Section 10: National Society Service

2022 Pres Gen Score: 290 2021 Score: 490

This section dropped a little, compared to 2021, but we still have members who are giving their time to National Projects and committees.

Section 11: Membership

2022 Pres Gen Score: 1595 2021 Score: 1470

We had a lot of good movement on applications for new members (14) and supplementals (13) that were approved in 2022. We hope to continue improving this score in 2023.

Section 12: Meeting attendance

2022 Pres Gen Score: 865 2021 Score: 355

Much improved score with more members getting online for the District Zoom meetings each month and attendance at State meetings. Let's continue to improve this score.

Total Scores

2022 Americanism: 2480 2021 Americanism: 985

2022 Pres Gen : 3550 2021 Pres Gen: 2350



Thomas Everett Landholm—#220578

Jul 8, 1950—Feb 12, 2023

Member-at-Large,
South Sioux City, NE

From his obituary:

“Thomas Everett Landholm, best known as Tom, was born July 8, 1950, in Oakland, NE, to James and Nancy (Peden) Landholm. Tom passed away on Sunday, February 12, 2023, at Unity Point Health Saint Luke’s, in Sioux City, IA.

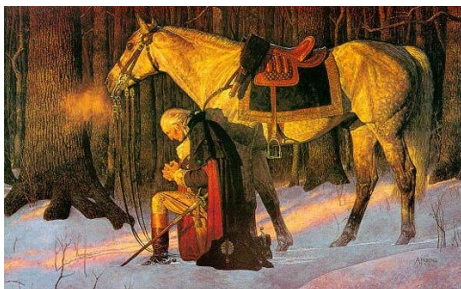
“Tom was raised in Oakland, NE, graduating from Oakland High School in 1968. Tom met Joy in 1968 in Oakland, NE and were married July 25, 1970 in Rosalie, NE. Tom and Joy have 3 children together, Frank, Chris, and Andrew.

“Tom worked at IBP/Tyson starting as a ditch digger and working his way up to Chief Project Manager when he retired after 50 years. Tom loved to travel, go to NASCAR races, and go to Vikings games with his family.”

Tom joined the Nebraska SAR, and his lineage to Patriot Samuel Peden (PA) was approved, on Oct 1, 2021.

Our condolences to Tom’s family, of whom a nephew, Damian Corrigan, is a member of the Omaha Chapter.

Rest In Peace, Compatriot Landholm



Sons of Union Veterans of the
Civil War
1861-1865



Compatriots,

We have entered into a couple of different partnerships, to help promote not only the SAR with other organizations, but to help promote their organizations with our members.

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is another lineage organization, that is much like our own SAR, but obviously focusing on ancestors who fought to preserve our Union that our Revolutionary ancestors fought to create.

The Sons of Union Veterans has two different levels of membership. The first is a Hereditary member. If you have an ancestor who fought for the Union, then you can become a hereditary member. You would need to supply proof documents for your lineage, much in the same way we have to for the SAR, but not as stringent.

The second form of membership in to be an Associate member. This means you can still join the SUVCW, even if you don’t have an ancestor from the Union. There are a few members currently who are Associates. They just have a love for the Civil War and its history.

The brothers of the SUVCW participate in parades, grave markings, grave stone cleanings, living histories, educational presentations, etc., much like we do in the SAR.

The Department of Nebraska, SUVCW, currently has 4 Camps (Chapters), with members outside of one of the Camp areas being part of a Camp at Large. The Camps are in Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, and Wisner, NE.

If you have any questions regarding the Sons of Union Veterans, or would like information on how to join, please contact Paul Burrighat at civilwarburrighat@gmail.com. He would be happy to let you know about the Society and how you can become a member.

Paul H Burrighat

2nd VP—Nebraska SAR, President—Omaha Chapter

Junior Vice Commander—Dept. of NE, Camp Commander - Victor Vifquain Camp (Omaha)



**SONS OF UNION VETERANS
OF THE CIVIL WAR**
Department of Nebraska and the Dakotas

SOCIETY INFORMATION



Contact Information Update

If you, as a Nebraska SAR Member, have recently had a change of address, telephone number, or email contact information, please inform State Secretary, Stan Wostrel at dwestrel43@gmail.com.

Help us keep our records up to date!



SAR Applications

Please submit all applications through the online application system at www.sar.org. If you have any questions, contact the State Registrar, Paul Burright.

Contact information for Compatriot Burright:

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Elkhorn, NE 68022-6940

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2nd Quarter 2023 Meetings and Events

Saturday, Apr 1—Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 11:00am, Gere Branch Library, Lincoln, NE

Tuesday, Apr 11—Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:30pm, Gorat's Steakhouse, Omaha, NE

Sunday, Apr 16—Spring State Meeting, 2pm, Mahoney State Park, Ashland, NE

Sunday, Apr 30—DAR America 250 dedication, Antelope Park, Lincoln, NE

Saturday, May 6—Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 11:00am, Gere Branch Library, Lincoln, NE

Tuesday, May 9—Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:30pm, Gorat's Steakhouse, Omaha NE

Sunday, May 14—DAR America 250 dedication, Alliance Veterans Cemetery, Alliance, NE

Saturday, May 27—Patriotic Productions Parade, 10am, Downtown Omaha, NE

Monday, May 29—Memorial Day Ceremonies Various locations around Nebraska

Saturday, Jun 3—Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 11:00am, Gere Branch Library, Lincoln, NE

Wednesday, Jun 14—Flag Day

From the editors—*The Husker Patriot* will be published on the first week of following quarter. For example, the 2nd quarter ends on June 30. The 2nd quarter newsletter will be published the first week of July.

Follow this deadline schedule to get information, articles, and photos in to the editors (contact information on page 2):

1st Quarter—Mar 15, 2nd Quarter—Jun 15, 3rd Quarter—Sept 15, and 4th Quarter—Dec 15. Thank you for your help getting quality content in to your Society newsletter!

Social Media and Online Presence



Nebraska SAR is online! Visit the Nebraska SAR website at www.nessar.org.

Nebraska SAR Facebook page: www.facebook.com/NebraskaSAR

Omaha SAR Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OmahaSAR

If anyone needs a template to write your Patriot's biography, you can follow this example.



_____ was born _____ to _____ and _____ in _____ and died _____ in _____. He married _____ of _____ (Birth year-death year) on _____ in _____. This marriage produced __ children; _____ (full name year of birth and death i.e. John Smith 1745-1803). He married second, _____ (in format for first wife, children if any).

List anything that is known of his life; occupation, family life, anything of interest.

List Revolutionary War service information and list source.

This does not have to be long and detailed. A short bio of 200 to 500 words is all that is requested. Below is a sample biography.

SAMPLE BIO

Nathaniel Phelps Sr was one of 2 Nathaniels that participated in the American Revolution. They were father and son from Northampton, Hampshire, Massachusetts. Nathaniel Sr was actually the 4th in an unbroken line of 7 Nathaniels who lived and died in Northampton.

Nathaniel Sr was born 13 Dec 1721 to Nathaniel Phelps and Abigail Burnham in Northampton and died 29 Oct 1789 in Northampton. He married Elizabeth Childs of Deerfield, MA (1724-1769) on 19 Mar 1750 in Northampton. This marriage produced 8 children; Burnham Phelps 1752-1772, Elizabeth Phelps 1753-1767, Abigail Phelps 1755-1756, Nathaniel Phelps 1757-1833, Elijah Phelps 1759-1760, Elijah Phelps 1761-1837, Anna Hannah Phelps 1763-1819 and Rufus Phelps 1766-1826. He married second, Rebecca Child.

Nathaniel was a talented and renowned mason, brick layer and stone carver. There are a large number of extant tomb stones in the Northampton and Deerfield cemeteries as well as others in the area. "Phelps was married to a member of the Childs family of Deerfield, which may explain why the Albany Road Burying Ground (Deerfield) has a number of stoners from his shop, identifiable by their simple design, circular face, stylized headgear and wings carved on pink to beige sandstone." Nathaniel was the dominant stonecutter of the area from the 1750-1770's; he went bankrupt in the 1770's but continued his craft until his death, passing his talent and business to his son Elijah. Historic Deerfield Magazine, Autumn 2002 p. 5.

Nathaniel Sr served as a minute man in Captain Ebenezer Strong's (the future father of his son Nathaniel) company of volunteers, 2nd Hampshire Company regiment; service against the insurgents at Northampton May 6, June , 15, 16 and 17, 1782, 4 days, by order of Elisha Porter, Sheriff; company marched for support of the government at Springfield, Northampton and Hadley. Interestingly he is listed in the Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolutionary War as Nathaniel Phelps Jr! Also note his advanced age of 61, he obviously thought there was something worth fighting for the true embodiment of the Patriot spirit.