



OMAHA CHAPTER - Minutes of the 07 February 2023 Meeting

The Omaha Chapter of the SAR met at Gorat's Steakhouse. Members (12) and guests (8) attending: Mark Byars (Nicki), Thomas Jones (Sharon), David Kentsmith (Kitty), Andrew Nehls, Hugh Nehls (Kathy), John Parsons (Pauline), Ted Powell, Chuck Real, Allyn Sheldon, Jim Sly (Janet), Andrew Sullivan, and Fred Walden (Jan).

OPENING:

- Call to order by Vice President Jim Sly at 1835 hours.
- 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 10 Jan 2023 were presented by Vice President Sly. Moved by David Kentsmith, seconded by John Parsons to approve. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

- Treasurer Andrew Nehls delivered the Treasurer's Report. Deposits totaling \$640.00 for membership dues were recorded for the month. Account balance is \$4,345.32. Moved by Hugh Nels and seconded by David Kentsmith to approve the report. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Secretary Mark Byars delivered the Registrar's Report (State Registrar Paul Burrigh being absent). In January, two (2) new At-Large members and four (4) supplementals have been approved. One (1) new member has transferred to NESSAR from WYSSAR. Eight (8) new member applications are awaiting approval from National (3 Omaha, 2 Lincoln, 3 At-Large), and three (3) supplementals (all Omaha) are awaiting approval. NESSAR presently has 7 pended applications. Five (5) new member applications are soon to be signed and submitted to National.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Vice President Sly reminded members of the dates and locations for three DAR America 250 Marker Dedications happening in 2023:
 - Kearney Archway, Saturday, 11 Mar 2023 (Saturday)
 - Antelope Park in Lincoln, Sunday, 30 Apr 2023 (Sunday)
 - Alliance Veterans Cemetery, 14 May 2023 (Sunday)
- The Color Guard will march in the Omaha St. Patrick's Day Parade on 11 Mar 2023 (Saturday).
- The 10th Annual American Heritage Luncheon will be held on 18 Feb 2023 (Sat), 11:30 am, at the Havelock Social Hall in Lincoln. Guest speaker is Charlotte Endorf, topic is the Orphan Train.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The North Central District Zoom meeting will be held on 16 Feb 2023. NESSAR's Jim Sly will be presenting on "Myths of the American Revolution." Members are encouraged to attend.
- Secretary Mark Byars gave a presentation on the "Patriot Research System: What's New, and How to Use It!" The presentation covered the SAR's history of collecting data on Patriots, a brief orientation of the system's features, and an overview of NESSAR's goals for the PRS. Compatriots were encouraged to complete biographies on their Patriots as contributions to the PRS and to meet NESSAR goals.

CLOSING:

- There being no other business, all members rose and recited "Until We Meet Again . . ." A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at 2010 hours.
- Next Meeting: **14 Mar 2023 at Gorat's.**