



CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF NEBRASKA

September 2025 Newsletter

This Month's Meeting:
Program: Nebraska's Citizen Soldiers in the Civil War
Presented by author Tye Coldiron
September 24, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Location:
Legacy Estates
 7200 Van Dorn, use the lower parking on the west side

Upcoming Meetings

(Get all these on your calendar!)

October 22, 2025
 Imboden and the Retreat from Gettysburg
 Presented by Craig Schnieder

November 19, 2024
 (A week early to avoid Thanksgiving-Eve!)
Program: *Journey to Freedom: Uncovering the Grayson sisters' Escape from the Nebraska Territory*
 Presented by Gail Blankenau

January 28, 2026
 Program to be announced

February 25, 2026
 Program to be announced

March 25, 2026
 Program to be announced

April 22, 2026
Program to be announced

May 27, 2026
Program to be announced



DUES

2025-2026 dues are now due, \$15.00 for an individual and \$25.00 for a family membership. Please bring cash or a check to the meeting, or mail a check to Civil War Round Table, 1227 Lincoln Mall, Lincoln, NE 68508. Last year, thirty members paid dues.



Fort Donelson Monument Status

We received a response from the National Park Service on April 17, 2025. They did not say “yes” or “no,” but asked for additional supporting information. We submitted supplemental information to them on May 7, 2024. Telephone and email contact took place toward the end of August. It is clear that the National Park Service team involved has spent a great deal of time on several fronts. Archeologists have determined that the likely actual battle line where the First Nebraska fought was a few hundred yards east of where all the historians and experts, including Ed Bearss and Timothy Smith, had previously thought it was. This area may not be as optimal for a monument, so we may be looking at a spot just east of our original proposed locations, with the thought that this was where the First Nebraska moved through to hurry up to a blocking position to stop the Confederate breakout attempt. A packet of more information has been promised to be sent soon.

Life on the Civil War Research Trail

Recent new member John Moeschen alerted the Secretary Treasurer of a trove of interesting Civil War YouTube videos. These are well worth the time and may be found at:

[YouTube: Life on the Civil War Research Trail](#)

Hope to see you on the 24th!