



CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF NEBRASKA

October 2026 Newsletter

This Month's Meeting:
October 28, 2026, 7:00 p.m.
Program: Last Men of the Revolution:
The Soldiers behind the Photographs
Presented by Mark Nichols

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

Upcoming Meetings

(Get all these on your calendar!)

November 18, 2026
(One week early to avoid Thanksgiving "Eve")
Program: TBA

January 27, 2027
Program: TBA

February 24, 2027
Program: TBA

March 24, 2027
Program: TBA

April 28, 2027

Program: The impact of the Civil War experience on the veterans who later went on to form third-party political movements (better title coming!)

Presented by: Andrew Varsanyi, Ph.D.

May 26, 2027

Program: TBA



DUES

2026-2027 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-four members paid dues. So far, ten members have paid their dues, with one family membership, for a total of \$160 collected.



Sad News

The membership was emailed about the very sad loss of our President, Craig Schnieder. Craig was a huge supporter of the Round Table for many years. In addition to mourning our loss of this great supporter, two issues are raised. First, we need a new president. Please consider stepping up to help us keep the Round Table going. The second issue is the problem of identifying speakers, which has grown in recent years. Several members have risen to the challenge and made presentations for us, but there have been many gaps. Craig was always available with a program when we had trouble filling gaps in our scheduling. In the last two years since October of 2024, Craig has made five presentations; we have had sixteen meetings in that time, so Craig filled the bill nearly a third of the time. At this point, we have one program scheduled for April of 2027, otherwise, the calendar is empty. Craig was working on a program that he had planned

to present this month, and Mark Nicholas graciously agreed to fill the gap moving his program planned for November to this month. But now we have nothing for November, and no plans for four of the five meetings next spring. We need to talk about what we need to do to keep the Round Table functioning.

Fort Donelson Monument Status

We had a Microsoft Teams Meeting on October 8 with Fort Donelson National Battlefield Superintendent Brian McCutchen, his administrative assistant, Jeanne Taylor, and Chief Ranger Bill Fields. Many suggestions were made for fine tuning our Proposal for the Monument. The Committee is currently working on a Revised Proposal that will incorporate the suggestions and it is hoped that this will be presented to Fort Donelson soon.

Hope to see you on the 28th!