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From the President.....

Happy Dog Days of Summer!

Although the month of August indicates that threefourths of the year is gone, I've always thought of it as another "first" of the year.

School starts, we start getting ready for the holidays and begin to think about wearing sweaters and coats. And of course, it's the start of Nebraska football!

In our parliamentary world, the end of the summer and beginning of fall also holds the National Association of

Parliamentarians [®] convention and workshops. As you know, this year the convention is in Atlanta, GA. The NSAP delegates will attend the business meetings and district meeting along with the workshops of their choice. If any NSAP member has a question, suggestion or comment on the NAP business and elections that will take place during convention, please notify the president or another delegate. Delegates to the NAP convention are: Lori Bucholz, PRP; John Heineman, RP; Lynna Gene Cook, PRP; Sandy Olson, PRP; Tom Havelka, PRP; and Nancy Sylvester, PRP.

The next NSAP newsletter will contain reports from the convention.

The NSAP 2023 Annual Meeting and Workshop was a huge success! We were so honored to have NAP President, Wanda Sims, PRP, join us and conduct workshops. Ms. Sims is a great communicator and teacher and is a lot of fun, too. She and NAP Executive Director, Cyndy Launchbaugh, spent two great days in Nebraska. We learned a lot about NAP and they enjoyed their time with NSAP members and learned about other things the state has to offer including Baker's Chocolates, Runzas, and football!

This newsletter also features pictures from the annual meeting and workshop. Congratulations to John Heineman, Jim Carroll and Jim Schulz for receiving their Registered Parliamentarian credential and to Ryan Foor for achieving the Professional Registered Parliamentarian credential! These NSAP members worked very hard to achieve that status and are applauded for doing so.

You will also notice the obituaries for Sue Goodson and Doris Steele included in this newsletter. Sue served two terms as NSAP president and was one of the longest tenured members of NSAP. Our heartfelt sympathies and condolences to her family, especially to her sister and fellow NSAP member,

Cindy Lugan. Doris was also a long-time member of NSAP and loved the study of parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules and used it in her association with many organizations.

Enjoy these remaining days of summer.

As always, thank you for your dedication to the Nebraska State Association of Parliamentarians!

—Lori Bucholz, PRP— President, 2022-2024





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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

September 6-10, 2023, Atlanta, GA. National Association of Parliamentarians ® Convention and Workshops

September 23, 2023 NSAP Board of Directors meeting. La Carreta Mexican Restaurant, 3531 Progressive Rd., Seward, NE. 11:00a.m.-3:00p.m.

May 9-10, NSAP Annual Meeting and Workshop. Second Baptist Church, 525 N. 58th. ST., Lincoln, NE.

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John Heineman, RP, NSAP Vice President, with Jim Slaughter, PRP, at the National Education Association Representative Assembly where Jim is the parliamentarian for the largest democratically held meeting in the country.

<u>Board of Directors Actions</u> <u>May 4 and 5, 2023</u>

The following actions were taken by the Board of Directors.

- adopted proposed 2023-2024 budget
- · all elected and appointed positions remain the same
- proposed dates for 2024 annual meeting and workshop are May 2 and 3, May 4 and 5 or May 9 and 10
- venue for 2024 annual meeting and workshop will be Second Baptist Church, 525 N 58th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

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WHERE AM I?

1) "If an embarrassing main motion has been brought before the assembly, a member can propose to dispose of this question without bringing it to a direct vote, by moving to......

2) "The only way for business to be carried over directly from one session to some later regular session *beyond* the next regular business session is by referred to a committee that will report at a later session."

3) "In debate a member's remarks must be germane to the question before the assemblythat is, his statements must have bearing on whether the immediately pending motion should be adopted."

4) "In small committees, the chairman usually acts as secretary, but in large ones and many standing committees, a secretary may be chosen to keep brief memorandum in the nature of minutes for the use of the committee."

5) "An amendment to the bylaws goes into effect immediately upon its adoption unless the motion to adopt specifies another time for its becoming effective, or the assembly has set such a time by a previously adopted motion."

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Susan "Sue" Summers Goodson September 27, 1946 – May 03, 2023

Susan "Sue" Summers Goodson was born in Fairbury, Nebraska on September 27, 1946, the oldest of nine children born to Samuel R. and Ruth E. Law Summers of Belvedere, Nebraska. In 1957, the family moved to Alexandria, Nebraska. After high school graduation, Sue moved to Omaha. She attended business school and worked as a babysitter after classes. She graduated with a certificate in legal secretarial studies. During her time in Omaha, Sue began a correspondence with a friend's brother that started a relationship that lasted 56 years after

Sue married Lloyd Goodson in Alexandria, Nebraska on October 8, 1966. The couple lived in San Antonio, Texas, where she did secretarial work and the couple's first daughter, Samantha, was born. They moved to Lincoln in 1968, where her second daughter, Amy, was born in 1970. She volunteered at Prescott Elementary School and became active in PTA. She went on to serve PTA in leadership positions at local, city, and state levels, serving as state president from 1983-1985. She served as the state PTA office manager for more than a year. Her close relationship with Lincoln Public Schools caused her to run for school board and be a founding member of the LPS Foundation. Her PTA activities sparked an interest in parliamentary procedure and meeting organization. She began studying Parliamentary Procedure with others around Lincoln and on her own. Her major interests were bylaws and meeting management and organization. She began to go to regional and national meetings of the Nebraska State Association of Parliamentarians and National Association of Parliamentarians and served in leadership positions at local and state levels, serving as state president in 1994-1996 and 2008-2010 and was the 2009 Nebraska Parliamentarian of the Year. Sue was a Girl Scout leader and served as State Fair Superintendent of the Campfire Division. Interest in public television for entertainment and teaching caused Sue, and the whole family, to participate in the fundraising activity known as the Nebraskans for Public Television Auction where she served as Bid Confirmation chairman for more than a decade. She served two terms as an Ameri-Corps volunteer at Park Middle School and Malone Center. After joining the Lincoln Women's Chamber of Commerce, a group of women who want to help the non-profits of Lincoln, she was the coordinator of the LWCC annual fundraiser, "Homes for the Holidays" for more than ten years. With many veterans in Sue's family, she became active in the American Legion Auxiliary. She served the Lincoln and Alexandria units in many officer positions, including president of both units. She served in county and district positions. In recent years she coordinated Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and other celebrations at the Alexandria unit. She was preceded in death by her parents Sam and Ruth Summers and younger brother Andy. Those who will miss her are her husband of 56 years, Lloyd of Lincoln NE, daughters Samantha of

Those who will miss her are her husband of 56 years, Lloyd of Lincoln NE, daughters Samantha of Norfolk NE, Amy and husband Steve, and grandchildren Cor and Ethan of Arlington VA, brothers Bob (Vickie) of Hastings NE, Dave (Rene) of Alexandria NE, Rick of Hastings NE, Steve of Hastings NE, Joe (Lucy) of Alexandria NE, Tim (Cheryl) of Eagle NE, and sister Cindy (Ralph) of Lincoln NE. There are 18 nieces and nephews and many great-nieces and nephews. Additionally, she will be greatly missed by her "proxy children", Anne Wright of Pittsburg PA, Rhys McNally of Lincoln NE, and Chanity Hervey of Lincoln NE.

Memorials to Lincoln Public Schools Foundation.



Doris L. Steele



Doris L. Steele, age 97, of Potter, NE passed away in Kimball, NE on Thursday, April 6, 2023. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Potter Historical Foundation PO Box 323 Potter, NE 69156 for the Legion Hall Restoration Fund or Prairie West Church. You may view Doris's Book of Memories, leave condolences, photos and stories at www.gehrigstittchapel.com.

Doris Lucille Steele, the daughter of John Harvey and Anna Mathilda (Hiersche) Pfeifer, was born on December 6, 1925 in rural Scottsbluff County. She attended school at Victory Hill and Sunflower, graduating from Scottsbluff High School in 1943. After graduation she was employed as a sales clerk at Burrs Department Store and later as an accountant at the Prisoner of War Camp in Scottsbluff. After the camp closed, she was employed as a bookkeeper at the Scottsbluff National Bank.

Doris and Harold D. Steele were baptized on December 7, 1947 at the First Christian Church in Scottsbluff where on January 11, 1948 they were married. Harold and Doris made their home in Potter, Nebraska, where Doris became a farm wife and where she and Harold raised their five children.

Doris joined the Methodist Church in Potter on May 8, 1948 where she became active as a teacher of the Kindergarten Department for ten years. She served as a Certified Lay Speaker of the United Methodist Church for thirty years. Doris is a Past President of the Northwest District United Methodist Women; the District Four American Legion Auxiliary and the Department of Nebraska Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865. She served many years as the Parliamentarian for the Nebraska Department and National Department of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865. Doris received a Voluntary Service Certificate by the Veterans Administration in appreciation for 1,344 hours and six years of volunteer service to veterans at the Cheyenne, Wyoming Veteran's Hospital. She was honored by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and as an Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska. Doris received the Jay Stecker Community Service Award by the Potter Community Improvement Committee at Potter Days on September 5, 2020.

Doris may be remembered for her ability to make people laugh as an emcee and the many monologues she gave as well as her Clown Ministry.

Doris is survived by her children Jerry Steele (Jeanne) of Potter; Susan Sisson of Longmont, Colorado; Vicki Martin of Lakewood, Colorado; Jennifer A. Cook (Ric) of Topeka, Kansas and Thomas Steele (Corinna) of Madison, Alabama; 11 grandchildren; 12 greatgrandchildren; 3 step-grandchildren; 6 step-great-grandchildren; 5 step-great-great grandchildren; eight nieces and two nephews.



A letter from the Vice-President:

Dear Nebraska State Association of Parliamentarians,

As the world continues to change, it is important that we continue to grow and develop our skills as parliamentarians. That's why I would like to encourage you to explore the resources available on the National Association of Parliamentarians website parliamentarians.org.

There, you will find a wealth of information on parliamentary procedures, including a bookstore filled with resources to help you become more knowledgeable and effective in your role. Additionally, there are upcoming events and trainings that can help you stay up-to-date with the latest developments in parliamentary procedure. The NAP University is a new resources offering a plethora of learning modules and classes to improve your knowledge and skills

By being active at the local, state, and national levels, you can make a difference in your community and beyond. Whether you're just starting out or have years of experience, there is always something new to learn.

So, take a few moments to explore the National Association of Parliamentarians website and see what resources are available to you. I think you'll find that the knowledge and skills you gain will be invaluable in your role as a parliamentarian.

Sincerely,

John Heineman RP, Vice President







NAP President, Wanda Sims, PRP



NAP District Five Director, Laura Meade, PRP, from Iowa



NAP President, Wanda Sims, PRP



Vintage Resources + Teamwork = A Successful Partnership and Pathway to Future Educational Opportunities

Teamwork provides the atmosphere for a very large task to be completed very successfully with less stress! That is what was experienced as NAP and NAPEF teamed up to categorize, sort, distribute, and store over 14 boxes of vintage parliamentary books and educational materials.

When Wanda Sims, NAP President, Sandy Olson, NAPEF President, Nancy Sylvester, expert on ROR's, Lynna Gene Cook, editor and compiler of resources, and Cyndy Launchbaugh, Executive Director, team up, the sky is the limit to what can be accomplished. That was demonstrated at the NAP Headquarters in Independence June 8 and 9, 2023. Anyone walking into the basement of the Headquarters Building on June 8 would have looked at the tables covered with books and educational materials and remarked, "There is no way that by Saturday this task will be successfully completed." But it was!!

Vintage editions of *Robert's Rules of Order, (ROR)* dating back to 1845 were unpacked and sorted. The NAP Library was then stocked with editions not currently located there. Nancy Sylvester, who also possesses many editions in her own collection, helped distinguish the best copies. In addition, Nancy helped with the Cushing collection, dating back even further. Those books were donated by the family of Strand Traut with the idea of circulating the books to other parliamentarians for their use and enjoyment. The excitement and atmosphere generated by this task were like little kids in a candy store!

Five boxes of books were donated by Sandy Olson with the goal of raising funds for the NAPEF Educational Foundation to contribute to NAP's educational resource and development fund. More information on the online auction will be appearing soon. Do not miss your chance to own some valuable parliamentary resources and also contribute to a very worthy cause. Pictures and descriptions of the books and materials will be available soon. Watch the napef.org link for further information.

During this adventure, *Facetime* allowed the participants the opportunity to speak with Henry M. Robert's great-great-great-great granddaughters, Corinna and Patty. All participating were able to view the vintage materials and compare notes on the ancestry of Henry M. Robert as well as share stories and materials. NAP is sending the granddaughters several editions of *ROR* for their personal libraries.

Exciting and sharing partnerships, as witnessed in Independence in June 2023, produce many new educational opportunities for parliamentarians and those seeking the resources and advice of parliamentarians. Watch for future announcements about the distribution of the resources.

Sandy Olson, PRP





NSAP Officers

John Heineman, RP, NSAP Vice President, Lori Bucholz, PRP, NSAP President; Wanda Sims, PRP, NAP President; Lynna Gene Cook, PRP, NSAP Secretary; Nylanne Scheidegger, PRP, NSAP Treasurer

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

- 1) Postpone Indefinitely (RONR 12th ed.) 6:5
- 2) (RONR 12th ed.) 9:10
- 3) Confining Remarks to the Merits of the Pending Question (RONR 12th ed.) 43:20
- 4) Committee Procedure (RONR 12th ed.) 50:24
- 5) Time at Which a Bylaw Amendment Takes Effect (RONR 12th ed.) 57:15



REACHING OUT TO MEMBERS OF NSAP





The 2024 elections of Officers will be held at the Nebraska State Association of Parliamentarians Convention on May 9-10, 2024,

The Nominating Committee is looking for members who are willing to become officers of this association. The elected officers are: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The new President will also be looking for members who would be willing to be on committees of this Association. The committees are: Annual Meeting, Awards, Bylaws, Membership, Education, Marketing and Publicity, Finance, Nominating, and Auditing.

If you are willing to help or	n a NSAP committee; please visit with one of the following:
Bonita Dickinson	(Phone/ text: 308-249-3787 or Email: <u>bbdickin@gmail.com</u>)
Sandy Olson	(Email: <u>olson.sandy@gmail.com</u>)
Lyna Gene Cook	(Phone/text: 402-430-5410 or Email: lgcooko8@gmail.com)

A form for application as an elected officer is attached. (If you have financial experience, please consider applying as treasurer.)

Come join in. Each of us have different talents that are needed to keep NSAP strong! Elections and committee appointments will be held on May 9, 2024 at the NSAP Annual Meeting



Qualifications for NSAP Office Form

This form is to provide information to the nominating committee for consideration in determining nominees for NSAP elected office. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Name:Unit or MAL:Address:City:Zip:Preferred telephone number:

First year of membership in NAP/NSAP: If registered, what year? If not registered, have you taken any advanced courses in parliamentary procedure?

List offices held at the unit level:

List committee chairmanships held at the unit level:

List offices held at the state level:

List committee chairmanships held at the state level:

List other committees served on at the state level What experiences outside of NSAP do you consider relevant to serving as an officer of NSAP? (Include NAP if applicable)

ADDITONAL COMMENTS:

Office or offices for which I consent to be nominated:

I understand the responsibilities involved and, if nominated and elected. I hereby consent to serve in the office named above.

Signature

Date:

Send completed form by April 12, 2024 to:

Bonita Dickinson, Chairman 1710 19th Ave Lot 42 Sidney, NE 69162 bbdickin@gmail.com





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