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2021 Goal	1427	92.6%

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COMING EVENTS

June

- 8 Post 3 / Unit 3 Meetings
- 14 Flag Day
- 15 Voiture 103 / Salon 832 Meetings
- 17 SAL / Salon 92 Meetings
- 17 Legion Riders Meetings
- 20 First Day of Summer
- 20 Fathers' Day
- 24-28 Department Convention (Lincoln)



July

- 4 Independence Day
- 13 Post 3 Meeting. No Auxiliary Meeting.
- 15 SAL Meeting
- 15 Legion Riders Meeting
- 20 Voiture 103 / Salon 832 Meetings

August

- 10 No Post 3 / Unit 3 Meetings this month.
- 15 Armed Forces Day
- 20 SAL Meeting
- 20 Legion Riders Meeting
- 27 - SEP 1 National Convention (Phoenix)



LETTER FROM THE COMMANDER

Legion Family All-----

The American Legion year is winding down. If you haven't sent in your dues for 2021, please do so ASAP. If you have been meaning to ask that friend or family member to join Post 3 and haven't gotten around to it, please do that, also, ASAP.

Do you feel a sense of urgency in my opening remarks? If you did, you are right on the mark. Post 3 needs about 100 renewals and/or new members to make our quota for the 2021 year. Certainly doable --- and would be a genuine Stage 4 outcome.

Your Post 3 Leadership Team has done everything we know to do to hit our numbers. Now, it's up to you. Questions? Please contact me. I'll be glad to hear from you.

Dates and Announcements.

1 - The Nebraska State Legion Convention will be held June 25th thru June 27th at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel right here in Lincoln. Post 3 will be front and center all three days. Stop by and support Post 3 and the Nebraska American Legion.

2 - The Department of Nebraska has a vacancy on the Convention Committee that needs to be filled. This Committee is responsible for planning and staging the annual State Convention and the Mid-Year Conference. There are four members on this committee, and they meet only a couple of times a year. It's a great way to get involved with the American Legion at the Department level without a big time commitment. Please let me know if you are interested.

3 - Post 3 will be supporting in some fashion the project to provide headstones for the children who are buried at Wyuka Cemetary's Babyland. If you don't know about this situation, please be at the June Post meeting. We're hoping to have someone from this project tell us all about it and how we can help. This may well be a new Post 3 mission helping children and youth in our community.

4 - May 31st is Memorial Day. There will be activities at Wyuka and Lincoln Memorial Park cemeteries. Check the Lincoln Journal for times. That evening (7:00PM), the Post 3 Honor Guard will post the Colors at the Antelope Park Veterans Memorial Garden.

I have been asked to explain my "4 Stages of Everything" plan again, Here it is --- very briefly:

- Stage 1 --- is doing wrong things wrong;
- Stage 2 --- is doing wrong things right;
- Stage 3 --- is doing right things wrong; and
- Stage 4 --- is doing right things right.

Stage 4 is where we all strive to be operating in our lives. In my opinion, Post 3 is operating at Stage 3 1/2 and on a trajectory to be at Stage 4 very soon.

I hope to see you all at the State Convention. If you see me, please stop and say hello.

Respectfully,

Wade Graft
Post 3 Commander

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Commander Post #3
Wade Graft

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



SAL Commander Post #3
Fred Craigie

Spring has sprung and passed us by --- hopefully for a better summer. It's time for Squadron elections of officers for the upcoming year. Please join us and throw your hat into the ring. I know many of you would have good ideas to help us grow our membership and improve the programs.

The Detachment Convention will be held in Lincoln at the Cornhusker Hotel this June 25th through 27th. It won't get much closer than this to be able to attend. This will be a great chance to make new friends and meet other members of the Sons of the American Legion from around the state.

Speaking of membership, I want to thank all the members who have paid their 2021 Sons membership. At this writing, we have only 12 members from 2020 who have not paid for the year. Please help us maintain our membership and help our programs, both locally and nationally. Nationally, the Sons of the American Legion are the largest donor to the Child Welfare Foundation with donations totaling over \$8,000,000.

Lincoln Post 3 publishes a monthly electronic newsletter via email. If you would like to receive this electronic newsletter monthly, send me an email at fred.craigie@gmail.com and we will add your name to the list.

As for membership, the Squadron needs some help with members to attend the SAL meetings. The normal attendance has been very low even when we do meet. We meet on the third Thursday at the Lincoln Post #3 business office, 123 S. 84th St., Suite L at 7:00 PM. Join us for the camaraderie.

For God and Country,

Fred C. Craigie

Commander, Squadron #3

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Lincoln Unit 3 President
Barbara Skillman

Dear Unit 3 Members ---
Happy Spring! I hope many of you have received your vaccinations. This will help all of us to get back to some normal life.



The 2020-2021 year is coming to an end for Unit 3, with elections of officers being

held at the May 11th meeting. Officers elected for the coming year are as follows:

- President --- Barbara Skillman,
- Vice President --- Char Moore,
- Secretary --- Nancy Vallis,
- Treasurer --- Lori Gubser,
- Historian --- Helen Faust-Chrastil, and
- Chaplain --- Jeanie Harris.

Installation will be held at the June 8th meeting.

We as a unit tried to help our veterans the best we could with so many restrictions. We are working on next year's centerpieces for the Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home in Bellevue. (Turkeys made from cube tissue boxes with feathers.)

Cornhusker Girls State will be held the week of June 13th by Zoom. I hope this goes well! Cornhusker Boys State was cancelled.

Plans are being made for the Department of Nebraska American Legion Auxiliary Convention to be held at the Cornhusker Marriot Hotel here in Lincoln. I hope you would like to attend.

Plans are also being made to have a Lincoln Unit 3 Open House on August 7th. This will be held at the Second Baptist Church located at 525 N 58th Street in Lincoln from 2:00 - 4:00 PM. This open house will give you a chance to get to know your Auxiliary members, renew your dues, and enlist new members for our organization. Notices will be sent to you for this upcoming event. Thank you.

We have come to the end of our Auxiliary year for 2020-2021. The unit will not be meeting in July and August. So have a wonderful summer. See you in June --- and then in September!

For God and Country,

Barbara Skillman

President, Lincoln Unit 3

LETTER FROM THE CHAPLAIN

“Times --- They Are A Changin’”



Chaplain Post #3
Rev. Dr. William Jackson

It looks bad. Yeap. REAL bad. Our nation is undergoing a late-life crisis similar to a woman's menopause or a man's andropause (Deuteronomy 4:30). You know: when she has those hormonal changes that makes you wonder who --- or what --- you married?

Then there's that guy who has that "itch" he can't scratch for a snazzy sports car and a younger lady. Yeah, that's all movie crap, right? Or...is it? Kind of like King Saul's edict about his army not to eat anything until he has avenged himself upon his enemies being an undue stress, also (1 Samuel 14:24).

Ssssoooo. How is this tale of our nation's current woe to be fathomed like a woman, a man, or a king out to satisfy their lust to make a difference among their family, friends, or neighborhood --- although in a rather selfish way? Holy Scripture --- the Bible ---speaks of humankind's repeated stories of greed, avarice, and the other "deadly sins" of the Medieval era as an example of sin's effects upon a wayward mindset (Genesis 4:7).

America became a great nation when its colonists envisioned a new land of "milk and honey" originally forecast in God's Word (Leviticus 20:24) for His chosen people. Like our colonial predecessors, they banded together around a U.S. Constitution guaranteeing "...life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness..."

and personal rights (i.e., free speech, bearing arms, voting, etc.). At one time, America was known as that new land of "milk and honey," but, sad to say, it has lost its savor (Mathew 5:13).

What happens next in this scenario of saints (i.e., you and me) and sinners (i.e., those refusing Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection) battling for spiritual supremacy on the winning side --- God's --- during this nation's Coming Darkness forecasted in Biblical prophesy (i.e., Eschatology)? A certain public school



teachers' association, some politicians, and an "invisible cadre of absolute power advocates" are avidly pushing to eliminate our free speech, take our weapons, and curtail voting privileges --- among other denials of our humanity, similar to those being enslaved as with God's original chosen people (1 Kings 8:16).

Look to the Lord Jesus Christ to learn how to alter our earthly defensive experiences into offensively spiritual, Godly strikes to maintain our freedom (Ephesians 6:10-18). It doesn't involve rioting, looting, or burning down anything. Christians also don't threaten others with loaded weapons, harass diners out to a dinner, or in any other way impede their fellow Americans from enjoying our U.S. Constitutional rights. It involves steadfast prayer, faithfully gathering for corporate worship, and being the kind of compassionate persons God's disciples aspired to in Scripture (Acts 5:12-16).

If you've a mind to, take a deep breath while closing your eyes, breathe in that sense of freedom that Jesus left us with this once great nation. Then lean on God to steer you in His direction to resolve our national plight. He called his chosen people to Him when they strayed (2 Samuel 22:7). He'll do the same for us if we call Him to set us straight as well (Ephesians 1:7). Ask Him, and He'll heal our land (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Rev. Dr. William Jackson
Chaplain, American Legion Post 3

ASK THE CHAPLAIN

If any of you have a Biblical question or life issue concerning your walk with Jesus, call me confidentially at 402.613.9774, leaving a message so I may get back with you. You may also leave a text message or email me at wjdoc@gmail.com

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Greetings, American Legion Riders & Friends ---

Well, the long, hard, winter is now in the rear view mirror. Spring has sprung. May is Motorcycle Awareness Month. The motto is "Look Twice, Save a Life." I ask my fellow Riders to keep their head on a swivel and be safe while riding. I ask my fellow drivers on four (or more) wheels to keep an eye out for motorcycles.



Shannon, a very good friend (and fellow Legion Rider) of my bride and me, lives in Florida and, a couple weeks ago, was out cruising with her husband, cruising along at about 45mph, when a "distracted driver" (in other words, a jerk on his cellphone while driving) turned left right in front of her. She tried to avoid the collision, but was unable to do so. Her motorcycle struck the pickup, and our friend was thrown over the hood and landed on the pavement on the other side.

Florida motorcycle riders are not required to wear a helmet, but she always does. That helmet saved her life. Her injuries consisted of a compound fracture of her lower left leg (which has already required multiple surgeries over the past week), multiple facial fractures (in spite of wearing a helmet), and a severe facial partial evisceration (look that one up). She is now home from the hospital and will require some additional medical procedures over the next weeks and months, but is on the road to recovery. If you are so inclined, I'm sure Shannon would appreciate your prayers.

The bottom line is this. Everyone in or on a motorized vehicle is responsible for the safe operation of that vehicle. Please, please, please --- do not drive or

ride while distracted or impaired. Motorcyclists, please watch out for cars and each other. All drivers, please watch out for motorcycles and each other.

On a lighter note, please make sure you mark your calendar for our Poker Run on Saturday, May 22nd. Everyone is welcome, whether on two-, three- or more wheels. This fundraiser for Pets for Vets and Guitars for Vets starts at Frontier Harley-Davidson, 205 NW 40th Street, with registration from 10:00 AM-noon. Our endpoint is the Denton Legion Club. Prizes will be awarded at 5:30 PM. Denton will be serving dinner, as well; so come hungry!

We also began a fundraiser (recipient organizations to be determined) which we are calling the "Lack of Cents Challenge." During this challenge, your American Legion Riders will be riding miles for funds to benefit our local veterans and charities by asking friends, family, and associates to "sponsor" them as they ride this riding season. We are taking beginning mileage readings on each Rider's motorcycle (or car, for those who are unable to ride), and the sponsor agrees to donate an amount based on the number of miles ridden from now until October 31, 2021.

For example, if a sponsor agreed to one cent per mile and the rider logs 5000 miles between now and October 31st, the sponsor would donate \$50. If the sponsor agreed to 1/2 cent per mile, the sponsor would donate \$25 for that same 5000 miles. I encourage our riders to find multiple sponsors, at ANY amount per mile (e.g., 1/10 cent, 1/4 cent, 1/2 cent, 1 cent, 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents, 100 cents, and so on). Of course, if the sponsor wanted to donate a flat dollar amount, we would graciously accept that as well.

Lastly, at our April meeting, we amended our bylaws to bringing them in line with requirements set by National Headquarters. The most significant change was a name change for two leadership positions in the Chapter. The leader of our chapter, yours truly, now is known as Director (formerly Commander), and second-in-command is now known as Assistant Director (formerly Vice Commander). Sadly, this means that Assistant Director Ray will no longer be known as the "Commander of Vice." LOL!!! Sorry about that, Ray.

Until next time, Ride (or Drive) Safe!

Bruce Gubser

Director, Lincoln Chapter 3, American Legion Riders

POST 3 MEETING

American Legion Post 3 *normally* meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month ---- except August --- at the Lincoln Elks Lodge 80. The Elks Lodge is located in the Trade Center at 5910 S. 58th Street.
Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M.

Due the pandemic, our meeting schedule remains fluid, but we are trying to return to a normal schedule.

<https://lincolnpost3.org/>

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Please send articles and pictures for the next issue of the *Lincoln Legionnaire* to Steve Bartos, Editor. 7441 San Mateo Lane, Lincoln, NE 68516 or email them to LB32906@windstream.net. Electronic submittals are preferred and should include reference to "*Lincoln Legionnaire*" in the subject line of your email. Materials for the next issue need to be submitted by **August 10, 2021**.

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Each Spring, Post 3 attempts to recognize those Legionnaires who have demonstrated proven loyalty to the American Legion. In times of declining membership, these Legionnaires in particular command our highest respect and admiration for maintaining a lengthy continuous membership in the American Legion.

Fifty-five Post 3 Legionnaires were recognized this year ---- 43 for 50 years of continuous membership, 10 for 60 years, and 2 for 75 years.

While most certificates were mailed to the Legionnaires or their families, five recipients were present at the April meeting of Post 3 to receive their certificates. Pictured are Jack Campbell (60), Jerry Hardnock (50), Edward Reinhardt (50), George Skohorod (50), and William Spielman (50).

We salute you!

75-YEAR MEMBERS (2)

JOSEPH GILLISPIE

CLARE SWARD

60-YEAR MEMBERS (10)

WALLACE ALBERS

RONALD OSSIAN

JACK CAMPBELL

DONALD ROMISCH

DON CHANDLER

WILLIAM SOULE

ROBERT HALL

GARY STEEVES

LAUREN HAMANN

CHARLES WARREN

50-YEAR MEMBERS (43)

PHILIP BOHL

JAMES MINARY

JOSEPH CARROLL

HORACE MITCHELL

RUE CHAMBERS

JERRY MORRIS

GEORGE CLASEY

RAYMOND NEUJAHN

RONALD DIVOKY

RICHARD NORRIS

KENNETH DOVE

RAYMOND OEPING

WESLEY DURST

ROBERT OLIVER

KENNETH FAIRCHILD

LYLE PAUL

JAMES HANSEN

WILLIAM RASK

RICHARD HARBOUR

EDWARD REINHARDT

JERRY HARDNOCK

RODNEY REZAC

JAMES HARFORD

RICHARD ROBINSON

WILLIAM LAGGETT

SILVIO ROMERO

HAROLD LINDSTROM

RICHARD SATTLER

GERALD LOBEDA

ROBERT SCHWAB

JAMES LOVE

GEORGE SKOROHOD

MICHAEL MC CRORY

WILLIAM SPIELMAN

CHARLES MESSENGER

ROGER STEINMEYER

DONALD MILLER

MICHAEL STEVENS

ROBERT MILLER

RICHARD WIESE

STEVEN MILLER

GERALD MILLIGAN

WILLARD WITKOVSKI



Ed Reinhardt



George Skohorod



Jack Campbell



Jerry Hardnock



William Spielman



American Legion Post 3

LEGIONNAIRE.....	SERVICE ERA.....	DATE
James L. Ballentine, Sr.	Vietnam.	02/12/2021
William T. Burton	Korea	03/05/2021
Charles L. Carper	Vietnam.	02/20/2021
Don A. Chandler	Korea	03/13/2021
Thomas K. Clark	Korea	01/01/2020
Ronald F. Divoky	Vietnam.	02/02/2021
Gerald N. Gibson	Korea	03/14/2021
Jerry Greenfield	Korea	03/01/2021
Francis A. Haskins	WWII	04/20/2021
Robert L. Irwin	Korea	01/25/2021
Franklin D. Master	Vietnam.	12/18/2020
Dale Mathis	WWII	02/01/2021
Donald H. Matthes	Korea	04/09/2021
Ernest L. Motis	Korea	01/29/2021
Donald E. Nelson	WWII	03/21/2021
Burdette E. Sandin	WWII	04/12/2021
Nat M. Snider	WWII	02/04/2021
Richard E. Sorensen	Korea	03/16/2021
Leo E. Zimmer, Jr.	Korea	04/11/2021

ALA LINCOLN UNIT 3 PARTNERS WITH LINCOLN GIRL SCOUT TROOP 20631



Seven-years ago, Girl Scout Leader Bonnie Horne of Troop 20631 contacted Unit 3 Secretary Nancy Vallis, a lifetime member of the Girl Scouts organization, and asked if the Lincoln unit might be interested in helping them ship Girl Scout Cookies to deployed military members by paying the postage for the packages. Unit members thought it was a great idea and have been doing it ever since.

At our February Unit 3 meeting, Bonnie Horne and two Girl Scouts (daughter Erica Horne and Rein Guill) did a fine job of telling of their project where they not only sell their Girl Scout cookies to friends and family; but also encourage them to purchase additional boxes for any military family or friend who is currently deployed. Since they only earn 60 cents on each box of cookies sold, this has been a good project for both the unit and the troop.

Bonnie signed off by saying if we know of any deployed military friends/family members who would enjoy receiving a box we should let them know --- and, through the help of the Auxiliary, a box will be sent.

Chaplain Jeanie Harris reported she was a member of the Nebraska Admiral Association of Nebraska. Annually, the association brings in naval personnel of the Ohio-class USS Nebraska Nuclear Submarine (USSN-739) to Nebraska and honors them by hosting several events across the State.

Fleet Admiral David Olson of the Association was asked if he knew of any Naval personnel on the USSN-739 who were personally from Nebraska to whom the Girl Scout group could send a cookie box.

He was totally impressed with the idea. Ironically, his daughter is the Girl Scout Camp Director of Utah; and, between David and his daughter, they carried through with the mission. They ended up collecting \$297, which resulted in 48 boxes of cookies being sent. Admiral Olson noted he was sorry not to give the Lincoln troop any points toward sales. However, sharing “giving” ideas with others is always a “win-win” story.



Unit 3 President Barb Skilman and Post 3 Commander Wade Graft are pictured behind treats provided by Unit 3 prior to the April meetings of Post 3 and Unit 3. The treats were in celebration of the American Legion Birthday, which was celebrated in April due to the District 15 Convention being held in March this year.

THANK YOU, DONORS!!

Cornhusker Boys State and Cornhusker Girls State remain two of the most visible and important programs sponsored by the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary. In a normal year, about 350 boys and 400 girls between their junior and senior years in high school participate in a week-long session to learn more about Americanism, patriotism, and the various ways that our local, state, and national governments function.

While the many local American Legion posts and American Legion Auxiliary units across the state “endorse” or “sponsor” the attendance of the delegates to Boys State and Girls State, there are many generous organizations and individuals who donate the fees for the boys and girls to attend. Without their support, it would not be possible for many boys and girls to attend.

Unfortunately, once again this year, conditions associated with the pandemic led to the cancellation of Boys State. The traditional “in-person” version of Girls State was also cancelled, but the Auxiliary intends to present a “virtual” Girls State session in June.

This year, 24 boys and 16 girls from the Lincoln area were selected to attend Boys State and Girls State thanks to the generosity of the following organizations who funded the registration fees for one or more boys and/or girls. A most appreciative “Thank You” is extended to them for their generosity in providing the opportunity for so many Lincoln-area youth to participate!

- Havelock ALA Unit 342
- Capital City Kiwanis
- Post 3 American Legion Riders
- Star City Lions
- Optimist Club of Lincoln
- Lincoln SAL Squadron 3
- 8/40 Salon 832
- Legionnaire Club, Inc.
- Lincoln Women’s Chamber of Commerce
- Lincoln Post 3
- Bethany Lions Club
- St. John Paul the Great Knights of Columbus
- Lincoln Women of Today, Inc.
- Lincoln ALA Unit 3
- 40/8 Voiture 103
- Cornhusker Kiwanis Club
- Bishop Kucera 4th Degree Knights of Columbus
- Southeast Kiwanis Club
- Lincoln Center Kiwanis Club

If you or your company or organization are interested in being contacted about becoming a donor for the 2022 sessions of Cornhusker Boys State or Cornhusker Girls State, please contact us so we can provide you with more detailed information when it becomes available later in the year.

Thanks again for everyone’s support!

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LINCOLN AREA YOUTH PICKED TO ATTEND AMERICAN LEGION CORNHUSKER BOYS' STATE AND AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY CORNHUSKER GIRLS STATE

Cornhusker Boys' State and Cornhusker Girls State, educational programs sponsored by the Nebraska American Legion and Nebraska American Legion Auxiliary that teach about city, county, and state government in a nonpartisan manner, remain two of the best-known and most respected projects associated with the American Legion Family.

Twenty-four young men and sixteen young women from the Lincoln area were chosen to be among the approximately 350 high school junior boys and 400 high school junior girls who normally attend the annual sessions of Cornhusker Boys State and Cornhusker Girls State. The week-long events were scheduled to begin on Sunday, June 13th on the University of Nebraska Lincoln campus. The delegates would have had hands-on learning as they held their own elections for public office, legislature, and court systems while living as citizens of their mythical towns. Students selected to attend must have demonstrated good scholastic records, leadership qualities, honesty, and good character.

Unfortunately, the 2021 sessions of Cornhusker Boys State was cancelled due to concerns and circumstances associated with the pandemic and Cornhusker Girls State was converted to a "virtual" session this year.

Lincoln's American Legion Post 3 sponsored the Lincoln boys who were to attend and contributed the enrollment fee for some. A number of other American Legion Family or community organizations also contributed enrollment fees.

Lincoln's American Legion Auxiliary Unit 3 and Havelock American Legion Auxiliary Unit 342 sponsored the Lincoln girls who were to attend and contributed the enrollment fee for some. As they did for the boys, a number of other American Legion Family or community organizations also contributed enrollment fees.

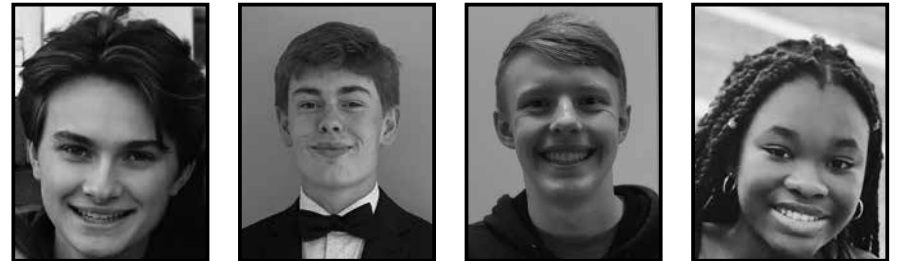
Schools represented, students, parents, and financial contributors are as follows:

Lincoln North Star High School: **Matthew Siegel**, son of Lisa and Daniel Siegel, Lincoln American Legion Post 3. **Grant Wasserman**, son of Rod and Judy Wasserman, Lincoln Squadron 3 Sons of the American Legion. **Oluwatofnmi Ejembi**, daughter of John Ejembi and Victoria Ejembi, Sons of The American Legion Squadron 3; and **Alison Francisco**, daughter of Lance Francisco and Amy Francisco, Lincoln Center Kiwanis.



Matthew Siegel Grant Wasserman Oluwatofnmi Ejembi Alison Francisco

Lincoln High School: **Steventon Baird**, son of Scott and Leirion Gaylor Baird; Lincoln Squadron 3 Sons of the American Legion. **Caden Connelly**, son of Lonnie Connelly and Lorinda Rice, Lincoln Center Kiwanis Club. **Korben Schrotberger**, son of Caitie and Shawn Schrotberger, Lincoln Squadron 3 Sons of the American Legion. **Clementine Ewomsan**, daughter of Avioss Koumessi/Sam Sodji, Lincoln Women of Today, Inc; **Trinity Goodwin**, daughter of John and Tina Goodwin, Lincoln Legionnaire Club, Inc.; **Agatha Magoola** daughter of Monica Magoola, Lincoln Southeast Kiwanis; **Anna Miller** daughter of Tim and Heather Miller, Lincoln American Legion Auxiliary Unit 3, and **Novalee Schmit** daughter of Ashley Ulmer Schmit, Optimist Club of Lincoln.



Steventon Baird Caden Connelly Korben Schrotberger Clementine Ewomsan



Trinity Goodwin Agatha Magoola Anna Miller Novalee Schmit

Lincoln East High School: **Colin Harris**, son of Paul Scarrow and Heidi Harris-Scarrow, Legionnaire Club, Inc. **Akash Nooka**, son of Uma Nooka, Optimist Club of Lincoln. **Luke Greisen**, son of Ms. Sara Greisen and Dr. Joel Greisen, Lincoln Center Kiwanis Club. **Benjamin Morgan**, son of Philip Morgan and Michelle Hrbek, Lincoln 40&8 Voiture 103. **Sabrina Benford**, daughter of Beth Ann Benford, Lincoln Women's Chamber of Commerce; **Hattie Vyhldal** daughter of Chad and Amy Vyhldal, Lincoln Center Kiwanis; and **Hannah Warnke**, daughter of Marcus and Cindy Warnke, 8/40 Salon 832.



Colin Harris Akash Nooka Luke Greisen Benjamin Morgan



Sabrina Benford Hattie Vyhldal Hannah Warnke

Lincoln Southeast High School: **Landon Heller**, son of Troy and Suzanne Heller; Lincoln American Legion Post 3. **Sequojah Oforah**, son of ThirdWord and Jennifer Oforah, Legionnaire Club, Inc. **Keaton Peters**, son of Brian and Kara Peters, Star City Lions Club. **Joshua Glenn**, son of Matt and Holly Glenn, Cornhusker Kiwanis Club. **Elliot Schmitz**, son of Karen Moran and Benjamin Schmitz, Bethany Lions Club. **Joseph Zabawa**, son of Danielle Zabawa (Mom) and Ryan (Dad) and Jennifer Zabawa (Step Mom), Lincoln Squadron 3 Sons of the American Legion. **Alden Zabawa**, son of Aaron Zabawa and Angela Plugge, Lincoln American Legion Post 3. **Aubrey Nydahl**, daughter of Scott and Kristi Nydahl, Lincoln Capital City Kiwanis Club; and **Raegan Mulliner**, daughter of Todd and Kristi Mulliner, Lincoln Bethany Lions Club.



Landon Heller



Sequojah Oforah



Keaton Peters



Joshua Glenn



Elliot Schmitz



Joseph Zabawa



Alden Zabawa



Aubrey Nydahl



Raegan Mulliner

Lincoln Lutheran High School: **Carson Oerman**, son of Chris and Melissa Oerman, Lincoln American Legion Post 3. **Mallory Schmidt**, daughter of Nathan and Sarah Schmidt, Lincoln Cornhusker Kiwanis Club.



Carson Oerman



Mallory Schmidt

Lincoln Pius X High School: **Parker Koos**, son of Russel Koos and Kara Foster, St. John Paul the Great Assembly Knights of Columbus. **Dylan Kluthe**, son of Dave and Diana Kluthe, Bishop Kucera Assembly Knights of Columbus. **Jakob Schmit**, son of Lee and Cori Schmit, Capital City Kiwanis Club. **Herman Dolezal**, son of Frank Dolezal and Elizabeth Johnson, Lincoln American Legion Post 3. **Kevin Pynes**, son of Dominic and Mary Kaye Pynes, Lincoln Post 3 Chapter American Legion Riders. **Rachel Downey** daughter of Robert and Brenda Downey, Lincoln American Legion Auxiliary Unit 3; and **Katherine Tvrdy**, daughter of Doug and Melissa, Lincoln 40/8 Voiture 103.



Parker Koos



Dylan Kluthe



Jakob Schmit



Herman Dolezal



Kevin Pynes



Rachel Downey



Katherine Tvrdy

Lincoln Northeast High School: **Bobby Vogt**, son of Connie Vogt, Lincoln Center Kiwanis Club. **Nour Al-janabi**, daughter of Hanon Aribi, Havelock ALA Unit 342.



Bobby Vogt



Nour Al-janabi

Home School: **Everett Swartz**, son of Bryan and Kari Foster, Lincoln Southeast Kiwanis Club.



Everett Swartz

Remembering
"Never shall I forget the time I spent with you."
—Loving, Via Burdette

The greatest tribute to someone we love is found in remembering the moments shared together. As we journey through our days, we honor their life each time we are moved to action for a cause they taught us to care about deeply. Their vision and hope for the universe becomes our own. Each memory gradually becomes a part of us, nourishing and renewing our souls and determining our legacy to future generations. We celebrate a life lived, not the heartbreak of a life lost. And by doing so, we honor our loved one in a way that never could be forgotten.

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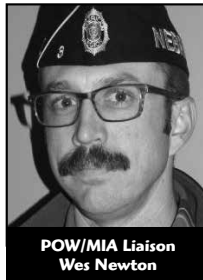
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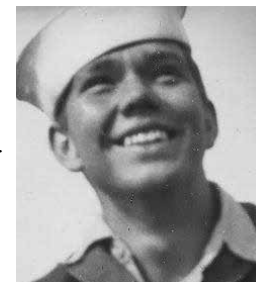


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Clarence "Shorty" Goodwin passed away almost 6 years ago at the age of 92. Shorty may have departed this world, but his legacy, the insurmountable pain and suffering he endured for our country, and the incredible sacrifices he selflessly underwent will forever be present.

It is the duty of those of us who have followed in Shorty's footsteps, in serving our country, to ensure that honorable men and women who have sacrificed as a POW, or even further, laid down their lives for our country, are never forgotten. We must speak of them often and seek out ways to ensure that knowledge of their selfless sacrifices are passed on to generations to come so that our society may never forget from where we came.

Shorty Goodwin was one of five survivors of his 42-man unit. He was captured and tortured by the Nazis, who forced him and many others to walk hundreds of miles from location to location, shooting stragglers along the way. Shorty underwent an emergency appendectomy, performed by another POW on a small Polish farm, being stitched up with the thread from a feed sack found in a barn.



He and his fellow POW's scrounged water from mud puddles wherever they could find them. The only food they were given was infested with maggots or covered in mold, but they learned to eat what they could to maintain their survival. Eventually, Shorty was able to jump from a moving train car and make his way to the Russian military who miraculously facilitated his return to the Americans. The atrocities to which Shorty was subjected were horrendous and remained with him to his dying day.

Shorty still considered himself one of the "fortunate ones" who was able to escape from captivity and make his way home. However, no matter how much time passed, he always carried the physical and emotional scars of the dreadful time he spent as a POW. It's important to know stories such as Shorty's in order to keep his legacy alive, as well as to keep our own daily problems in perspective.

There are many stories like Shorty's, and we should strive to learn about as many of them as we can and share them with our friends and family in hopes that they will do the same. We must always honor those who blazed the trail that we now walk on.

"Folks, you don't know what it's like to be without the flag, without a country, and without your family. But, at my darkest moments, I still felt a peace from God." ---- Clarence "Shorty" Goodwin

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Fifteen voyageurs from Nebraska, including eight from Lincoln Voiture 103, attended a portion of the 40 & 8 Central States Promenade held in Omaha on April 24th. Those attending from Lincoln were William Jackson, Fred Craigie, Wade Graft, Steve Bartos, Ed Muggy, Ed Schnabel, Gerry Wolf, and Brendan Moore.

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