

NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP POLICIES

The Nebraska State Historical Society is financially supported by membership dues, along with state and federal funds as well as foundational support. Members play a vital role in the operations of the Nebraska State Historical Society through the election of Board of Trustee members. Members also serve as our most active advocates for history education in Nebraska.

Memberships: All sales are final unless an upgrade is requested. Memberships are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Membership Activation.

Your membership activates immediately upon purchase.

Please allow two (2) weeks to receive your membership card(s) in the mail.

You may visit before receiving cards by providing the front staff with a valid photo ID.

If you do not receive your membership card within two weeks, please contact the Membership Office at hn.membership@nebraska.gov or 402-471-3272.

Membership Program Revisions

Nebraska State Historical Society reserves the right to revise membership benefits or levels at any time with the approval of the Director of NSHS and the NSHS Board of Trustees.

One Household.

A household consists of up to two adults and all children under the age of 18 or dependents; and legal wards who may be living at a separate address.

Nebraska State Historical Society members who are grandparents may include grandchildren under 18.

We ask that you refrain from sharing your membership with adult children or other adults outside of your immediate household.

Member Privacy.

Membership data may be shared upon formal, written request as established by Nebraska State Law, Neb. Rev. STAT. §§ 84-712 through 84-712.09.

Right to Revoke.

The Nebraska State Historical Society is a member organization committed to preserving history, respecting our historical collections, and one another. If we find that a member does not respect our environment, our rules, or others, we reserve the right to revoke their membership without a refund.

Requirements to be a Member

A member shall be considered in good standing when the member has fulfilled all requirements below.

1. Request admittance into the society and provide, at minimum, a name and current address for their membership.
2. Per Neb. Revised State Statute § 82-101.01, a member shall be interested in the accomplishment of the purposes of the society:
 - a. To promote historical knowledge and research;
 - b. To awaken public interest in Nebraska History;
 - c. To popularize historical study throughout the state in a nonpolitical manner.

Board Elections

Per Neb. Revised State Statute, § 82-101.01, twelve Nebraska State Historical Society's Board of Trustees are elected by the membership and the Governor of Nebraska appoints three additional Board of Trustee members. Each year at the annual meeting in October, dates are set for the membership elections for the following year.

Members can receive ballots in two different ways. Members will receive an electronic ballot when a valid email address is provided unless an email address is unavailable or when a member requests a paper ballot. A person must apply for membership no less than 35 days before the Annual Meeting to receive a paper ballot.

A person can only hold one type of membership with the organization. A member receives one vote per membership. Each Member must provide a unique email address to receive the ballot electronically.* On request, the Nebraska State Historical Society members can receive a paper ballot only at their legal home address provided to the Nebraska State Historical Society.

Board Election Important Dates

Final Registration Date for Paper Ballots: No less than 35 days before the Annual Meeting

Final Registration Date for Electronic Ballots: 10 days before the Annual Meeting

Final Day Votes can be Cast: 10 days before the Annual Meeting

Claims

Subscription and Household Plus members receiving the *Nebraska History* magazine are allowed to claim one replacement magazine per issue without charge.

Membership Levels

Membership levels are set by the Nebraska State Historical Society Board of Trustees, last updated on October 26, 2018, Neb. Rev. STAT. §§ 82-101.02. Pricing and benefits are effective for one year after the date of purchase and are set by the Director of NHS, Neb. Rev. STAT. §§ 82-101.03. Each membership level must be renewed annually, by request, or by enrolling in annual auto-pay.

Membership Renewal options:

- ❖ Send a check to the Nebraska State Historical Society at 1500 R St, Lincoln, NE 68508
- ❖ Phone our Membership Department at (402) 471-3272
- ❖ Visit our website at (linked at <https://history.nebraska.gov/membership/>).

Each membership, excluding the Organization Subscription-Only Membership, receives one vote per membership in the Nebraska State Historical Society Board of Trustees Elections. The ballot will be sent to the listed primary membership contact at their address. *All members entitled to cast a vote must be active members of the society who are in good standing. A member shall be considered in good standing when the member has fulfilled all requirements for membership listed above.*

Membership Levels	Benefits
<p>General Members (\$0)</p>	<p>One ballot to vote in the Nebraska State Historical Society Board of Trustees annual election.</p> <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Those interested can register as a General member online at https://history.nebraska.gov/membership/, or by calling or emailing the Membership Coordinator at 402-471-3272 or hn.membership@nebraska.gov.</i> ● <i>Only the person receiving the General Membership can register. No other party can send in the registrant's name and information on their behalf to receive a General membership.</i> ● <i>A General Member may only provide one email address to receive the ballot electronically. General Members receive one vote per membership. A person can only hold one type of membership with the organization. Upon request, General Members can receive a paper ballot only to their legal home address provided to the Nebraska State Historical Society. General Members must apply for membership before the deadline to receive a paper ballot.</i>
<p>Supporter (\$20)</p>	<p>Free entry to all Nebraska State Historical Society sites (listed at https://history.nebraska.gov/explore/), <i>one ballot</i> to vote in the Nebraska State Historical Society Board of Trustees annual election, monthly Nebraska State Historical Society E-Newsletters, and Early Bird Registration to Nebraska State Historical Society events.</p>
<p>Household (\$40)</p>	<p>Supporter Benefits, plus a 10% discount in the Nebraska State Historical Society stores, discounted educational programs, and</p>

	enrollment in the Time Travelers reciprocal program (list of benefits at http://timetravelers.mohistory.org/institutions/)
Household Plus (\$75)	Household Benefits, plus four issues of the quarterly Nebraska History Magazine
Subscription-Only (\$35) - <i>For organizations and businesses only</i>	Four issues of the quarterly Nebraska History Magazine.

***Previous Categories of Membership**

Two membership categories no longer offered (Life and Joint Life-Spouse) shall continue to be recognized as valid and will convey benefits like the Household Plus membership, except that the Joint Life-Spouse shall continue to receive two ballots so long as both spouses are living. Both spouses will also be able to receive their email ballot at the same email address if only one is provided. When one spouse is deceased, the remaining spouse will receive one ballot.