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Presidents Corner:

First, I want to thank all of you for what you do for our Society. There are some of you that are only able to do a little and there

are some of you that can do more in one particular program and there are others that are able to serve in a variety of ways for our Society. No matter how much you can help, I want you all to know that all of your ef-

forts are making us a greater Society as each year passes. This is my first year as your President and it is truly an honor to serve. Together, this Society will continue to grow. To do this I will always need your help in re-

cruiting new members. As you talk to your family and friends, discuss the SAR and what it represents. Get them interested if they feel they are eligible.

The Peter Kiewit Lodge at Mahoney State Park was the setting when the Nebraska Society held its Fall Meeting and Awards Ceremony on October 17th. We had a wonderful buffet lunch at the Lodge, which by the way houses 40 doublequeen suites, din-

ing and a gift shop. The trees were starting to turn it's fall colors which made a great day for our Meeting.



SAR APPLICATIONS

Please mail all new member and supplemental applications to:

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Nebraska SAR Society Fall Meeting Photos







Omaha Police Officer Ryan L. Sedlecek Receives Award

The Nebraska Society honored Officer Ryan L. Sedlacek of the Omaha Police Department with the Sons of the American Revolu-

tion Law Enforcement Award at the Society's Fall Meeting at Mahoney State Park on October 17, 2010.

Officer Sedlacek has served the Omaha Police Department with distinction for many years and has proven to be a great asset to the Omaha Police Department through his efforts in Gang Suppression. Officer Sedlacek has promoted and demonstrated a commitment to public safety by keeping the lines

> of communication open with other law enforcement agencies and developing crime bulletins for the Omaha Police Department based on trends that other jurisdictions are experiencing.

The medal is struck on a circular planchet and the obverse depicts a police

badge design surrounded by a gold eagle with the SAR Badge below. A blue and gold ribbon suspends the medal. A certificate and citation accompanied the presentation

The purpose of the presentation is to recognize those who have served with distinction and devotion in the field of law enforcement.

Bellevue Paramedic Chad Dimauro Receives Award

The Nebraska Society honored Paramedic Chad Dimauro of the Bellevue Fire Department with the Sons of the American Revolution Emergency Medical Service Award at the Society's Fall Meeting at Mahoney State Park on October 17, 2010.

Currently Officer Dimauro is a preceptor for new EMT-Basics, teaching



them how to become successful, competent EMS Providers.

Officer Dimauro has continually stepped up to the plate to assist with instructing, extra duties, serving in officer positions, and has helped the command staff and other personnel.

The medal is struck on a circular planchet and the ob-

verse depicts an EMS badge design. Across the top of the outer circumference are the words "Sons of the American Revolution" and across the bottom are the words "EMS Commendation." A certificate and citation accompanied the presentation.

The purpose of the presentation is to recognize those who have served with distinction and devotion in the Emergency Medical Service Field.

New Member Welcomed

Just initiated into the Nebraska SAR Society at our Fall Meeting was Jordan Timothy Cash, #177585. The photograph shows Nebraska Society President LaVerne Stetson pictured on the left who swore Jordan in and his Grandfather, Larry Cash, #158533, on the right who placed the Rosette into Jordan's lapel while explaining its significance and how it is to be worn.



The initiation took place on 17 October 2010 at the Nebraska Societies Fall Meeting held at the Mahoney State Park Lodge near Omaha, Nebraska.

It's such a significant and special event when your Grandfather is available to take part in the ceremony. Congratulations to our newest Compatriot and welcome to the Nebraska Society.

NSSAR Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY

On September 23-25 Compatriots Jim Say, dual Illinois and Nebraska member, Dr. David Kentsmith and Fred Walden attended the NSSAR Leadership Meeting in Louisville, Ky. They indicated that the most important part of the meeting was the dedication of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage Genealogical Research Library on Saturday, September 25, 2010.

The dedication ceremony was culminated by Presentation of the key to the building and a certificate of occupancy by General Contractor, A.L. Post, Inc. After the ceremony the Center was closed in order to move the materials that will be placed in the Center to be relocated.

They stated that it is a beautiful facility and one that all SAR members should be proud of in the years ahead.



Compatriots Kentsmith and Walden indicated they had not been to any of the Leadership Meetings in the past,

and was impressed with the structure of the meetings which allowed attendees the opportunity to attend several sessions of interest.

The photo at left shows, from left to right, Jim Say, Past President General Butler, Dr. David Kentsmith, current President General Sympson and Fred Walden, our Trustee. The photo was taken in the new Research Library.

Fred Walden Attends 120th National Congress

The National Congress this year was represented by our own Fred Walden.

Sunday had various committee meetings in the morning followed by the National Memorial Service in the afternoon. Monday, June 28, began with the presentation of colors by the National Color Guard and the SAR opening ritual. The general officers reported on activities of the year. At

lunch, the assembled society recognized many outstanding youths — winners of the various youth contests who presented their winning essays and speeches. Tuesday's business session included voting on various constitutional amendments and resolutions and the election and installation of the new National Trustees. Compatriot Fred Walden was present to take the oath as the 2010-2011 National Trustee for Nebraska.

Inside Story Headline

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History's first submarine attack

History's first submarine attack took place in New York Harbor in 1776!

The Connecticut inventor David Bushnell called his submarine the Turtle because it resembled two large tortoise shells of equal size joined together. The watertight hull was made of 6-inch-thick oak timbers coated with tar. It was powered by pedal and lit from within by glowing mushrooms. The craft was supposed to drill into British ships and plant explosives. On September 6, 1776, the Turtle targeted the HMS Eagle, flagship of the British fleet. The submarine was supposed to secure a cask of gunpowder to the hull of the Eagle and sneak away before it exploded.

Unfortunately, the *Turtle* got entangled with the *Eagle's* rudder bar,



lost ballast and surfaced before the gunpowder could be planted.

The *Turtle* never got the chance to be used again. The submersible was lost when the ship transporting it was sunk.

Bushnell claimed to eventually recover the machine, but its final fate is unknown. Modern functional replicas of the *Turtle* have been constructed; the Connecticut River Museum and the Royal Navy Submarine Museum have them on display.