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# Nebraska SAR Society Spring Meeting Held April 19, 2015

# **President's Corner:** "Freedom is assured"

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With Memorial Day events fresh in our minds many

us can again recall the considerable sacrifices borne by those in uniform to serve the cause of peace and freedom both here in the **United States** of America and around the world. That so many

have served and continue to volunteer for active duty speaks well of our better natures as a free people. For those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the nation, flying the US flag.

> hands over hearts and salute during  $_{
> m the}$ singing the National Anthem. speeches in honor of the veterans, a red rose laid everv headstone in the soldier's circle, honor guards firing in sa-

lute, and "Taps" heard in the distance are but opening gestures. A daily Cont'd on Page 4, Col. 1



#### SAR APPLICATIONS

Please mail all new member and supplemental application to our NE SAR State Secretary: Compatriot Dr. David K. Kentsmith, M.D. 16902 S. HWY 50 Springfield, NE 68059-4827

If you need to contact Compatriot Kentsmith, he may be reached by phone at 402-253-2577 or by email at: K-NESAR@Q.COM





Photo to the left shows
Eagle Scout
Loren Steinman
from Dunbar, Nebraska with

his family. Attending were his parents Daryl and Laura and his Grandmother. Story on page 2.



Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

Shown

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President John Yellow Bird Steele and SAR Member LeRoy Louden. More on page 7 "Brown Bess"



Some of the donations from the DAR and SAR to Pine Ridge. Story on page 7.

### Nebraska Society Spring Meeting

President John Reinert opened the meeting at 2:00 pm with a call to Order. There was a Quorum. This was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR. Past Nebraska SAR Presidents were introduced as well as the members and guests. The presentation of the Arthur M. & Berdena King National SAR Eagle Scout Scholarship award was conducted by Eagle Scout Chairman Merle Rudebusch and President Reinert. A call for a vote of the Minutes of 21 September 2014 Fall Meeting was made. There were no corrections or additions.

There was a motion to approve and second. All approved. Officers reports were given by President John Reinert; VP and Secretary David Kentsmith: Treasurer William Webb: Registrar Thomas Masters; National Trustee Fredrick Walden and New Vice President General Thomas Parsons. 2014 Audit Report was given by Robert Knott, member of the Audit Committee. Chairman Dr. James Hoke had another commitment and could not attend. Other Committee Reports by Robert Chandler, Flag; William Webb and Robert Knott Publicity and Shawn Stoner, Medals & Certificates. Old Business discussed was Donovan's Cabin Plaque and State Meeting locations. New Business discussed was the SAR Directory, Lancaster County Genealogical Society; DAR Genealogical Library, Grand Island, NE and Volunteers for VA, American Legion representatives. After closing remarks by President Reinert and members were asked to recite "Until We Meet Again" the meeting was adjourned.

"I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country" - Nathan Hale's last words before being hanged by the British.

#### NEBRASKA SOCIETY AND CHAPTER AWARDS PRESENTED DURING 2ND QUARTER 2015



The above right shows Merle Rudebusch, Nebraska Society Eagle Scout Chairperson congratulating Eagle Scout Loren Steinman from Dunbar, Nebraska as the Arthur M. & Berdena King National SAR Eagle Scout Scholarship winner for the State of Nebraska. Eagle Scout Steinman was also presented the Nebraska SAR Eagle Scout Essay Scholarship Award of \$500.00 by the Nebraska Society President John Reinert. Loren was also entered into the National SAR Award for \$10,000 for 1st, \$6,000 for runner up and \$4,000 for 2nd runner up but did not win. Attending the ceremony at Mahoney State Park was his parents Daryl and Laura Steinman and his Grandmother Mary Ann Barry.



<u>Eagle Scout Loren Steinman</u> reading his essay to SAR members and guests.

Patriotism, duty, honor, loyalty, perseverance: these are qualities passed down from the founding fathers through our forefathers to the American people of today. Their message, a cry against tyranny, has reverberated through the endless halls of time. It has not only survived in history books but also in their progeny. Tens of thousands of men served in the Continental Army and their descendants populate the USA in the millions. Many of their names are forgotten and their stories seldom remembered. The common soldier's history is not nearly as illustrious as those of Washington or Gates, yet just as important. The countless masses who served as soldiers, putting their lives and families on the line, should be remembered for their service and their great example. On the limbs of many a family tree, there may reside a patriot hero or two with a heritage worth honoring.

In my own genealogy there is listed David Allee, my maternal sixth great grandfather who was born April 25, 1762 in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. At the young age of 13, Allee joined the Virginia Militia. His company pursued British-allied Cherokee through the wilderness of present-day Tennessee. After his first unit disbanded in July 1777, Allee served four additional times. During his final duty, he served under Colonel Abraham Penn at the Battle of Guilford Court on March 15, 1781. A few years after his time in service,

David Allee married Charity Bybee. He obtained 200 acres as payment for his wartime service. Late in life, Allee became a minister, organizing several schools and churches on the then-frontier. The reverend founded several more churches before his dy-His relatives carried on this mission of faith, with some of his descendants still serving as leaders in his two-century-old churches. Additionally, my own grandfather, David Allee's third great grandson, was also Honor, reference and a minister. perseverance represent long-lasting ancestral qualities. Allee is not the only patriot who

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Cont'd from Page 2, Col. 3 graces my ancestry. Two of my ancestors fought in the same regiment in Colonial Connecticut. My father is a descendant of Ezekiel Trumbull who served in 1775 with General David Wooster's First Connecticut (4th Company). Meanwhile my mother is a descendant of Samuel Benham who served in Wooster's First Connecticut but in 7th Company. Both these men responded to the "Lexington Alarm" of 1775 and continued to serve for a time afterward.

President Zachary Taylor's uncle, my seventh great grandfather, Zachery Taylor, Jr. served under Colonel Washington at Braddock's Defeat in 1755. Later Taylor was a Captain under General Washington in the American Revolution.

Duty to country, reverence to God and commitment to family are long-held qualities of my ancestors on every side of the tree. These revolutionary figures from America's struggle for freedom are personal heroes of mine and should be remembered for their bravery in battle and out.

#### NEBRASKA EAGLE SCOUTS HON-ORED WITH SAR CERTIFICATES

The following Eagle Scouts were presented the Sons of the American Revolution Eagle Scout Certificate during their Court of Honor Ceremony in 2015:

John Simmons, January 18, 2015, Omaha, NE

Ian Ceuvas, March 14, 2015, Walton,

Austin Carstens, March 14, 2015, Walton, NE

Grant Carstens, March 14, 2015, Walton, NE

Grant Morgan, March 14, 2015, Walton, NE

Joshua Heller, April 18, 2015, Walton, NE

A special thanks goes to Compatriot Merle Rudebusch who presented these Certificates this year. Merle Rudebusch is the Nebraska Eagle Scout Chairman and does an outstanding job. The SAR, as does Merle, believes that Eagle Scouts are deserving of special recognition for their accomplishments.



Thomas Conley,

President of the Omaha Chapter was the featured speaker for the May 12, 2015 meeting. His presentation was on the Sullivan

Campaign of

1779. General George Washington in early 1779 developed a plan to break the Iroquois Confederation that consisted of six Native American Tribes including the Seneca, Cayuga, Mohawk, Onondaga, Oneida and Tuscarora tribes. General Washington gambled that this campaign would eliminate a key ally of England without weakening his own forces. The Iroquois tribes with the exception of the Oneida and Tuscarora, sided with England and were ravaging the Pennsylvania and New York frontiers, creating unrest with the settlers. General Washington (after several officers declined) selected New Hampshire's John Sullivan to lead the expedition. His orders were to destroy all of the villages and food supplies of the Iroquois forcing England to supply them food and other essentials creating an additional burden on England. General Sullivan's troops numbered in the thousands and their march up the Susquehanna River in Pennsylvania alerted the Iroquois giving them time to leave their villages and escaping being killed or captured. The campaign was deemed a success and opened the frontier for new settlement.

VETERANS — Free bronze medallions signifying veterans status for those not buried in a national or state veterans cemetery, or buried without a government grave marker, are available for veterans graves. The veteran must have died on or after November 1, 1990. Instructions can be found at: National Cemetery Assoc. web site: www.cem.va.gov

#### 2015-16 Meetings and Events

Jul 3, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Aug 7, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Sep 4, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Sep 8, Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm Gorats

Sep 20, State Fall Meeting Mahoney State Park

Oct 2, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Oct 13, Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm Gorats

Nov 5, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Nov 10, Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm Gorats

Dec 4, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Dec 8, Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm Gorats

Jan 1, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9 am Eastmont Towers

Jan 12, Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm Gorats

Feb 5, Lincoln Chapter Meeting, 9:00 am Eastmont Towers

Feb 9, Omaha Chapter Meeting, 6:00 pm Gorats

#### MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE WYUKA CEMETERY 2015



Story on Page 8, Column 1.

Cont'd from Page 1, Col. 3 watch is better kept by all of us. I'm always proudest to the see the parents with young children in attendance at Memorial Day events where a sense of connectedness is instilled with conspicuous acts of courage and bravery on display. The children were in abundance this year at Wyuka Cemetery. Compatriot Merle Rudebusch gave several keynote addresses at various events around Lincoln on Memorial Day, including Wyuka, where we learned about Nebraska's place in Civil War history. As a member of the First Plymouth Choir I will find myself in Helsinki, Finland on July 6th ministering to yet another culture with a musical heritage similar to our own. Their political history is also one dedicated to the cause of peace and freedom. I go there, as well as to Latvia and Estonia to honor their traditions. As NATO sorties are flown our collective freedoms are assured.

#### By way of editorial comment I offer a top ten list of attributes experienced by free peoples

- 1. The ability to read and communicate effectively with others on the topics of the day.
- 2. A mind capable of new learning when educational opportunities are sought.
- 3. Commitment to a family life that includes: respect for ones elders, honoring your parents, and supporting one's spouse and children materially and emotionally.
- 4. Actively seeking educational opportunities when not otherwise engaged in caring for others.
- 5. An understanding for how religious practices can abide the maintenance of civilizing forces in a community, whether you yourself are a believer or not.
- 6. Respect for the rule of law.

- 7. Willingness to perform a national service, which includes the armed forces, national guard, or merchant marine. There may be others.
- 8. Willingness to participate fully in the electoral process including becoming aware of local issues, voting regularly, and/or becoming a candidate and standing for election yourself when called.
- 9. Basic knowledge of history.
- 10. Love of animals and an appreciation for ecological processes, whether engaged as a farmer or other environmental concern.

# Biographies for your Patriot Ancestors

NSSAR has established a committee to perpetuate the memory of our Revolutionary War Patriot Ancestors by providing a media for SAR members to submit biographies. These biographies will be entered in a data base coupled with the grave index for the NSSAR Revolutionary War Graves Registry. This information can be used as a tool for recruitment for future members. To provide an incentive for members to submit biographies, NSSAR will award a Flag Streamer to the State Society and each Local Chapter that meet the goal of submitting biographies that total at least 20% of their membership by June 1, 2015. These streamers will be presented to State representatives at the National Conference in Louisville, KY in June. Many of our Nebraska members have already submitted biographies that exceed the 20% goal. As of June 1, 2015 members of the Nebraska SAR have submitted biographies that total 33%, Lincoln Chapter - 33% and Omaha Chapter - 48%. A special thanks to all that have submitted biographies. you can see we have met the established goal, in a timely manner, and will receive Flag Streamers.

Members may still submit biographies using the following criteria and using a bench mark of a maximum of 500 words (may be somewhat flexible). Not all the following information is necessary but it serves as an example of what to provide: Patriot name as it appears on SAR record copy, Patriot Ancestor number (it should be on the record copy starting with a P-\_\_\_\_), Dates and place of birth, Death date, Marriage, Names of parents, Spouse, Children, dates of service, if they received a pension, where they lived (before and after their service), ancestors occupation, where buried, if there is a grave marker and you have a photo it will be included. If you need assistance in writing the biography please submit the information to either Robert Knott <chiefknott@aol.com> or William Webb <<u>webb.w@q.com</u>>. We will be happy to format the information and submit it to the committee. If you decide to submit information t h e the Committee directly, let us know as we are tracking the information (submission must be in a Microsoft Word compatible form).

http://patriot.sar.org

"We then went up to the old battle-ground on Bunker's Hill, where they were erecting a monument to those who fell in that day-break battle of our rising glory. I felt as if I wanted to call them up, and ask them to tell me how to help to protect the liberty they bought for us with their blood; but as I could not do so, I resolved on that holy ground to go for my country, always and everywhere" David Crockett

#### ROTC & JROTC AWARDS

The following Cadets received recognition for their high degree of merit with respect to leader-Cont'd on Page 5, Col. 1

#### Cont'd from Page 4, Col. 3

ship qualities, military bearing and general excellence. They were presented the Sons of the American Revolution ROTC/JROTC Medal with Certificate.

Shalom Combs-Benson HS
Austin Pepin-Bellevue East HS
Tyler Copeland-Bellevue West
Adrian Chavez-Gonzalez Bryan
Richard T. Sampson-Burke HS
Gabriel K. Watson-Central HS
Ryan Meegan-North HS
Bradley Staley-Northwest HS
Anthony Grimaldo-Omaha South
Dillon Heizer-Papillion-LaVista
South

Alexis Blinston-Plattsmouth HS
Emery Dowding—Lincoln HS
Travis Otto-Univ. of NE Omaha
Chelsea Dizon-Creighton Univ.
Sally Jacobson—UNL Lincoln
Charles Walet—UNL Lincoln
Aaron Jorgense –UNL Lincoln
A SPECIAL THANKS to all
those Compatriots who presented
during the ROTC and JROTC
Awards ceremony at the various
schools:

Dr. David Kentsmith, M.D. Frederick Walden John Parsons Robert Knott William Webb Richard Ewing Gary Gray Shawn Stoner

Nebraska State Regent for the Daughters of the American Revolution, Kathleen Ocasio, was in attendance at Bellevue East during their JROTC Awards Ceremony. Shown with Kathy is her neice Gabi Linder.





Compatriot Richard Ewing, Omaha Chapter congratulates Cadet Dillon Heizer, Papio South High School, after presenting him with the SAR JROTC Certificate and Medal. Cadet Heizer will be the new XO next year.



Compatriot Dr. David Kentsmith, Omaha Chapter is shown presenting the SAR JROTC Certificate and Medal to Cadet Gabriel K. Watson from Central High School.



Past State President Frederick Walden is shown congratulating Cadet Bradley Staley, from Northwest High School upon being presented the SAR JROTC Certificate and medal. The presentation took place at Northwest High School during their Awards Ceremony.



Compatriot Dr. David Kentsmith, Omaha Chapter is shown congratulating Cadet Travis Otto, University of Nebraska, Omaha with the SAR ROTC Certificate and Medal.



Compatriot John Parsons, Omaha Chapter is shown presenting the SAR JROTC Certificate and Medal to Cadet Austin Pepin from Bellevue East during their awards event.



Compatriot Dr. David Kentsmith congratulates Cadet Shalom Combs from Benson High upon receiving the SAR JROTC Certificate and Medal.



# MEET MY PATRIOTS "My American Revolution Ancestors"

By Robert L. Knott, Jr.



Cont'd from 1st Qtr Newsletter: Brewer Samuel Magruder. Samuel Brewer Magruder saw active service. His battalion was known as " Marching Militia," having volunteered to serve outside of Maryland, in order to meet the emergency. While we have not found records showing in detail the engagements in which Magruder was a participant, by following the movements of the Maryland militia recruited from the Western Shore, to a reasonable degree we can trace his military career. With Cornwallis conveniently in Philadelphia, late in September, Howe anticipated concerted action. Washington soon learned that the British were plotting to put an end to the stronghold at Billingsport and all the forts along the Delaware River. In a council of war, decision was made to march immediately against the British forces encamped about Germantown (now a part of Philadelphia). The complete victory won at Germantown on October 4th stands out among the battles of the Revolution partly because of the attendant loss of the fruits of this great triumph. Various reasons have been ascribed for the panic which developed unexpectedly among the victors themselves. It occurred just at the critical moment for the Maryland militia, which had not been engaged in the fighting, but had been gaining the proper position for an attack on the enemy's right wing in front and rear. Instead of certain victory for the Maryland division, the retreat of the already victorious Americans commanded by General Sullivan brought about a retreat of all American troops. The entire army

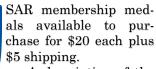
of Washington was obliged to withdraw to the banks of Perkiomen Creek, where several days were spent before reinforcements heartened the Commander-in-Chief sufficiently for an order to draw nearer to Philadelphia and encamp at White Marsh. With the failure of the British to dislodge Washington, aggressive campaigning ended for the rest of the year at this point for the militia from Western Maryland. In December, Washington faced the beginning of that terrible winter at Valley Forge; but the Marylanders were ordered to occupy Wilmington, Delaware, for the winter. They fortified the town and made life rather uncomfortable for Tory sympathizers. Not all of the suffering of American troops was at Valley Forge during that period. Count Fleury, who was giving special training to the men at described their condi-Wilmington, tion in a letter to Baron Steuben dated May 13, 1778:-"Most of the recruits are unprovided with shirts, and the only garment they possess is a blanket elegantly twined about them. You may judge, sir, how much this apparel graces their appearance o n parade." ------Enlistments during the Revolution generally were for limited periods and we believe that with the ending of the campaigns of 1777 and 1778, Samuel Brewer Magruder returned to his home. The Marching Militia had supported Washington loyally through the period of lowest ebb in the cause of independence. Thomas Scharf, in his History of Western Maryland, referred to the exceptional absence of sectionalism among those of the Maryland militia, who " fought gallantly without murmur or complaint". In further tribute, he pointed out that" no State clung more faithfully to Washington

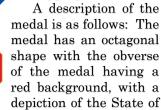
in all his trials, and against all his opponents; and no State furnished more troops, or as many, to the Continental army, according to the proportions fixed by Congress." Concerning the Marching Militia, he wrote that they "participated in the campaigns of 1777-78 and sustained the reputation of the Maryland By 1780, however, the war Line." once more was prosecuted with vigor. Maryland again rose to the occasion. It called for 1400 men to serve in the regular army for the duration of the war, this number being apportioned to the several counties for the purpose of completing the battalions. "Exemption from taxation until four years after the termination of the war, and the award of fifty acres were offered new recruits. Again we find Samuel Brewer Magruder responding to the call of his State. He not only entered the ranks of the army on the appointed day, July 15, 1780, but received a promotion, becoming first lieutenant of the Lower Battalion, 2nd Company. He was one of 2,065 regulars whom Maryland proudly claimed before the end of that year. By this time, the scene of action had shifted mainly to the South, where two-third's of the campaigners on the American side were from Maryland. It is probable that Magruder saw service with the southern army, which brought the Revolutionary War to a decisive close after much heroism. As first lieutenant, Magruder is commemorated on the bronze tablet unveiled by the American Clan Gregor Society in 1926 in the court room at Rockville, Maryland. His brothers and all other Magruders from Montgomery County who gave active military service in the Revolution being included. That as many as thirty-one from Cont'd on Page Col. 7,

Cont'd from Page 6, Col. 3 the single county, alone, bearing the patronymic of Magruder, were soldiers of the Continental Army, might seem remarkable were it not for the fact so well known that a martial strain has been a pronounced characteristic of all generations of the family. (1) (1) Kenneth Dann Magruder, Pennsylvania

#### Available

There are a limited number of large and small bronze Nebraska





Nebraska (green in color) alongside an image of a Patriot. Curved along the top of the face it reads "Sons of the American Revolution" and curved along the bottom of the face it reads "Nebraska Society". Under the depiction of the State of Nebraska it reads: "EST. 1890" and within the depiction it shows the NSSAR logo. The reverse of the medal is left plain for engraving of the recipient's name and if applicable, NSSAR member number.

The drape is royal blue with a narrow gold stripe centered matching the colors of the Nebraska State Flag. Between the blue and gold stripe on either side is a red stripe. The full size is 1- 1/4 inch diameter & small 3/4 inch

There are also gold and silver medals available that members may purchase by participating in various patriotic activities. A list of sanctioned activities are available by contacting either William Webb <webb.w@q.com> (402-238-2684) or F r e d e r i c k W a l d e n <fred.walden@cox.net>



# DONATIONS FOR PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION

DAR American Indians State Committee Chair, Sheri Ward learned of the needs of new mothers and their infants at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. She enlisted the assistance of former State Senator and SAR Member LeRoy Louden to identify those needs and to provide an introduction to the reservation leaders. As a result, this became a joint project of Nebraska SAR and DAR. Members from across the state gathered baby clothes, diapers and other supplies. On March 13th, DAR State Regent, Kathy Ocasio and her husband, Bob, accompanied Sheri and her husband Otis, SharonAnn and LeRoy Louden, and Lee Ann Merrihew and her husband Harry to the reservation to deliver the goods. They were greeted by tribal leaders and other residents of the reservation. They were truly grateful for the contributions and shared some of the history of the reservation. Afterward they were taken on a tour of a new state-of-the art assisted living facility that is being built on the reservation and they hope to open later this year. This accomplishment came about as a result of legislation that was spearheaded by Senator Louden. The Nebraska Society DAR will continue to collect baby items (infant to 9-months) during the second and final year of the current administration and they will be delivered to the reservation this fall or next spring.

"My SAR membership is a constant proud reminder of our glorious heritage, and my responsibilities as an American citizen." - U. S. Grant, III, U. S. Army.



Dr. David K.
Kentsmith,
past president
of the Omaha
Chapter and
current secretary of the
State Society
was the featured speaker
at the Omaha
SAR Chapter

April 14, 2015. While David and family were in England last year he took advantage of this opportunity to do some genealogy research of an ancestor of his at the British National Archives at Kew. The Kew Palace was King George III's home during his reign. While the experience doing research at this historic place was great there were some frustrations as the files were not indexed. His presentation and slides were enjoyed by all.



Mr. Gary Moulton was the guest speaker at the Omaha SAR Chapter meeting February 10, 2015. Gary, renowned authority on the Mer-

iwether Lewis and William Clark journals and author of "The Lewis and Clark Journals", presented a "New Look" into the lives of these two leaders of the Corps of Discovery. Gary presented their strengths and weaknesses showing how they complimented each other during their two year exploration of the Louisiana Purchase. He also provided an insight into their lives after their historic journey. All members in attendance were pleased and enjoyed his presentation. Gary visited with members after the meeting.

#### MORE PICTURES AND STORIES

#### **Notes from the Editor/Publisher**

We are actively seeking articles for publication and would like to have some in reserve for future issues. Topics for inclusion in the Husker Patriot are articles about our State Society, Chapter activities, member activity supporting other patriotic organizations. Articles should be approximately 50 to 200 words and photos should be included when possible. Photo size should be at least 600X600 pixels. Other articles you might consider for the Husker Patriot include narrative history, biography (such as your Patriot), information from diaries for the time period, historic preservation that deal with the time period and place of the American Revolution. No guarantee is given as to when your article will be published but it will be included in the Husker Patriot in a timelv manner. Please do not send original or irreplaceable materials or photographs. We are requesting that submissions be sent by email. We reserve the right to make any editorial conformity of style. We ask that you submit your articles for inclusion in an upcoming issue of the Husker Patriot to the Editor Publisher by email at: chiefknott@aol.com webb.w@q.com.

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Memorial Day remembrance at
Wyuka Cemetery was attended by
Merle Rudebusch; John Reinert;
Shawn Stoner and Thomas Masters. Compatriot Merle Rudebusch,
also a member of the SUVCW, was
one of the keynote speakers and
discussed Nebraska's place in Civil
War history including how several
counties around the state are
named for Civil War Generals: John
Milton Thayer (buried at Wyuka
Cemetery); Joseph Hooker; Philip
Henry Sheridan; William Tecum-

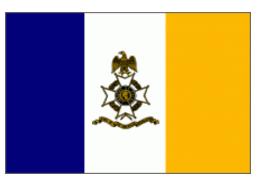


The above photo shows the initiation of Rev. Henry (Hank) Whipple Austin, Lt Col, USMC, retired taken during the April meeting of the Omaha Chapter. Compatriot Gary Gray administered the oath and Compatriot John Parsons presented the Rosette.



Shown above is John Braisted during his swearing in ceremony at the Nebraska Society's Spring Meeting in April at Mahoney State Park. Compatriot Shawn Stoner administered the oath and State President John Reinert presented the Rosette.

seh Sherman; George Henry Thomas; George Armstrong Custer; George Thomas; James Birdseye McPherson; John Alexander Logan; and Ulysses Simpson Grant. Albinus Nance, for which Nance county is named served as a private during the war but was later elected Nebraska's fourth governor.



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"My SAR membership to me is a connection with those members of my family who lived in times even more difficult than ours. One of the greatest challenges facing any Secretary of the Treasury is to look up at the picture of Alexander Hamilton and Albert Gallatin and think to himself 'I hope that I can hold together the wonderful institution these two men established." Joseph W. Barr

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