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AMERICAN HERITAGE DINNER February 17, 2018 **President's Message**

Nebraska Society, this is

my last column as your State President. Finishing my term of office. reminds me of watching

the last leaves of autumn which fade, fall from the trees and are taken away by the wind. Let me say it has been a very special honor and privilege to serve you as State President. Thank you for giving me this honor and allowing me to serve you. As my two-year term comes to an end, I feel pride and satisfaction knowing our Society's fu-



Fellow Compatriots of the ture and success is in good hands. I pass this title

and responsibilities of the office on to William Webb and wish him the best. In doing so, I am asking

you all to give him your full support and help as you have given so generously to me.

The officers and members serving with me have made a good team working together to improve and hopefully better what we were given by those who preceded us. Sometimes my expectations were greater than what I got Cont: President- page 5 col 3



PATRIOT

SAR APPLICATIONS

Please mail all new member and suppleapplications mental to our NE SAR State Secretary: Compatriot John Reinert, **P.O**. Box 83251. Lincoln, NE 68501-3251.

If you need to contact Compatriot Reinert, he may be reached by phone at 402-432-9168 or by email at: JR6@AOL.Com

"Brown Bess"

Infamous



You are invited to join the Lincoln Chapter, Nebraska Society, Sons of the American Revolution as we celebrate our 6th Annual American Heritage Dinner The 6th Annual American Heritage Dinner will be *held* Feb 17, 2018 at the Havelock

Social Hall, 4538 N. 62nd Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The social hour starts at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:30 followed by the featured speaker at 7. The presenter is Darrell Draper portraying "Daniel Freeman". Daniel Freeman was the 1st person to get a homestead, under the Homestead Act near Beatrice. More information can be found on the NESSAR website.

NEBRASKA SOCIETY AND CHAPTER NEWS DURING 4th QUARTER 2017

Perrett-Stansbie Pioneer Cemetery Historical Preservation Project Pictures, Col. 1

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To you Sharon ann. I Sandhill chapter NSDAR. I thank you for what you done at the persett - Starshis Centery. I am so proud of everyone else who hills very little sister is there Prett a lot better when I last these knowing someone else cares; you not only made part of my life day that I are the cemetry , herd sto repaired Shank you again Hank Buck,

Charlotte Faulk Parmer DAR Marker Dedication Pictures, in Col. 2 & 3

Additional pictures and story on page 7.



Descendants of Charlotte Parmer at the ceremony.

> Playing of Taps

the Ceremony.

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member of the Daughters of the American Revolution

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he was eager to be a part of the ceremony.

Quotes by Thomas Jefferson, 3rd President of the United States "When we get piled upon one another in large cities, as in Europe, we shall become as corrupt as Europe. "The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not."

"It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes. A principle which if acted on would save one-half the wars of the world."



William Webb and Robert Knott shown with original letter from General George Washington to Col. Brodhead on Jun 23, 1779.



Color Guard members Shawn Stoner, Chad Sherrets and William Webb.



Robert Knott, Gabi Linder, Kathleen Ocasio, Shawn Stoner, Chad Sherrets.



Xavier Ocasio, Kathy Ocasio and Robert Knott with Washington's letter.

HUSKER PATRIOT

New Members NESSAR Initiated

Please welcome Compatriot Melvin C. Burright to the NESSAR. He was initiated at the Omaha Chapter



meeting October 10, 2017. His Patriot Ancestor is Isaac Messenger. Compatriot Burright presented an informational biographical sketch for his ancestor after the Initiation.. Shown in the ceremonial photo above is Thomas Upton, Omaha Chapter Secretary, Melvin Burright and Melvin's son Compatriot Paul Burright who performed the Initiation.

Please welcome Compatriot Stephen Wayne Bothwell to the NESSAR. He was initiated at the Omaha Chapter meeting November



14, 2017. His Patriot Ancestor is Pvt. William Mead. Compatriot Bothwell presented an informational biographical sketch for his ancestor after his Initiation. Shown in the photo above is his Aunt Etta Brainard who is a member of the DAR and her husband Jim, Steven's wife Mary, Compatriot Steven Bothwell, Omaha Chapter Secretary Paul Burright and Omaha Chapter President Dr. Merle McAlevey who were the Installing Officers.

Omaha Chapter Activities

THE PHILADELPHIA CAMPAIGN PRESENTATION BY JOHN PARSONS

Compatriot John Parsons gave a very informative talk at the Omaha Chapter meeting about the Phila-



delphia Campaign of 1777 in which the British attempted to end the colonial revolt after two years of failed efforts. Other elements in Britain wanted to pursue a different strategy, however Howe disagreed with that strategy because it would not secure the rebel capital. The Americans launched several preemptive probing attacks that drove the British advance elements back. Both Howe and Washington decided to enter Winter Quarters and by the beginning of December the Philadelphia Campaign was concluded. Those who missed his presentation will be able to read the complete article in the First Quarter 2018 Newsletter.

COMPATRIOTS: Please reserve the date of February 17, 2017 from 5:30 PM—9:00 PM for the 5th annual American Heritage Dinner in Lin-coln. This allows us to network with other like minded organizations and have an educational and entertaining evening. Needing a Registration form? Contact LaVerne Stetson at lavstetson@aol.com or contact him at 402-483-2369.

2018-19 Meetings and Events

Omaha Chapter does not hold meetings in June, July and August

Jan 1, Lincoln Chapter Meeting 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers

Jan 12, Omaha Chapter Meeting 6:00 pm Gorats

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

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

Feb 17, American Heritage Celebration 5:30pm—Havelock Social Hall, Lincoln

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

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

Apr 6, Lincoln Chapter Meeting 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers

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

Apr 15, Spring Meeting 1:00 pm, Mahoney State Park

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

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

Jun 1, Lincoln Chapter Meeting 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers

Jul 4,

Independence Day

Jul 6,	Lincoln Chapter
Meeting 9:00 am,	Eastmont Towers
Aug 3	Lincoln Chanter

Meeting 9:00 am, Eastmont Towers

2018 DUES NOTICE As of this December 26, 94 members have paid their dues for 2018 (thank you), 22 have not.. Please do not let your membership lapse. Promptly paying your 2018 dues by sending your dues check to the State SAR Secretary will prevent requiring you to reapply for membership. Dues should be sent to: John Reinert, PO Box 83251, Lincoln, NE 68501-3251.

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Members' Corner

We are looking for articles for our Newsletter about our members Patriots. Would you be willing to put together an article about your Patriot? It could be one or two pages long or even a paragraph. If you go up to four or five pages we could have a continuation into the next Quarter's Newsletter. These articles would then be available for all of our members to enjoy. If we can assist you in any way with putting something together just let us know. An article would be such a great way to pass down to our future generations what our Patriot did for our country. We're only an email away.

We now have twenty nine Newsletters published and distributed to our members. I would like to ask you to again take a good look at these Newsletters and let us know what you would like to see in future editions. We did receive several votes of confidence on the outline and direction the newsletter is moving, however, we do need more input from fellow compatriots in our chapter news and general submissions. Are there areas of interest that you would like included? How well are we meeting your needs? If you have any stories and/or pictures you take at any of our events that you can share, please contact the Newsletter Co-Editor Bob Knott at chiefknott@aol.com or the Co-Editor Bill Webb at webb.w@q.com. This is your Newsletter and we want it to be as informative and interesting as we can make it. This is where you can help.



MEET MY PATRIOTS Presented by Ryan Russell Fuller

"MY AMERICAN REVOLUTION ANCESTORS"



My 5th Great-Grandfather William T. Whitlatch was born on April 20, 1761 in Harford County, Maryland. His parents came to America in 1748 or 1749 from London, England and records indicate they returned to England after the Revolutionary War. Most of the information on William's service is obtained from a Revolutionary War pension application in 1833 that awarded him \$80 annually. His pension affidavit provided the following information about his service: William was hired as a substitute for Captain Simpson's Militia Company in Washington County, MD in September 1779. During that time he volunteered to go west as part of Gen. McIntosh's western army at Ft. Pitt, PA and Ft. Laurens in what is now Ohio. In April 1780, Gen. McIntosh sent a letter to William's officers that additional troops were not wanted. History states that this was due to Gen. Washington cancelling a planned expedition by Gen. McIntosh to capture Ft. Detroit in present day Michigan. William was dismissed from camp in May 1780 with eight months of service. He then married Nancy Anne Veech in September 1780 in Harford County, MD. In 1781 William and Nancy

moved to the southwestern frontier of Pennsylvania, which is now Greene County. In the spring of 1782 he was hired as a substitute for Capt. Pigman's Militia Company. William indicated in his pension letter that each militia company furnished 2 men as Indian Spies. He was chosen and went out on the frontier in March 1782 and remained until the last week of October 1782. In March 1783 he again hired on as a substitute for Captain Pigman's Militia Company and served as an Indian Spy until October or November of 1783. The Indian Spies worked in pairs to observe and report on the movement of Native Americans in their assigned area. Most of the Native American tribes were allied with and supplied by Eng-William's pension application land. indicated that he was based out of Ankrom's Fort on the Ten Mile Creek in southwest Pennsylvania. William stated he reported to Captain Pigman and Captain Crawford at that fort. He wrote that the Native Americans would generally go to their winter camps in late fall and return to harass the frontier settlements in the spring. The history of Greene County, PA showed that many settlers were killed by Native American raiding parties

during the time of the Revolutionary War. William and Nancy made their homestead in a 16ft by 14ft cabin on 160 acres in Greene County, Pennsylvania and had seven children. Their youngest, Nancy Whitlach, was born in 1800. She went on to marry Daniel Fuller Jr. in 1822 who was the first of my surname born in America as his parents, Daniel Fuller Sr. and Nancy Young, came from Ireland in their youth. Supplemental pension application letters from various parties describe William as a hardworking, industrious man and a lifelong supporter of the Whig Party. Toward the end of his life he suffered from an ailment that left him nearly blind.



William died March 14, 1846 at the age of 84 years old and is buried in a marked grave at the Old Ironside Cemetary located in Greene County, PA. Find a Grave # 102212042.

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Omaha Chapter Elects Officers for 2018-2019

The Nominating Committee was activated by Compatriot Dr. Merle McAlevy, President of the Omaha Chapter. Members of the Committee were John Parsons and Robert Knott, both Past Omaha Chapter Presidents. Compatriots Parsons and Knott were charged with selecting a slate of candidates for office in the Omaha Chapter. No additional candidates were nominated from the floor. The following Compatriots were voted on and accepted by the membership, during it's November meeting, to lead the Omaha Chapter during 2018 and 2019:

President-**Thomas Upton**

Vice President— Ben Harvey

Paul Burright Secretary-

Treasurer—

John Parsons

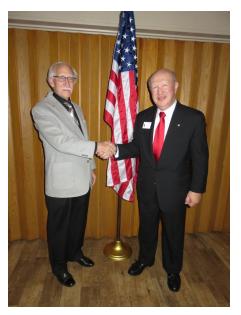


Names of Officers from the left are: Ben Har-Vice vey, President; Paul Burright, Secretary; Thomas Upton, President and John Parsons.

Treasurer. Swearing in ceremony was conducted at Gorats Restaurant durmeeting. ing their December



After Compatriot Robert Knott's presenting, the above photo shows President McAlevy swearing in of newly elected Omaha Chapter Officers.



Dr., McAlevy congratulating new president Compatriot Upton.

MAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP COUNT

Congratulations to the new Chapter Officers. However, it takes all of us to make our Chapters and Nebraska Society productive and an integral member of our National Society. Please support your elected officers as we must all be willing to share in the great work the Chapters are doing, not only during meetings but within our Society. If one of the officers asks for your help, please say yes. There are many areas that you could make a difference. If you have an interest in increasing your participation, whether it be on a committee, help with JROTC awards, setting out wreaths, etc., please talk to one of the Officers. Your Chapters need your partici-



pation to carry out its projects. Pictured at the left is Dr McAlevy receiving the NSSAR Certificate Distin**Lincoln Chapter Elects Officers** for 2018-2019

Lincoln Chapter, at their monthly meeting December 1, 2017 selected their new slate of Officers. All members voted in favor of this selection. The following is a list of their newly elected Officers for 2018-2019:

President - Rev. Dr. James Hoke

Vice President — Stan Wostrel

Secretary — John Braisted

Treasurer – LaVerne Stetson

Picture of officers will be included in 1st quarter 2018 Newsletter.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2017

At Large — Corey L. Rotschafer, #202652.Patriot: William Thames/Timms

Lincoln Chapter-Donald T. Proett, #202773, Patriot: James Day Omaha Chapter-Michael G. Reynolds, #204191, Patriot: William Reynolds

Omaha Chapter-Melvin C. Burright II, #204192, Patriot: Isaac Messenger

Omaha Chapter - Steven Bothwell, #204996, Patriot: Pvt William Mead APPROVED SUPPLEMENTALS 2017

Omaha Chapter-Robert L. Knott, #161712, Patriot: Charles Powers Omaha Chapter - Robert L. Knott, #161712, Patriot: Henry Slagle Omaha Chapter-John T. Parsons, #149646 Patriot: Johannes Fluck Omaha Chapter-Paul H. Burright, #200016, Patriot: Teunis Barhydt

REINSTATEMENTS 2017

Lincoln Chapter #198665 Nathaniel A. McHargue At Large # 87546 Allen Kent

Presidents Page- Cont from page 1 done but the journey and comradery have been rewarding and always a unique adventure. T wish you as my special compatriots the best but especially to those assuming leadership, strength, confidence and especially wisdom.

Perrett-Stansbie Pioneer Cemetery Historical Preservation Project 2014-1017

Presented by Sharonann Louden This project would not have been possible without the collaboration of the following organizations: Sandshill Chapter NSDAR, NESSAR, private land owner where the cemetery is located, the Herstead Monument Company and others that provided the labor. It all started with a visit. Hank Bucks, a relative of Sen. Al

Davis visited the cemetery several years ago observing the damaged, broken tombstones and the general



disrepair. He gave Al \$300.00 to try to get someone to fix his sister's tombstone. A year later LeRoy calls Senator Davis to see if they could contact the land owner knowing that

the cemetery sat on private land. LeRoy Louden and Al Davis, who had family buried in the cemetery, contacted the land owner and received permission to make improvements to the cemetery. After their trip to the land owner, a plan began with the permission to allow SAR to fix the fence!!!! SharonAnn and LeRoy Louden, along with LeeAnn and Harry Me rrihew, made a trip to the cemetery to see first hand the condition of the cemetery. Little did anyone know the future outcome of the collaboration between the NSDAR and NESSAR. Now that Al and LeRoy are in the picture I am encouraging Al to join the SAR by sending him an application for membership.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded on October 11, 1890 during a time that was marked by a revival of patriotism and an intense interest in the beginnings of the United States of America. At our Sandhills Chapter meeting in September 2014 we presented to members that a pioneer cemetery north of Ashby, NE was in need of repair. By the end of the meeting we had been texted a picture of the cemetery condition

The first date marked on a tombstone

within this pioneer cemetery is 1891 establishing a link to our purpose of Historical Preservation.

Interments

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Baugh, Minnie	1888-1889
Baugh, Harold	1902 - 1902
Buck, Edith	1895 - 1895
Combs,,dau of John	? - ?
Combs, dau of John&Man	ry ?-?
Johnson, Nellie	1893-1894
Mason, several children	?-?
Perrett, son of Fred&Lou	sia ?-1891
Perrett, son of Fred&Man	ria ?-?
Perrett, Freddie	?-?
Perrett,Lousia	1867 - 1894
Perrett,Maria	1841 - 1920
Perrett,Maria	? -1890
Perrett, Marian	?-? ?-?
Perrett, Vivena	1894 - 1894
Perrett, William 1826 d	or 1831-1911
Siegfried	? - ?
Stansbie,Bill	? -1898
Stansbie,James	1829 - 1889
Stansbie,Jane	? -1901
Wilson.Roberta	? -1891

Neale Perrett, the cemetery representative and contact person for Cherry County sent a note of permission to Sandhills DAR Chapter to oversee the cemetery. His support, guidance and information were valuable to the accuracy of the new tombstones and locations.

With the Sandhills Chapter approval SharonAnn G. Louden wrote a grant proposal for funding to the Stern's Charitable Foundation and began a Historical Preservation Fund within the chapter. Funding now had a place in the budget. After successfully receiving grant funding LeRoy Louden secured bids and selected equipment to install the new steel fence. In June of 2015, Louden's crew gathered for two days of fence installation by friends, family, neighbors, NESSAR and Sandhills Chapter, NSDAR members.

Herstead Monument, Inc. in Scottsbluff, NE was contacted and agreed to assist in the project, with cost reductions, refurbished tombstones, lifting and creating foundations including installation. In total Herstead Monument representatives made three cemetery trips: between 2015-2017 with full equipment necessary to refurbish this cemetery. Without their support our project would have been cost prohibitive. NESSAR members, LeRoy Louden and Harry Merrihew assisted Herstead staff in setting the 8 new children's tombstones August 10th, 2017.

Through genealogy research and military records a marker found on the ground was rebuilt for a Civil War veteran buried within the cemetery.

The inside of the cemetery has been mowed several times by volunteers and a sign was installed on the steel fence. A fence line sign is on the west side of North Ashby Road 14 miles north of Ashby, NE past the Cherry County Line and ³/₄ mile north of Egan Drive.

A Historical Preservation Ceremony was held on October 1, 2017 at the cemetery with a lunch provided at the Ashby Church sponsored by the Sandhills Chapter. State Regent Connie Plettner led the ceremony and prayers, which included a review of project history by SharonAnn Louden, Neale Perrett and LeRoy J. Louden. Al Davis led the 40 attendees in



"Amazing Grace". A thank you and expressions of gratitude were expressed to all the people involved who supported this Historical Preservation Project. Pictured left is an

example of a repaired grave marker for Edith Buck. This has made a difference to families, neighbors and communities within this pioneer area especially during the Nebraska 150th Celebration.



Pictured above is Louden's crew that did most of the heavy lifting for the restoration project

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<u>Charlotte Faulk Parmer</u> <u>First DAR State Regent</u> <u>DAR Marker Dedication</u>

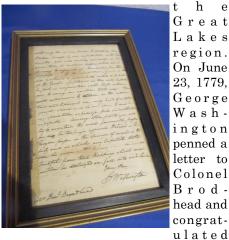


Nebraska Daughters hosted a grave marking ceremony 7 Oct 2017 at Forest Lawn Cemetery. Nebraska Society, NESSAR Color Guard presented the colors during the ceremony. The Color Guard was made up of both CAR and SAR members. The Nation-



al Society was founded by women who were either famous in their own right or able through their connections to influence others. In 1894 Charlotte Faulk Parmer and her older sister, Caroline Faulk Burleigh, were appointed by the National Society to form state societies in Nebraska and South Dakota, respectively. Mrs. Parmer's national number was 5656, and Mrs. Burleigh's national number was 4976, both early members of the National Societv. Nebraska's first chapter was organized in 1896. For 11 years, South Dakota held the unique position of having state regents but no chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Members in South Dakota were either members at large or members of chapters in other states.

The Faulk sisters descended from General Dan Brodhead, who served in the Continental Army under George Washington during the American Revolution. In 1776, he was a Lieutenant Colonel Commandant of Col. Samuel Miles' Pennsylvania Rifle Regiment at the Battle of Long Island. In 1778, he was placed in command of the Western Department, with headquarters at Fort Pitt, where he served until 1781. Colonel Brodhead was a commander during campaigns against hostile Indians in



him on his ability to court the good favor of the Indian tribes; he also gave strategic instructions for the militia under his command. Congress later passed a vote of thanks for his successful expeditions against the Indians. The Faulk family was originally from Pennsylvania, and in 1861 they relocated to the Dakota Territory, where patriarch Andrew J. Faulk was appointed the Chief Clerk to the Yankton Agency. His wife was Charlotte McMath, and they had eight children, including Caroline and Charlotte. Andrew J. Faulk was appointed by President Andrew Johnson as the Territorial Governor of the Dakota Territory. He served from 1866-69 in this capacity. His administration was primarily remembered for allowing the expansion of settlers into the Black Hills, which was protected from any development by treaty. Following his time in office. Faulk served as mayor of Yankton and continued to help the region towards statehood. Faulk County, South Dakota is named in his honor. In1867 Mark Parmer had established the first private bank and later the first national bank in the Dakota Territory. In 1868 Charlotte Faulk married Mark Parmer. The Parmers had four children and moved to Norfolk, Nebraska in 1879 where he was in the mercantile busi-Around 1887, the family ness. moved to Omaha where he was a city solicitor for the Guarantee Fund Life Association of Omaha and a director in the F.D. Parmer Coffee Company, located at 112 South Eleventh Street in downtown Omaha. "Parmer Co. Coffees Teas Happy Hollow Coffee, Est. 1907," is still painted on the side of the building in Omaha today. Caroline Faulk Burleigh's husband was Dr. Walter Atwood Burleigh, an agent in service of the Civil War appointed by President Abraham Lincoln to the Sioux Indians at Greenwood, Dakota Territory. He also served as a U.S. Congressman. This was a tumultuous time with the Indians. Caroline Faulk Burleigh was a friend of Elizabeth Custer, the wife of General George Custer. After General Custer's death at the Battle of Little Big Horn in 1876, Elizabeth Custer lived with Caroline Faulk



Burleigh. Charlotte Faulk Parmer was born in Pennsylvania in 1849. She died October 3, 1917, and is buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery-Lot 265, Section 5, 7909 Mormon Bridge Road, Omaha, Nebraska.

MORE PICTURES AND STORIES

<u>WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA</u> <u>"an event to pay tribute to fallen</u> <u>members of the military"</u> The Omaha Chapter, NESSAR ap-



proved the amount of \$400.00 to be donated to this worthy project. Compatriot Ryan Fuller, Omaha Chapter, presented the check to Ms. Μ а r у Blodgett, Ne-

braska Representative of Wreaths across America. We appreciate Ms. Blodgett's work with this project and willingness to meet us at the Cemetery. Since Ms. Van Bibber was not able to be there, we are particularly grateful Mr. Marshall Murphy who is also in the picture on the left could step in for her. He is the director of the Nebraska Fort McPherson National Cemetery and temporary acting director of the Omaha National Cemetery while Ms. Van Bibber is not available. Also, on the right in the picture is NESSAR President Dr. David Kentsmith.

The annual observance of the laying of wreaths was held at both the National Veterans Cemetery in Omaha and the Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln, NE on Saturday, December 16, 2017, 11 am CST in conjunction with Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.



This photo was taken at the new Veterans Circle at the Wyuka Cemetery. The Lincoln Ceremony was attended by Com-

patriots Shawn Stoner and John Braisted from the Lincoln Chapter.

Stoner and Braisted contributed the pictures that are seen in this article.



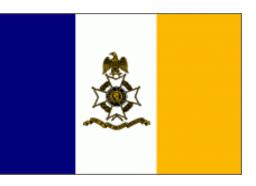
The above photo shows the many wreaths placed on the veterans graves.



Photo at the Wyuka Cemetery.



Photo of Compatriots Shawn Stoner, Lincoln Chapter President and John Braisted, Lincoln Chapter Secretary at the GAR Monument, Wyuka Cemetery. The Keynote Speaker for the event was Senator E. Benjamin Nelson. Some of the organizations that took part were: Patriot Guard Riders-Flag line; Nebraska Army National Guard-Posting of Colors; Jesse Harvey-Youth Trumpet and Taps Corps; American Legion/VFW-Twenty-One Gun Salute; Mike Bestwick, U.S. Navv-Directions to Volunteers; SSGT Timothy Martin-Army; Sgt E-5 Robert Winfrey -Marines; HT2 (SW) Michael McAnally-Navy; TSGT Shawn Kentch-Air Force; SN Carlice Brooks and SN Anthony Padfield-



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Coast Guard; ATS Major Calvin Dale— Merchant Marines.

OMAHA NATIONAL CEMETERY At the Omaha National Cemetery there was a crowd of approximately 800 to help place wreaths on the gravesites for the 840 interments that they've had since Sep 27, 2016. Omaha Chapter members Ryan Fuller with his children Ava and Eli and Jeremy Christensen OPD Pipe and Drums participated. Jeremy played "Amazing Grace" on the bagpipes.

Should any Nebraska member have an address, telephone or email update please notify the State Secretary John Reinert at email jr6@aol.com