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~ 2009 OPERATION ORNAMENT ~

Operation Ornament provides the public an opportunity to create a handmade Christmas Tree Ornament to send to a sailor, a soldier, or a veteran. As we did last year, we were able to send the Christmas Tree Ornaments to members of the Nebraska National Guard, who are deployed outside of the USA, Officers and crew members of the Trident Missile Submarine, USS Nebraska SSBN 739, and US military veterans at the Grand Island VA Hospital.

The NAA Christmas Tree, collects Ornaments, made mostly by young Nebraskans who wanted to show support for the Service people who protect them today, and who protected them in the past.

This past year, Operation Ornament was a two day event. The first day was held on the evening of November 11, (Veteran's Day) at the Viaero Event Center, Tri-City Storm Hockey game, in Kearney, Nebraska. The second day was held on the afternoon of November 14, at the Hilltop Mall, in Kearney, Nebraska.

In conjunction with this Nebraska Admirals Association (NAA) sponsored event, while we were at the Viaero Event Center, Tri-City Storm Hockey game, A young lady (Miss Sarah Emal) from Kearney, asked if she could do some cards at home. She did about 150 Christmas Tree Ornaments. We asked Sarah, if she would tell us a little about her efforts on this project. The following are some excerpts from Sarah's response:

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A Note from Sarah, a true **Miss Nebraska**:

I am happy to help you. I made about 150 Christmas Ornaments. I painted some green and red, colored some green and red, and then put Christmas Carols on some, "God Bless Our Troops" on some and put stickers on all of them! The stickers all had a "Support Our Troops" theme! My Mom, Dad, and Sister even got in on the fun and helped me out with the last 30 I had to make!



I did receive an e-mail on Facebook from one the Sailors!! He told me he had gotten the ornament that morning and put it on his Christmas tree before he got to go home for Christmas! He told me he, and all of the other Sailors, really appreciated all the support for the USS Nebraska! We have actually kept in contact and talk about once a week!! I was so happy to help out with the ornaments and I never dreamed that making them would put such a BIG smile on my face AND in my heart!! :) If there is anything I can ever do again to help out PLEASE let me know!! I honestly would love to do whatever I can to help support our Troops and especially the USS Nebraska!!!

Kearney Mayor, Stan Clouse, stopped by the NAA table at the Viaero Event Center, Tri-City Storm Hockey game, to express his support. NAA volunteer members Jill Shannon (near) and Gloria LeDroit (back) help with the Ornaments, while sisters Sarah (near) and Jamie (back) Emal make a card for the Christmas Tree. (This is the Sarah, that wrote the note above.

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A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON YOUR MAILING LABEL

We would like to ask you to look at the mailing label on your newsletter. You will find a date, such as **01/01/2010** or **01/01/2011**. This date indicates when your dues are due. The NAA needs your financial support to continue the projects that support the promotion of our great State.

Your NAA Board has made a concentrated effort to update, review, and correct our membership list. But, even on a great day, we find that we can make mistakes. Therefore, if you find an error that we may have made, regarding your dues or address, please do not hesitate to contact us.

See the "MOVING" story to the right for ways to contact us.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

If you have thought that you would like to meet a few new people, help a lot of other folks, and have a little fun, the NAA has an opportunity for you. Please note the "VACANT" positions, noted below. Your NAA Board is looking for a few good people. You will get the opportunity to travel, meet new people, and to eat at some new fine Nebraska restaurants. There is No pay, No travel allowance, some unusual and unique expenses, and sometimes, a fair amount of time commitment.

The people you meet and the projects completed, make this a very rewarding job. If interested, please contact us.

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MOVING??

REMEMBER

**IF YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED
OR YOU PLAN TO CHANGE YOUR
ADDRESS, PLEASE NOTIFY THE
NAA:**

(By email)

naaeditor@gmail.com

Or

(By letter)

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LINCOLN, NE 68501

Thank You

A Nebraska celebrity: Chad Myers:

Chad Myers, known on CNN as the "weather anchor", graduated from UNL! His family moved to Omaha when he was 13. He attended Millard High. Chad started at UNL in 1981, graduating in 1987. A funny thing happened in 1984, when he was Herbie Husker. Right before the Kansas State game, he tried to hand a big pair of google-eye glasses to the ref, who wasn't at all pleased! But the crowd went nuts! And the Huskers won it 62-14!

So now, when you watch CNN, you'll see not only the weather anchor, but a guy who really bleeds Husker red!

Chad is a weather anchor and severe weather expert for CNN Worldwide based in the network's world headquarters in Atlanta. Myers also has served as the weekend weather/environmental reporter at **KOLN-TV in Lincoln, Nebraska.**

Myers earned a bachelor's degree in meteorology from the **University of Nebraska** and holds the American Meteorological Society Seal of Approval.



Current Nebraska Admirals Association (NAA)

Board Members

Fleet Admiral

☺ Jack McSweeney
Kearney, NE

Chief of Staff

☺ Gloria LeDroit
Kearney, NE

Finance Officer

☺ Gerald Decker
Lincoln, NE

Quarter Master

☺ Eddie Biwer
Omaha, NE

Scholarship Officer

☺ Dan LeDroit
Kearney, NE

Chief Yeoman

☺ Janice Wiebusch
Kearney, NE

Historian

☺ VACANT

Public Affairs & Operations Officer

☺ Vaughn Wiebusch
Omaha, NE

Editor

☺ Guy Miller
Kearney, NE

Non-Board Member Positions

Membership Coordinator

☺ VACANT

Webmaster

☺ VACANT

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The NAA Christmas Ornaments, made with a lot of LOVE. Pictured at the Viaero Event Center, Tri-City Storm Hockey game.



Three of the NAA volunteers at the Viaero Event Center, Tri-City Storm Hockey game. Left to right: JoAnn Miller, Jill Shannon, and Gloria LeDroit.



Three of the NAA volunteers at the Hilltop Mall. Left to right: Bill Ballou (Solid Rock store in Kearney), Jill Shannon, and Gloria LeDroit.



Young Nebraskans, show their support for our troops. Thank you ladies.




Nebraska National Guard personnel posed for a picture in front of our Christmas tree on Veteran's Day at the Viaero Event Center, Tri-City Storm Hockey game.

One more story to share with our readers:

While at the Operation Ornament event at the Hilltop Mall, a lady stopped at our booth. Her husband was in National Guard out of Hastings in Desert Storm and had received a Christmas Tree Ornament from Nebraska. He brought the ornament back from the Middle East, with him. It is one of his treasured memories. Seeing our tree reminded her of her husband's story.

NEBRASKA ADMIRALS - ANNUAL CONFERENCE & GALA - SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2010**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

CITY	Hastings, Nebraska		
WHERE:	Quality Hotel, 2205 Osborne Drive East, Hastings, NE		
WHEN:	SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2010		
10: 00 a. m.	NAA Board meeting		
12:00 Noon	Luncheon Welcome	Jack McSweeney, Fleet Admiral, Nebraska Admirals Association	
	Luncheon Speaker	Colleen Williams, of NTV Channel 13's Evening Anchor & "Road Less Traveled"	
1: 30 p. m.	Board bus for tour of Naval Ammunition Depot - Walt Miller		
3: 00 to 3: 30 p. m.	Refreshment Break		
4: 00 p. m.	visit Motorsport Park Hastings - George Anderson www. racemph.com		
6:30 p. m.	Banquet	Welcome	Jack McSweeney, Fleet Admiral, Nebraska Admirals Association
		Invocation	
		Dinner	
		Reports by Officers	
		Election of Officers	
		Scholarship Awards	
		Guest Speaker	
		Auction for Scholarships	



Colleen
Luncheon



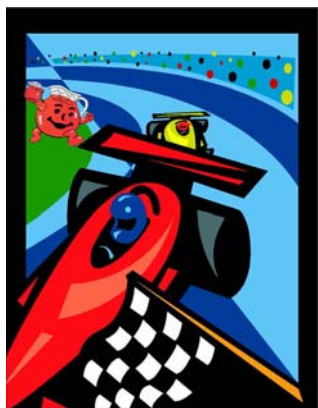
Colleen Williams
Luncheon Speaker

For the **Annual Conference & Gala**, We have received an extremely generous gift from "e Sporting Edge", to be used during the Auction for Scholarships. "e Sporting Edge", represents the "Sports Village" at the Hilltop Mall, in Kearney and the "Sporting Edge" at the Conestoga Mall in Grand Island.

These Good People said: - - - for the Nebraska Admirals Association, we would like to donate a football autographed by Bo Pelini, Matt O'Hanlon, Phillip Dillard, and Jacob Hickman. Hopefully it can raise good money for the Nebraska Admirals Association.

In the Event you might not know these folks, we offer the following information:

- Bo Pelini:** ★ Head Football Coach, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
- Matt O'Hanlon** ★ Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week, ★ First-Team Academic All-Big 12 (2006), ★ Second-Team Academic All-Big 12 (2007), ★ Four-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll (2005, 2007, 2008, 2009) ★ Two-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll (2005, 2008)
- Phillip Dillard** ★ 2010 Senior Bowl Game
- Jacob Hickman** ★ 2009 Rimington Award Watch List ★ 2008 Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches) ★ 2007 Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches) ★ 2009 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll



Here is your opportunity to "Kool on Down the Road to Hastings" for the 24th annual Admirals Conference and Gala!

Head on down to Hastings, Nebraska, to the Garden Café, located in the Quality Inn at 2205 Osborne Drive East on Saturday, April 10, 2010, to join the Admirals for a full day of great fun and entertainment and learn more about Nebraska while you're at it!

Although everyone is welcome to attend the board meeting, starting at 10:00 a.m., the real action starts at noon. Many of you may know Colleen Williams, news anchor at NTV Channel 13, Kearney, Nebraska, where her "Road Less Traveled" series is coming to completion. She will speak to us at our luncheon about her experiences with how the series helped tourism and spread knowledge about some of Nebraska's hidden assets; she will also tell us more about her next big project, of course involving more hidden gems in our great state!

After lunch, we will race on down to the MPH, Motorsport Park Hastings, to see what electricity and cars might have in common for the future! Then we will take a trip down the road into the past, as our locally based historian-turned-tour-guide tells us about the mysterious Naval depot and what's new there!

Returning to the Garden Café, the Kool-aid Man himself will greet us and, yes, there will be picture taking allowed! We're sure to get more than just a delicious meal; your participation may be required to solve this mystery!

We'll cap the evening with the presentation of our scholarship winners for this year. As is our custom, our fund-raising auction for scholarships for next year will include many attractive and high-valued items, including a football signed by Bo Pelini himself!

You won't want to miss this "Kool" day full of fun and exploring and some surprises that we're still working on, so send in your registration and payment no later than March 31 to:

Send to: Nebraska Admirals Association, PO Box 83723, Lincoln, NE 68501

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

Phone (____) _____

Number of People:

For Lunch & MPH/Naval Depot Tour only: _____ @ \$30 each _____

For MPH/Naval Depot Tour & Banquet only: _____ @ \$35 each _____

OR For Lunch, MPH/Naval Depot Tour, & Banquet: _____ @ \$50 each _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Hotel reservations MUST be made **separately** directly with the hotel.

Headquarters: Quality Inn, 2205 Osborne Drive East, Hastings, NE; phone is 402-462-6721

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**ALL HAIL HER ADMIRALTY!
SHOW YOUR PRIDE IN THE NEBRASKA
ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION**

**Numbered
Commemorative
Coin
\$15.00**



**Blank cards and envelopes featuring 3 each of: U.S.S. Centennial; U.S.S. Nebraska U.S.S. Nebraska submarine; and the Victoria. 12 total
\$3.00**



**License Plate Holder
\$20.00
(Silver frame with Blue plaques and white lettering)**



**Golden Lapel Pin
\$4.00
Anniversary Golden
Lapel Pin
With Faux Diamond Accent
\$7.50**



**Ball Cap with Screen
printing
\$8.00**



**Nebraska Admirals
Patch
\$5.00**



**Nebraska Admirals
Association Flag
(12" x 18")
\$20.00**



**Plank Walk Patches
\$5.00**



**Scrambled Eggs
\$3.00**



**Polo Shirts
\$25.00**



SALE - Clean out the Old Stuff so we can bring in some New Stuff—Call Eddie for sizes - **SALE**
\$10.00 - Woman's Crew Neck Dress Shirt—Red Polo—White Polo with NAA logo - **\$10.00**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Eddie Biwer at 402-289-2807.

To Order any of the items above, please fill out this form and send along with your check made out to
NEBRASKA ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION to EDDIE BIWER, PO BOX 540484, OMAHA, NE 68154

ITEM	QTY	AMOUNT	TOTAL
Mail this form to:		Subtotal:	
Quartermaster Eddie Biwer		Shipping & Handling:	\$5.00
PO BOX 540484, Omaha, NE 68154		TOTAL ORDER AMOUNT:	

It Is That Time Again - Dues are Due!

Our membership dues support all the great programs the Association does through the year, including supplementing the Scholarships donations, showing the visiting sailors from the USS Nebraska the best of the real heart of America, funding Operation Ornament and of course, printing and distributing this fine publication directly to you!

Our Scholarships GOAL is \$4,000 each year. That's four students every year in Nebraska (2 at UNK and 2 at UNL) who find it possible to finish their senior year with fewer loans. We depend on all of our members to supplement the Scholarship donations. Donations will help reach the necessary amounts needed for the Scholarships.

The membership year is the same as the calendar year, so go ahead now and mail in your \$20 check to:

Nebraska Admirals Association
 PO Box 83723
 Lincoln, NE 68501

You can pay more than one year at a time, if you prefer, and you can add extra amounts specifically for the Scholarship fund. Just be sure to specify what amount is for what! That way, our finance officer will know what's what on your check! And if you are affiliated with a company that will match scholarship donations, the Nebraska Admirals Association is a 501(c)3 organization; it will double your donation's impact!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP!



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AHOY MATES!

Another year has gone by the wayside. It's time to plan the 2010 annual meeting, and award our NAA scholarships. Where does the time go?

We have had another busy year with USS Nebraska sailors staying overnight as our Kearney guests in September and hosting the other crew for a day in June. Operation Ornament was again noteworthy, but we would like to have more volunteers to help at the Storm Hockey game and the Hilltop Mall Christmas shopping day.

Chief of Staff Gloria LeDroit and her UNK travel & tourism student volunteers have planned an outstanding annual meeting for us in Hastings, NE. on April 10, 2010. Our day and evening is full of exciting events, mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, don't miss this one.

We have visited with the governor's office to see if they can help us secure the names of all newly commissioned Nebraska Admirals so we will have a better line of communication to them from our association. We are waiting to hear back.

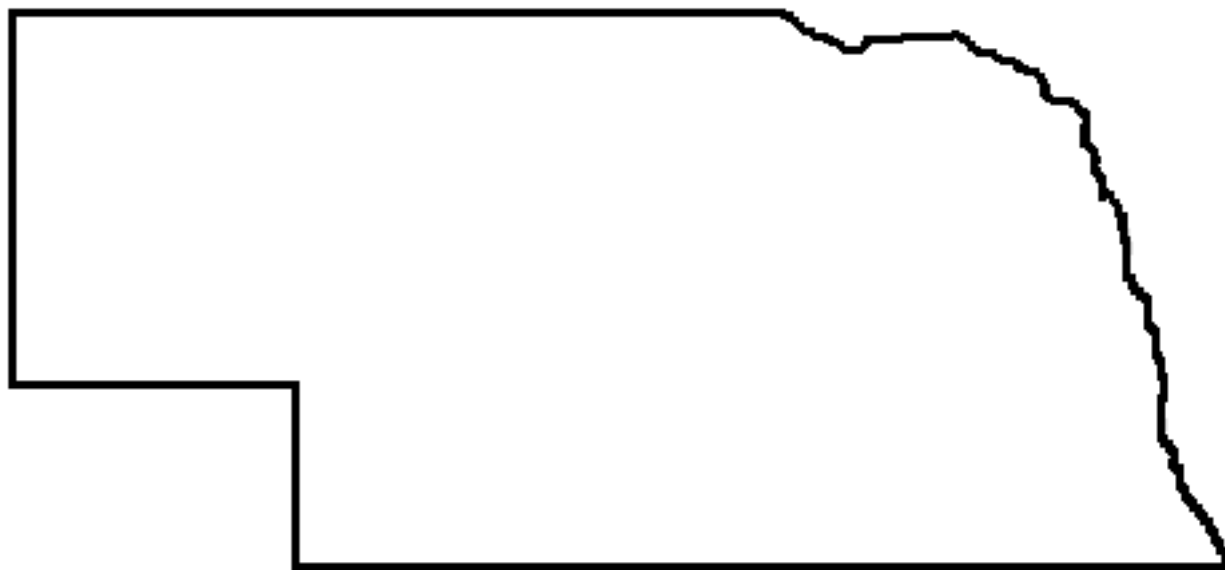
We also need ideas for placing the 4 joined quarter planks that traveled the entire state about 3 years ago and ended in the capitol building in Lincoln. Unfortunately, due to the historical nature of the capitol, they cannot hang anything on the walls, so it sits in a storeroom. Let's brainstorm and find a worthy placement.

We continue to recommend new Admirals to our governor. So far, we have a pretty good track record. But remember, our recommended candidates must have performed some worthy service to our state of Nebraska. From this pool of new Admirals we have our opportunity to offer membership to our Nebraska Admirals Association a 501 (c)3 organization.

Please step forward or recommend someone for our Historian Officer position. If we fill that position, we have a full compliment of board officers. Our Historian has absolute authority over our organization's past events, including collection of all newsworthy articles and officers' bios.

See you all at our 2010 annual meeting,

Fleet Admiral, Jack Mc Sweeney

An ORNAMENT TemplateTHE NEBRASKA ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION (NAA) OPERATION ORNAMENT

Would you like to help with Christmas Decorations for Nebraska Troop and Veterans for 2010? Trace this Nebraska outline onto heavier paper (Cardstock), Decorate it for a Christmas Tree. Put your name, age (if you want to) and city & state on the back. Cut it out and mail ALL of them to The Nebraska Admirals Association.

Merry Christmas to You.

AN UPDATE FROM HEATHER BOLIN - A 2005/2006 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTOf a Nebraska Admirals Association (NAA) Scholarship

One of our 2005/2006 school year Scholarship recipients of a \$1,000.00 NAA scholarship took some time to give us an update of her career and the impact of your gift.

Dear Nebraska Admirals Association - Things are going great for me & whew, what a busy couple of years. I'm currently working at the Kearney Hub as an Advertising Sales Representative. I love getting to go out in the Kearney community and working one-on-one with my clients. I moved to fill a desire to get back to Kearney. My family being here was something I couldn't pass up.

Receiving the Nebraska Admirals scholarship has helped me greatly, not only did it help during my senior year of college, but it has allowed me to step into some large positions at two respective businesses. I learned so much and can only thank the Admirals Association for allowing me the opportunity to pursue my career goals with the assistance of the scholarship. Attending the banquet was also a wonderful opportunity as well; meeting so many great people and listening to their success stories and how the Nebraska Admirals Association is really one in a million.

I would first like to once again thank the Nebraska Admirals Association for the opportunities that arose for me after college. I would also like to thank Barbara Amundson for being a great mentor as she opened my eyes during college and provided me the information to apply for this scholarship.

Warm Regards, Heather

NEBRASKA ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION (NAA)

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THE INTERNET

The NAA Board has been looking at better ways to cut expenses and to put more of your contributions into: ★ Scholarship programs, ★ Support of the USS Nebraska, ★ Operation Ornament, and other programs that support our Great State of Nebraska.

We are investigating the use of PayPal, for an additional method of payment of Annual Dues, making donations to the Scholarship Program, purchase of NAA Memorabilia, and purchase of tickets for the Annual Conference & Gala Event.

We are also investigating the use of email to send out the Newsletter.

Our records show that nearly half of the membership has an email address. We would like those members to have the opportunity to use those tools and to enjoy the internet benefits of being a Member of the Nebraska Admirals Association.

Correspondence of this type will be coming from the email address of naaeditor@gmail.com. You can also comment back to us at this email address.

The NAA will be contacting you with a short questionnaire to ask if we can deliver the newsletter and other announcements, via your email address.

Thank you for helping us with this project.

If you have an internet access, we think that you might enjoy taking a few minutes to check out your

We invite you to Visit your Website at
www.nebraskaadmirals.org

AN APPEAL TO ALL ADMIRALS of THE NEBRASKA ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION (NAA)

For the 2009 year, our program raised funds to provide two \$1000 Scholarships with one \$1,000 scholarship going to the University of Nebraska at Kearney and one \$1,000 Scholarships going to the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. The Scholarships will go to the students that are in the four-year educational field of Travel and Tourism and Hospitality Management in the State of Nebraska.

Last year, the NAA (YOU) covered \$4,000.00 and provided four \$1,000.00 Scholarships. As a group, we did not make the \$4,000 goal this year for the NAA Scholarship Fund. It is realized that the economy has taken a toll on all of us.

Once again, our appeal continues to go out to Nebraska Admirals. Please consider making a substantial donation to the NAA Scholarship Fund in 2010. Please donate \$100 or \$50 or \$10 or any amount you can afford. We appreciate and thank you for any amount of money you wish to donate to the Scholarship Fund.

We thank everyone that has given to the Scholarship Fund Project regardless of the amount. Without your kindness, it would not be possible to provide the two \$1,000 scholarships.

Let us all make the year 2010 a great year of donating to the NAA Scholarship Fund. Let us get back to the old goal of \$4,000 for four scholarships or surpass it. We can do it with everyone's help.

Remember, the Nebraska Admirals Association is a 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax deductible.

For a **\$15 donation**, your thank-you gift will be a set of the Nebraska Admirals Association flagship note card collection. (3 of each card design)

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Your \$100 donation, gift will be this Scholarship Donor Medal

SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS

Anyone who has paid dues to the NAA has helped support the Scholarship Program - **Thank You!** This page is an additional Thank You to those of you who were able to donate a little more, specifically for the Scholarship Program

<u>Name</u>		<u>Donated In</u>		<u>Name</u>		<u>Donated In</u>	
1	Amundson, Stephen	<u>07</u>		36	Lees, Jay	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
2	Anderson, Kenneth		<u>09</u>	37	Lehigh, John		<u>09</u>
3	Arnell, Gunnar		<u>09</u>	38	Lewis, Roger	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>
4	Barrientos, John		<u>09</u>	39	Lippincott, Jerry	<u>08</u>	
5	Bergmann, Allen		<u>10</u>	40	McSweeney, Jack	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
6	Bitner, James	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>	41	McSweeney, John	<u>07</u>	
7	Biwer, Eddie		<u>08</u> <u>09</u>	42	Mersch, Marlene		<u>08</u> <u>09</u>
8	Bixby, Jack	<u>07</u>		43	Miller, Guy & JoAnn	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
9	Burton, Betty		<u>09</u> <u>10</u>	44	Millsap, Melvin & Betty		<u>08</u> <u>09</u> <u>10</u>
10	Campbell, Carol		<u>08</u> <u>09</u>	45	O'Connor, Donna	<u>08</u>	
11	Coffin, Leigh	<u>07</u>		46	Nosal, David		<u>10</u>
14	Cohen, Gil	<u>07</u>	<u>10</u>	47	O'Brien, Patrick & Rhonda		<u>09</u>
12	Colling, Jerry		<u>08</u>	48	Pattavina, Vincent	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
13	Courtage, Larry	<u>07</u>		50	Phillips, Curtis & Gladys	<u>07</u>	
15	Dakan, Stephen		<u>09</u>	51	Reynolds, Jerry	<u>07</u>	
16	Decker, Gerald		<u>08</u>	52	Rowe, Milton	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>
23	Decker, Mike & Brenda		<u>10</u>	53	Schliefert, Mervyn	<u>07</u>	
24	Disney, Richard		<u>09</u>	54	Raines, Stephen		<u>09</u>
17	Donnell, Douglas		<u>08</u>	55	Reed, Vincent		<u>09</u>
18	Erks, Fred	<u>07</u>		56	Rogers, Charles		<u>09</u>
25	Fejfar, Edward		<u>09</u> <u>10</u>	57	Schnuelle, David	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u> <u>09</u>
19	Foult, Phillip	<u>07</u>		58	Seyfarth, John		<u>09</u>
20	Fulcher, William		<u>08</u>	59	Siers, George		<u>10</u>
26	Garey, Gary		<u>09</u>	60	Snyder, Keith	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u> <u>09</u> <u>10</u>
21	Green II, Barton	<u>07</u>		61	Sprague, Barbara	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
22	Hanlon, John	<u>07</u>		62	Stewart, Scott	<u>07</u>	
27	Heimes, Don		<u>10</u>	63	Swanson, Myrna		<u>08</u> <u>09</u>
28	Hogrefe, Raymond	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>	64	Tappe, Duane	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
29	Hollenback, H. Ruth	<u>07</u>		65	Van Vleck, Dale	<u>07</u>	
30	Huebner, Lorene	<u>07</u>		66	Varney, Grace	<u>07</u>	
31	Huwaldt, Donwan	<u>07</u>		67	Thomas, John		<u>09</u>
33	Johnson, Doris		<u>09</u>	68	Wahl, Orlin	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
32	Kamp, Walter	<u>07</u>		69	Ward, Raymond & Jolene	<u>07</u>	<u>09</u>
34	LaPadula, Vincent		<u>08</u> <u>09</u>	70	Wilhelm, Eldon	<u>07</u>	
35	LeDroit, Dan & Gloria		<u>09</u>				

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For a **\$25 donation**, your thank-you gift will be a Nebraska Admirals Association's Anniversary limited edition coin.

For a **\$50 donation**, your thank-you gift will be a copy of *I Christen thee, Nebraska* signed by the author, Nebraska Native Monty McCord.

For a **\$100 donation**, your thank-you gift will be a Scholarship Donor Medal.

For a donation of **\$500 or more**, your thank-you gift will be a wooden and brass plaque with your name and the Nebraska Admirals Association logo engraved on it. The plaque will read: "(your name), Nebraska Admirals Association Travel and Tourism Scholarship Program Sponsor for the year of 2010-2011."

Respectfully, - *Board of Directors, Nebraska Admirals Association*

~ MISSION ~

NEBRASKA ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION's primary purpose is to organize the Admirals in the Nebraska Navy into a force for the promotion and enhancement of the "Good Life of the State of Nebraska," specifically:

- ⇒ To promote education and educational activities throughout the state
- ⇒ To promote tourism in the state
- ⇒ To promote Nebraska products
- ⇒ To enhance Nebraska's agricultural industry
- ⇒ To seek and save Nebraska's sea
- ⇒ To develop and maintain ports throughout the state
- ⇒ To enjoy fun activities such as "walking the plank"
- ⇒ To build Nebraska pride and esprit de corps
- ⇒ To recycle Nebraska's assets
- ⇒ To increase the fleet of flagships of the Nebraska Navy
- ⇒ To continue efforts to have U.S. Naval ships named after Nebraska, its people and places.

~ WHO ARE WE? ~

The Nebraska Admirals Association is a voluntary organization of those who, over the years, have received a commission as an Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska.

No governor has ever mobilized this vast storehouse of talent and ability for the good of Nebraska; it is estimated that over one hundred thousand Admirals have been appointed. Many Nebraskans and visitors to our state have not heard of our navy; they have not heard of the waves of prairie schooners that at one time plied our plains under which lies our real wealth---Nebraska's under-ground sea.

After receiving their commissions, many have asked, "Now that I am an Admiral, what are my duties, what can I do for Nebraska?" The NEBRASKA ADMIRALS ASSOCIATION has the answer to that question, and perhaps much more. Nebraskans who have earned an Admiral's commission are more serious about the coveted appointment.

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