



Minutes of the Germany Society SAR

Meeting 12 • 127th National Congress • July 9, 2017

Holiday Inn, Knoxville, TN

The Summer 2017 Meeting was gavelled to order at 4 PM by Germany SAR President David Jessel. The invocation was given by Dr. David Schrader, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Secretary John H. Bredenfoerder and the Pledge of the SAR led by Vice President Bruce A. Buehler. President Jessel conducted a Moment of Silence for the passing of fellow Compatriot Col. Charles Sweeney (FL) dual member of Germany SAR and Sargent-at-Arms of Germany SAR. Compatriot Sweeney died un-expectantly at home just a few weeks prior to the 127th Congress.

Agenda: The agenda was displayed as a Power Point. A quorum was declared with 33 Germany SAR members present and signed in. Additionally there were 5 guest compatriots and 1 guest also in attendance. Minutes from the Spring (4 March 2017) Meeting held at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, KY were presented and approved.

President Report: President Jessel welcomed the compatriots and shared how operations are proceeding with the German DAR chapter and JROTC DOD Schools in Germany. Several state societies and chapters are sending SAR Bronze ROTC Medals to JROTC Units in Germany. Germany SAR supports 6 JROTC Units in Germany.

Vice President Report: Nothing to report

Secretary Report: Secretary Bredenfoerder reported that the total membership is now 219 members plus the new members that were gained today.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Bredenfoerder reported that the checking balance as of 7.6.17 is \$6,659.24. This includes \$98.35* in net pin sales to be used toward flags, and \$6,560.89 in general funds.

**A third Royal Deux Ponts Flag was purchased in June 2017 for \$627.00; This accounts for the lower balance in the pin sales money.*

The Society will continue to pay the dues for our compatriots located in Germany until that membership reaches 15. We currently have 10 primary members living in Germany.

The 2016 990-N was filed 5 July 2017.

The Germany SAR audit was conducted at the 127th Congress by Compatriots William Stone and Bruce Buehler. All books were in good order.

Genealogist - Registrar Report: No report, positions vacant.

Chaplain: Nothing to report.

Chancellor: Nothing to report.

Sergeant-At-Arms: No report, position vacant

Trustee Report: Nothing to report

Recruiting in Germany:

- Currently there are 10 members of Germany SAR living in Germany.
- Recently, 3 members moved from the Alabama Society to Germany (1 Primary and 2 Juniors).
- 1 application is at SAR Headquarters for processing
- Received application for 1 new dual member (Alabama)
- Open actions:
 - Continue recruiting in Germany
 - Make follow-up contact with the DAR chapter in Germany (President David Jessel)

Newsletter: Articles are needed for the Germany Society Newsletter

- Including your German ancestors who fought in support of the Revolutionary War
- Other topics of interest to members of the Germany Society, especially the Revolution
- Need to re-institute the Newsletter. Post on the Germany Society Website. This is a good way to keep the entire membership informed
Newsletter Editor - Col. (Ret) A. M. "Andy" Johnson amjohnson@juno.com

Website: We still need to find a source to translate and offer a German language version of the GRSSAR website.

Old Business:

- Provide Germany Society flag to the Color Guard Commander
- Completed 8 July 2017.
- \$1000 donation to PG's Youth Program Challenge
- Completed 10 Oct 2016.
- A donation to the Digital Genealogical Research System
- A \$250 will be made in August 2017.

New Business:

- Compatriot Steven Baldwin made a motion that a new supply of Germany SAR patches and pins be purchased. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Vice President Buehler announced that the theme of the 2017 Fall Leadership Meeting will be Oktoberfest. Germany SAR members are encouraged to "dress for the occasion."
- Vice President Buehler inquired if the Germany SAR tri-fold recruitment brochure should be updated and reprinted. Secretary Bredenfoerder said he has applied stickers to the remaining supply and updated the digital version on the Germany SAR website. A new supply of printed brochures will be needed soon. The reprinting should be explored after the Fall Leadership meeting.
- Nominations were taken from the floor for the offices of Genealogist-Registrar and Sergeant-at-Arms.
Compatriot Donald E. Mengle nominated Compatriot Eric H. Troutman for Genealogist – Registrar. The nomination was seconded by Compatriot Buehler. With no other nominations coming from the floor, a vote was taken and Compatriot Troutman was elected unanimously.
Compatriot Kevin Carr nominated himself for Sergeant-at-Arms. The nomination was seconded by Compatriot Bredenfoerder. With no other nominations coming from the floor, a vote was taken and Compatriot Carr was elected unanimously
- Compatriot Lanny R. Patten invited the Germany SAR to take part in the tour of the WWI graves and sites in France scheduled for June 10-17, 2018. See attachment. Also supplied is a membership application for the French Society for Germany SAR members interested in dual memberships. See attachment.
- Compatriot Lester Foster announced that the Yorktown celebration is scheduled for October 17, 2017. Several German nationals will be attending.

Good of the Order:

President Jessel announced that our next meeting will be at 4 PM, Saturday, September 30, 2017 in conjunction with the 2017 NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting at the Brown Hotel,

Louisville, KY. The newly elected Germany SAR officers from today's special election will be officially installed at that meeting.

Adjournment: President Jessel adjourned the meeting at 4:45 PM.

Compatriots in attendance:

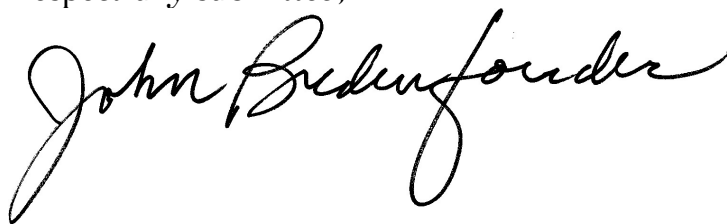
David Jessel
Steven Baldwin
Raynold L. Prusia, Sr.
Donald E. Mengle
Michael Gunn
Preston Irving
Matthew Barlow, Jr. MD
Glenn Sappie
Jim Petres
Tony L. Vets
Don (and Nancy) Burdick
Kevin Carr
James Becker
Pat Kelly
Ed Rigel, Jr.
Lance Lyngar
Rev. James C. Taylor
Gregory D. Lucas
Bill Schwetke

Ray Clapsadle
Bernard W. Wolff
Steve Monez
Robert Ebert
Patrick Mesnard
Patrick Niemann Larry
Mylnechuk Wayne
Mallar
Lanny R. Patten Roger
W. Coursey Bruce A.
Buehler John H.
Bredenfoerder Lester
A. Foster
Bob England

Guest Compatriots

Ernest L. Sutton
Derek Brown
Emery Wilson
Jim Strohmeier
Shep Hammack

Respectfully submitted,



John H. Bredenfoerder
Secretary/ Treasurer
Germany Society 2017



SAR TRIP American delegation

Centenary of the end of the First World War

Champagne Front / Argonne - Puy du Fou

from Sunday, June 10th to Sunday, June 17th 2018

(estimated cost from 1,700€ to 2,000€)

INDICATIVE SCHEDULE

- June 10 : Arrival in Paris and move in to the hotel near Bercy.
- June 11 : Departure for **Champagne** in coach : Bois Belleau – Fère en Tardenois- Château-Thierry -Reims
Lunch at the Condé castle.
Move in to the hotel in Reims (same hotel for 4 days) and dinner.
- June 12 : Day in **REIMS**
Morning = visit of a cellar of champagne and tasting. Lunch.
Afternoon = programmed tour = walking tour of the city center, including Cathedral, Palais de Tau, Protestant church and Carnegie library, followed by a reception at the Town hall.
Return at the hotel and dinner.
- June 13 : Day **ARGONNE**
Morning = welcome at Chatel-Cheney. Evocation of Sergent York. Lunch in an inn.
Afternoon = Montfaucon American cemetery : delegation will be welcomed by the Superintendent ; wreath-laying. Nantillois (Pennsylvania monument).
Return at the hotel and dinner.
- June 14 : Day **CHEMIN des DAMES**
Morning = visit of Blérancourt castle (French-American museum) and lunch.
Afternoon = guided tour to the « Caverne du Dragon » and « Chemin des Dames ».
Return at the hotel and dinner.
- June 15 : Trip to **PUY du FOU** by direct TGV (high-speed train) Reims-Nantes.
Lunch at the Cercle Louis XVI and visit of the town.
Afternoon : departure for Puy du Fou, hotel on the site (for 2 days).
Gala dinner with Philippe de Villiers, SAR member, creator of the Puy du Fou
Late evening : Cinéscénie
- June 16 : Day at **PUY du FOU**.
Morning : Visit of the Grand Parc and lunch
Afternoon : show « Le Dernier Panache » followed by a ceremony in castle's courtyard.
Return at the hotel.
- June 17 : Day at **NANTES**.
Morning = sailing up estuary from Nantes to Saint-Nazaire.
Lunch and return by TGV La Baule – Paris Montparnasse (nonstop)

options in addition :

June 18 & 19 : 1-landing beaches in Normandy 2- Visit of the Hermione in Rochefort

Pre-registration to SAR FRANCE via sarfrance@free.fr

Name:..... function in SAR/.....

Mail address :

Previsionnal Number of attendees and name:.....

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SOCIÉTÉ EN FRANCE DES FILS DE LA RÉVOLUTION AMÉRICAINE



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S. Exc. M. l'Ambassadeur des États-Unis
The President General of the National Society SAR
Le duc de Noailles

APPLICATION FORM DUAL MEMBERSHIP

NAME: NATIONAL NO.

DATE: / / 2017. (*dd / mm /*)

To the Secretary of the Society in France of the Sons of the American
Revolution (Société en France des Fils de la Révolution Américaine)

I,, being a member of the State Society (home Society) of the
Sons of the American Revolution, hereby request dual membership with the Society in France of the
Sons of the American Revolution.

I further certify that my membership is current in my home State Society and that it is my
responsibility to ensure my membership remains current in my home Society which is responsible for
reporting my membership to the National Society Sons of the American Revolution.

My ancestor served in the Revolutionary War as:

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His name is:

He was a citizen of /born in:

State / country City

Signature of Member

Address:

City State/Country / **USA.**

Zip

My birthday year :.....

My e-mail:@.....

Telephone: (00) **1 (xxx) xxx-xxxx**.....

The annual Dual Membership fee for year 2017 has been paid to your checking account
in the NSSAR

(NSSAR Director of Finance, Ms. Mary Butts with the mention "fee for SAR France National
Society") 809 West Main Street, Louisville, KY 40203-3292

- residents members in USA **US\$ 20**;
- residents in Europe **60€**: ½ France Society's annual fee (120 €).

**Please send this application to the secretary in Paris and the fees to Louisville
(USA members) or to Paris (Europe residents).**