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Minutes of Meeting at NSSAR Spring Leadership

Louisville, Kentucky, Galt House Hotel

Saturday, March 1, 2025, 8:30 AM

President Bredenfoerder welcomed the 30 members in attendance and those on the Zoom connection from Germany, France and Switzerland.

Ceremonies began with - an Invocation led by Chaplain Jessel ; Pledge of Allegiance by V.P. Carr; and Pledge to the SAR led by Sec'y Gunn. A Quorum was confirmed by Sec'y Gunn & Pres. Bredenfoerder gave opening

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comments including introduction to those on the Zoom connection & Von Steuben Chap. Pres. Chris McLarren and Sec'y Eugene Butler.

Annual Awards were announced by President Bredenfoerder:

- Ladies SAR Medals to Laurie Bredenforeder, Ivy Spray and Carole Gunn
- Society Meritorious Service Medals to Ashley Null, Christopher McLarren, Kevin Carr, John Fulwider, David Jessel, Elwin Spray and David Perkins.
- Patriot Medals to Kevin Carr & Michael Gunn.
- Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Ashley Null.
- Distinguished Service Medal to David Jessel.

An update on activities from the Von Steuben Chapter was presented by Pres. McLarren, V.P. Null and Sec'y Butler. They have 17 members now living in an area that would cover a space as large as Ohio, Indiana, & Illinois; so meetings are mostly annual with a few monthly. Some are able to attend Rev. War battle-sites such as a member went to the Saratoga battlefield as reported in their last newsletter. They were able to get a new DAR member at a local VFW Ceremony, but no new SAR members yet. Their greatest success comes from the Eagle Scout Contests and ROTC Events, where they recognized to help from David Perkins & David Jessel. Soon there will be an event here in the USA where a flag from the Omaha Beach Landing site organization will be posted and honored by an Eagle Scout.

Old Business:

- Compatriot Kelly reported on a Grave Marking in Addiston, VA where a Dupont German Patriot was honored.
- Life Membership for Germany Society was calculated at \$200 per David Perkins which is in agreement with the parameters of two organizations.

New Business:

- After a discussion about the Society's Budget, a Motion by David Jessel to add \$3000 for the Von Steuben Chapter's programs; Seconded by Tony Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.
- Kevin Carr brought up that the Society replace a tombstone, now missing, of a German Soldier in Adams County, PA.

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Sergeant-at-Arms, Elwin L. Spray placed a Germany Society wreath (Seen here in this photo) in mid-April at a grave marking ceremony in Meredith, New Hampshire.



The Germany Flag was Posted to join an array of Colors including the National Colors, **the 250th**, nine Regimental Flags to celebrate the anniversary of the **Battles at Lexington & Concord** and dedicate the marking of five (5) Revolutionary War Patriots buried in Hamilton County, OH. Present were Germany Society members: Pres. John Bredenfoerder, Secy. Michael Gunn, Larry Collins, Kenneth Burck, Gary

Duffield, Michael Blum & Bruce Bennett (not pictured here).

