



Indiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution
House of Delegates Meeting
Saturday, 31 July 2010
Bloomington, Indiana
Host: Daniel Guthrie Chapter

Meeting was called to order by President Robert P. Cunningham at 10 am. The Invocation was given by State Chaplain Donald Counts. Presentation of the Colors was led by Commander Robert Howell of the INSSAR Color Guard. The Pledge to the National Colors was led by Vice-President C. David Betzner. The Pledge of the SAR was led by Vice-President Betzner. The Parliamentarian was Chancellor Brumfield. The Agenda was approved. Chapter Roll Call was taken by Secretary Sharp and a Quorum was present. (NOTE: Delegates-at-Large don't count against the chapter quota.

<u>District</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Max # Del.</u>	<u>Compatriot</u>	<u>D@L</u>
1	Gen. Thomas Posey	Mount Vernon	1	Kenneth Gilkey	
	George Rogers Clark	Vincennes	2	0	
	Ohio Valley	Evansville	3	Don Counts	
2	David Benton	Brownstown	1	Jerry L. Brown Jim Harvey John Sheets	
	Daniel Guthrie	Bedford	10	Vernon L Hammersley Ronald Burkhart Edward Hitchcock Larry Newton Paul Schoonmaker David Lemon James Pershing Bob Newton Bob Howell Robert Cunningham	x x
	John Hay	Salem	2	James Arnold	
3	Clarence A. Cook	Indianapolis	13	Ronald Darrah Steven Oberlin Jeff Hornung David Betzner Phil Greenwood	x x
	Benjamin Franklin	Franklin	2	0	
	Alexander Hamilton	Fishers	2	0	
4	William Henry Harrison	Lafayette	3	Noel Reen	
	William Knight	Greencastle	2	0	
	John Martin	Rockville	3	0	

5	Continental	Muncie	8	Jack Carmichael	x
				R. Carlton Brumfield	x
				Mark R. Kreps	
				G. Thomas Schnuck	x
				Dennis Babbitt	
	Anthony Halberstadt	Fort Wayne	5	Allen L. Stout	
				William E. Sharp	x
6.	Alexis Coquillard	South Bend	4	Willard Waterson	
	Duneland	Valparaiso	1	0	
	Thaddeus Kosciuszko	Warsaw	1	Roger Barnhart	x
	Simon Kenton	Rennselaer	1	0	

INSSAR Member (no vote since their chapter has been disbanded) Rex Gradeless
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Out of State Ohio Society Dual with Dan'l Guthrie VPG Paul M. Wilke

The new INSSAR Vice President Betzner was installed by VPG Wilke. Vice-President General Paul Wilke and his wife Valerie and daughter Ann were introduced and he brought greetings from NSSAR and noted the NSSAR Central District meeting to be held in Cincinnati on October 29-30. Valerie is the National Vice President of the Ladies Auxiliary. INSSAR Vice president Betzner installed a new member Robert A. Newton of the Daniel Guthrie Chapter using the long form induction. There were 16 members of the Ladies Auxiliary plus two out of state guests in attendance including 1 former DAR State Regent and 1 current DAR State Regent. The Ladies were excused for their meeting.

The minutes from the Spring House of Delegates Meeting at Spring Mill Park hosted by Daniel Guthrie Chapter were accepted as posted on the INSSAR website. Secretary Sharp reported there are 624 members in INSSAR as of this meeting with 34 new members since beginning of year. State President Cunningham distributed the State Treasurer's Report: Total income - \$7,835; total expenses - \$1,699; Total assets - \$65,437.79.

Hoosier Patriot: Jeffrey W. Hornung is the new editor. His contact is Jeff-hornung@comacast.net

NSSAR Color Guard Representative.....Compatriot Robert Cunningham

Registrar Report submitted; 31 new applications so far approved.....Registrar Robert D. Howell, Sr.

Genealogist.....Genealogist Robert D. Howell, Sr.

National Trustee: Past Trustee Schnuck submitted a report of the 120th SAR Congress at Cleveland

State Website.....Chairman Steven D. Oberlin

District Directors

District #1: Report submitted stating that all chapters have met and are active Director J.D. Strouth

District #2: Director Edward E. Hitchcock submitted a report saying all chapters had met and are active.

District #3: No ReportDirector Michael S. Oberlin

District #4: A new director is needed for this district

District #5: No Report.....Director Roger D. Barnhart

District #6: Director Willard Waterson submitted a report saying that Coquillard, Duneland and Kosciuszko are meeting and/or planning activities.

State Color Guard...Report submitted; very active.....Commander Stuart A. Hart

George Washington Fund: Report submitted by Chairman G. Thomas Schnuck INSSAR has 14 George Washington Fellows.

Medals and Awards.....Chairman C. David Betzner

Membership & Chapter Development.....Chairman Roger D. Barnhart

SOCIETY PROGRAM CHAIRS:

Americanism & Flag Recognition Distribute them!!James Jackson, Jr.

Children of the American Revolution.....Timothy W. Jones

Eagle Scout...Report submitted.....Randy J. Hillenburg

Four-HJohn G. West

Knight Essay Contest.....Douglas T. Wilson

Ladies Auxiliary.....Dixie Oberlin

Revolutionary War Graves and Patriot Grave Registry: Edward E. Hitchcock submitted a report. The committee is very active in identifying graves and photographing them.

ROTC/JROTC...Report submitted.....Robert D. Howell, Sr.

Rumbaugh Orations Contest.....C. David Betzner

Veterans' Programs/American Legion and VFW...Report submitted.....James C. Arnold

Awards and Recognition.....Vice President Betzner

Liberty Medal was given to Compatriots Gilkey and Salisbury and an oak leaf cluster to Compatriot Reen. Meritorious Service Medals were awarded at Congress to Compatriots Oberlin, Barnhart and Schnuck. Officers Attendance Award was awarded to INSSAR because their officers have been in attendance at the past 3 Congresses. Good Citizenship Medals were awarded to Martha Barnhart and April Legler for their service in the Ladies Auxiliary. Partners in Patriotism Certificates were awarded by the President General at Congress to the following Chapters for their participation involving the Am. Legion and/or VFW in various events: John Hay, David Benton, Anthony Halberstadt, Thaddeus Kosciuszko, Clarence A. Cook, Continental, Daniel Guthrie, Alexis Coquillard and Duneland. Streamers for Chapters Participating in the NSSAR George Rogers Clark Memorial Service were awarded to the following chapters: Anthony Halberstadt, Clarence A. Cook, Continental, Daniel Guthrie, David Benton, George Rogers Clark, John Hay and Ohio Valley. A flay certificate was awarded to Sherwood Oaks Christian Church for flying a flag 24/7. The recent passing of Compatriot John Kesler was noted. He was INSSAR President in 2002-03

Old Business

de LaBalme Historical Marker: Roger Barnhart reported the marker will be put up ahead of time for a dedication on Nov. 6 at 2 pm followed by a wreath laying at the site. Report from the 120th Congress: George Washington Endowment Fund distributes 80% of the interest earned to various State Societies to promote SAR. INSSAR received \$1000 for the deLaBalm marker. The new Library building will be dedicated at the Fall Leadership in September in Louisville. INSSAR Chaplin Counts needs to send condolences from the Society to Compatriot Haller whose wife died while at the 120th Congress. Compatriot Arnold was leading the grave marking for a Medal of Honor winner today. Brig. Gen Miller of the 35th Inf. Div. is the speaker. All INSSAR Chapters need to have sent in the IRS Form 990-N. The due date has been extended to 15 Oct. Martha Barnhart was awarded the Gold Service Medal.

A break for lunch followed Old business. The speaker was Leo Finnerty of the National Park Service on "George Rogers Clark's Mission Impossible." It was well received.

New Business:

Compatriot Darrah commented that there is an Unknown Rev. War Soldier buried at the Old Presbyterian Meeting House in Alexandria, VA. Not aware that any notice is given of it by the SAR. President Cunningham appointed him to chair a committee to figure out what to do about the grave and prepare a letter.

It was moved by Compatriot Rex Gradeless and seconded by Compatriot Don Gradeless that the Seth Jewel Charter be reinstated. Pro and con discussion ensued. Question was called and the motion to reinstate the charter passed. President Cunningham told the Seth Jewel Chapter delegates that the chapter must be active within the INSSAR. Because communication within the chapter was a serious problem, Compatriot Rex Gradeless will be the point of contact for the chapter. Secretary was given his email address.

Review of By-Law #3: President Cunningham asked Compatriot Rex Gradeless to write up a revision and forward it to President Cunningham.

Secretary Sharp is to send a notice to all chapter contacts that reporting of various activities is to go to the INSSAR committee chairs. We need to get credit for the activities the chapters are doing.

An annual chapter report was discussed. President Cunningham said that an annual report will be sent to each District Director with the District Director passing that to the INSSAR President and Secretary. With regard to the contents of said report, a committee was appointed to define such: Compatriots Carmichael, Barnhart and Howell.

Compatriot Arnold the national chair of the Patriotic Outreach Committee said that there is a beta version of a new computer game on patriotism being tested. It follows a soldier and the player makes various decisions for the soldier. Many possible outcomes are available as a consequence of the decisions.

It was moved by Compatriot Oberlin and seconded by Compatriot Gilkey that for the next two meetings the start time be 1 pm. Motion passed.

Future INSSAR Meetings

INSSAR Fall Meeting, Franklin at the Masonic Home, 23 October 2010

INSSAR Winter Meeting, Fort Wayne, 15 January 2011

INSSAR Spring Meeting, Indianapolis, April 2011

Future NSSAR Meetings

Fall Leadership (Trustee) Meeting, Louisville, KY, 23-25 September 2010. Want a good INSSAR turnout.

Central District Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, 29-30 October 2010

Spring Leadership (Trustee) Meeting, Louisville, KY, 10-12 March 2011

121st Annual Congress, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, 8-13 July 2011

Fall Leadership (Trustee) Meeting, Louisville, KY, dates to be announced

Central District Meeting, Bloomington, IN, October 14-16, 2011, details to be announced

Benediction was made by Chaplain Counts. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm following the SAR
Recessional Led by Vice-President Betzner

William E. Sharp
Secretary, Indiana Society