

101st Airborne Division Association

Minutes of Meeting of May 10, 2025 Bailey's Bar and Grille, Townsend, MA

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Attending: Present: Via Zoom: President Bob Morrissey, VP Tony Payne, John Mastro, and Treasurer Kevin Farrell (from Ireland!). In Person: SAA William "Blink" Blankenburg, George LeBlanc and Associate Member Brenda Fitzgerald and their friends H.P. Marshall and James Nolan, Greg d'Arbonne, Ed O'Reilly, George Durfee, Don Miller and Linda Magee, and — also by Zoom — recording clerk/Zoom Administrator Cathie Clark.

Prior to the Meeting start, a prayer was offered by Don Miller and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The Meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM. There was no New Business to discuss.

Sick Call: Ranger Rob reports that he has cancer and a little bit of it was removed from his neck, which is a good thing. Next thing is a PET Scan, after which results his oncologist and doctor will wait 90 days then decide next steps. We are all thinking and praying for him.

The last Meeting Minutes were from April but not available so they will be posted in DRAFT form on MEMBERS ONLY and voted upon at our next meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Our Treasurer reported that although TDBank is closing 38 branches in seven states, the branch in NH that has our account is not one of them. They are going all digital, but that should not be a problem. We now have a CD started so we are earning a little interest. His report was accepted.

Old Business:

Lifetime Membership: At the March meeting, it was voted to re-open Lifetime Membership until April 15. Bob reported that the window has now closed.

Annual Cookout: Saturday, July 19th, 2025, 12 noon, 1200 hours, Fort Devens at the Clear Path Veterans Facility. We need RSVPs to make sure we know how many people are coming and if they are bringing guests and side dishes. There will be a separate email carrying details about the Museum tour.

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250th UNITED STATES ARMY BIRTHDAY OBSERVANCE CEREMONY: Saturday June 14th 6:15-9:00 p.m. at Gillette Stadium. Greg will be following up with us in via email to Bob for further distribution explaining how to get tickets (\$150 each) and asking those who do get tickets to let him know so they can be seated at the same table.

T-Shirts. Bob reported he is ordering more (especially more 2X) and will hopefully have them in time for sales at the Cookout.

View from Ireland: Kevin took his laptop out on the deck of his B&B and showed us the beautiful panoramic view which included the ocean in the distance. He loves it there. We now know why. The Zoom clarity is indeed amazing. When it works, it works!

Our next meeting is on Saturday, September 6 at Bailey's, with lunch at noon.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20.

Airborne All The Way!"

Respectfully submitted, SAA William Blankenburg