



**Deutsch-Amerikanische  
Gesellschaft** Celle e.V.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I  
Last name, Surname  
Street  
Postal Code, City  
Telephone  
Cell phone  
Email

HEREBY APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE **DEUTSCH-AMERIKANISCHEN  
GESELLSCHAFT** CELLE e.V.

Date

Signature

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

The annual membership fee is at least €35 for individual members, €45 for family memberships, and €200 for corporate memberships. Additional contributions are warmly welcomed!

The annual fee can be transferred to our account or paid via direct debit

Bank Details: Hannoversche Volksbank  
IBAN : DE60 2519 0001 0682 6300 00,  
BIC: VOHADE2H

### DIRECT DEBIT AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the German-American Society Celle to debit the annual membership fee of

€ to Konto            IBAN  
   BIC  
at (bank name)  
until further notice.

Date

Signature



## **Deutsch-Amerikanische Gesellschaft** Celle e.V.

The German-American Society was established in 1999 by the city of Celle. Mayor Martin Biermann invited residents to the New City Hall on November 30, 1999, where the society was officially founded. That evening, a total of 60 people joined the new society.

Gunnar Jungclaus, Managing Director of the Chamber of Commerce in Celle, was elected as the first chairman. He was succeeded in 2002 by Michael H. Schwarzkopf († 2005), followed by Reinhard Förster in 2006. The current chairman, as of 2024, is Jannis Timm.

The society's goals and tasks include fostering and promoting friendly relations between people in Germany and the USA and strengthening a mutual understanding marked by tolerance, appreciation, and peacefulness. These goals are pursued through exchanges, visits, cultural events, and participation in public projects. Maintaining close contacts with other German-American societies in Germany and the USA (particularly in Tulsa) is also part of their mission.

### **WHAT DO WE OFFER?**

The activities of the German-American Society of Celle e.V. cover a wide range (italicized = projects currently on hold):

- Community-based management of the partnership with the city of Tulsa, Oklahoma, established in late 2000 (joint video projects and conferences, reciprocal visits, networking of all kinds, personalized hosting of visitors from Tulsa)
- Maintaining contact with the U.S. Consulate General in Hamburg (information, invitations)
- Supporting American participants in the Parliamentary Partnership Program
- "Read and Chat" gatherings on the first Tuesday of every month, featuring a reading circle (since 2014) and general discussions on American topics and society activities; open to members and all interested parties
- Annual organization of the "American Day" festival around the 4th of July for all Celle residents
- Annual Thanksgiving dinner hosted by Wietfeld/Bennebostel for members, American friends, and invited guests on the fourth Thursday in November
- Group participation in the Celle Community Foundation's Citizen Brunch
- Lectures and discussions focused on "American Politics and Society"
- *American movie nights*
- Planning and conducting visits to Celle institutions and businesses for members and (including American) guests
- Management and maintenance of the website [www.celle-usa.de](http://www.celle-usa.de)
- *As needed: Supporting the city of Celle in hosting American groups or consulate delegations*