

## National Guard Association of the United States

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Officers and Members, NGAUS Board of Directors

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FROM: BG (Ret.) Roy Robinson, NGAUS President

SUBJECT: Call of the 145th NGAUS General Conference and Exhibition

Date: March 22, 2023

- 1. The 145th General Conference & Exhibition of the National Guard Association of the United States meets August 18–21, 2023, in the "Biggest Little City in the World," Reno, Nevada. This year's theme is America's National Guard: A Local Force with Global Reach.
- 2. NGAUS must receive award nominations by May 15, proposed bylaw changes by May 31, and State resolutions by June 30. NGAUS will announce award winners in mid-July.
- 3. The opening ribbon-cutting ceremony is Saturday, August 19 at 10:00 am, followed by the opening of the exhibition floor for conference-badged attendees. At 12:30 pm, the first General Business/Professional Development Session will begin with the renowned Annual Roll Call of States and Territories. The second General Business/Professional Development session will start at 8 am, Sunday, August 20 and the third and final General Business/Professional Development Session starts on Monday, August 21 at 11:30 am. The Joint Resolution Committee meeting is on Friday, August 18 at 2:00 pm and the Army and

Air separate sessions are Monday, August 21 at 8:30 am. Attire for all Business/Professional Development sessions for military State affiliates will be the Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) uniforms.

- 4. This year's States Dinner will be Saturday evening, instead of Monday evening, at the Reno Downtown Event center, attire is Western Wear. On Monday evening, the Governor's Farewell (Casual attire) event will close out the conference with a special surprise.
- 5. For the first time, NGAUS will host Professional Speaker sessions on the Trade show floor and the NGAUS Corporate Advisory Panel (CAP) will hold an open-and-closed event for our Defense Industry Partners featuring a New Industry Partner Feedback Forum on Saturday. We will post the speaker topics, meeting times, and any schedule changes on our website at <a href="https://www.ngaus.org">www.ngaus.org</a> or our mobile app.
- 6. This year's elections include the following positions in Board-Areas II and V
  - a. Three Directors -1 TAG, 1 Director Field Grade Army, 1 Director Field Grade Air
  - b. 1 Director for the Retired/Separated Caucus- Army
  - c. 1 Director from the Company Grade Caucus Air
- 7. Officers assigned to oversee committee conduct and voting and caucus elections are as follows:
  - a. Resolutions Chair: Col (Ret) Mike Morgan (Joint), COL (Ret) Lance Englet (Army), and Brig Gen (Ret) Harold Reed (Air).
  - b. Nominations Committee: Brig Gen (Ret) Mike Oster.
  - c. Credentials & Rules Verification Committee: MG (Ret) Frank McGinn.
  - d. Area II Elections: MG Sheryl Gordon, Alabama, Chair.
  - e. Area V Elections: Brig Gen (Ret) Bobbi Doorenbos, Arkansas, Chair.
  - f. Retiree Elections: Brig Gen (Ret) Bobbi Doorenbos, Air.
  - g. Company Grade Elections: CPT Rasheeda Bilal.
  - h. Warrant Officer Committee Elections: CWO5 Bob Nicholson.
  - i. The Retiree/Separated and Warrant Officer Caucus meetings, luncheon and elections are Sunday, August 20.
- 8. Our Conference block hotels are the Silver Legacy Resort Casino, Eldorado Resort Casino, Circus-Circus Resort Casino in downtown Reno, and the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa, which connects to the Convention Center. All block hotels have complimentary bus transportation to and from the airport, running from 0400 to midnight daily. NGAUS will post the link for this bus service on our website so you can track bus departure and pickup times. The Reno-Tahoe International Airport is a short 15–20-minute drive into the city, airport code RNO.
- 9. Once again, please visit the NGAUS.org website for more information and make plans to attend our 145<sup>th</sup> General Conference so you can see the grandeur of the nearby Sierra Nevada Mountains high desert. NGAUS general conference coordinator is Lt Col (Ret) Robert (Jake) Jakubek at jake.jakubek@ngaus.org or 202-454-5312.