



# Area V Is Alive!

Newsletter of the Area V Auxiliary of the Enlisted Association of the  
National Guard of the United States

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Area V Auxiliary Directors  
Margaret Greenfield & Karen Vicento

April 2013

Received the following from  
Edna Steinberg Regarding  
South Dakota Events

## AREA V AND SITE VISIT:

On May 17th from 1630 to 2000 the South Dakota conference committee will host a reception for the site visit and any Area V attendees at J & L Harley Reception Center at 2101 West Burnside Sioux Falls, SD. Area Caucus registration form in the newsletter.

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2013:

As this date approximately 600 has registered for the National Conference. Registration form in the newsletter.

On August 19, Monday Night Open Night the Grand Falls Casino at Larchwood Iowa has invited us to come to their Casino for a reception, band, and also day spa package available. There will be a bus or if you want to drive it is less than 15 miles East of convention center. For those States that would like to go as a group, the Conference Committee would like an approximate count of persons.

Wild Water West (water park) is also giving reduced prices during the conference.

Please e-mail Ben Lamp [benjamin.g.lamp.mil@mail.mil](mailto:benjamin.g.lamp.mil@mail.mil) if you will need a wheelchair while in Sioux Falls. They need an idea of how many is needed.



## New Email Address for Dianna Raymond, Area V Director

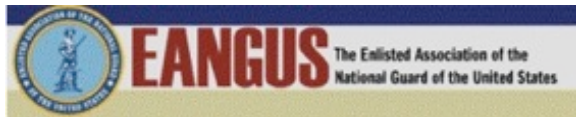
Dianna asks that "If everyone could please start contacting me at [soldiergirl50@gmail.com](mailto:soldiergirl50@gmail.com) that would be great. Any questions that you have about National or Area V please email me here." [As of this newsletter, she has not received hotel confirmation numbers to give those who requested rooms. As soon as she does, she will keep you posted.]

## APRIL IS THE MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

April is the month that honors military kids for their sacrifices and courage. Find events in your area or pick a day and let your child choose how they would like to spend the day. Check events by state at <http://www.operationmilitarykids.org>

Purple Up For Military Kids on Monday April 15, 2013. Wear purple on April 15. Purple symbolizes all branches of the military, as it is the combination of Army green; Marine red; and Coast Guard, Navy and Air Force blue. Show your support.

**THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN Warning:** Apple App store offering TSP App not sanctioned by TSP — A free iPhone App, TSP Funds, currently being offered through the Apple App store asks TSP participants for their account login information. This app is not being offered through the TSP and the TSP **does not recommend using this application to access your TSP account.** Providing this information could result in a security risk to your account by third party. **TSP does not have an app.** <https://www.tsp.gov/whatsnew/plan/planNews.shtml#iPhoneApp>



**Legislative Matters**  
**The National Guard Needs Your Support**  
**To view all The Calls use this link:**  
<http://capwiz.com/eangus/issues/?style=D>

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### **DID YOU ANSWER "THE CALL 13-01" ?**

#### **The Call: 13-03**

#### **Protect National Guard Military Technicians from Sequestration Furloughs (Issued March 7, 2013)**

**The Issue:** Approximately 53,000 National Guard Military Technicians will be subject to furloughs due to Sequestration

**Background:** While all military components are dutifully scrambling to absorb \$47 billion in cuts throughout the Department of Defense, including the furloughs of 800,000 military civilians, there is one group that justifies an exemption: National Guard Military Technicians.

Currently, there are more than 52,000 Military Technicians wearing the U.S. Army and Air Force uniforms to work every day, and they represent more than half of the National Guards full-time force. While they are slated to be furloughed along with the other DoD civilians, their unique status should merit an exception. Unlike regular civilians employees, military technicians are required to be a member of the National Guard, attend weekend drills and annual training with their National Guard unit, maintain all fitness and readiness standards of their active-duty counterparts, and can be involuntarily ordered to active duty at any time. National Guard military technicians are the primary maintainers of National Guard ground equipment, airframes, equipment upgrades, and administrators of training at the unit level.

These uniquely hybrid positions have been developed over decades as the most cost-efficient and stable maintenance work-force in the DoD. Even their title – Military Technicians – makes them distinct from other DoD civilians. Their predecessors were known as Civilian Technicians, and it was Congress that decided they were more military than civilian, authorized them to wear their uniforms to work every day, and awarded them that title, along with expectations of fulfilling roles and responsibilities beyond that of their former duties.

The President, Congress, and the DoD all agreed to exempt uniformed personnel from the sequester to limit the impact on military readiness. We believe the furloughs of National Guard Military Technicians violate that intent. Allowing half of the National Guard's full-time members to be furloughed will result in an immediate reduction in the National Guard's operations readiness across all state and federal missions.

Congressman Steven Palazzo (MS-04), the only concurrently serving enlisted member of the National Guard in Congress, agrees with our sentiments and introduced H.R. 1014, a bill that would exempt Military Technicians from sequestration by including them in military personnel accounts. After introducing his legislation Congressman Palazzo issued the following statement, "Our nation's military technicians are vital in maintaining our military readiness at home and abroad. Under sequestration they are the only uniformed military personnel who could face the threat of being furloughed. While we must continue working to replace the devastating sequester cuts for all affected, this legislation will ensure that our hardworking military technicians are protected from possible furloughs and pay cuts."

**Answer THE CALL 13-03:** <http://capwiz.com/eangus/issues/alert/?alertid=62484936>

***Your Voice Has Made A Difference and Will Make a Difference—Now It Is More Important than Ever!***

**MORE BILLS OF INTEREST**

**H.R. 690 — Reserve Retirement Deployment Credit Correction Act.** Bill introduced to companion legislation to S. 240, which would ease the current requirement that any 90-day period of active service creditable toward early reserve retirement eligibility must be completed within the same fiscal year.

**H.R. 738:** To amend title 10, United States Code, to eliminate the requirement that certain former members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces be at least 60 years of age in order to be eligible to receive health care benefits.

**H.R. 821** - A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide surviving spouses with certain protections relating to mortgages and mortgage foreclosures, and for other purposes.

**H.R. 833 — Precedence of the Distinguished Warfare Medal.** Reps. Bill introduced legislation to specifically set the precedence of the Distinguished Warfare Medal below the Purple Heart. Last week, MOAA reported on the controversial precedence of this new medal.

**H.R. 883** - A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit certain veterans who were discharged or released from the Armed Forces by reason of service-connected disability to transfer benefits under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program, and for other purposes.

**H.R. 894** - A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the supervision of fiduciaries of veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

**H.R. 897** - A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the definition of homeless veteran for purposes of benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

**H.R. 921** - A bill to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services. Sponsor:

**H.R. 1223:** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to ensure that relocation of a service-member to serve on active duty away from the servicemember's principal residence does not prevent the servicemember from refinancing a mortgage on that principal residence.

**H.R. 1284:** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel for certain special disabilities rehabilitation, and for other purposes.

**H.R. 1305:** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide clarification regarding eligibility for services under the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program.

**H.R.1333:** To amend title 38, United States Code, to grant family of members of the uniformed services temporary annual leave during the deployment of such members, and for other purposes.

**H.R. 1344:** To amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to provide expedited air passenger screening to severely injured or disabled members of the Armed Forces and severely injured or disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

**H.R. 1357:** To amend the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011 to improve the Veterans Retraining Assistance Program by providing assistance under such program for certain training programs that are considered less than full-time.

**S. 422** - A bill to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services, and for other purposes.

**S. 430** - A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance treatment of certain small business concerns for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes.

### **Coping With Deployments Course: Psychological Aid for Military Families**

The American Red Cross is offering an online version of its "Coping with Deployments" course, which is designed to promote resilience in families supporting the military deployment of a loved one. ....

Like its instructor-led counterpart, the free online course aims to help military families handle the challenges and opportunities that come with a family member's deployment. Participants learn how to offer emotional support to those in need and how to build resiliency within themselves and in others, including children. These are skills that people can use in many life situations.

The course's online format benefits those who are unable to attend an instructor-led course, live far from a military installation or community, or who would like a refresher. The Red Cross is also introducing a Spanish-language version of both the instructor-led and online course, which will broaden the reach of this skill-building resource to

Spanish-speaking military family members.

The Red Cross developed "Coping with Deployments" after working closely with subject-matter experts from all service branches—along with National Guard and Reserve components—to complement what is offered in their courses. Since 2008, approximately 4,400 people have participated in the instructor-led course.

The course is available to the family members of Reserve, National Guard and active duty service members, including spouses, older children, parents, siblings and significant others, as well as to military members who take it with their family. Veterans and their family members are also eligible.

Those interested in taking the online course can register with the Red Cross Learning Center.

<https://classes.redcross.org>.

Family Readiness Groups (FRG), spouses' club or other groups interested in an instructor-led course should call their local Red Cross to schedule training for their group.

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[http://www.eangus.org/sites/www/Uploads/files/News/EAN-015\\_P13.pdf](http://www.eangus.org/sites/www/Uploads/files/News/EAN-015_P13.pdf)

### Conference Season



Spring is in the air! I hope all of you have enjoyed successful Area Caucuses and State Conferences. Many of you attended the Legislative Workshop; it is more important than ever that we meet and stay in contact with our state elected officials. Take back all you have learned to your states and teach the importance of protecting the benefits that we worked so hard to get. I look forward to seeing many of you at the site visit for the National Conference at Sioux Falls, S.D., in May. The folks in South Dakota are busy getting ready to host a great conference for us. Be sure to register early.



Check out the EANGUS website often as there are many exciting changes coming. EANGUS and the EANGUS Auxiliary are on Facebook, too.

Continue to share your story and show your passion! Side By Side, We Stand With Pride.

JENNY L. LAINHART, PRESIDENT, EANGUS AUXILIARY

### AREA V CAUCUS ATTENDEES:

On Friday, May 17th from 1630 to 2000 the South Dakota conference committee will host a reception for the pre-site visit, presidents workshop and any Area V Caucus attendees at J & L Harley Reception Center at 2101 West Burnside Sioux Falls, SD. Directions from Downtown Holiday Inn City Centre to J & L Harley Reception Center. Leave Holiday Inn City Centre at 100 8th Avenue, go west on W 8th Street (about a mile), then turn right onto N West Avenue, go about two blocks and turn left onto W Burnside Street. 2101 W Burnside Street is on the left.



### 2013 Area V Caucus 17-18 May 2013

**Downtown Holiday Inn City Centre  
Sioux Falls, SD  
1-605-339-2000**



Room Rates \$77.00 per night plus tax (also available the day before and day after)

Registration Fee is \$35.00 per person (includes lunch, snacks and hospitality room)

Meetings Saturday 0800-1600 with lunch provided

**Register no later than 14 May 2013** Registration form is available on <http://sdngea.com/>  
SMSGT Robert Funk, 1201 W Algonquin St, Bldg 13, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, [robert.funk@ang.af.mil](mailto:robert.funk@ang.af.mil)



### EANGUS 42nd Annual Conference "Fun at the Falls"



**Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
The Heart of America**

**August 18-21, 2013**

Conference Registration Online at  
<http://eangus.org/>



#### AREA V Assigned Hotel – Best Western Ramkota

The assigned hotel for Area Five at the 42nd EANGUS National Conference is the Ramkota Best Western in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

All room reservations go through Area V Director Dianna Raymond.

Room Rate is \$89.99 plus tax

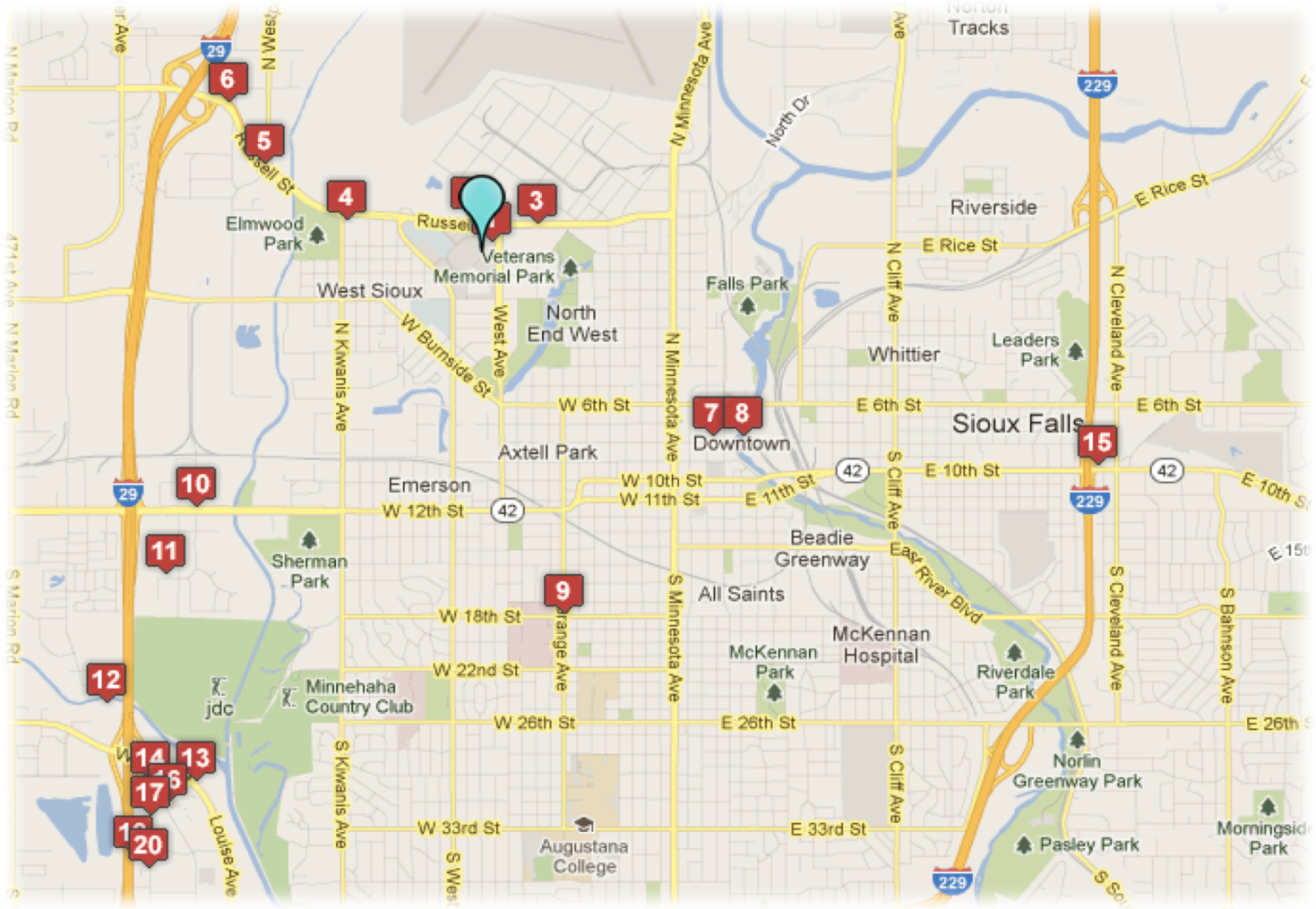
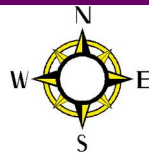
Dianna Raymond, Area V Director for SD, IA, WI, Area V Hotel Room Reservation POC,

email: [soldiergirl50@gmail.com](mailto:soldiergirl50@gmail.com) cell: (515) 360-7310

Dianne will put your name against the room of your choice (she will mail a confirmation number back to you and then you make reservation at the Ramkc confirmation number). There are just so many rooms blocked under each state, so let her know EARLY!

If you make your reservation directly with the hotel, you will not get the EANGUS discount rate If you are not already a Best Western rewards member, s  
[www.bestwestern.com/rewards/](http://www.bestwestern.com/rewards/) and earn hotel points with the Best Western Rewards® program.





**BLUE BALLOON**  
**Sioux Falls Convention Center**  
**EANGUS Executive Council Meeting—May 16**  
**Pre-Site Visit - May 17**  
**Presidents Workshop – May 18**  
**Sheraton Hotel #1**  
**Agenda at EANGUS.org**

**AREA V Caucus**  
**Hotel in May 17-18 is at**  
**Holiday Inn City Centre #7**  
**100 W 8th St, Sioux Falls, SD**  
**Reservations: 605-336-0650**  
**Registration/Hospitality May 17**  
**Meeting May 18**

**Area V Assigned Hotel for**  
**EANGUS Conference**  
**August 18-21**  
**is Best Western Ramkota #6**

1. Sheraton Hotel Sioux Falls 0.1 mile
2. Super 8 Hotel Sioux Falls 0.2 mile
3. Ramada Hotel & Suites Sioux Falls Airport 0.3 mile
4. Sleep Inn Sioux Falls 0.6 mile
5. Guesthouse Inn & Suites Sioux Falls 1.1 miles
6. **Best Western Plus Ramkota Hotel Sioux Falls 1.3 miles (August Area V Conference Hotel)**
7. **Holiday Inn City Centre Sioux Falls 1.4 miles (May Area V Caucus Hotel)**
8. Country Inn & Suites by Carlson Sioux Falls 1.5 miles
9. Valley Inn Sioux Falls 1.8 miles
10. Ramada Hotel Sioux Falls 1.8 miles

11. Value Place Hotel Sioux Falls 3 miles
12. TownePlace Suites by Marriott Sioux Falls 3 miles
13. Clubhouse Hotel & Suites Sioux Falls 3 miles
14. Hampton Inn Sioux Falls 3 miles
15. Super 8 Sioux Falls Motel 3 miles
16. Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Empire Mall Sioux Falls 3 miles
17. Staybridge Suites Sioux Falls 4 miles
18. Super 8 Hotel Sioux Falls I-90 4 miles
19. Comfort Suites Sioux Falls 4 miles
20. Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham Sioux Falls 4 miles

STATE & MEMBERSHIP OPTION <b>January 2013</b>	MEMBERSHIP ON JANUARY 31, 2012	STATE AVBL FY/12	MEMBERSHIP AS OF JANUARY 31, 2013	MEMBERSHIP PERCENTAGE	2013 EANGUS AUXILIARY MEMBERS		
					ANNUAL	LIFE	NATIONAL ASSOCIATES
NEBRASKA - Anniversary	287	4144	436	10.52%	4	1	2
MICHIGAN - Anniversary	249	10187	373	3.66%	Not Chartered		
NORTH DAKOTA - Anniversary	672	3868	735	19.00%	2	23	0
WISCONSIN - Anniversary	666	8768	616	7.03%	3	50	0
MINNESOTA - 12/31 - Calendar	740	11778	592	5.03%	8	15	0
ILLINOIS - Anniversary	195	11382	373	3.28%	Not Chartered		
INDIANA - 12/31 - Calendar	866	12994	398	3.06%	Dormant		
IOWA - Anniversary	312	8352	377	4.51%	19	18	0
SOUTH DAKOTA - 1/31 - Fiscal	3365	3752	3827	102.00%	43	43	0
Total #'s Area 5	7352	75225	7727	10.27%	79 Annual	150 Life	2 National Associates



## AVAILABLE STRENGTH FY/12

Total Membership #'s thru Jan 2013 All Areas

Total Membership #'s on Jan 2012 All Areas for comparison

EANGUS Auxiliary Membership 2013 per National Auxiliary Treasurer

**EANGUS MEMBERS, Is YOUR Spouse an Auxiliary Member?****What's Happening in Area V****Last Minute Reminder:****Register for your state's conference!**

Current and past copies of **THE SIGNAL**  
are on the EANGUS website:  
[www.eangus.org](http://www.eangus.org)>About  
Auxiliary>Publications.

Also, EANGUS & EANGUS Auxiliary and  
SDNGEA Auxiliary are on Facebook,  
SDNGEA posts copies of Area V Newsletters

April 12-13, 2013, Treetops Resort, Gaylord, MI

April 12-14, 2013, Marriott Downtown, Des Moines, IA

April 18-20, 2013, Holiday Inn City Centre, Sioux Falls SD

April 19-21, 2013, Eaglewood Resort, Itasca, IL

April 19-21, 2013, French Lick Resort, French Lick, IN

April 26-27, 2013, Holiday Inn, Alexandria, MN

April 26-27, 2013, Camp Ashland, Ashland, NE

April 26-29, 2013, Ho-Chunk, Wisconsin Dells/Baraboo, WI

**AREA V STATES:** After your state conference, make sure your state completes the EANGUS AUXILIARY STATE CHAPTER INFORMATION SHEET and return to EANGUS Auxiliary President, EANGUS Auxiliary Secretary, EANGUS Auxiliary Treasurer and your Area Auxiliary Directors. Area V Directors, please forward this information to editor so it can be printed in the "Area V Is Alive!" newsletter.

**TROOP ID** – Troop ID is a Single Sign On that allows brands to verify the military or veteran credentials of a given user on their website in order to securely deliver a set of defined benefits e.g. discounts, veteran skill training vouchers, government benefits.

Founded by two Army Rangers, this proprietary technology can authenticate military and veteran affiliation for members of the military community in real time. Once a user has tied their e-mail/password combination to their military credentials, they can log in to any partner site with the Troop ID Widget in order to claim exclusive benefits like discounts or skill training vouchers. Troop ID believes that bridging the civilian/military divide through a secure digital channel is a national imperative for it allows the two cultures to come more closely together. <https://www.troopid.com/>

**SOUTH DAKOTA:** The first meeting for the Black Hills Veterans March was a success. The South Dakota committee is still looking for a lot of help. If you are interested in volunteering, please let Josh know. [joshua.j.wermers.mil@mail.mil](mailto:joshua.j.wermers.mil@mail.mil). Black Hills Veterans March date is Saturday, 21 September 2013, Mickelson Trail. Go to [sdngea.org](http://sdngea.org) website to register and/or volunteer.

**MINNESOTA:** Application deadline for the Minuteman Scholarship sponsored by the MNGEA Auxiliary is 26 April 2013. <http://mngae.com/auxiliary.html>

**Do YOU know what two physical benefits of laughter are?**  
**Lowers blood pressure and stress levels**

**Let Your Smile Change The World,  
Don't Let The World Change Your Smile! – *unknown***

**National Library Week: April 14-20, 2013**

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and  
[http://eangus.org/about\\_auxiliary/auxiliary\\_scholarship.aspx](http://eangus.org/about_auxiliary/auxiliary_scholarship.aspx)



## Enlisted Association National Guard of the United States

### 42nd Annual Conference

~ Fun at the Falls – South Dakota 2013 ~

The Heart of America

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

August 18-21, 2013



★★ EACH INDIVIDUAL MUST COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM ★★

Registration Information					
Title/Rank	First Name	MI	Last Name	Guard State	
Address		City	State	Zip	E-Mail
Home Phone ( ) -		Work ( ) -	Fax ( ) -		Cell ( ) -
Military Status:		<input type="checkbox"/> Active Duty		<input type="checkbox"/> Retired	
<input type="checkbox"/> Traditional Guard Member		<input type="checkbox"/> Active Guard/Reserve		<input type="checkbox"/> Civilian	
EANGUS Membership Status:		<input type="checkbox"/> Annual		<input type="checkbox"/> Life	
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate		<input type="checkbox"/> Auxiliary		<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate	
Registration Status (check one):		<input type="checkbox"/> Attendee		<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibitor	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse		<input type="checkbox"/> Prof. Dev.		<input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished Guest/VIP	
Name to be printed on Badge:			Title/Position Held:		

Cost/Function List		
Payment for these events must be included with this registration!		
Registering for Inclusive functions after 29 August 2012 but before 1 July 2013:	Cost	Cost Total
Registering under Professional Development (Official Orders):	\$125.00	
Registering for Inclusive functions after 30 June 2013:	\$150.00	
National Guard Bureau Enlisted Awards Luncheon:	\$ 40.00	
EANGUS Auxiliary Luncheon:	\$ 35.00	
NO REFUND AFTER 1 JULY 2013		TOTAL

Inclusive Functions:		
Registration includes admission to the inclusive functions listed below.		
Welcome Night (Sunday)	All Area Hospitality Night (Tuesday)	All States Awards and Recognition Banquet (Wednesday)

All States Awards and Recognition Banquet Meal Preference (Wednesday)		
Banquet Meal Choice: (check one only If attending)	<input type="checkbox"/> Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry
	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	

Payment Information - Make checks and or money orders payable to EANGUS; Enter Credit Card information									
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	<input type="checkbox"/> Check #	<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA	3 digit security code			Expires	Yr	
<input type="checkbox"/> Money Order		<input type="checkbox"/> American Exp	<input type="checkbox"/> Discover				M	M	YY

Travel Information	
POV Information:	<input type="checkbox"/> POV
	<input type="checkbox"/> COM AIR
	<input type="checkbox"/> MIL AIR
	<input type="checkbox"/> RV
Do you require Handicap Transportation?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Do you require a Wheel Chair?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

Mailing address for registration submission is: EANGUS, 3133 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22305

Email address: [eangus@eangus.org](mailto:eangus@eangus.org) (credit card information must be included for electronic registration to be processed).

On line registration is also available at – [www.eangus.org](http://www.eangus.org) and click on National Conference

"2013 EANGUS Conference Attendance Information"

"The Department of Defense/National Guard Bureau has found this event meets the minimum regulatory standards for attendance by DoD employees. This finding does not constitute a blanket approval or endorsement for attendance. Individual DoD Component commands or organizations are responsible for approving attendance of its DoD employees based on mission requirements and DoD regulations."

The Department of Defense has no legal objection to individual DoD Component commands or organizations approving the attendance or participation of its DoD employees at this Annual Membership Meeting. DoD Component commands or organizations may also approve the acceptance of reduced fees or free attendance by their employees in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 1353, Acceptance of Travel and Related Expenses from Non-Federal Sources.

This determination for official attendance by DoD personnel is not extended to the EANGUS golf tournament. If DoD personnel want to attend the EANGUS golf tournament, in a personal capacity, on off-duty time and at their own cost, they may do so.

"No Federal endorsement is intended" by any approval for official DoD participation in this event."



**Area V Caucus**

**17-18 May, 2013**

**Downtown Holiday Inn**

**City Centre- 605-339-2000**

**Sioux Falls, SD**

*(South Dakota National Guard Enlisted Association group)*

- Room rates \$77.00 per night plus tax
- Rate available 1 day before and after
- Registration Fee- \$35.00 per person
- Includes lunch, snacks, and hospitality room
- Meetings Saturday 0800-1600 with lunch provided
- Please register no later than 14 May 2013

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Name of attendee(s)\_\_\_\_\_

Number attending\_\_\_\_\_

X \$35.00

Total \$\_\_\_\_\_

Special needs \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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