

**CONVENTION PROGRAM** 

# DON'T FORGET

# RSVP to the Introduction of National Officers Dinner

You must RSVP to attend.

Visit Registration in West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

> Thursday, Aug. 1 | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2 - Sunday, Aug. 4 | 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

All who are attending national convention events must be registered and display credentials.

If a convention attendee did not RSVP for the officer dinner when pre-registering online, they must do so onsite in registration no later than Sunday, August 4, at 4 p.m.

Tickets will not be issued for this event. Instead, an email will be sent by the morning of Tuesday, August 6 to attendees who RSVP'd noting their assigned table number, and further instructions regarding how to check in at the entrance to the dinner.

Attendance is free for children under 18, but they must still be registered as a guest.

## National Districts



**District No. 1:** Massachusetts

District No. 2: New York

District No. 3: Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island & Vermont

**District No. 4:** Connecticut, Delaware & New Jersey

District No. 5: Pennsylvania

**District No. 6:** District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia,

West Virginia & Puerto Rico

District No. 7: Florida

District No. 8: Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi & Tennessee

District No. 9: Georgia, North Carolina & South Carolina

District No. 10: Michigan

District No. 11: Ohio

District No. 12: Illinois & Wisconsin

District No. 13: Indiana & Kentucky

District No. 14: Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota &

South Dakota

District No. 15: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri & Nebraska

District No. 16: California

District No. 17: Colorado, New Mexico, Utah & Wyoming

District No. 18: Arizona, Hawaii & Nevada

District No. 19: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon & Washington

District No. 20: Texas

**District No. 21:** Arkansas & Oklahoma



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Vet Center (Appointments and information)
West Building Atrium (3rd St. side)

(100 Level/West Building)

Sat., Aug. 3 - Mon., Aug. 5

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tues., Aug. 6

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

# **VA Benefit Questions**

West 211 B (200 Level/West Building)

DAV national service officers will be available to counsel you and answer questions about the benefits you've earned or the claim you've filed. To take advantage of this free service, stop by the Claims Assistance Office during the hours listed below.

Fri., Aug. 2 - Sun., Aug. 4

Mon., Aug. 5

Tues., Aug. 6

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

9 a.m. - Noon



# First Aid / VA Medical Room

West 201 (200 Level/West Building)

Provided by the Phoenix, VA Medical Center

Thurs., Aug. 1

Noon - 4 p.m.

Fri., Aug. 2 - Mon., Aug. 5 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tues., Aug. 6 8 a.m. - Noon

Highly trained EMTs will be located in the Phoenix Convention Center when meetings and events are in session.

# MyDAV.org/DAV Website Assistance

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Inside Registration)

(Lower Level/West Building)

Fri., Aug. 2 – Mon., Aug. 5 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tues., Aug. 6 8:30 - 10 a.m.



## **Trust and Foundation Donations**

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Inside Registration) (Lower Level/West Building)

Fri., Aug. 2 - Sun., Aug. 4

8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Mon., Aug. 5

8 - 11 a.m.

# DAV Expo Hall

Expo Hall 1-2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Fri., Aug. 2 - Sun., Aug. 4 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Mon., Aug. 5 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

#### **DAV Shuttle Hours**

Between Sheraton and PCC (Third Street)

Shuttles will run on a 6-7 minute loop.

#### **ADA Sprinter Van**

(9 Passengers + 2 Chairs)

#### Fri., Aug. 2

8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

#### Sat., Aug. 3

7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and 6 - 10 p.m.

#### Sun., Aug. 4

7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

#### Mon., Aug. 5

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and 7 - 10 p.m.

#### Tues., Aug. 6

7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 - 8:30 p.m

#### **Non-ADA Passenger Coach**

Fri., Aug. 2 1 - 5 p.m.

#### Sat., Aug. 3

8 a.m. - Noon and 6 - 9 p.m.

#### Sun., Aug. 4

8 a.m. - Noon

#### Mon., Aug. 5

7 - 10 p.m.

# Tues., Aug. 6

6 – 9 p.m.



#### Thursday, August 1 - Friday, August 2

#### Thursday, August 1, 2024

Registration 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Front) (Lower Level/West Building)

Will Call (Registration) 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

#### Friday, August 2, 2024

Registration 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. West Exhibit Hall 2 (Front) (Lower Level/West Building)

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Will Call (Registration) 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

**Operation Protect Veterans: Hold The** 

Line Against Scams and Protect Each Other 8 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

West 104 A (100 Level/West Building)

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# DAV National Executive Committee

9:00 a.m.

11 a.m.

West 301 A (Back half of room) (300 Level/West Building)

DAV Board of Directors Meeting Immediately following NEC meeting

West 301 A (Back half of room) (300 Level/West Building)

MyDAV.org/DAV Website Seminar
West 301 A (Front half of room) (300 Level/West Building)

Benefits Protection Team Seminar 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

**Even-Numbered District Meetings** 1 – 2:15 p.m.

(100 Level/West Building)

 District 2
 West 101 A

 District 4
 West 102 A

 District 6
 West 105 B



# Friday, August 2 – Saturday, August 3

| District 8  | West 102 B |
|-------------|------------|
| District 10 | West 101 C |
| District 12 | West 103 B |
| District 14 | West 105 C |
| District 16 | West 106 A |
| District 18 | West 102 C |
| District 20 | West 106 B |

#### **Odd-Numbered District Meetings**

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

(100 Level/West Building)

| District 1  | West 101 A |
|-------------|------------|
| District 3  | West 101 B |
| District 5  | West 101 C |
| District 7  | West 106 B |
| District 9  | West 105 B |
| District 11 | West 102 C |
| District 13 | West 103 B |
| District 15 | West 102 B |
| District 17 | West 105 C |
| District 19 | West 102 A |
| District 21 | West 106 A |

Workshop: Preparing to Serve on a Convention Resolution Committee West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

3:45 p.m.

**Patriots Pitch** 

5 - 6:30 p.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

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Saturday, August 3, 2024

Registration

8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Front) (Lower Level/West Building)

# Saturday, August 3 7

#### Will Call (Registration)

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

#### **DAV/Auxiliary Joint Opening Session**

8:30 a.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

- Convention Call to Order & Welcome
- Post Colors
- National Anthem
- · Invocation Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- · Welcoming Remarks Ronald Cox, Convention Chair
- Introduction of National Officers
- Report Nancy Espinosa, National Commander
- · Remarks AnnMarie Hurley, Auxiliary National Commander
- Presentation Millie Moseley, Outstanding Auxiliary Member of the Year
- · Remarks Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs
- Remarks Ford
- Presentation Amelia Marcum, DAV Scholarships
- Awards John Makas and Dorothy Robinson, Volunteer of the Year
- Presentation Chisholm & Kilpatrick
- Remarks Camp Corral/Golden Corral
- · Report Barry Jesinoski, National Adjutant
- · Remarks Humana
- Presentation Terry Hillard, Disabled American Veteran of the Year
- · Remarks USAA
- · Remarks TriWest
- Adopt Policy
- · Announcements Barry Jesinoski, National Adjutant
- Benediction Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- Recess



# Saturday, August 3 - Sunday, August 4

| DAV Convention Credentials Committee West 105 C (100 Level/West Building)                                | 1 – 2 p.m.    |
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| Service and Legislative Seminar<br>West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)                                | 2 - 4 p.m.    |
| <b>DAV Convention Constitution and Bylaws Committee</b> West 101 B-C (100 Level/West Building)           | 4:15 p.m.     |
| DAV Convention General Resolutions<br>and Membership Committee<br>West 103 A-B (100 Level/West Building) | 4:15 p.m.     |
| <b>DAV Convention Employment Committee</b> West 102 B-C (100 Level/West Building)                        | 4:15 p.m.     |
| <b>DAV Convention Nominating Committee</b> West 105 C (100 Level/West Building)                          | 4:15 p.m.     |
| Commanders & Adjutants Association West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)                                | 4:15 p.m.     |
| DAV/Auxiliary National Commanders' Reception 7:3   | 0 - 9:30 p.m. |

#### Sunday, August 4, 2024

| Memorial Service West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)                   | 7:30 a.m.       |
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| DAV Convention Credentials Committee West 105 C (100 Level/West Building) | 8 - 8:30 a.m.   |
| Registration  | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. |

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Front) (Lower Level/West Building)

North 120 A-D Ballroom (100 Level/North Building)



#### Sunday, August 4



#### Will Call (Registration)

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

#### **DAV First Business Session**

9 a.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

- Call to Order Nancy Espinosa, National Commander
- Invocation Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- · Report Credentials Committee
- Report Randy Reese, Executive Director, Washington Headquarters
- Report Cody VanBoxel, Executive Director, National Headquarters
- Presentation Joe Smarro, Arthur H. and Mary E. Wilson Award for Top Venture Impacting Veterans
- National Commander Awards Employment, Voluntary Services, Membership
- Remarks Kelly McKeague, Director of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency
- Remarks Michael X. Garrett, Chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission U.S. Army Gen. (Ret.)
- Report Board of Directors/Treasurer
- Report Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- Announcements Barry Jesinoski, National Adjutant
- Benediction Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- Recess

**DAV Convention Hospital & Voluntary Services Committee** 1 p.m. West 101 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

**DAV Convention Legislative & Veterans Rights Committee** 1 p.m. West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

**DAV Convention Nominating Committee** 

1 - 4 p.m.

West 105 C (100 Level/West Building)



# Sunday, August 4 - Monday, August 5

| DAV Membership Seminar<br>West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)                                     | 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. |
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| DAV Inspector General Workshop<br>West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)                             | 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. |
| DAV POW/MIA Seminar<br>West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)                                      | 2:30 – 3:45 p.m. |
| <b>C&amp;P Exams: What You Should Know Seminar</b> West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building) | 3:45 - 4:30 p.m. |
| sponsored by  VETRANS EVALUATION SERVICES ANAMA CAMPA  |                  |
| Commanders and Adjutants Association<br>West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)                     | 4 – 6 p.m.       |
| Here. Is. Better. Screening<br>West 301 A (100 Level/West Building)                                | 4 – 6 p.m.       |
| Fallujah: 20 Years Later   | 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. |

#### Monday, August 5, 2024

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)

Seminar Heroes with Hearing Loss 8 – 8:45 a.m.
West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

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Powering Up the Future of Tech Through
ERGs Seminar with Micron Technology
West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)
8 - 8:45 a.m.

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# Monday, August 5



2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

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| Registration  | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.                                   |
| West Exhibit Hall 2 (Front) (Lower Level/West Buil          | ding)   |
| Will Call (Registration)                                    | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.                                   |
| West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building) |   |
| Communications & Outreach Seminar                           | 8:45 - 10 a.m.                                    |
| West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)                        |   |
| Voluntary Services Seminar                                  | 10:15 - 11:15 a.m.                                |
| West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)                        | 10.15 11.15 a.111.                                |
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| DAV Chaplain Seminar  | 1 – 2:15 p.m.                                     |
| West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)                      |   |
| <b>DAV Employment &amp; Entrepreneurship Seminar</b>        | 1 – 2:30 p.m.                                     |
| West 101 A-C (100 Level/West Building)                      | '   |
| DAV Convention Nominating Committee                         | 1 – 4 p.m.  |
| West 105 C (100 Level/West Building)                        | 1 - 4 p.111.                                      |
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| National Service Foundation                                 | 2 p.m.  |
| West 102 A-C (100 Level/West Building)                      |   |
| Charitable Service Trust                                    | Immediately following                             |
| West 102 A-C (100 Level/West Building) Nat                  | ional Service Foundation                          |
| Disabled Veterans' Life Memorial Foundation                 |   |
| West 102 A-C (100 Level/West Building)                      | Immediately following<br>Charitable Service Trust |
| 3.  | Charitable Service Trust                          |
| Planned Giving: Provide and Honor Seminar                   | 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.                                  |
| West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)                      |   |

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Seminar TriWest Healthcare Alliance

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)



#### Monday, August 5 - Tuesday, August 6

#### DAV Women Veterans Seminar

2:45 - 4:15 p.m.

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#### Seminar Oracle

3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)

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#### **Fun Night**

8 - 10 p.m.

West 301 A-B Lobby (300 Level/West Building)



The Lt. Dan Band is a DAV favorite. There's something for everyone, and each show highlights the passion and energy each member brings to the stage.

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#### Tuesday, August 6, 2024

#### Registration

8 - 10 a.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Front) (Lower Level/West Building)

#### **DAV Second Business Session**

8:30 a.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

- Call to Order Nancy Espinosa, National Commander
- Invocation Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- Report Convention Committees
- Report Charitable Service Trust
- Report Disabled Veterans' Life Memorial Foundation
- Remarks Commanders & Adjutants Association
- Report and Awards National Service Foundation
- Announcements Barry Jesinoski, National Adjutant
- Benediction Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- Recess

#### **DAV Final Business Session**

1:30 p.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

- Call to Order Nancy Espinosa, National Commander
- Invocation Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- · Announcement Close of Registration
- Report Credentials Committee, Final
- · Report Nominating Committee, Final
- Nomination and Election of Officers
- Remarks Newly Elected Officers
- Announcements Barry Jesinoski, National Adjutant
- Benediction Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain
- Recess

DAV National Executive Committee Immediately following Final Business Session North 120 D (100 Level/North Building)

#### **DAV Board of Directors**

Immediately following NEC Meeting

North 120 D (100 Level/North Building)

6:30 – 9 p.m.

Introduction of National Officers Dinner West 301 A-D (300 Level/West Building)











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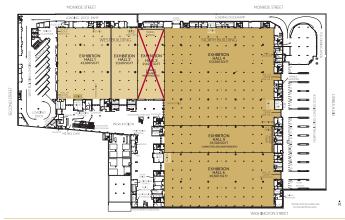
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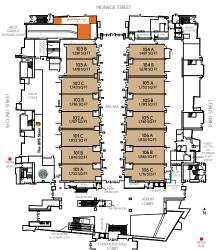
Tues., Aug. 6 | 8 a.m. - Noon



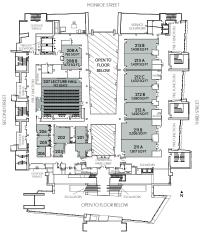
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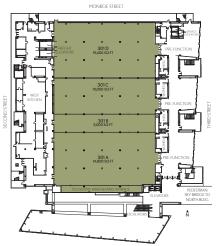
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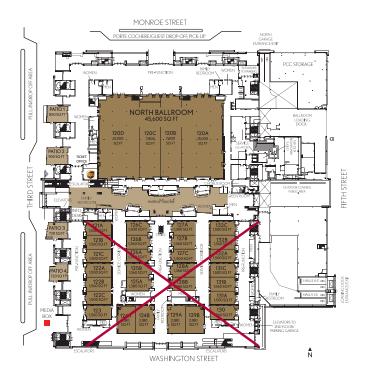
#### 200 Level West Building



#### 300 Level West Building



#### 100 Level North Building



# Service and Legislative Seminar

Saturday, August 3, 2024 West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building) 2 - 4 p.m.

Jim Marszalek, National Service Director

**Joy Ilem,** National Legislative Director

**Representative Mark Takano (CA)**, Ranking Member House Veterans' Affairs Committee

Dr. Shereef Elnahal, M.D., M.B.A., Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration

Josh Jacobs, VA Under Secretary for Benefits

Jaime Areizaga-Soto, Chairman of the Board of Veterans Appeals

DAV's Service and Legislative Seminar will feature guests from
congress and the Department of Veterans Affairs health care and
benefits administration. Please join us for a candid conversation
with these national leaders who are shaping the future of veterans'
health care and benefits delivery.



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# Friday Seminar or Workshop



Seminars are open to every DAV and Auxiliary member and registered guest. Attend as many sessions as possible that interest you the most.

#### Friday, August 2, 2024

Operation Protect Veterans: Hold The Line
 Against Scams and Protect Each Other Seminar 8 – 8:45 a.m.

West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

#### Carroll Harris, Inspector in Charge

This session will cover ongoing trends in scams specifically targeting the veteran community. The goal is to raise awareness and provide helpful tactics to both (1) avoid being scammed and also (2) help protect those to your right and left to avoid becoming victims. You may be a target, but you do NOT have to be a victim. Together we can all fight back against scammers.

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#### ◆ MyDAV.org/DAV Website Seminar

11 a.m.

West 301 A - Front (300 Level/West Building)

Doug Wells, National Membership Director

Instruction will be offered on MyDAV.org and DAV's new department and chapter websites. MyDAV.org provides members and leaders access to important information, to include reports and other functionality. DAV websites allow chapters and departments the ability to promote their events, share information, and so much more!

#### Benefits Protection Team Seminar

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Joy J. Ilem, National Legislative Director

#### **National Legislative Staff**

Please join the national legislative team for updates on our critical policy goals to include: parity in compensation benefits; toxic exposures; women and underserved veterans; long-term care; mental health; suicide prevention; and VA health care modernization. The team will also provide an overview of the Vision for Veterans for the 119th Congress for use when talking to candidates for elected office.



## Friday Seminar or Workshop

#### Preparing to Serve on a Convention Resolution Committee

3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Jon Retzer, Assistant National Legislative Director

#### **National Legislative Staff**

First time being selected to serve on a convention committee? Please join the national legislative department for an overview on the resolution process, discussion on what to expect, duties and responsibilities and how to best prepare to serve as a delegate on a convention "resolution" committee.

#### Patriots Pitch

5 - 6:30 p.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

Nick Brophy, Patriot Boot Camp Director

Come support veteran entrepreneurs as they compete for \$15,000 during a very special DAV Patriots Pitch contest. Audience members will get the chance to vote for the winner.

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## Saturday - Sunday Seminar or Workshop



#### Saturday, August 3, 2024

◆ DAV Service and Legislative Seminar

2 - 4 p.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

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benefits delivery.

#### Sunday, August 4, 2024

DAV Membership Seminar

1:15 - 2:15 p.m.

West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)

Doug Wells, National Membership Director

Join the National Membership Director and Interim Membership Committee for information and updates on DAV's exciting recruitment programs, membership incentives and new initiatives.

◆ DAV Inspector General Workshop

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)

Edward E. Hartman, Inspector General

This workshop provides current and practical information on matters related to the day to day activities and operations of departments and chapters. This is a great opportunity for new department and chapter leaders to learn the basics of the National Constitution, Bylaws and National Executive Committee Regulations of our Organization.



# Sunday Seminar or Workshop

#### ◆ DAV POW-MIA Seminar

2:30 - 3:45 p.m.

West 104 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Kelly McKeague, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency Director

Marty Pennock, Chair, Interim POW/MIA Committee

Matthew Kempainen, Interim POW/MIA Committee Member

Sheila Pelletier, Interim POW/MIA Committee Member

Lamond Rose, Interim POW/MIA Committee Member

The POW/MIA Seminar will provide information about Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency recovery and identification processes, including mission updates, legislative updates, and more.

◆ C&P Exams: What You Should Know Seminar 3:45 – 4:30 p.m.

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)

A Compensation and Pension (CGP) exam is one of the most important components used by the VA to determine your disability claim. Veterans Evaluation Services (VES), a Maximus company, will present an overview of what to expect during the CGP exam process and how VES can help Veterans and transitioning service members.

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#### ◆ HERE. IS. BETTER. (Documentary Screening)

4 - 6 p.m.

West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)

Naomi Mathis, Assistant National Legislative Director

The powerful feature-length documentary HERE. IS. BETTER. offers a uniquely hopeful and impactful perspective on the rising mental health crisis in America. Veterans are more than twice as likely to suffer from PTSD than civilians. The documentary follows several veterans, each with diverse backgrounds and service experience, as they undergo the most clinically effective, evidence-based trauma psychotherapies for PTSD.

\*VetCenter staff will be outside room during the screening.

## Sunday - Monday Seminar or Workshop



#### Fallujah: 20 Years Later

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)

Join veterans of the Battle of Fallujah in this one-hour moderated discussion to learn how the battle was a turning point in their life and its impact 20 years later. The seminar is a part of DAV's upcoming multimedia project focused on the battle and its effect on those who served in it.

#### Monday, August 5, 2024

Seminar Heroes with Hearing Loss

8 - 8·45 a m

West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Sean Lehman, Retired Air Force Master Sqt.

Learn how veterans with hearing loss are particularly susceptible to social isolation, and discover ways in which to guide veterans toward a healthier, more connected life.

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 Powering Up the Future of Tech Through **ERGs Seminar with Micron Technology** 

8 - 8.45 a m

West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)

Engage with our Veterans Employee Resource Group (VERG) and learn how we support veterans' careers and well-being in the semiconductor industry. Don't miss the insights from our panel of FRG members and leaders!







# Monday Seminar or Workshop

#### ◆ Communications & Outreach Seminar

8:45 - 10 a.m.

West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)

Dan Clare, Chief Communications & Outreach Officer

**Rob Lewis,** National Communications Director

Kevin Miller, Assistant National Communications Director

DAV chapters and volunteer coordinators are increasingly engaging the media to promote DAV's mission at the local level. This seminar focuses on strategies and available tools member leaders can leverage to gain an increased media presence. The seminar will also include ways to support DAV's PSA campaign and best practices for social media. We'll also provide an update on DAV's latest outreach initiative—streaming on our new Twitch channel.

#### **♦ Voluntary Services Seminar**

10:15 - 11:15 a.m.

West 301 A (300 Level/West Building)

**John Kleindienst,** National Voluntary Services Director

Ron Minter, Deputy National Voluntary Services Director

Oscar Olguin, Assistant National Voluntary Services Director

**DAV Interim Hospital and Voluntary Services Committee** 

Join our Voluntary Services team as we discuss the importance of recruiting volunteers, volunteer recognition and the roles and responsibilities of VAVS Representatives and Deputy Representatives. We will also provide information on our newest initiative titled "DAV Community Impact Day."

# DAV Expo Hall

Expo Hall 1-2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Fri., Aug. 2 - Sun., Aug. 4 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Mon., Aug. 5 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

## Monday Seminar or Workshop



#### ◆ DAV Chaplain Seminar

1 - 2:15 p.m.

West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Debra Varner Dancer, National Chaplain

In this presentation, we'll discuss the important, but often misunderstood responsibilities of a DAV chaplain. To bring comfort and facilitate the spiritual needs of a diverse organization, it's critical that leaders know the role these elected officers play and collaborate and communicate effectively so they can properly interface and serve our members.

◆ DAV Employment & Entrepreneurship Seminar 1 – 2:30 p.m.

West 101 A-C (100 Level/West Building)

**Ryan Burgos,** *National Employment Director* 

Jeremy Yost, Assistant National Employment Director

Lamarr Couser, Assistant National Employment Director

Nick Brophy, DAV Patriot Boot Camp Director

The Honorable James Rodriguez, MA- U.S. Department of Labor's Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS)

The journey from injury to recovery is not complete until a veteran is able to find a new mission. For those who are able, that means getting back to work to care for their families. Join us to learn about how DAV is providing vital employment resources to help veterans and spouses connect with employment or build their own businesses through DAV Patriot Boot Camp.

◆ Planned Giving: Provide and Honor Seminar 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Eddie Rauen, National Director Personal Philanthropy Programs

Jason Belland, Assistant National Director Personal Philanthropy Programs

This seminar will provide valuable information on estate planning that will be beneficial for you and your family. In addition, we will discuss tax wise giving strategies that can be advantageous for your philanthropic giving. Join us for this session and each attendee will get a free DAV gift and be entered for the chance to win one of (2) \$50 gift cards!



# Monday Seminar or Workshop

#### Seminar TriWest Healthcare Alliance

2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)
Join TriWest Healthcare Alliance for a briefing on their ongoing work with the veteran community, VA, and DoD.

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#### DAV Women Veterans Seminar

2:45 - 4:15 p.m.

West 101 A-C (100 Level/West Building)

Naomi Mathis, Assistant National Legislative Director

Attendees will receive an overview of DAV's most recent report, Women Veterans: The Journey to Mental Wellness, and hear from women veteran panelists about their own unique recovery experiences.

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#### ◆ Seminar Oracle

3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

West 207 Lecture Hall (200 Level/West Building)

#### **Oracle Representatives**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is modernizing its electronic health record (EHR) – the software that tracks and stores patient information. Once completed, this will be part of a common system across the Department of Defense (DOD), U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), VA medical centers, and participating community providers, giving those who serve a single health record from the time they join uniformed service through Veteran status.

This presentation will provide an overview of Oracle's work to support healthcare modernization in the federal space, with an eye towards securing a lifetime of safe, effective, and seamless care for Veterans.

In short, this is an opportunity to share the positive and tangible effects EHR modernization has on patients in the Veteran healthcare landscape. Healthcare transformation is never easy, but we will illustrate the ultimate benefits for institutions like VA and the patients they care for.

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6:30 p.m.

# **DAV Auxiliary Schedule**

#### Thursday, August 1, 2024

Registration 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Will Call (Registration) 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

Auxiliary National Executive Committee

West 106 A-C (100 Level/West Building)

Friday, August 2, 2024

**Registration** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Will Call (Registration) 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

Auxiliary Odd-Numbered District Meetings 9 – 10 a.m.

(100 Level/West Building)

| District 1  | West 101 A |
|-------------|------------|
| District 3  | West 101 B |
| District 5  | West 101 C |
| District 7  | West 106 B |
| District 9  | West 105 B |
| District 11 | West 102 C |
| District 13 | West 103 B |
| District 15 | West 102 B |
| District 17 | West 105 C |
| District 19 | West 102 A |
| District 21 | West 106 A |





#### Friday, August 2 - Saturday, August 3

#### Auxiliary Even-Numbered District Meetings

10:15 - 11:30 a.m.

(100 Level/West Building)

| District 2  | West 101 A |
|-------------|------------|
| District 4  | West 102 A |
| District 6  | West 105 B |
| District 8  | West 102 B |
| District 10 | West 101 C |
| District 12 | West 103 B |
| District 14 | West 105 C |
| District 16 | West 106 A |
| District 18 | West 102 C |
| District 20 | West 106 B |

#### Saturday, August 3, 2024

Registration

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Will Call (Registration)

8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

See Page 7 for details.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

DAV/Auxiliary Joint Opening Session West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

8:30 a.m.

Auxiliary First Business Session

2 – 4 p.m.

North 120 D (100 Level/North Building)

Auxiliary Convention Nominating Committee West 102 A (100 Level/West Building) 2:30 – 8 p.m.

DAV/Auxiliary National Commanders' Reception 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. North 120 A-D Ballroom (100 Level/North Building)

#### Sunday, August 4 - Monday, August 5

#### Sunday, August 4, 2024

Memorial Service 7:30 a.m.

West 301 B-D (300 Level/West Building)

**Registration** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Will Call (Registration) 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)

**Auxiliary Convention Nominating Committee** 

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West 102 A (100 Level/West Building)

**Auxiliary Committee Meetings** 

9 a.m.

Americanism West 101 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Community Service West 106 B (100 Level/West Building)

Constitution 6 Bylaws West 106 C (100 Level/West Building)

Junior Activities West 101 C (100 Level/West Building)

Legislation West 102 B (100 Level/West Building)

Mae Holmes West 106 A (100 Level/West Building)

VAVS West 105 A-B (100 Level/West Building)

Monday, August 5, 2024

**Registration** 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

Will Call (Registration) 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

West Hall 1-2 Prefunction Space (Lower Level/West Building)



#### Monday, August 5 - Tuesday, August 6

#### **Auxiliary Second Business Session**

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

North 120 D (100 Level/North Building)

- · First Reading of Constitution & Bylaws
- · Education Scholarship Report
- Awards
- · Second Reading of Constitution & Bylaws

#### Forget-Me-Not Luncheon

12:30 p.m.

North 120 D (back) (100 Level/North Building)

#### Fun Night, featuring the Lt. Dan Band

8 – 10 p.m.

West 301 A-B Lobby (300 Level/West Building)





#### Tuesday, August 6, 2024

#### Registration

8 - 10 a.m.

West Exhibit Hall 2 (Lower Level/West Building)

# Auxiliary Final Business Session

9 a.m.

North 120 D (100 Level/North Building)

- Installation of NEC
- Nomination and Election of Officers
- · Unfinished Business

#### **Auxiliary National Executive Committee**

North 120 D (100 Level/North Building)

Immediately following Auxiliary Business Session

#### Introduction of National Officers Dinner

6:30 - 10 p.m.

West 301 A-D (300 Level/West Building)

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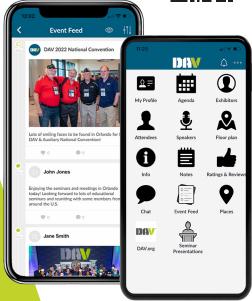
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