## 202 Mid-Winter Conference

Feb. 27-March 2 Crystal Gateway Marriott Arlington, Virginia



#### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

Commanders & Adjutants Association Registration

9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Arlington Registration Desk

#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

Commanders & Adjutants Association Registration

8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Arlington Registration Desk

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

Commanders & Adjutants Association Registration

8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Arlington Registration Desk

**DAV Headquarters Office** 

**9 a.m.-4 p.m.** Alexandria

#### Commanders & Adjutants Association Business Session

9 a.m.-Noon

Welcome Remarks

Salons 3-4

- Brian Wilner, President, Commanders & Adjutants Association
- Andy Marshall, National Commander
- Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs
- J. Marc Burgess, National Adjutant
- Lynn Helms Prosser, Auxiliary National Commander

#### **Benefits Protection Team Workshop**

1-3 p.m.

• Joy Ilem, National Legislative Director

Salons 3-4

- Peter Dickinson, Senior Executive Advisor
- Shane Liermann, Deputy National Legislative Director
- Ashleigh Byrnes, Deputy National Communications Director
- Marquis Barefield, Assistant National Legislative Director
- Tony Lewis, Associate National Legislative Director Please join us for an update on DAV's 2022 legislative priorities for the second session of the 117th Congress.
- Guest Speaker: Lisa K. Kearney, Ph.D., ABPP, Executive Director,
   Veterans Crisis Line, VA Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention

#### Membership Workshop

3:15-4:15 p.m.

• Doug Wells, National Membership Director Salons 3–4 National Membership Director Doug Wells will discuss DAV's recruitment initiatives, and share other exciting and important information regarding membership.

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

**DAV Headquarters Office** 

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8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Alexandria

Service Workshop 9–10:15 a.m.

- Jim Marszalek, National Service Director
- Chad Moos, Deputy National Service Director
- Scott Hope, Deputy National Service Director for Training
- Scott Trimarchi, Assistant National Service Director
- Justin Hart, Assistant National Service Director
- Steve Wolf, Assistant National Service Director
- Jon Retzer, Assistant National Service Director
  The 2022 National Service Workshop will include presentations that will provide
  valuable insights into the newest initiatives related to veterans' benefits and services.

### Voluntary Services Workshop—Overview on VAVS and Local Veterans Assistance Program

10:30-11:30 a.m.

• John Kleindienst, National Voluntary Services Director

Salon 3

Salon 3

• Ron Minter, Assistant National Voluntary Services Director We will provide an overview of the Voluntary Services Department programs to include the Transportation Network, VAVS, DAV Scholarship, Mentoring Program, and Adaptive Sports Programs.

#### **Inspector General Workshop**

12:45-1:45 p.m.

• Ed Hartman, Inspector General

This workshop will focus on the appropriate and expected use of

DAV funds and the proper completion of Annual Financial Reports.

#### **Employment Workshop**

2-3 p.m.

Salon 3

• Rob Lougee, Assistant National Employment Director This workshop will provide an overview of our employment program. Salon 3

#### **Communications Seminar**

3:15-4:15 p.m.

• Rob Lewis, National Communications Director

Salon 3

- Ashleigh Byrnes, Deputy National Communications Director
- Todd Hunter, Deputy National Communications Director Outreach & Media DAV chapters and volunteer coordinators are increasingly engaging the media to promote DAV's mission at the local level. This seminar focuses on the tools available to member leaders, including DAV PSAs and publicity kits. Additionally, the seminar will offer a focused approach to working with local media in order to amplify DAV's message. Learn about tools and resources available to help you use outreach to help us achieve our goals nationally and in communities across the nation.

#### Patriot Boot Camp 4:30-5:30 p.m.

• Jen Pilcher, National Director of DAV Patriot Boot Camp

Salon 3

• Dan Clare, Chief Communications & Outreach Officer
Acquired this year, DAV's newest program empowers aspiring business founders in the
veteran and military-connected community to pursue their entrepreneurial dreams!
Find out about this new initiative that is a part of DAV's growing efforts in the areas of
employment and support of service disabled veteran-owned small businesses. After all,
when those who've served and the spouses who sacrificed alongside them start successful
companies, they hire our own.

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 1**

**DAV Headquarters Office** 

8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Alexandria

10 a.m.

Presentation of DAV 2022 Legislative Program

Please plan to arrive and be seated by 9:30 a.m.

Salon 3 (See page 4)

National Service Foundation

2 p.m. • Arthur H. Wilson, President Salons 1–2

Charitable Service Trust

· Richard E. Marbes, President

(immediately following NSF Meeting)

Salons 1-2

Disabled Veterans for Life Memorial Foundation

• Dennis Joyner, President

(immediately following CST Meeting)

Salons 1-2

6:30-8:30 p.m. Salon 3

National Commander's Reception

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2** 

**DAV Headquarters Office** 

8 a.m.-Noon Alexandria

**National Executive Committee** 

• Andy Marshall, National Commander

Salon 3

**Board of Directors** 

• Butch Whitehead, Chairman

(immediately following NEC Meeting)

Salon 3

9 a.m.

#### **COMMANDERS & ADJUTANTS ASSOCIATION OFFICERS 2021–2022**

President Vice-President Secretary/Treasurer Brian Wilner **Burl Jimmerson** Rita Aberegg

David L. Tannenbaum

John King John Donovan

Pamela Beale Kirk Johnson William Robinson Michael Elmore Lisa Gregory Paul Hermann



## TUESDAY MARCH 1, 10 A.M.



# Presentation of the DAV Legislative Program

Members are encouraged to attend a live viewing of National Commander Andy Marshall's testimony before Congress on Tuesday in Salon 3.

Please plan to arrive and be seated by 9:30 a.m.

#### **ZOOM ROOMS FOR VIRTUAL MEETINGS**

Meeting rooms are available for virtual meetings with your elected officials, by **appointment only**. See Jeannette King in the Alexandria Room to book a room.

#### **HOTEL INFORMATION**

Overnight guests at the Crystal Gateway Marriott receive these negotiated perks:

- 1. Attendees booked within the DAV room block will receive a **15% discount** on food only purchased at the hotel outlets.
- 2. Free high-speed internet in guest rooms. When accessing the internet, activate the high-speed option, accept the terms, and the charge(s) will be removed from the room folio each evening.
- DAV guests receive a 40% discount over the hotel's current self-parking rate. These charges should be adjusted daily on the room folio.



#### In Case of Medical Emergency

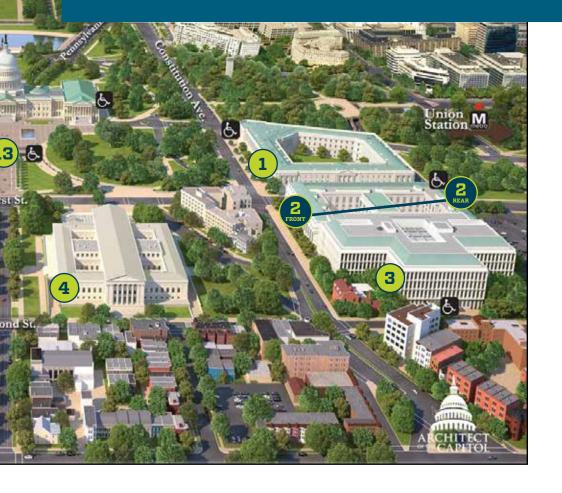
- Dial "0" or "9–922" on the hotel phone.
- Individuals seeking treatment at the Washington, D.C., VA Medical Center during normal working hours, 8 a.m.–4 p.m., should contact VA Medical Center, 50 Irving Street NW, Washington, D.C., at 202-745-8000.





- Dirksen Senate Office Building
- 3 Hart Senate Office Building
- 4 U.S. Supreme Court
- 5 Jefferson Building Library of Congress
- 6 Adams Building Library of Congress
- Madison Building Library of Congress

- B Cannon House Office Building
- 9 Longworth House Office Building
- 10 Rayburn House Office Building
- 11 Ford House Office Building
- 12 U.S. Botanic Garden
- 13 Capitol Visitor Center
- 14 American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life.

This mission is carried forward by:

- Providing free, professional assistance to veterans and their families in obtaining benefits and services earned through military service and provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and other agencies of government;
- Providing outreach concerning its program services to the American people generally, and to disabled veterans and their families specifically;
- Representing the interests of disabled veterans, their families, their widowed spouses and their orphans before Congress, the White House and the Judicial Branch, as well as state and local government;
- Extending DAV's mission of hope into the communities where these veterans and their families live through a network of state-level departments and local chapters; and
- Providing a structure through which disabled veterans can express their compassion for their fellow veterans through a variety of volunteer programs.

