

# Commander's "SitRep"

I would like to remind all members of the Department of Oklahoma's 83rd State Convention. Our National Guest this year is Dave Riley, National 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Vice Commander for the Disabled American Veterans. Mr. Riley will not only be bringing "Greetings" but brings a wealth of DAV experience and knowledge.

This Department Convention will be at the Best Western Plus Saddleback Inn & Conference Center, Oklahoma City from June 27-29. For reservations please call: toll free 800-228-3903 or direct 405-947-7000. When making your reservations be sure to mention you are with the DAV; our room rate is \$79.99 for King Bed or \$84.99 for Double Queens for single or double occupancy, which includes two breakfasts. The hotel will hold our block of rooms until the 6<sup>th</sup> of June. There is a weeklong Horse Derby in town so please make your reservation as soon as possible. Our Convention this year will be conducted entirely in the Saddleback Inn & Convention Center which is co-located with the Hotel.

The National Service Officers will be conducting our annual Chapter Service Officer Certification training on Thursday (26th) and Friday (27th). CSO registration will begin at 7:00 am Thursday in the Saddleback Inn & Conference Center. Training will begin at 8:00 am. Thursday evening the Department will be hosting the evening meal.

**Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>** will be a very busy day with our CSO training until 3:45 pm and our SEC will begin at 4:00 pm followed with the Convention opening. The Chaplain we will be conducting a Joint Memorial Service at 5:00 pm. The planned service should be uplifting as we remember our Brothers and Sisters who transitioned this past year. That evening the Auxiliary will host a "Tailgate" event (Show your team pride) and National Guest Reception beginning at 7:30 pm with hamburgers and hot dogs. They will have entertainment until approximately 10:00 pm.

**On Saturday the 28th** we will hold our Joint Opening in the morning and after we recess from our Convention, Auxiliary Commander Joni and I will be holding our Luau "Celebration of Service" and we will present our annual awards as well. **Each Chapter and Unit is encouraged to decorate their own tables. While the theme is Luau you are only limited by your imagination. There will be a prize for the 1<sup>st</sup> place table. We have also lined up some very special entertainment for our enjoyment. This is a plated meal so please order your tickets early.** 

This year seems to have flown by. We have continued to move forward in a positive direction while taking care of our Veterans. I would like to personally thank each and every one of you for the time and effort that you give this organization. Without your dedication to the DAV, we would have been unable to move forward and help Veterans. It has been an honor to serve alongside you.

Semper Fi, Cougar Hammons



#### 2014 Convention Delegate Registration Form June 27 – 29 2014

Each Chapter is entitled to one delegate and one alternate for the Charter; plus one delegate and one alternate for each ten members in good standing.

Please submit names of delegates to Department Headquarters by June 17, 2014

Chapter Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Delegates:</b>	
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#### Additional Delegates may be listed on back of this form.

### Alternates:

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Signature of Chapter Commander:	Date	
OR		
Signature of Chapter Adjutant:	Date	

Enclose \$15.00 per delegate/alternate for Convention registration. Return the form and full payment to: Department Headquarters before June 17, 2014.



## DAV & DAVA Commanders Luau and Celebration of Service

We will hold the 83rd DAV/DAVA Commanders' Awards Banquet at the Best Western Plus Saddleback Inn & Convention Center, 4300 Southwest 3rd, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Saturday, June 28, 2014, at 6:30 p.m.

All DAV/DAVA members, spouses, and guests are welcome to attend.

The tickets for the "Luau" and Celebration of Service are \$22.00 for each person.

This year the Commander's will be having a Luau and Awards Presentation in lieu of the traditional banquet. The dress is Hawaiian style or casual. We will have a contest for the best table decorations by a Unit or Chapter. Seating will be at round tables of 8, be sure to reserve a table for your Unit or Chapter.

All banquet tickets must be purchased through DAV, Department of Oklahoma. You must choose your meal and may purchase/order tickets **until June 17\***, **2014 for \$22.00** \* *after that \$35.00 until June 26*, *2014* 

MAKE CHECKS\*\* PAYABLE TO and MAIL TO: Credit card service is available call the Adjutant at 918-261-9233 DAV, DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA 2311 N. CENTRAL AVE. #1000B OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105

<u>If needed Banquet tickets orders can be placed before June 17</u><sup>th</sup> and paid for at time of registration. All Banquet tickets will be held and picked up at the DAV registration table.

Menu Choice: Plated meal

Sliced **Pork** Loin with Rosemary - served with Wild Rice and steamed broccoli with cheese sauce – with salad and dessert **OR** 

Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo - served with grilled veggies and garlic bread - with salad and dessert

Name	Chapter/Unit #	Phone #	Meal Choice



# 2014 Convention/SEC Agenda

## Thursday – June 26

7:00 am – 8:00 am	CSO Registration
8:00 am – 11:30 am	CSO Training
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	CSO Training
6:00 pm	Evening meal hosted by Department
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# Friday – June 27

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8:00am – 11:30 am	CSO Training
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm – 3:45 pm	CSO Training / Graduation
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Convention Registration
4:00 pm - 4:45 am	Pre Convention SEC/First Business Session Convention
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm	Joint Memorial Service
6:30 pm- 8:00 pm	Tailgate and National Guest Reception
8:00 pm- 10:00 pm	Entertainment

# Saturday, June 28

8:00 am - 1:00 pm	Convention Registration
8:00 am	Precession Line Up
08:30 - 9:30	Joint Opening
9:45 am- 10:30 am	Joint Information
10:45 am- 11:30 am	Second Business Session Convention
11:30 am- 1:00 pm	100 % Chapter Membership Lunch (TBA)
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm- 2:45 pm	Nominations and Elections (Cont. Business Session) Convention
3:00 pm- 5:00 pm	Commanders and Adjutants Association Business/Training Meeting
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Luau and Awards
8:00 pm - ???	DJ and Karaoke

## Sunday, June 29

9:00 am – 11:30 am	Convention Installation / Post Convention SEC
11:30 am – 12:00	Board of Directors Meeting