



Commander's Call to Convention

I would like to announce, our upcoming Department of Oklahoma's 91st State Convention. Our National Guest this year is Executive Director of DAV's National Service and Legislative Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Edward R "Randy" Reese Jr of Maryland, and Auxiliary National 2nd Junior Vice Commander Christopher Easley of Oklahoma.

This Department Convention will be at the Embassy Suites Oklahoma City Northwest, 3233 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112. For reservations, please call toll free **405-842-6633**. When making your reservations the SRP Code for the group is **DAV** and the block is listed as **Disabled American Veterans**, the following Rates for

One Room Studio King Suites \$104.00 – Corner King Suites \$124.00 – Standard Two Room QQ Suites \$124.00 or ADA Suites \$124.00. [The hyperlink is listed below for your convenience.](#)

Disabled American Veterans

The hotel will hold our block of rooms **until the 14th of May 2022**.

The National Service Officers and special presenters from the VA, will be conducting our Level 1&2 National Training Program for our annual **DSO/CSO Certification/Recertification**. Registration will begin at 3:00 pm **Sunday June 5th** until 8:00 pm. ID Photos will be taken at registration. An **NSO 'Meet & Greet'** will go from **5 pm to 10 pm Sunday** with training beginning on **Monday 6th at 7:30 am** through **Tuesday 7th**. The registration fee is again \$30.00 this year.

Tuesday the 7th will be a very busy day. Immediately following our CSO Training we will have a Claims Clinic Team from the VARO complete with Rating Specialist for those veterans who bring proper documentation will file an online claim. We will also conduct our annual Volunteer Driver annual training program as well as New Driver Orientation/Training.

Convention Registration will open at noon, registration is again \$30.00. Our SEC will begin at 5:00 pm followed by the Convention business opening. At 6:30 pm The DAV/DAVA "**Quiz & Fun Night**" and National Guest reception will begin with a fantastic buffet. Tickets for this fun filled themed evening are only \$20.00. **BEWARE the "Hollywood 'G' Men"** aka Juniors will be on the lookout for those "crossing the line" ...they will have many challenging questions to see who prevails ...as this is their Fundraiser.... bring your \$\$\$

Wednesday, the 8th at 9:30 am we will hold our Joint Opening and in the afternoon our Convention Business Sessions. At 6:30 pm Auxiliary Commander Kristy and I will be hosting our **Banquet and Oklahoma Night of the Oscars**. This year's Spirit Award will be based on both the table decorations and costumes. This is a plated meal so please order your tickets early. We will once again ask the Chapters to prepare a "Swag Bag" of goodies to add to the evening.

Our Convention is a time where "Like Minded" DAV/DAVA members come together to renew old friendships and make new ones as well as share "Best Practices". It is only through your time, effort, and passion that Oklahoma Veterans reap the benefits they earned.

It has been an honor serving alongside you.

Anu Schermer

If CSO's attend the Convention, they do not have to pay the Delegate Registration Fee