



3725 Alexandria Pike, Cold Spring, KY 41076 | July 2021

## From the Desk of National Commander Diane Franz

After many difficulties, we finally made it to July and the beginning of a new membership year. There is a tremendous amount of work to catch up in our duties to serve our veterans and their families. We can do it! We should be going into a bright new year to give our comradeship, devotion, service, and loyalty to each other. To accomplish this, we must be in unity with each other and the DAV. I thank every one of you for your dedication to succeed in our goals.

In May, I had the opportunity to begin traveling and and it was such a pleasure to be with the members in person. Many thanks to Pat, Bunny, and Ann for all their help the past two years. They helped keep my sanity during the pandemic. With their help, I was able to survive this unique two-year term.

Best wishes to all the incoming unit, state, and national officers. With your dedication to serve, we will prevail in making this coming year a success to recruit new members and volunteers for the betterment of the DAV and DAV Auxiliary organizations.

Have a great and safe summer. Hope to see many of you at the National Convention in Tampa, Florida. Thank you for having confidence in me serving as your 2019-2021 DAV Auxiliary National Commander. It has been so rewarding and filled with memories that will last a lifetime.

Don't forget to check often on the National DAV and Auxiliary Facebook sites, along with the Auxiliary website for current and updated information. May God bless and keep our veterans and their families, all our members safe, and protect The United States of America.

## Junior Activities by Darlene Hanneman, National Chairman

First off, I hope to see many of you Juniors at the National Convention. You can help! If you are a Junior interested in serving as a convention page, please contact national headquarters at 877-426-2838, option 8, and provide contact information.

Don't forget to write or text!!!! "Pen, paper, phone call, text, email and personal contact." Please continue to send greetings for birthdays, anniversaries, get well, sympathy, thank you, and thinking of you thoughts. You never know how much you may touch someone with just a simple gesture. Loved ones really enjoy hearing from the Juniors in their family about their everyday lives!! It is about the power of the positive. A challenge would be to write a least one thank-you note each week during the summer. This would instill the habit of looking for the good that people do. It makes one happy to be recognized. You make a difference!!! Thank you for all that you do for your family and friends.

A poem by the late Spike Milligan about smiling: "Smiling is infectious, You catch it like the flu, When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too. I walked around the corner, and someone saw me grin. When he smiled I realized I had passed it on to him. I thought about the smile and then realized its worth. A single smile like mine, could travel round the earth. So if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected. Start an epidemic, And get the world infected!"

## 2021 National Convention

Unit Adjutants! - Don't forget to submit the yellow delegate/alternate form to national headquarters as soon as possible so those attending national convention can be noted as convention delegates or alternates. If your unit has not submitted the financial report for the period of July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, it must be received prior to July 16, or member/s attending from your unit will not have a voice or vote at the national convention.

Last call for Forget-Me-Not luncheon tickets! The only way to purchase tickets to the luncheon this year is in advance. **No tickets will be sold on site.** Checks, made payable to DAVA, must be received at national headquarters prior to July 16. Debit/credit card payments can be made by calling our office at 877-426-2838, option 8. After July 16, no additional tickets will be sold. The luncheon will be held on Monday, August 2, and is \$40 per person.

We look forward to seeing you all in Tampa!



## DAV Auxiliary National Fall Conference September 30 – October 2, 2021

DoubleTree by Hilton, Lawrenceburg 51 Walnut St., Lawrenceburg, IN 47025

DoubleTree by Hilton Room Rates: \$129 – Single/Double

\$139 – Triple

\$149 - Quad

For room reservations, call – 812.539.8888 and ask for DAVA 2021 group rate.

Additional accommodations:

Hollywood Casino, 777 Hollywood Dr., Lawrenceburg, IN

Room Rates: \$129.99 - Single/Double

\$139.99 - Triple

\$149.99 - Quad

For room reservations, call – 888.274.6797 and ask for DAVA 2021 group rate.

Rates for both hotels include complimentary breakfast at the DoubleTree on the mornings of Thursday, Friday, and Saturday (Sunday not included). Free parking and complimentary round-trip transportation between hotel properties.

\*\*Reservation cutoff date is September 14, 2021\*\*

Wednesday, September 29 -

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Registration

Thursday, October 30 –

9:00 am - 4:00 pm - Registration

4:00 pm – NEC Meeting

7:00 pm – Business Session – wear your red,

white and blue!

Friday, October 1 –

8:30 am – 12:00 pm – Registration

9:00 am - 11:30 am - Business Session

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm - Business Session

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Reception

Saturday, October 2 -

9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Business Session

6:00 pm - Dinner (tickets must be purchased

no later than Sept. 15)

The DoubleTree by Hilton is located 16 miles from the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG). Airport transportation options include:

- ♦ Ridesharing services (Uber, Lyft, etc.)
- ♦ Executive Transportation (800-990-8841): private shuttle for 1-7 people \$68.00 one-way per vehicle (not per person), private car for 1-3 people \$113.58 one-way per vehicle (not per person). Must be prearranged. 24-hour notice is required. Please note that payment will be the responsibility of the person reserving and will not be separated per rider.
- ◆ Luxury Cab (859-322-1014) cab service for 1-5 people \$40.00 one-way per vehicle (not per person). Advise dispatch of total number in party

Registration - \$35 (including guests)

- Registration packet includes a Constitution and Bylaw Book and the revised Procedure and Program Manual
- ◆ Friday evening Reception with light snacks Conference pre-registration is highly encouraged and preferred; however, on-site registra-

Pre-payment for registration and/or dinner must be received no later than September 15, 2021. Credit/debit card payments accepted now through September 15 by calling national headquarters at 877-426-2838, option 8. Checks payable to DAVA earmarked fall conference sent to:

DAV Auxiliary 860 Dolwick Dr. Erlanger, KY 41018

Saturday Evening Dinner - \$55

- ♦ Dinner
- Entertainment

Dinner tickets must be purchased in advance

