

86th CALL TO CONVENTION

Commander,

The venue for the Annual DAV Department of Texas Convention will be at the Inn of the Hills Hotel located at 1001 Junction Hwy., Kerrville Texas 78028. I encourage maximum participation by chapters. The theme will be DAV Hometown Hoedown!! **The joint opening session will start at 09:00 hours, Friday, June 6th, 2025.** Remember, delegates and alternates must be elected by the chapter as required by the Dept of Texas bylaws Article I, Section 2.

Hotel Reservations:

- ★ **Reservations must be made by May 16th** to get the contracted price of \$139.00 plus tax (single), \$149.00 double occupancy, \$159.00 for triple occupancy. After that date, the price will be at the normal hotel rate.
- ★ Call 1-830-895-5000 and refer to the name of DAV Dept. of Texas Convention to get the group rate, or
- ★ Go online to:
<https://res.windsurfercrs.com/ibe/details.aspx?propertyid=16590&nights=1&checkin=6/3/2025&group=2506DISABL&lang=en-us>
- ★ Keep in mind this is a 2-floor hotel without Elevators and this is a block rate with limited number of rooms and is first come, first serve, so book early.

Delegates/Alternates:

- Again, **delegates and alternates** (only MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING) must be elected by the chapter as required by Dept. of Texas bylaws Article I, Section 2.
- **Must Complete & Sign the Convention Delegate/Alternate** form and submit it to Dept, by mail, email, or fax by **May 16, 2025**. If using the NEW digital list form, it must be emailed from the commander or Adjutant.
- Complete, sign, and **GIVE THE DELEGATE SLIPS TO THE DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES to use at registration, DO NOT MAIL TO Department.**

ONLINE Registration and Banquet:

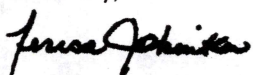
- The cost of registration is **\$30.00** per person. If mailing or prepaying online, due by **May 16, 2025**.
- Banquet Tickets are **\$40.00** per person and can be prepaid. Online reg & banquet, click link below.
<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/9v795an/lp/06ba43b0-7a73-4259-b602-acd37b104bb9>

The registration desk will open Thursday afternoon, June 5th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Checks, cash, credit or debit card will be accepted. Registration & Banquet can be paid at convention, if banquet tickets are still available. There are only 200 banquet tickets available for DAV & DAVA, once they are sold, no more will be available.

All resolutions from chapters must be submitted to Department of Texas Headquarters in **triplicate** and received in this office by **May 1st**.

Please note the correct and current address for Department of Texas is located below. Please send all correspondence to this address. **Pay attention to different DUE date's, May 1st and May 16th.** All donations for hospitality room can also be sent to Department of Texas. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Teresa Johniken
Department Adjutant



HC - Handicap Rooms

All with Roll in Showers

100 King

171 QQ, 172 QQ, 178 QQ,

194 King

Connecting Rooms

Queen Queen (79 + ES296)

King (87)

164 rooms + 3 Suites = 167 Rooms

Room Details & Misc.

100-140 Rooms with 2 entries & patio with chairs poolside

296 - Eloise Suite (2 Queens) (\$175/night)

310-319 - 2 Level Loft Rooms

310 - Presidential Suite (1 King w/ pull-out sofa) (\$225/night)

311 - Honeymoon Suite (1 King w/ pull-out sofa) (\$250/night)

341-346 - Casa Rooms (All with patios)

341-342 - Casa Rooms (downstairs, connect to Casa 340 Hospitality)

12 Roll-Away Beds Available

8 Cribs

300+ Parking Places

2025 DAV DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS CONVENTION AGENDA

Thursday, June 5, 2025

10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Registration	Conference Center
9:30 am	Dept Finance Meeting	Casa
10:00 am	Dept Executive Committee Meeting	Executive 1
10:30 am	Executive Session Foundation Meeting	Executive 1
1:00 pm	Executive Session Dept Executive Committee	Executive 1

Friday, June 6, 2025

9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Registration	Convention Center
9:00 am	Joint Open Session	Grand Ballroom
	Military Anthem Medley	
	Call to Order – Commander John Hicks	
	Posting of Colors – DAV Doug Herrle Chapter 61 Honor Guard	
	National Anthem –	
	Pledge of Allegiance – Sr Vice Commander Kayla Jones	
	Prayer – Chaplain Ken Hackney	
	Call to Convention – Adjutant Teresa Johniken	
	Welcome by Convention Chair – Robert Woodfork	
	Presentation by DAV Department Commander	
	Presentation by DAV Auxiliary State Commander Elaine Phillips	
	Guest Speakers:	
	Remarks Director	
	Remarks by Paul Shook, National Executive Committee - 20th District	
	DAV National Guest – Doug Wells, National Membership Director	
	DAVA National Guest –	
10:00 am	Recess	
10:30 am	District Caucus Meetings:	
	District I	Conference B
	District II	Conference C
	District III	Conference D
1:00 pm	1st Business Session	Grand Ballroom
	Reading and Adoption of Convention Rules	
	Initial Report of Credential Committee	
	Introduction of Award Winners by Shawn Deabay, Awards Chairman	
	Large Employer of the Year – BNSF Railway	
	Mid-Size Employer – Austin Police Department	
	Small Employer – Kyle Police Department	
	LVER – Dolores Mendiola	
	DVOP – Dennis Aaron	
	Outstanding VBA Employee – Kasey Davis	
	Outstanding VHA Employee – Olawale Fashina MD	
	Outstanding Disabled Veteran – Ray L Dixon	

Membership Awards Presented by Membership Chairman, Kayla Jones

Blue Capper –
National Service Officer –
Department Service Officer
Frank Webb Membership Award –

Announcement of Committee Appt of Temp Chair by Adjutant, Teresa Johniken

2:30 pm	Committee Meetings:	Nominating Employment Hospital/VAVS General Resolutions Legislative Women's Rights Committee Constitution and Bylaws	Boardroom Conference B Ballroom North Conference C Conference D Ballroom South Executive 1
3:30 pm	Women's Coalition Meeting		Grand Ballroom
6:00 pm	Memorial Service		Grand Ballroom

Saturday, June 7, 2025

9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Registration	Conference Center
9:00 am	2nd Business Session Pledge of Allegiance Kayla Jones Report by Credentials Committee Report by National Service Officers – NAS Don Reed Women Veteran Committee Report Leena Dees Report by Department Service Commission – Jennifer Kellogg Report by Convention Committees	Grand Ballroom
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Past Department Commander's Lunch	Conference B
1:00 pm	3rd Business Session Final Report of Constitution and Bylaws Committee Nominations Committee Report Nomination and Election of Department Officers – 2025/26	Grand Ballroom
3:00 pm	Membership Seminar – Doug Wells National Membership Director	
6:00 pm	Social Hour	Grand Ballroom
7:00 pm	Commander's Banquet – Hometown Hoe Down	

Sunday, June 8, 2025

9:00 am	Department Executive Committee Meeting	Executive 1
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2025 Women's Veterans Coalition Agenda

Friday June 6, 2025 3:30pm

Introduction - Leena Dees

Speaker- Women's Veterans Program Manager

Critical Goals for Women with DAV- Donna Holman

DAV Trivia Game

Prizes handout/Recognition

For information regarding Women's Veteran Coalition contact Woman Veterans Coordinator
Kathaleena "Leena" Dees @ 832-418-0819 email momma0915@gmail.com

2025 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION CHECKLIST

- ☐ Delegates: Elect members in good standing as Delegates.
- ☐ Registration: Fax, Email or Mailed delegate list due by **May 16, 2025**.
- ☐ Delegate Slips: Complete slips & give to Delegates to bring to convention.
- ☐ Hotel Room: Make reservations by **May 16, 2025**.
- ☐ Convention Book Ad: Send ad form, ad & payment before **May 1st, 2025**.

DAV DEPT OF TEXAS, 1015 LEE AVE, LUFKIN, TX 75901

FAX: 936-637-3283 | EMAIL: ADMIN@DAVTEXAS.ORG

This year's theme for the Commander's Banquet is Hometown Hoedown

Featuring Glen Lenderman





DEPARTMENT OFFICER CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME OF CANDIDATE _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____ CHAPTER NUMBER _____

DEPARTMENT OF _____ MEMBER OF DAV SINCE _____

BRAND AND PERIOD OF MILITARY SERVICE _____

IS CANDIDATE A ☐ SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABLED VETERAN - OR - ☐ MILITARY DISABLED RETIREE ?

WAS DISCHARGE HONORABLE? ☐ YES ☐ NO IF NO, WHAT TYPE? _____

SCRIBE EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND/OR VOCATIONAL OR BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT *Use additional pages as needed.*

LIST CHAPTER, DEPARTMENT AND NATIONAL OFFICES HELD. *Also, any other DAV involvement of importance, e.g. VAVS*

STATEMENT BY CANDIDATE ON DAV APSIRATIONS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, PERSONAL TALENTS, GENERAL OR UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS, INCLUDING ABILITY AND WILLINGESS TO SERVE *Use additional pages as needed.*

Candidates may be accompanied by no more than two (2) other persons for the purpose of a brief introduction/presentation. Candidates are expected to give a 3-10 minute presentation to the committee following which an interview session will begin.

*Attach letters of support/endorsement from Department(s) and District(s). Gifts to members of the Nominating Committee are prohibited. **Interested candidates should send this questionnaire and documentation to Dept HQ's no later than May 16, 2025***



If you are registering and paying online, this form must still be completed and emailed from the Commander or Adjutants email address, or you can fax or mail the form. If you paying by mail, please include **\$30 payment per delegate** with this form.

Chap #	Chapter Name	Point of Contact Name	Contact Phone #		
PRINT NAME Clearly		DELEGATE/ ALTERNATE	FIRST TIME ATTENDEE	PRE-PAY ✓	PRINT EMAIL Clearly
1.		D A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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The above active members where elected Delegates/Alternates for the 2025 DAV Department of Texas Convention.

Chapter Adjutant

Know your District

Table (I): District I

6	16	20
32	36	
41	42	44
47	57	58
63	70	81
89	106	137
157	222	240

Table (II): District II

3	4	22
27	29	
74	76	78
83	86	121
126	139	147
150	169	194
195	200	203
204	219	233
234	236	238
239		

Table (III): District III

5	10	14
17	25	61
95	114	128
165	187	

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☐ Delegate
☐ Alternate

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☐ FIRST
TIME
ATTENDEE

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ADJUTANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

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CONVENTION BOOK AD ORDER FORM

AD PRICING:

\$45 - ¼ Page

\$80 - ½ Page

\$150 - Full Page

\$300 - Back Cover

DEADLINE:

MAY 1ST

To submit your convention book advertisement, fill out the form below and send back to Department HQ with payment and the advertisement graphic.

For best results, please submit your advertisement graphics by email. Mostly any file format will work. However, if you are unable to submit your ad by email, please mail a high-quality copy of your ad with the form and payment.

Mail: DAV Dept. of Texas
1015 Lee Ave.
Lufkin, TX 75901

Phone: 936-637-3281 **Fax:** 936-637-3283

Email: admin@davtexas.org

Please fill out this form for each advertisement requested and send with payment to Department HQ by **MAY 1st**. Payment can be made separately if ad submitted by email. admin@davtexas.org

Phone:

Email:

City:

State:

Zip:

Ad Size:

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¼ Pg

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½ Pg

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Full Pg

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Back Cover

Enclosed:

DEADLINE: May 1st