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From the Governor

STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Greetings:

As Governor of Texas, I am pleased to welcome you to the National Guard Association of Texas' (NGAT) 60th Annual Conference in Corpus Christi.

The fine men and women who make up the National Guard are a credit to our state and our nation, working hard and making major sacrifices in the effort to promote freedom and security. It is our duty to honor the members of the Texas National Guard and promote their interests, whether they are serving at home or abroad.

Since 1959, the NGAT has promoted and supported national security; fostered and improved the Texas National Guard and the National Guard of the United States; and preserved and perpetuated the history and tradition of the Texas Military Department. As you gather to celebrate your successes and plan for the future, I commend you for your dedication.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in saluting the brave veterans here today and sending best wishes for an enjoyable conference.

Sincerely,

Greg Abbott
Governor

From the Mayor

National Guard **Association of Texas 2019 Annual Conference**
Corpus Christi, Texas
March 28-31, 2019

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to our beautiful City of Corpus Christi, Texas for the ***National Guard Association of Texas 2019 Annual Conference.*** It is an honor and a privilege to have you here for this event and for the opportunity to serve you as our valued guests! The hosts, the National Guard Association of Texas, want you to have a great convention and enjoy yourselves while you are here. We thank you for your service and commitment to keep our country free. We appreciate you very much.

From our evolving downtown to the Padre Island National Seashore you will find live music venues, one-of-a-kind boutiques, arts & cultural entertainment, coffee shops and eateries offering fresh seafood, authentic Mexican food and eclectic cuisines. With our unique attractions such as the Texas State Aquarium, the USS Lexington, Museum of Science and History, South Texas Institute for the Arts, Whataburger Field, South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, and year-round festivals and events, our city prides itself in being one of the top tourist destinations in the State of Texas.

Take the time to go online to www.visitcorpuschristitx.org and click "calendar" at the top of the page. If you are not able to enjoy all that Corpus Christi has to offer this trip, we look forward to your return!

Sincerely,
Joe McComb
Mayor, Corpus Christi, Texas

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From the President

Welcome to the 60th Annual National Guard Association of Texas (NGAT) conference. We are happy to be in Corpus Christi, Texas as it seems to be one of our membership's favorite locations. A lot of planning and preparation has been done to ensure our conference is beneficial and filled with great topics and activities. This year our conference theme is "Focus on the Future." Our fabulous guest speakers will highlight this topic.

NGAT is excited to have USAA as the host of our NGAT App again this year. If you haven't downloaded it yet, I encourage you to check it out. The app will allow all our NGAT members to always stay connected. Push notifications will provide immediate updates and remind you of upcoming breakout sessions. You can post pictures, interact with other members and even win prizes. We have some great breakout sessions and speakers planned so check the schedule to decide what you want to attend.

Friday, we will start early with our optional events beginning with a **Golf Tournament** at the NorthShore Country Club where someone could win a car if they get a hole in one. We will have our **Fun Run/Walk** along the seawall and have a **Corpus Christi Bay Boat Tour**. Or you may want to attend the free **License to Carry** certification class or come relax and unwind with our popular **Wine Tasting.** Be sure to join us at 1:00 pm for our **ribbon cutting ceremony and exhibit hall opening.** We have lots of new vendors, so please take the time to check out what they have to offer.

The **NGAT Silent Auction** celebrates its 16th year featuring something for everyone just waiting for your bids – remember, proceeds from the silent auction go to the Texas National Guard Foundation, so bid high and bid often! Bidding closes at 2:30 pm on Saturday. After the exhibit hall closes catch the bus to the **USS Lexington** for our **Welcome Party**. There you can explore the ship, enjoy some surf & turf and dance the night away to the **Melinda Adams Band**.

Our **Annual Meeting** on Saturday will be for **"NGAT Members Only".** This will streamline our business session and allow more time to share information on our association. The Annual Meeting will be followed by the general session that will include scholarship presentations, award presentations from the Texas National Guard Family Readiness and updates from the Texas Military Department and one of our guest speakers Lt Col Lacy Gunnoe who will speak about how to remain focused.

After the general session, be sure to visit the exhibit hall and check out all the vendors and select which breakout session you want to attend. NGAT is extremely excited to have LtCol (Ret) Robert Darling as our banquet key note speaker. He is the author of "24 Hours Inside the President's Bunker 9-11-01 The White House." It is sure to be inspirational.

Each night be sure to visit our unit hospitality rooms. These units put a tremendous amount of work into these rooms and they all have a different theme and charm. Finally, on Sunday morning come share some prayer and fellowship at our Prayer Breakfast.

We hope that you will be inspired and motivated by the content of the conference and that you will go and share what you have learned with other and encourage them to be a part of the association. Use this time to get to know each other and make some new friends. Have a great weekend.

LTC Kenn White
NGAT President

National Guard Association of Texas

Our Mission

The National Guard Association of Texas seeks to provide the best services and benefits to promote, safeguard, and advance the interests of our members, communities, and partnerships.

Values

Support -
Create programs and benefits for our members and families that improve their value of life.

Engage -
Address issues that affect the quality of life for Texas Military Forces service members by engaging state and national constituents.

Responsibility -
Put Texas Military Forces service members and families first, through open engagements and feedback to determine their needs.

Visionary -
Plan for the future growth of NGAT by establishing long and near term goals to create a relevant and recognized Association.

Inspire -
Promote the good works of the Association to inspire members to take an active role in NGAT through a sincere desire to serve on the Board or as a committee member.

Commitment -
Invest our efforts and attention toward members of the Texas Military Forces and their families by making them our number one focus in everything we do.

Excellence -
Maintain high standards and professionalism that strengthen the overall appeal and prestige of the Association both internally and externally.

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Schedule of Events

60th Annual NGAT Conference Schedule

Thursday, 28 March

1200 - 1500	**NGAT Committee Meetings** *American Bank Center – Meeting Room 103*
1200 - 1700	**Registration & Dinner Seating** *American Bank Center – Plaza Level Foyer*
1530 - 1700	**NGAT Board Meeting** *Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Bayview Room*
1715 - 1815	**Defense Symposium** *American Bank Center – Henry Garrett Ballroom B*
1815 - 1930	**Defense Reception (BY INVITATION ONLY)** *American Bank Center – Henry Garrett Ballroom Foyer*

Friday, 29 March

0730 - 1400	**NGAT Educational Foundation Golf Tournament** *North Shore Country Club – Off Property*
0730 - 0900	**Fun Run** *Sea Wall – Off Property*
0800 - 1200	**Texas License to Carry Certification** *American Bank Center – Meeting Room 104*
0800 - 1800	**Registration & Dinner Seating** *American Bank Center – Plaza Level Foyer*
1015 - 1115	**Corpus Christi Bay Japonica Boat Tour** *Peoples St T-Head – Off Property*
1130 - 1230	**Wine Tasting** *Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Room 1859*
1130 - 1300	**Texas National Guard Reunion Luncheon** *American Bank Center – Meeting Room 107*
1300 – 1500	**Wine Glass Painting** *Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Bayview Room*
1300 - 1700	**Exhibit Ribbon Cutting** *American Bank Center – Exhibit Hall B*
1300 - 1700	**Silent Auction** *American Bank Center – Exhibit Hall B*
1330 - 1430	**Commander Breakout - Air** *American Bank Center – Meeting 225 C*
1500 - 1600	**Advisory Council Meeting** *American Bank Center – Meeting Room 104*
1630 - 1830	**Young Professionals Reception** *USS Lexington*
1830 - 2100	**Welcome Party** *USS Lexington*
2100 - 2400	**Hospitality Suites – Contest Judging** *Omni Corpus Christi Hotel*

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Schedule of Events

Saturday, 30 March

0700 - 1500	**Registration & Dinner Seating**
	American Bank Center – Plaza Level Foyer
0700 - 1700	**SFP Youth Symposium**
	American Bank Center – Meeting Room 227
0800 - 0900	**NGAT Annual Meeting**
	American Bank – Henry Garrett Ballroom B
0900 - 0945	**Coffee with Exhibitors**
	American Bank Center – Exhibit Hall B
0900 - 1500	**Exhibits**
	American Bank Center – Exhibit Hall B
0945 – 1200	**NGAT General Session**
	American Bank Center – Henry Garrett Ballroom B
	Guest Speaker – Lt Col Lacy Gunnoe, The Pilot Speaker
1000 - 1430	**Silent Auction – Auction Closes at 1430**
	American Bank Center – Exhibit Hall B
1130 - 1330	**Spouse Luncheon**
	Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Bayview Ballroom
1200 - 1330	**Lunch with Exhibitors**
	American Bank Center – Exhibit Hall B
1200 - 1330	**Retiree Lunch**
	American Bank Center – Meeting Room 107
1315 - 1415	**Breakout Sessions**
	American Bank Center
1430 - 1530	**Commander Breakout - Army**
	American Bank Center – Meeting Room 225 AB
1535 - 1635	**Lonestar Chapter of the Calvary & Armor Association**
	American Bank Center – Meeting Room 101/102
1800 - 1900	**President's Reception (BY INVITATION ONLY)**
	Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Nueces Ballroom B
1800 - 1900	**No-Host Reception**
1900 - 1915	**Move in to Ballroom for Dinner**
	Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Corpus Christi Ballroom Foyer
1915 - 2100	**Dinner – Awards Banquet**
	Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Corpus Christi Ballroom
	Guest Speaker – LtCol (Ret) Robert J. Darling
2100 – 2400	**Hospitality Suites**
	Omni Corpus Christi Hotel

Sunday, 31 March

0800 - 0900	**Prayer Breakfast**
	Omni Corpus Christi Hotel – Corpus Christi Ballroom C

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Guest Speaker General Session

Come Focus on the Future with Lt Col Lacy Gunnoe

Lt Col Lacy Gunnoe is operations officer for the Samford detachment of Air Force ROTC where he is responsible for the training of 67 future Air Force officers. An instructor and evaluator command pilot with more than 4,200 hours in the T-37, T-1, KC-135 and T-6 aircraft, he has flown combat missions in operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, Inherent Resolver and Freedom's Sentinel.

Gunnoe is also a proficient speaker on personal growth, having spoken to more than 50,000 youth by way of Alabama Power, Birmingham Education Foundation, GEAR UP federal grants and other nonprofit organizations. He also speaks to national conferences, and has been the keynote for financial, insurance, military, engineering and sports organizations. He has served as the Chapter Captain for Team RWB for the past two years impacting the lives of veterans.

Gunnoe comes to us to share a message that can help each and everyone of us. You may say your too busy to even come to this event. Hey, "We're all busy." But the question is are your productive? Come hear Lt Col Gunnoe speak at the NGAT General Session and find out how you can get your "Focus" back.

"We don't change the world by changing others. We change the world by changing ourselves."

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Guest Speaker Awards Banquet

Remembering the Past to Shape the Future with LTCOL (Ret) Robert Darling

LtCol Robert Darling retired from the United States Marine Corps in 2007 with just over twenty years of active duty service and is the author of "**24 Hours Inside the President's Bunker: 9-11-01 The White House**." After an impressive early career piloting attack helicopters in Desert Shield, Desert Storm, and as a presidential pilot with Marine Helicopter Squadron One, he was handpicked in October 2000 to work for the White House Military Office, Airlift Operations Department. It was in this position that, during the attack of September 11, 2001, he supported the President, Vice President and National Security Advisor in the underground President's Emergency Operations Center (PEOC) and witnessed unprecedented leadership and decision making at the highest levels of our government.

LtCol Darling chronicles these developments in his book and shares the principles of crisis leadership and decision making with his audiences with an "edge of your seat" presentation that'll take you from the moment the attack was realized, to the courageous decisions made to stop it, and to safeguards the policies our country now have in-place in an attempt to prevent it from ever happening again. His presentation is designed to ensure we, as a nation, never forget the events of 9/11/01, and to inspire all leaders to take the necessary steps within their power to protect and safeguard their employees, their organizations and their communities.

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Annual Meeting & General Session Agenda

60th Annual NGAT Conference

Saturday, 30 March 2019

Annual Meeting

0800-0815	Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation/President's Welcome
0815-0830	Reports
0830-0855	Voting on President-Elect and Swearing-in of New Directors
0855	President's Close

0900-0945 Coffee Break with Exhibitors

General Session

0945-1000	Post Colors/National Anthem/Invocation/President's Welcome
1000-1005	Corpus Christi Mayor Welcome
1005-1015	NGATEF Scholarships Presentation
1015-1025	TXNG Family Readiness Presentations
1025-1040	NGAT Mad Minute
1040-1050	EANGUS Update NGAUS Update
1050-1055	Katherine DiPietro, National Sales Manager at Irving CVB
1055-1100	Greg Abbott, Commander-in-Chief, Texas National Guard (Video Message)
1100-1110	MG Tracy Norris, The Adjutant General of Texas (Video Message)
1110-1145	Lt Col Lacy Gunnoe – Keynote Speaker
1145	President's Close/Retrieve Colors
1200-1330	Lunch with Exhibitors

NGAT CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS	
American Bank Center Room #	**March 29, 2019 1330 - 1430**
225 C	**Commanders Breakout - Air**
	March 30, 2019 1330 - 1430
102	**"How to File or Re-File a Winning VA Disability Claim…Even If You've Already Got a Rating or Been Denied…"** **Speaker - Brian Reese** **Founder & CEO of VA Claims Insider** The VA Claims Insider program was specifically designed to help veterans like you get the VA disability compensation you deserve.
103	**What I've learned defending Soldiers & Airmen in Court, Lifetime Legal Mistakes You Can Avoid** **Speaker - COL (Ret) Doug O'Connell** Military personnel will sacrifice everything to protect our Constitution and way of life. And yet, when it comes to protecting their own rights, most service members fail miserably. Come learn how to protect your rights.
104	**USO Pathfinder** **Speaker -Kristen Rheinlander** Transitioning from the military? Connect with a USO Pathfinder® Scout to develop a personalized Action Plan and to take full advantage of services and resources that are the best fit for you and your family in your new community.
	1430 - 1530
225 AB	**Commanders Breakout - Army**

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Rocky Research
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Wel-Fab, Inc.
Western Shelter
XGO – Longworth Industries

As of March 8, 2019

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Minuteman Recipients Recalled

Year	Recipients	Service
2018	Col Kurt Leslie	ANG
2017	CMSgt (Ret) William Maginot 2nd Awd ***	ANG
2016	CMSgt Charles Chavers	ANG
2015	LTC Justin Perryman	ARNG
2014	MG (Ret) Darren Owens	ARNG
2013	COL (Ret) Francisco Zuniga	ARNG
2012	LTC Michele Voorhees	ARNG
2011	Col Tony West	ANG
2010	BG James K. “Red” Brown	ARNG
	COL (Ret) Cindy Smith	ARNG
2009	MG (TX) (Ret) Jerry Icenhower ***	ARNG
	MSG (Ret) Theresa Billeck-Zuniga ***	ARNG
2008	Brig Gen Allen Dehnert	ANG
	COL (Ret) Rodney McNelley	ARNG
2007	CMSgt (Ret) Joe Briggs *	ANG
	LTG (Ret) Don O. Daniel ***	ARNG
2006	CMSgt (Ret) William Maginot ***	ANG
	CSM (Ret) Don Strickland	ARNG
2005	COL (Ret) Dale Pyeatt */***	ARNG
	SGM Elmo Carreon	ARNG
2004	COL (Ret) Larry N. Patterson	ARNG
	COL (Ret) Garry D. Patterson	ARNG
2003	COL Michael L. Boyd	ARNG
2002	CSM (Ret) E. Lewis Boehm, Jr.	ARNG
2001	MG Robert L. Halverson ***	ARNG
2000	MG (Ret) John B. Garrett */***	ARNG
1999	Lt Col Charles P. Ford **	ANG
	Col Gary R. Walston	ANG
1998	COL (Ret) Eugene A. Mees *	ARNG
1997	CSM Carroll Don Steelhammer**	ARNG
	MSgt Deritha M. Ceaser	ANG
1996	CHAP (BG) Robert L. Herring *	ARNG
1995	COL (Ret) David Counts	ARNG
	CMSgt (Ret) David A. Holder	ANG
	CMSgt (Ret) Clarence E. Leonard */***	ANG
1994	COL (Ret) Richard E. Harrison	ARNG
	CMSgt (Ret) Donald L. Smithers ***	ANG
1993	BG David A. Heuer */***	ARNG
1992	LTC Susan L. Bickelmann	ANG
1991	COL (Ret) Leroy M. Cobb*	ARNG
	1SG (Ret) Oscar G. Adame	ARNG
1990	BG Leroy Thompson	ANG
	SFC (Ret) David N Cuellar	ARNG
1989	CW4 James R. Harrison	ARNG
	CMSgt James D. Johnston */***	ANG
	CSMgt (Ret) Themis J. Maloukis *	ARNG
	MG (Ret) Robert W. McDonald ***	ANG
	MG (Ret) James B. McGoodwin *	ARNG
1988	MG (Ret) Elmer L. Stephens */***	ARNG
	1SG Veron D. Day */***	ARNG
	MG Bobby W. Hodges ***	ANG
1987	MAJ Edmond S. Komandosky	ARNG
	CSM Arthur P. Allen	ARNG
1986	CSM Earl R. Allen *	ARNG
	CW4 Harold D. Loftis *	ARNG
	LTC Milton W. Johnston *	ARNG
	CMSgt Oren W. McClure ***	ANG
1985	CSM Bill S. Abernathy ***	ARNG
	LTG William O. Green */***	ARNG
1984	MG Willie L. Scott */***	ARNG
	CMSgt Francis M. Arnold ***	ANG
1983	BG J. Travis Blakeslee */***	ARNG
	CSM John H. Henry	ARNG
1982	LTG Everett S. Simpson */***	ARNG
	CSM Richard M. Sutherland	ARNG
1981	LTC John A. Farrand *	ARNG
	LTC Robert H. Harmon	ANG
	1SG Truman N. Lee	ARNG
1980	BG John A. Traeger *	ARNG
	CSM James H. Merritt	ARNG
1979	LTG Thomas S. Bishop */***	ARNG
	COL Harry L. Smith, Jr. *	ANG
	CSM Douglas O. V. Rives */***	ARNG
1978	COL Ervin C. Herber *	ANG
	CW3 Lewis O. King */***	ARNG
1977	LTC James A. Spring **	ARNG
	1SG Clyde W. Worrell ***	ARNG
1976	MAJ Edward O. Messick *	ANG
	CWO Ignatius J. Stepchinski */***	ANG
	1SG Morris W. Abercrombie *	ARNG
1975	CSM William W. Huggins */***	ARNG
	SGM Donald L. Lindsey	ARNG
1974	LTG Harley B. West */***	ARNG
1973	COL Robert L. Stockton *	ARNG
1972	MG Thomas D. Blackwell */***	ARNG
	SFC Fred M. Roy *	ARNG
1971	LTG D. A. Thompson */***	ARNG
1970	CHAP (LTC) Charles A. Mull **	ARNG
	TSgt Ivan B. Burch	ANG
1969	MG James E. Taylor *	ARNG
	LTC Mickey Francis */***	ARNG
	SGM Albert K. Penrod */***	ARNG
	TSgt James T. Densford, Jr.	ANG
1968	MAJ Harold H. Blackshear ***	ANG
	SMSgt Shelby E. Luke, Sr.	ANG
1967	LTG Clayton P. Kerr */***	ARNG
	LTC Thomas E. Berry */***	ARNG
1966	LTG H. Miller Ainsworth */***	ARNG
	LTG Albert Sidney Johnson */***	ARNG
	SMSgt William F. Mead *	ANG
1965	CW4 Leonard T. Tallas */***	ARNG
1964	LTC Jay A. Matthews, Jr. */***	ARNG
	MAJ James A. Rose *	ANG
1963	MG Lloyd M. Bentson, Sr. */***	TSG
	SGM Charles W. Ray *	ARNG
1962	LTG Carl L. Phinney */***	ARNG
	CWO Oakley H. Pittman *	ARNG

*	Deceased
**	Postumous
***	Texas Military Department “Hall of Honor Recipient”

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72nd IBCT

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56th IBCT

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71st EMIB

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149th FW

TSgt Kyle Ames
147th ATKW

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Retired Rep
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CSM (Ret) Donna Balderston
Retired Rep
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Retired Rep
Region III

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Family Readiness Rep

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Adjutant General

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State Command Senior Enlisted Leader

Assistant Adjutants General

BG Greg Chaney
Deputy Adjutant General - Army

BG Carlton G. Smith
Assistant Deputy Adjutant General - Army

Maj Gen Dawn Ferrell
Deputy Adjutant General - Air

Texas Air National Guard

Maj Gen Dawn Ferrell
Commander

CCMSgt Christopher Castle
Senior Enlisted Advisor

Texas Army National Guard

BG Greg Chaney
Commander

CSM Kristopher Dyer
Senior Enlisted Advisor

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Brig Gen Thomas M. Suelzer
Director of the Joint Staff

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BG Charles "Chuck" Aris
Commander

CSM Elizabeth Shockley
Commander Sergeant Major

71st Troop Command

36th Infantry Division

MG Patrick Hamilton
Commander

CSM Mark Horn
Command Sergeant Major

BG Ronald W. Burkett II
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BG Michael Adame
Deputy Commander Support

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Commander
TXSG

Sgt Maj Bryan Becknel
Senior Enlisted Advisor
TXSG

BG Anthony Woods
Deputy Commander
TXSG

Brig Gen (TX) Johann "John" Kinsey
Commander
TXSG - Air Component

BG Robert T. Hastings
Commander
TXSG - Army Component

RDML Joe Cave
Commander
TXSG - Maritime Component

COL Marc Coppola
Commander
TXSG - Medical Component

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MSgt (Ret) Scott Wade
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Office Manager

Annapurni Hariharan
Accountant

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Celebrating 60 Years

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NGAT Executive Directors

CW4 (Ret) Leonard T. Tallas*
1959 – 1986

CW4 (Ret) Lewis O. King*
1986 – 1994

COL (Ret) Dale M. Pyeatt*
1994 – 2005

LTC (Ret) Ray Lindner
2005 – 2016

LTC (Ret) Marvin Harris
2017 – Present

***Deceased**

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NGAT Past Presidents & Advisory Council

Year	President	Service
2016-2019	LTC Kenn White	ARNG
2015-2016	COL Daniel Quick	ARNG
2013-2015	CMSgt Charles Chavers	ANG
2011-2013	MAJ Justin Perryman	ARNG
2009-2011	LTC Michele Voorhees-Little	ARNG
2007-2009	CSM (Ret) Jeffrey Merrill	ARNG
2006-2007	MSG Theresa M. Billeck-Zuniga	ARNG
2005-2006	LTC Mario Alayon	ARNG
2004-2005	MAJ Monie Ulis	ARNG
2003-2004	LTC William L. “Len” Smith	ARNG
2002-2003	MSgt Jim DiGiovanni	ANG
2001-2002	CSM Garry Worrell	ARNG
2000-2001	LTC James K. “Red” Brown	ARNG
1999-2000	COL John Braun	ARNG
1998-1999	CMSgt William Maginot	ANG
1997-1998	LTC Susan Bickelmann	ARNG
1996-1997	LTC Michael L. Boyd	ARNG
1995-1996	COL B. Leroy Sisco	ARNG
1994-1995	COL Thomas M. Shellshear *	ANG
1993-1994	COL Rodney A. McNelley	ARNG
1992-1993	CSM C. Don Steelhammer *	ARNG
1991-1992	MAJ C. Terry Granade	ARNG
1990-1991	CSM Mikeal L. Graham *	ARNG
1989-1990	COL Gary R. Walston	ANG
1988-1989	MAJ Garry D. Patterson	ARNG
1987-1988	LTC John W. Cook	ANG
1986-1987	LTC Glenn C. Meadows	ARNG

Year	President	Service
1985-1986	COL Walter J. Dingler *	ARNG
1984-1985	LTC Jack E. Davenport *	ANG
1983-1984	CSM Billie S. Abernathy	ARNG
1982-1983	CMsgt Francis M. Arnold	ANG
1981-1982	MAJ Edmond S. Komandosky	ARNG
1980-1981	MAJ Dale M. Pyeatt *	ARNG
1979-1980	MAJ Richard E. Harrison	ARNG
1978-1979	COL Robert D. Goodman *	ANG
1977-1978	MAJ Bennie C. Adair	ARNG
1976-1977	COL James B. McGoodwin *	ARNG
1975-1976	CSM James H. Merritt	ARNG
1974-1975	MAJ Rufus B. Martin *	ANG
1973-1974	COL Jack Fisher *	ARNG
1972-1973	LTC Guy C. Jackson III *	ARNG
1971-1972	CSM William M. Huggins *	ARNG
1970-1971	MG Everett S. Simpson *	ARNG
1969-1970	LTC George R. Harper *	ARNG
1968-1969	LTC Louis A. Howard *	ANG
1967-1968	LTC Louis E. Holder *	ANG
1966-1967	LTC Mickey Francis *	ARNG
1965-1966	MAJ Clayborne Kruckemeyer *	ANG
1964-1965	LTC Vernon M Scofield *	ARNG
1963-1964	LTC William L. Seals *	ARNG
1962-1963	MAJ James M. Rose *	ANG
1961-1962	COL Kay Halsell II *	ARNG
1960-1961	COL Thomas S. Bishop *	ARNG
1959-1960	BG Harley B. West *	ARNG

* Deceased

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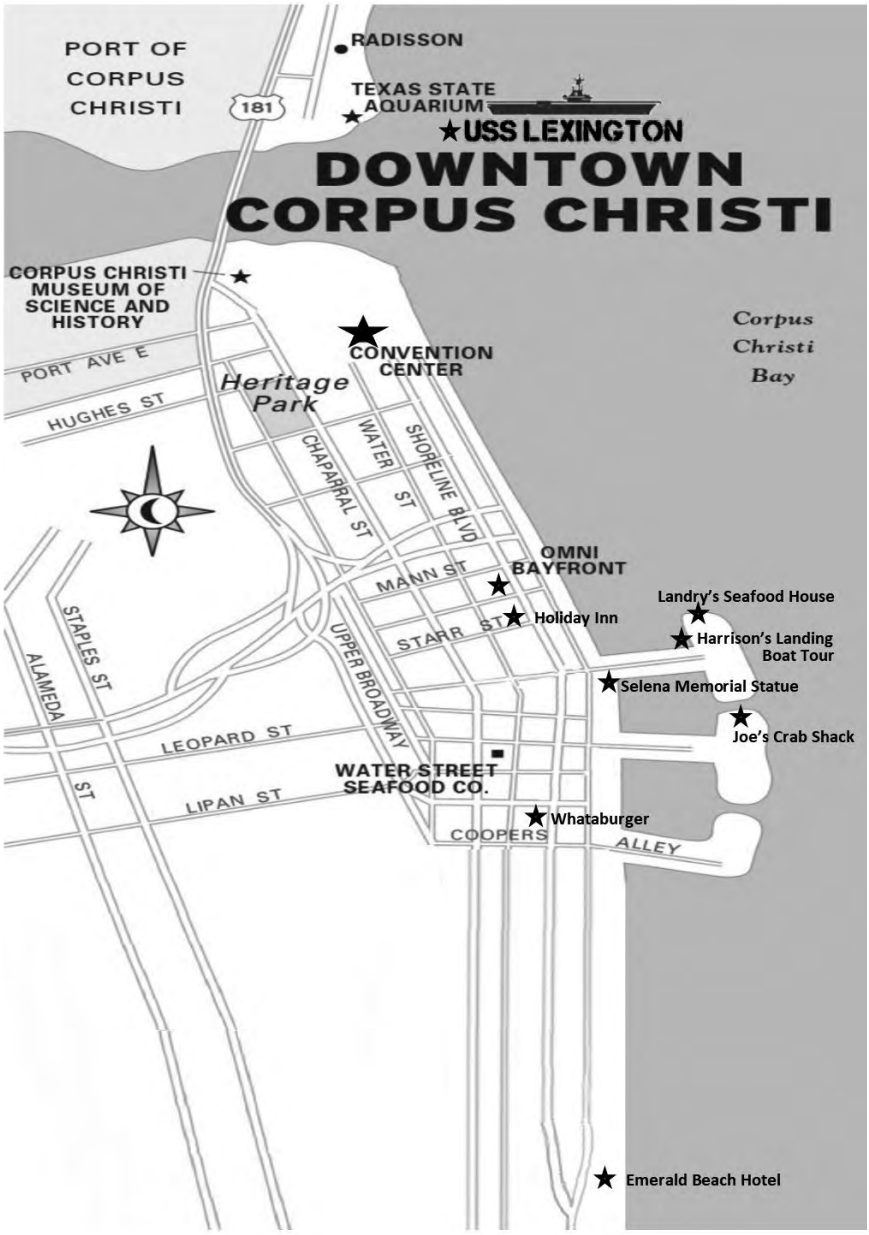
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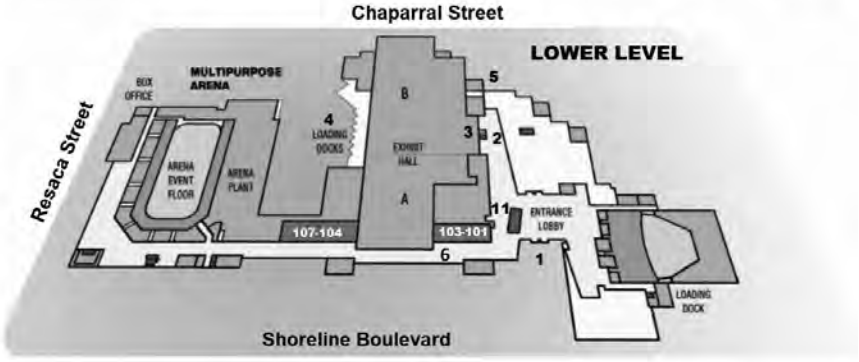
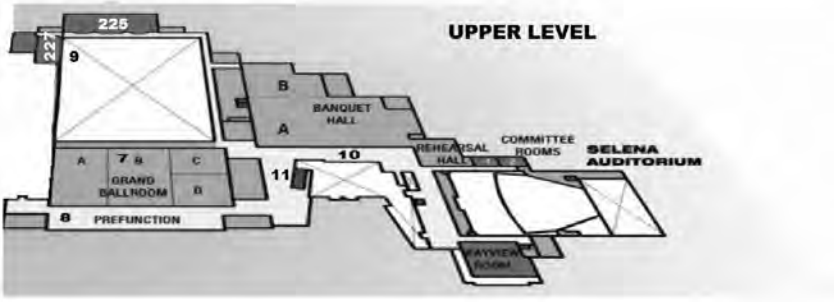


LOWER LEVEL	UPPER LEVEL
1 - Entrance/Bus Drop-off & Pickup	7 - NGAT General Session Defense Symposium
2 - NGAT Registration	8 - Defense Symposium Reception
3 - Entrance to Exhibit Hall (Ribbon Cutting Ceremony)	9 - SFP Youth Symposium
4 - Loading Docks	10 - Overlook into the Exhibit Hall
5 - Parking Area (Payment Required)	11 - Escalator
6 - Breakout Rooms (Room 101-107)	



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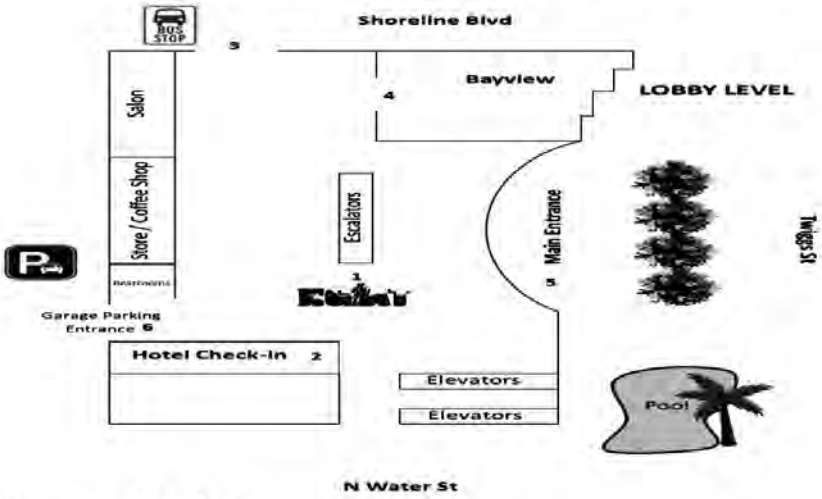
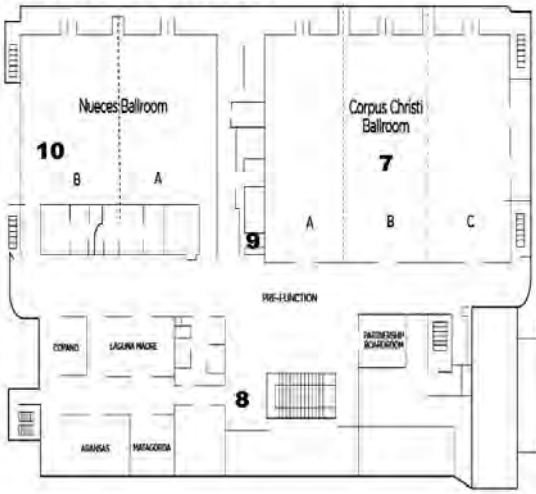


Omni Hotel - 3rd Floor



1- NGAT Information
2 - Hotel Check-in
3 - Bus Pick up & drop off
4 - Bayview (Spouses Luncheon)
5 - Main Hotel Entrance/Valet
6 - Parking Garage Entrance
7 - Awards Banquet
8 - Photographer
9 - Photo pick-up
10 - President's Reception
(By invitation only)

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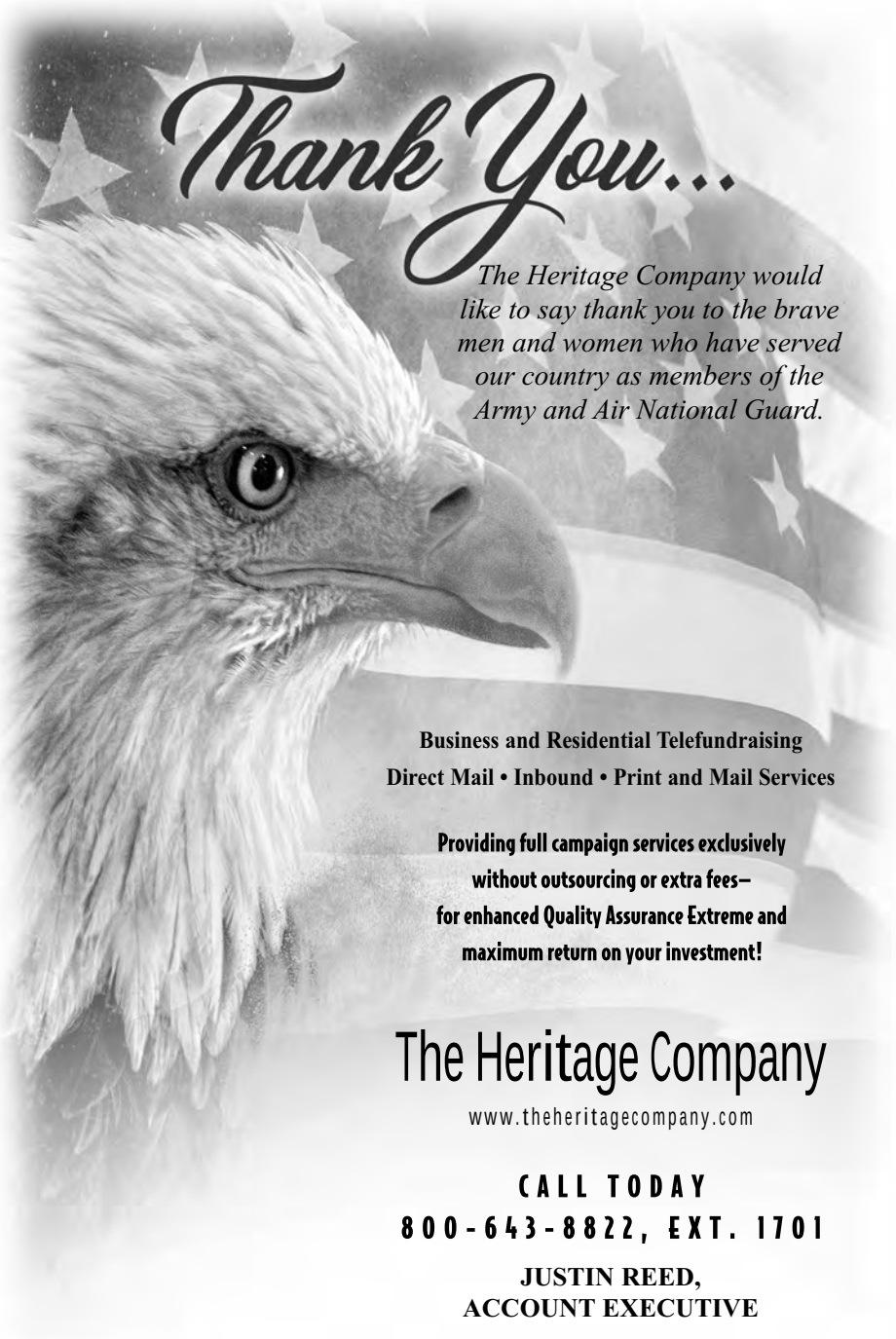

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