



EANGUS CONFERENCE
Daytona Beach, Florida
July 30, 2026 to August 4, 2026



LETTER OF INSTRUCTION

Welcome to the [world-famous Daytona Beach](#)! Come discover 23 miles of white-sand [beaches](#), delicious local [flavors](#), eclectic [shopping](#), outdoor [activities](#), scenic [trails](#), and a rich cultural scene. Daytona Beach is internationally known for its racing roots, hosting some of the largest motorsports events in the world including the Daytona 500, also known as the "Great American Race."

Conference Registration. <https://eangus.org/2026-registration/> You must register for the conference to attend at the above link. Registration is now \$225 or \$175 for those on Professional Development orders. If on Professional Development orders be sure to select "Professional Development" to get the discounted rate. Registration fee for everyone except professional development will go up to \$250 after July 1, 2026.

Hotel Reservations. <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/dabdhhf-eangus-81620e03-4cb0-4e02-9d8a-e2108da195f/>

All states will be staying at the Hilton Dayton Beach Oceanfront Resort, 100 North Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, Florida 32118. Please contact the NGAT office concerning room vacancies if you are unable to book a room at the above link. The room rate is \$199.00 per night, plus taxes. You will be required to pay for the room and apply for reimbursement with your travel voucher if you are on military orders. Please note if for some reason you are unable to attend the conference and need to cancel your room after Jul 25, 2026, you could be charged a cancellation fee. POC for room cancellations is MSG (Ret) Theresa Billeck-Zuniga at tbz@ngat.org or 512-454-7300.

Air Transportation. Southwest Airlines does not fly to Daytona Beach. Southwest does fly to Orlando but it is 1 hour and 15 mins to Daytona Beach. Available airlines for Daytona Beach are American Airlines, Delta and jetBlue.

Flight Information. As soon as you have booked your flight, please email your flight information to tbz@ngat.org.

Arrival/Departure. When scheduling your arrival at the Conference, please arrive before **1430 hours on Jul 30, 2026**, to allow for time to check-in to the hotel and to make the 1600 hours meeting in the location to be determined. For scheduling your return flight home, you can schedule the earliest flight on Aug 4, 2026.

Ground Transportation. If you are arriving in Daytona Beach there is Uber and Lyft that are quick and affordable to get to the hotel that is 10 minutes from the airport. If EANGUS does provide transportation information we will let you know as soon as possible. Keep in mind if you are renting a car there is also a daily parking fee at the hotel.



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Orientation. There will be a mandatory Texas meet and greet at a location to be determined at 1600 on Thurs, July 30, 2026. We will text you the location on Wed, July 29, 2026. Everyone must attend. The purpose of the Texas meet and greet is to receive your conference registration packet, name tag, and to meet all participants and ensure everyone understands the conference program and to discuss Texas planned activities.

Professional Development. The Chief of the National Guard Bureau, General Steven S. Nordhaus, and our Adjutant General, Maj Gen Thomas Suelzer have authorized you to attend this quality professional development activity in a duty status. For those attending the conference on military orders in a professional development status, you will be required to attend all professional development sessions.

Uniform. Professional Development Attendees will NOT wear military uniforms during Professional Development sessions or the final night banquet. Professional Development will also need to bring their services PT uniform to be worn during the PT Competition only. [Click here for a complete day to day attire guide.](#) You will need to bring casual civilian clothes for all the conference evening events. Shorts are acceptable for the evening events; however, no cutoffs and shirts should have a collar and be in good taste.

Registration Packet. Many of the events include your meal for the day. Your registration packet will contain the conference schedule, name tag, tickets, and information you will need throughout the conference. The name tag in your packet must always be worn during the conference to get into all events. Yes, you will need to wear this badge even while in your military uniform. Please note if you **will not be** arriving on time to attend the 1600 hour meeting, please contact Marvin Harris upon your arrival to arrange for your packet pick-up.

Hospitality Room/Meals. The Area IV Hospitality Room location is to be determined, more information to follow. Please use this room to network and meet other EANGUS members attending the conference. Most evening meals will be provided at the EANGUS Conference events, and there will be nightly activities in our Area IV hospitality room. Area IV consists of National Guard members, both active and retired from AR, KS, LA, MO, MS, OK, and TX.



Pin Exchange. On Sun, Aug 2, 2026, during the All-Area Hospitality Night, states will exchange individual state pins. Each Texas attendee will be given 10 pins free from the National Guard Association of Texas. Any pins after the 10 free ones are \$1.00 each. It is up to you who you exchange your pins with. Normally every state has a pin to exchange, so be selective if you're looking for a specific pin from a specific state.



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Guest/Spouse. If you are bringing a guest or spouse, they must be registered for the conference to attend events with you. Please be sure that MSG (Ret) Theresa Billeck-Zuniga knows their name so that their registration packet can be picked up with the others and be available for you upon your arrival.

Caucus Meetings. Everyone will attend the daily Area Caucus meetings. **Texas is in Area IV** and the first area caucus meeting will be at 0800 hours on Friday, Jul 31, 2026.

All Area Hospitality Night. Texas along with the other states in our area will man the Area IV Hospitality food booth. **We ask that you wear your Texas colors proudly on Hospitality Night.** The following are locations where you can order Texas flag shirts from if you are interested in purchasing one to wear on hospitality night.

[Amazon Texas Flag Shirt on Ebay](#)

[The Flag Shirt](#)

[Texas Flag T-Shirt](#)

[Texas Shirts](#)

Schedule. [Click here for a detailed schedule of Events.](#) Below is a very limited schedule. Keep in mind if you are on Professional Development orders you will have a different schedule. Many events will be together but at the same time you will have events scheduled for your professional development during EANGUS Business Sessions.

Schedule of Events

Thur, Jul 30	EANGUS Golf Outing Attendees Travel Day
Fri, Jul 31	Expo Open Conference Begins Welcome Night
Sat, Aug 1	Expo Open Battle on the Beach Junior Enlisted Night Conference Continues
Sun, Aug 2	Final Day of Expo Conference Continues All Area Hospitality Night
Mon, Aug 3	Final Day of Conference EANGUS All States Banquet
Tues Aug 4	Attendees Travel Day_



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Contact Info. Texas POCs are MSG (Ret) Theresa Billeck-Zuniga, tbz@ngat.org, 512-454-7300/512-983-7268; Onsite POC - LTC (Ret) Marvin Harris, 512-659-8351, mharris@ngat.org. We look forward to seeing you at the meet and greet. Please contact us if you have any questions concerning the conference.

As additional information becomes available, we will post it on our website.
<https://ngat.org/eangus-conference/>