

To All Executive Council Members

4 Jan 2025

This is to notify you that there will be a quarterly WNGEA Executive Council meeting.

Date:

18 January 2025 (Saturday) Place date on your calendar!

Time:

0930-1230 hours

Place:

JFHQ's, 2400 Wright Street, Room 160, Madison, WI

Report Period:

January to December 2024

Committee Reports due by: COB: Monday/13 January 2025

The January Executive Council meeting will be held at the Joint Force Headquarters in Madison, WI. Coffee/Tea will be available during the meeting.

Conference Call option will be available as follows: Local: 608.242.3802 or 608-242.3805. Toll free: 1.877.533.6691, entry code: 23114#

If you have a quarterly report for this meeting it should reflect the business and issues for 2024. If you are <u>unable</u> to attend the meeting, please notify me via email, phone call, or text (920-723-8098). If you have input for Old or New Business, please include your comments when you send your report.

On Tuesday (14 January), after the report due date, reports will be printed and assembled in the reports packet for the meeting. **Upon receipt, I will send a confirmations that I received your report**. **If you do not receive a confirmation, contact me for clarification.** For anyone that cannot or did not meet this deadline, please bring your reports to the meeting. New information, or a negative report can be presented orally to save paper, and it will be recorded into the minutes.

Please forward this notification to anyone you know who may be interested in knowing more about the association.

Sincerely:

//signed// Gary R. Hans, Sergeant Major, Retired WNGEA Executive Director 920-723-8098

# WNGEA QUARTERLY MEETING AGENDA 18 January 2025/JFHQ's/0930-1200/Room 160

01	[ ]	Call to Order, Pledge Of Allegiance. Announcements. Introductions of new people and special guests, if present.
02	[ ]	Area V Directors Update (if present)
03	[ ]	Unscheduled Guests or Presentations
04	[ ]	Previous Meeting minutes. (If no changes, President accepts minutes)
05	[ ]	Treasurer Report. (If no changes, President accepts report)
06	[ ]	Ways and Means (No Report).
07	[ ]	Executive Director Report.
80	[ ]	Legislative Report – National
09	[ ]	Legislative Report – State
10	[ ]	Resolutions Report. (Changes presented. Motions to approve.)
11	[ ]	Membership and Marketing Report - Army and Air Team
12	[ ]	Junior Enlisted Report - Joint Army-Air Report
13	[ ]	Retiree Affairs Report
14	[ ]	Corporate Partnership Report
15	[ ]	Bylaws Report. (Changes, approval motions).
16	[ ]	Publications Report.
17	[ ]	Education Selection Report
18	[ ]	Awards Report
19	[ ]	Insurance Report
20	[ ]	Leader of Prayer Report
21	[ ]	Historian Report
22	[ ]	Special Projects Report
23	[ ]	WEB Manager

24	[	]	OLD BUSINESS - Tabled motions from previous meetings not finished or approved.
		1A	NY ADDITIONAL OLD WNGEA BUSINESS TO PRESENT?
25	[	1	NEW BUSINESS - New motions for action. Future Scheduled events.
			- 2025 EANGUS Presidents/Legislative Workshop (23-26 Feb 2025) Washington DC
			<ul> <li>2025 WING Conference/Professional Development, Doubletree by Hilton East, Madison, WI (25-27 April 2025). Hosted by the 115<sup>th</sup> FW</li> </ul>
			- 2025 Area V Caucus, Omaha, NE (16-18 May 2025)
			- 2025 Golf Outing?
			<ul> <li>2025 EANGUS Conference, Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, NV. (10-15 August 2025) (10 and 15 August are travel days.)</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>2025 Officer/Enlisted Sportsman Challenge (19 Sep 2025) North Bristol Sportsman's Club, Sun Prairie, WI.</li> </ul>
			- 2025 RAD, Fort McCoy, WI (Conducted every other year) (27 September 2025)
			- 2025 WNGEA/EANGUS Scholarships, Identify Scholarship Committee
			- Once a year Mileage Reimbursement
			- ANY ADDITIONAL NEW WNGEA BUSINESS TO PRESENT?
26	[	]	GOOD OF THE ORDER: - (Non-WNGEA Items of interest, Non-Official Business)
27		]	Next Quarterly Meeting Date and location: Location: Date/Start time:
28	[	]	ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: TIME:
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# WISCONSIN NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED ASSOCIATION 2400 WRIGHT STREET, MADISON, WI 53704

### WNGEA QUARTERLY MEETING DoubleTree by Hilton, Madison, WI DATE: 27 October 2024

**NOTE:** These minutes as presented, are unofficial until approved by the WNGEA Executive Council at the next council meeting.

**01.** Call to Order: The WNGEA Joint Executive Council meeting was called to order by the President at 10:02. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Welcome to Caleb and Leirile Campbell!

### 02. Area V Directors Update.

Area V Directors' 2024 Fourth Quarter Meeting will be held next week.

#### 03. Unscheduled Guests or Presentations.

There were no unscheduled guests or presentations at this meeting.

- **04. Previous Meeting Minutes:** The meeting minutes for 27 July 2024 were accepted by the President.
- **05. Treasurer's Report:** Present, written report on file. Treasurer's report approval is deferred until phone attendees can review it.
- 06. Ways & Means Report: Not Present, no written report on file.
- 07. Executive Director Report: Present, written report on file.
- 08. Legislative Report National: Present, no written report on file.

The 2024 Fourth Quarter EANGUS Legislative Quarterly Summit has been cancelled. While this decision is unfortunate, the National Office encourages everyone to begin preparations to attend the February President's and Legislative Workshop, which will take place from February 23-26, 2025. The 23<sup>rd</sup> will be dedicated to the President's Workshop while the Legislative Workshop will run from the 24<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup>. See attached email from EANGUS for more details.

- **09.** Legislative Report State: Present, no written report on file. Nothing to report at this time.
- 10. Resolutions Report: Present, no written report on file.

A white paper (research paper) of a brief summary of each resolution proposal that pass will be written.

- 11. Membership & Marketing Report Army-Air Team: Present for Army, Air Guard position vacant, no written report on file.
- **12. Junior Enlisted Report: Joint Army-Air Report:** Present, written report on file. Stephanie Corson distributed and reviewed her Junior Enlisted Report with members. The membership committee to include Stephanie Corson, Alyssa Meyers, Curtis Leren, and Sharon Booth are meeting quarterly to discuss and strategize ways to obtain more members. Stephanie and Alyssa will start reaching out to Yellow Ribbon, Family Readiness, and other organizations. They will also refer them to WNGEA.org or the App for membership information.
- **13. Retiree Affairs Report:** Present, no written report on file. Gary distributed and shared with members the Helpful Links for Retirement handout.
- 14. Corporate Partnership Report: Position Vacant, no written report on file.
- **15. Bylaws Report:** Not Present, written report on file. Casey Filter is the new Bylaws Manager.
- **16. Publications Report:** Present, no written report on file. Gary will be sending out a mass email with the 2024 Fall Bucky Bulletin Edition (the electronic version) in the near future.
- 17. Education Selection Report: Present, written report on file.

  Jason distributed and shared with members the WNGEA Education Chair report. The scholarship application form and instruction details have been revised. Revisions to the form included 1) Reduction in the number of required letters of recommendation from three to one; 2) Family income range changes (every \$25K vs. \$20K increments); and 3) Making the form a PDF fillable form for ease of submission.
- 18. Awards Report: Position Vacant, no written report on file.
- 19. Insurance Report: Present, written report on file.
- For more information regarding the State Sponsored Life Insurance Program you can go to WNGEA's website at <a href="https://www.wngea.org">www.wngea.org</a> or find it in Bucky's Bulletin Fall 2024 Edition on pg. 14.
- The Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Association also has established a grant program. The following persons are eligible: WNGEA members, unmarried son or daughter of WNGEA members, spouse of WNGEA members, and unmarried son, daughter, or spouse of deceased WNGEA members. Applicants must be enrolled as a full-time, part-time (minimum 9 credits), graduate or undergraduate student at a college, university, trade, or business school. To find more information and the application go to WNGEA's website at www.wngea.org or you can find it in the Bucky's Bulletin Fall 2024 Edition on pps. 12 & 13.
- Gary distributed and shared with members the WINGA Insurance Committee Meeting
  Minutes for 25 Sep 2024. A job announcement for the State Insurance Administration (SIA)
  position will be coming out soon. (See Attachment)

- 20. Leader of Prayer's Report: Present, written report on file.
- **21. Historian Report:** Not Present, no written report on file. Barry Hilbert is the new Historian.
- 22. Special Projects Report: Position Vacant, no written report on file.
- **23. WEB Manager:** Present, no written report on file. WNGEA website has a variety of resources/links to explore. Gary Hans continues to keep it updated.

#### 24. OLD BUSINESS:

### 2024 EANGUS Conference (18-22 August 2024)

- The 2024 EANGUS Conference was held on 18-22 August 2024 at the Huntington Place in Detroit, MI and was hosted by the Michigan National Guard. There were 17 participants from WI including delegates, Senior Enlisted Leadership, spouses, and Professional Development personnel. Thank you to all the attendees for their participation in making the EANGUS Conference an enjoyable experience for all involved. Their participation in the various committee meetings to include Resolutions, Junior Enlisted, By-Laws, Retiree Affairs, and Scholarships, to name a few, contributed to the overall success of the conference.
- The 2024 Resolutions Committee forwarded 27 resolutions which were passed by thr General Session. Go to EANGUS.ORG for a complete description of each Resolution.

### 2024 WINGA Sporting Challenge at the Sportsman Club in Sun Prairie, WI (20 Sep 2024)

- The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Sporting Challenge was held on Friday, September 20, 2024 from 0800-1500. It was held at North Bristol Sportsman's Club, 7229 Greenway Road, Sun Prairie, WI 53590. The cost was \$40.00. It offered Trap, Skeet, Archery, and open rifle and pistol shooting.
- The Sporting Challenge raised \$1000.00 for WINGA memberships. Curtis had participated in all the events and stated the events were awesome! He had won a scope by raffle.

### 2024 WINGA/WNGEA Golf Outing at the Reedsburg Country Club (23 Sep 2024)

- The WINGA/WNGEA Annual Golf Outing was held at the Reedsburg Country Club, 3003 East Main Street, Reedsburg, WI on Monday, September 23, 2024.
- Registration started at 0830, Shot Gun Start at 0930.
- Curtis, Gary, and Sharon attended the Golf Outing and had won the Color Ball. Congratulations!
- Next year members will pursue the possibility of setting up a table with information regarding WNGEA.

#### 25. NEW BUSINESS

2024 EANGUS Legislative Quarterly Summit in Washington DC (Nov/Cancelled)

• The 2024 EANGUS Legislative Quarterly Summit to be held in Washington DC in November has been cancelled.

### 2025 EANGUS Presidents & Legislative Workshop in Washington DC (23-25 Feb 2025)

EANGUS State Presidents & Legislative Workshop - Feb. 23-25, 2025

Location: True Reformer Building, NGAUS Hall of States, Capitol Hill

Host Hotel: Courtyard Washington, DC/U.S. Capitol | \$179 + tax

(Room block ends on 23 Jan 2025)

### Registration fees:

- State Presidents Workshop (only) \$75
- Legislative Workshop \$125
- Attend both conferences \$150
- Guest attendance (does not include workshop) \$25
- Tabletop Exhibit for the President's Workshop \$250

\*\*No Refunds after 1 FEB 2025\*\*

### 2025 WINGA Conference /PD at DoubleTree by Hilton in Madison, WI (25-27 April 2025)

• The 2025 WINGA Conference/Professional Development (PD) will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Madison East in Madison, WI on 25-27 April 2025. This conference will be hosted by the 115<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing (FW) in Madison, WI

### 2025 Area V Caucus, Omaha, NE (16-18 May 2025) (possibly at Warner Ball Park)

- Any resolutions you may have should be presented here.
- 2026 Area V Caucus will be in Fargo, ND. More information to come.

### 2025 EANGUS Conference, Reno, NV (10-15 August 2025)

- The conference itself is scheduled for 11-14 with August 10 and 15 being travel days.
- 2026 EANGUS Conference, bid has been placed for Daytona, FL (Dates TBD)
- 2027 and 2028 EANGUS Conference, bids have been placed for Denver, CO and Chicago, IL

### 2025 Officer/Enlisted Sportsman Challenge, Sun Prairie, WI (19 Sep 2025)

• The 2025 Officer/Enlisted Sportsman Challenge will be held at the North Bristol Sportman's Club in Sun Prairie, WI on Friday, September 19, 2025.

### 2025 RAD Meeting, Fort McCoy, WI, WINGA/WNGEA Combined Table (27 Sep 2025))

- The 2025 Retirement Active Duty (RAD) Meeting will be held at Fort McCoy on 27 Sep 2025.
- Bobbie Coker has volunteered to man the table.

### 2026 WINGA/WNGEA Annual Conference/PD, Rothschild, WI (24-26 April 2026)

• The 2026 WINGA/WNGEA Annual Conference/Professional Development (PD) will be held in Rothschild, WI at the Central Wisconsin Convention and Expo Center. Attendees

will be staying either at the Holiday Inn and Suites which is connected to the conference center or there is also a hotel across the street.

### Additional New WNGEA Business to Present:

### 2025 WNGEA Budget Approval

- Gary shared WNGEA's Budget for 2025 with members.
- The 2025 WNGEA Budget was approved by Sharon Booth, WNGEA President.

### Stars & Stripes Sporting Goods Store in Necedah- Bobbie Coker

- Bobbie discussed with members her interest in working with the owner, who she knows, to find some advertisement ideas to help promote WNGEA. She will follow-up with the
- She will also invite him to attend WNGEA's next conference as one of our vendors.
- More information to come.

### WNGEA Policy Letters & Reference Guide Binder

 Gary has given Curtis all the WNGEA Policy Letters and the Reference Guide Binder for him to review.

### Official Email Addresses

Gary plans to reconstruct the set up of the official emails with EANGUS's help to resolve present issues that WNGEA is experiencing which will limit any confusion of who should be receiving emails.

### Google Workplace

Jay will follow-up with John to create one link that can access and view everything instead of having to click on several links. John will be given the Administrative permissions.

### 26. GOOD OF THE ORDER:

A. Next Quarterly Meeting: Location: JFHQ, Room 160

Date/Start Time: Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

### B. Close of Meeting.

MOTION: Education Selection Chair Seconded: Junior Enlisted Manager - Air

Discussion: None Vote: Passed by voice.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 hrs.

Rhonda Martinson WNGEA Secretary

Transcribed 19 Dec 2025

	Account	2023 Actual Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	2025 Proposed Budget	2024 Budget	Budget Notes
Acet Code		as of: 31 Dec 2023	28 Oct 2023	27-Oct-24	As of 12/31/2024	
4010	WINGA Insurance Trust	\$30,000.00	\$44,000.00	\$44,000.00	\$49,000.00	
4020	Membership Dues	\$6,862.84	86,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,549.01	
4040	Ways & Means Sales	80.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	80.00	
4050	Interest Income	80.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	80.00	
4060	Misc Income	80.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$250.00	CC Rewards
4070	USAA Education Grant	\$1,000.00	S1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
4075	State Conference Income	\$10,398.18	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	89,268.61	
4080	Raffle Income	80.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	
4085	Area V Caucus Income	80.00	80.00	80.00	\$535.33	\$535,33 Cheese Reimbursement
4090	Donations	\$220.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00	
	TOTAL INCOME	48,481.02	\$61,850.00	\$61,850.00	\$66,702.95	
EXPENSES						
5020	Raffle Expense	80.00	80.00	80.00	\$0.00	
6010	EANGUS Dues	\$3,300.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	83,177.00	
0509	Membership Expense	\$1,153.69	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$494.27	
6100	WNGEA Grants	\$100.00	83,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$1,000.00	
6120	Awards	\$806.01	\$900.00	8900.00	\$1,233.86	
6200	Payroll Expense	\$10,917.20	89,600.00	89,600.00	\$11,242.80	
6205	W.C. Insurance Expense	80.00	\$300.00	8300.00	80.00	
6210	Executive Director Expense	\$1,862.92	\$2,700.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,258.83	
6300	Professional Fees	\$1,150.00	S1,000.00	\$1,000.00	80.00	
6350	Bank Service Charges	80.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	80.00	
6400	Association Office	\$2,391.54	83,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$2,003.27	
0059	Publications Expense	\$3,119.24	83,000.00	83,000.00	\$2,872.40	
0099	Presidents Fund	\$1,510.74	83,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,816.95	
0599	State Conference Expense	\$12,879.67	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$33,331.54	
0299	Executive Council Mtg Exp	\$1,164.60	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$1,085.20	
0029	National Educational Seminar	\$6,369.73	88,000.00	88,000.00	\$7,232.07	
0629	Regional Educational Seminar	80.00	\$500.00	8500.00	\$1,073.30	
0889	Committee Expense	80.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	80.00	
0569	Taxes	\$52.00	8100.00	\$100.00	80.00	
0869	Permits, License, Fees	\$25.00	850.00	850.00	\$25.00	
6669	Misc Expense		00.08	80.00	80.00	
8010	Donations		00:08	<u>80.00</u>	80.00	
	Total Expenses	\$46,802,34	861,400.00	861,700.00	\$69,846.49	
Submitted By: Gary R. Hans, Treasurer, WNGEA						



## WISCONSIN NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED ASSOCIATION "Serving the Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Forces since 1972"

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT (January 2025)**

This is the 2025 Scholarship Issue of the Bucky Bulletin. See the enclosed scholarship forms or go to <a href="https://www.mcEa.org">https://www.mcEa.org</a> or <a href="https://ea.org">https://ea.org</a> for additional Scholarship information. Please share this to get maximum participation.

### Mark your Calendars:

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2025 RAD, Fort McCoy, WI (Conducted every other year) (27 September 2025)

### The 2025 WNGEA/WINGA Annual Conference 25-27 April 2025.

See attached Agenda and Letter of Instruction. For additional Conference information download the WNGEA App or go to the website: https://WNGEA.ORG

### The 2025 EANGUS Conference (10-15 August 2025).

The 2025 Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS). The 2025 EANGUS Conference will be held at the Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, NV. (10-15 August 2025 (10 and 15 August are travel days.). **Until you take the time to attend National Conference you will not fully understand the impact the National Association has on issues that affect you**.

You will be able to sit on National Committees, vote on relevant Enlisted issues and meet our EANGUS Legislative Directors who works for our issues on a daily basis. We hope to have a strong delegation representing Wisconsin to include our Senior Enlisted Leadership.

The WNGEA does set monies aside to reimbursement personnel who attend the EANGUS Conference in a delegate status. Contact the undersigned if you are interested in attending the 2025 Enlisted Association Conference as a delegate in Detroit. We are always interested in having new personnel attend the National Conference. To register, go to https://EANGUS.ORG web site and register online.

Wisconsin will also be hosting 5 personnel to attend the EANGUS Conference from the Army and Air National Guard to attend the Professional Development Classes. If you are interested in attending in a Professional Development status contact your Chain of Command and show them this article or contact the undersigned for additional information.

### Be sure to review the WNGEA.org and EANGUS.org websites:

Please visit our websites at <a href="www.WNGEA.org">www.WNGEA.org</a> and <a href="www.EANGUS.org">www.EANGUS.org</a>. These sites are constantly updated with current information and presents a wealth of information that will keep you up to date on current legislation and resolutions that affect the enlisted force of the Wisconsin National Guard.

### Download our App (WNGEA)

Go to the App Store and download our App (WNGEA) for current information at your fingertips. You will have access to the WNGEA.ORG website, current information on our Annual Wisconsin National Guard Conference and current issues of the EANGUS New Patriot and the Wisconsin Bucky Bulletin.

#### **EANGUS Legislative Action Center:**

Use this link to sign up for and receive notification of legislative issues and to contact your D.C. delegation and to support EANGUS legislative priorities. You can also scroll down the page to find other useful information such as EANGUS Legislation support letters and testimony, previous congressional issues EANGUS has addressed, Drill Weekend Talking Points and other helpful links.

https://eangus.org/legislative-calls-to-action-2/

The Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Association (WNGEA) is a voluntary membership organization. Its purpose is to foster and improve the National Guard, promote the welfare, status, and professionalism of all enlisted members of the Wisconsin National Guard. We are your voice on Capitol Hill.

Gary R. Hans, Sergeant Major, Retired Executive Director Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Association wngea@yahoo.com C-920-723-8098

### WINGA/WNGEA Joint State Conference Registration Form

Hosts: 115th Fighter Wing and Volk Field ANG Base

Dates: 25-27 April 2025

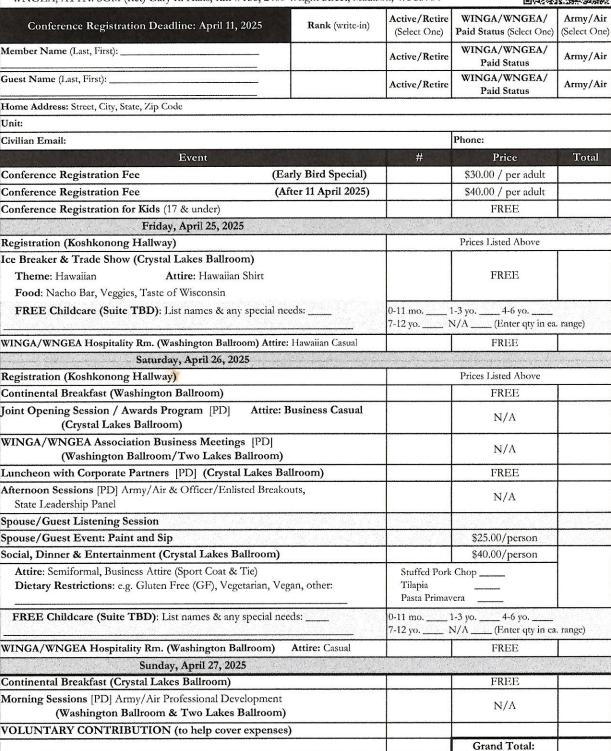
Location: The Double Tree by Hilton Madison East, 4402 E Washington Ave, Madison, WI 53704

Room Block Deadline: 11 Apr 2025 - \$98 (2 queen beds), \$98 (king/king studio/king with sofa bed)/night plus tax.

Room Block Name: "WIN" Call 608-244-4703 or scan this QRC to reserve rooms in the room block.

Registration Methods: 1) Online: https://wngea.org/wngea-conf-reg/

- 2) Phone App: search (WNGEA) & download from your app store
- 3) Submit this form & enclose a check payable to "2025 Joint WING Conference". Send to: WNGEA, ATTN: SGM (Ret) Gary R. Hans, Rm #158, 2400 Wright Street, Madison, WI 53704



### WISCONSIN NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED ASSOCIATION

### **WNGEA Schedule of Events**

### Double Tree Madison East, Madison, WI (25-27 April 2025)

Friday, 25 Ap	oril 2025	
1500 - 2130	Registration Check-in	Hallway by Koshkonong Room
1800 - 2100	Vendor/Exhibit Display	Crystal Lakes Ballroom & Hallway
1800 - 2100	Childcare (Be sure to register for childcare)	Hotel Suite
1800 - 2100	Ice Breaker/Social (Taste of Wisconsin/Exhibitors)	Crystal Lakes Ballroom & Hallway
2100 - 2400	Joint Hospitality Room Open (50/50 Raffle/Prizes)	Washington Ballroom & Hallway
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Saturday, 26		Hallway by Koshkonong Room
	Registration Check In	Washington Ballroom
0730 - 0815	Continental Breakfast (All Registered Guests)  Brig Gen May (Officer/NCO) (PD*)	Two Lakes Ballroom
0815 - 0830		TWO Lakes Dalliootti
0830 - 1030		Crystal Lakes Ballroom
0900 – 1600		Nekoosa Room
1030 - 1045		Nekoosa Room
	WNGEA Annual Business Meeting (PD*)	Two Lakes Ballroom
1145 – 1300		Crystal Lakes Ballroom
1300 – 1315		Orystal Lakes Ballicolli
	Enlisted Breakout (CSM/CCM) (PD*)	Two Lakes Ballroom
	Officer Breakout (MG Rogers/dave Davlin) (PD*)	Washington Ballroom
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1415 – 1430		Tanala Noom
1430 – 1600		Crystal Lakes Ballroom
1415 – 1600		Yahara Room
1600 - 1800		
1730 - 1800		Hallway by Crystal Lakes Ballroom
1800 - 1900	Banquet Reception Social hour (132d Army Band)	Hallway by Crystal Lakes Ballroom
1800 - 2100	Child Care Service (Be sure to register for childcare)	Hotel Suite
1900 - 2100	Banquet/Banquet Event	Crystal Lakes Ballroom
2100 - 2400	Joint Hospitality Room Open (50/50 Raffle/Prizes)	Washington Ballroom & Hallway
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	Continental Breakouts	Crystal Lakes Ballroom
	(PD*) Army Officer/Enlisted	Washington Ballroom
0930 - 1100	(PD*) Air Officer/Enlisted	Two Lakes Ballroom

PD\* Classes are mandatory for all Professional Development Personnel on orders.





The Wisconsin National Guard Officer/Enlisted Associations wants to thank you for registering to attend the 2025 WINGA/WNGEA State Conference at the Double Tree Madison East in Madison, WI. Special thanks to our host units, the 115<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing and the Volk Field ANG Base. This Letter of Instruction (LOI) will provide you with additional details to make your experience satisfying and rewarding.

- 1. Registration: when you arrive at the Double Tree Madison East, 4402 E. Washington Avenue, Madison, WI, stop by the conference registration table on your left from the main entrance. The hotel has free parking and Wi-Fi. Please wear your name badge at all times as this is your ticket to get access to all conference events and our hospitality room.
- 2. Hotel: room rate is \$98.00/per night plus tax. If you haven't already done so, you can reserve a room at the Double Tree Madison East by calling 608-244-4703. Room block name is "WIN" under the Wisconsin National Guard. Reservation Deadline is 11 April 2025.
- 3. Family Activities: there are many tourist activities in the Madison area for your enjoyment. On Saturday at the Double Tree Madison East we will be offering a "Paint and Sip" class and a Spouse Listening Session. Childcare is available on Friday and Saturday evenings. Sign up for child care is on the registration form.
- **4. Evaluation Form:** Conference evaluation forms will be available at the registration table or on the conference app. Your feedback is very important and will help us improve the State Conferences of the future.

### 5. Dress Code:

Ice Breaker Social: has a Hawaiian theme. Hospitality Room is Casual.

Award Ceremony, Business meetings, Professional Development: Business Casual Saturday Social.

**Banquet meal:** Semi-formal, Business Attire, or Military Uniform (ASU/Class A/Mess Dress)

- **6. Conference App**: Go to the App store and enter WNGEA (Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Association). Once the app is downloaded, click on "event" at the bottom of the page for Conference details..
- 7. Ice Breaker Social: this event is our meet and greet social combined with our corporate partner trade show. We have @15 vendor tables this year. This event is 6:00-9:00 pm on Friday in the Crystal Lakes Ballroom, (see hotel floor plan). This event has a Hawaiian theme, so you are welcome to wear your favorite Hawaiian attire. Food and beverages are provided including complimentary "Taste of Wisconsin". There is also a cash bar available. Do not consume alcohol if you are not of legal age. There will be Bingo prizes, 50:50 raffle, games and much more.

- **8. Vendor Bingo**: During the Ice Breaker, we have an optional vendor bingo game. Get all of the bingo logos stamped by the vendors and turn your card in for great prizes. If you decide to not play bingo, please take the time to introduce yourself and thank our corporate partners.
- 9. Joint Hospitality Rooms: Please wear your name badge both evenings.

**Friday Evening (9:00 pm to 12:00 am)**: the Hospitality room is located in the Washington Ballroom. Complimentary beverages and snacks are available both evenings.

**Saturday Evening (9:00 pm to 12:00 am):** the Hospitality room will be in the Washington Ballroom.

- **10. Meals:** all meals are complimentary and included in your registration, with the exception of the banquet which was an optional additional charge of \$40/person. Check the conference schedule or the conference app for times and locations.
- **11. Joint Opening Ceremony**: this event takes place in the Crystal Lakes Ballroom from 8:30-10:30 am on Saturday. Dress is business casual. This is our opening program and includes the WNGEA Award Presentations for the National Guard Army and Airmen of the year. The Color Guard will be sponsored by the Wisconsin Challenge Academy. The Wisconsin Adjutant General will provide opening remarks.
- **12. Award Recipients**: individual awards will be presented during the Opening Ceremony. When your name is called, please come forward to receive your award from senior military leaders. A photo session will take place at the conclusion of the ceremony.
- 13. Professional Development (PD) Sessions: there are several PD sessions on Saturday, see the Conference agenda. Military leaders and professional speakers will offer a variety of topics to enhance your military and civilian careers. Spouses/Guests are welcome to attend all conference events. Those of you in a paid status should attend all PD Sessions.
- **14. WINGA/WNGEA Annual Business Meetings**: these two PD sessions are conducted concurrently on Saturday morning from 10:45 am to 11:45 pm. All officers and enlisted are expected to attend their respective association meetings.
- 15. Your Wisconsin National Guard State Conference is hosted by the 115<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing and the Volk Field ANG Base and sponsored by the Wisconsin National Guard Association, Inc (WINGA) and the Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Association, Inc. (WNGEA). These Associations are membership-based organizations which provide programs and services to benefit Wisconsin National Guard Soldiers, Airmen and their families. Please consider membership in one or more of these organizations so they can enhance future benefits for the National Guard community.

Your 2025 Conference Planning Team.



# 2025 WINGA/WNGEA State Conference Highlights





- Friday Hawaiian Social
- Corporate Partner Trade Show
- Joint Opening Ceremony
- Professional Development (PD)
- NGAUS Chairman MG Paul Rogers
- Professional Speaker Dave Davlin
- Legislative Briefing
- TAG/DAG Briefings
- Saturday Evening Banquet
- Complimentary Hospitality Suite
- WING Leadership Panel
- Four Complimentary Meals

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4402 East Washington Avenue
Madison, WI

Join your fellow soldiers, airmen, and veterans for food, fun, and fellowship. Professional development sessions for Company Grade Officers and Enlisted will be available. The conference is hosted by the 115<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing.







- Early bird registration is 11April. Go to https://wngea.org/conference/ or scan QRC.
- Hotel rooms are \$98 (single), \$98 (double)/night plus tax. Call 608.244.4703, Group Code: WIN or scan QRC. Hotel room block closes on 11 April.
- Friday night Ice Breaker Social is "Hawaiian Theme" so wear your favorite shirt. Attire for Saturday is business casual.
   Attire for Saturday evening dinner is "business attire with ASU/Class A/Mess Dress uniforms optional"
- Download conference app by searching for "WNGEA"



NAME	LAST	COUNCIL POSITION	Membership
Sharon	Luebke	President	Life Member
Curtis	Leren	Vice President/Resolutions Manager	Life Member
Libby	Schmiedlin	Past President	Life Member
Casey	Filter	By-Laws Manager	Life Member
Gary	Hans	Executive Director/Treasurer/Insurance Liaison	Life Member
Rhonda	Martinson	Secretary	Annual Member
Roberta	Coker	State Conference Committee Co-Chair	Life Member
Patti	Winter-Schmidt	Publications Manager	Life Member
Jason	Walker	Education Selection Chair	Life Member
Jason	Walker	Co-Legislative Managers – State (Jason and Jay)	Life Member
Stephen	Berry	Leader of Prayer	Life Member
Jay	Brody	Co-Legislative Managers – National (Jay and Jason)	Annual Member
Kyle	Kenowski	Junior Enlisted Manager-Army	Life Member
Rich	Koceja	Junior Enlisted Manager-Air	Life Member
Alyssa	Meyers	Junior Enlisted Manager-Air	Life Member
Stephanie	Corson	Junior Enlisted Manager-Air	Life Member
Sharon	Luebke	Membership Marketing - Army/Facebook Admin	Life Member
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Barry	Hilbert	Historian	Life Member
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VACANT		Awards Manager	
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