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July 26, 2018

Welcome to the 140th NGAUS General Conference and Exhibition in New Orleans, Louisiana, August 24-27, 2018. Enclosed with this letter is all the information you will need to prepare for the conference. However, highlighted below are the most pertinent items.

We will have a delegate meeting for you, spouses and guests at 5:30-6:30 pm, Friday, August 24, in the downstairs ballroom of our hotel, the New Orleans Marriott Downtown. Major General Durr Boyles will address the membership and we have invited the candidates for office to also speak. We will also present administrative information, confirm schedules and the delegation will decide on support for candidates to the elected positions of the NGAUS Board of Directors. It is required and very important that everyone attend.

The NGAMS Hospitality Room located in the General Manager's Suite on the sixth floor of the hotel will officially open for a continental style brunch at 9:00 am, Friday, August 24. We will open at 8:00 am on Saturday and 6:30 am thereafter.

Company Grade/Warrant Officer Mixer will be Friday, August 24, 6:00-11:00 pm at Hard Rock Cafe.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the exhibit hall will be Saturday, August 25 at 10:30 am in the Earnest N. Morial Convention Center (MCCNO) Hall H, followed by a Brunch in Hall H and I.

Opening session for the conference will be Saturday, August 25, beginning at 12:00 pm at the MCCNO Theater. Subsequent sessions the following two days will also be held at the same location. Please see enclosed schedule for details.

The Louisiana Governor's Welcome Reception will be Saturday, August 25, 6:00-9:00 pm at Mardi Gras World.

Spouses Luncheon will be Sunday, August 26, 10:30 am- 2:00 pm at the Hilton Hotel.

SEC Hospitality Night is Sunday, August 26, 6:00-11:00 pm at The Masquerade Tavern in Harrah's Hotel and Casino down the street from our hotel.

States Dinner will be Monday, August 27, 7:30-9:30 pm at the MCCNO Great Hall. There will a cocktail reception starting at 6:00 pm.

See the attached schedule for details regarding dress codes and other events. We are awaiting a complete transportation schedule; however, this will be updated in our final conference letter just prior to the conference. We strongly urge you to download the conference app found at www.ngaus2018.org.

Delegates will receive their stipend at the conference and are reminded they must attend the Friday caucus and all business meetings to qualify.

If you have questions, or need assistance, please contact us at the NGAMS Office at 601-354-7555. However, please be aware that I and the NGAMS staff will be leaving for New Orleans on Tuesday, August 21 to prepare for your arrival. We will be providing updates via Facebook at www.facebook.com/NationalGuardAssociationofMississippi, Twitter @TNGAMS and email. As always, you can reach me on my cell phone at 601-540-2794.

We look forward to seeing everyone in New Orleans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Allen McDaniel II". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left and a circular flourish on the right.

C. Allen McDaniel II
Executive Director

2018 NGAUS Events

NGAUS Golf Tournament English Turn Golf Course Member and Spouse	Friday, August 24, 2018 Hotel pick-up at 5:30 am / 8:00 am shotgun Collared shirt required
Mississippi Caucus TBA Member and Spouse	Friday, August 24, 2018 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm (Caucus begins 6:00 pm) Casual (see enclosed attire guide)
Company Grade/Warrant Officer Mixer Hard Rock Café Member and Spouse	Friday, August 24, 2018 6:00 pm – 11:00 pm Casual (see enclosed attire guide)
Fun Run Riverwalk Run Member and Spouse	Saturday, August 25, 2018 7:00 am - 8:00 am Appropriate attire
Exhibit Hall Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Morial Convention Center, Hall H Lobby Member and Spouse	Saturday, August 25, 2018 10:30 am - 10:40 am Casual (see enclosed attire guide)
First Business Session Morial Convention Center, New Orleans Theater Member and Spouse	Saturday, August 25, 2018 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Casual (see enclosed attire guide)
Governor's Reception Mardi Gras World Member and Spouse	Saturday, August 25, 2018 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Casual (see enclosed attire guide)
Second Business Session Morial Convention Center, New Orleans Theater Member	Sunday, August 26, 2018 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Class B, Short Sleeved Open Collar Shirt
Spouse/Guest Luncheon The Hilton Hotel Spouse or Guest	Sunday, August 26, 2018 10:30 am - 2:00 pm Casual (see enclosed attire guide)
Retired/Separated Luncheon Morial Convention Center, Rooms 354-355 Member and Spouse	Sunday, August 26, 2018 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm Casual

Events Continue

Warrant Officer Luncheon/Caucus

Morial Convention Center, Rooms 389-390
Member and Spouse

Sunday, August 26, 2018

12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Class B, Short Sleeved Open Collar Shirt/Casual

Hospitality Night

Masquerade Room, Harrah's Hotel and Casino
Member and Spouse

Sunday, August 26, 2018

6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Casual (see enclosed attire guide)

Air Separate Session

Morial Convention Center, La Nouvelle Ballroom
Member

Monday, August 27, 2018

9:00 am – 10:30 pm

Class B, Short Sleeved Open Collar Shirt

Army Separate Session

Morial Convention Center, New Orleans Theater
Member

Monday, August 27, 2018

9:00 am – 10:30 pm

Class B, Short Sleeved Open Collar Shirt

Third Business Session

Morial Convention Center, New Orleans Theater
Member

Monday, August 27, 2018

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Class B, Short Sleeved Open Collar Shirt

Cocktail Reception

Morial Convention Center, Great Hall Lobby
Member and Spouse

Monday, August 27, 2018

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Casual (see enclosed attire guide)

Mardi Gras Ball (States Dinner)

Morial Convention Center, Great Hall
Member and Spouse

Monday, August 27, 2018

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Mardi Gras Casual (Purple, green & gold...jeans are acceptable) (see enclosed attire guide)

Event Locations

New Orleans Marriott

555 Canal Street
New Orleans, LA 70130

Earnest N Morial Convention Center

900 Convention Center Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70130

English Turn Golf Course

One clubhouse Drive
New Orleans, LA 70131

Hard Rock Café

125 Bourbon Street
New Orleans, LA 70130

Fun Run

Riverwalk along the majestic Mississippi River

Mardi Gras World

1380 Port of New Orleans Place
New Orleans, LA 70130

The Hilton Hotel

2 Poydras Street
New Orleans, LA 70130



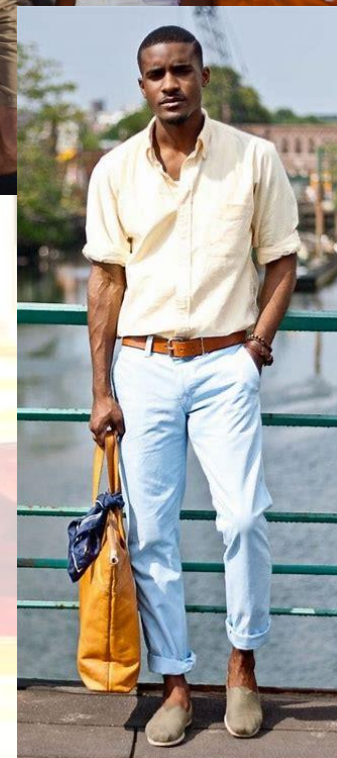
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FRIDAY – TAG RECEPTION



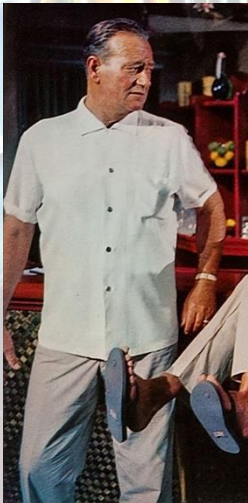
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FRIDAY – COMPANY GRADE



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SATURDAY – OPENING CEREMONY



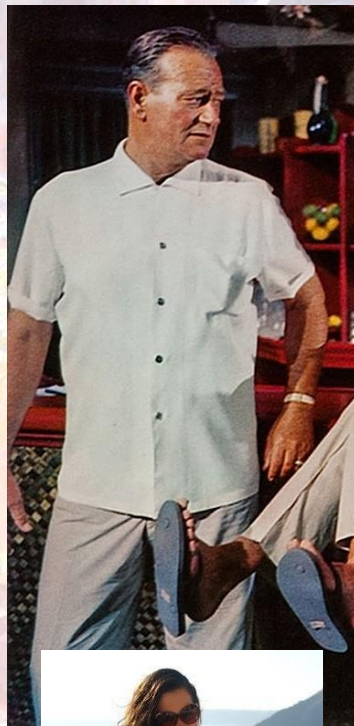
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SATURDAY, SUNDAY & MONDAY'S BUSINESS SESSION



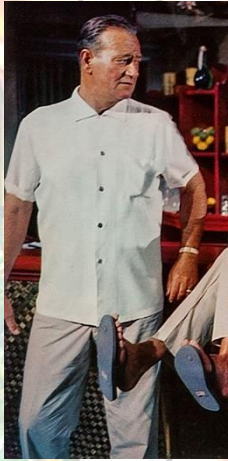
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SATURDAY – GOVERNORS RECEPTION



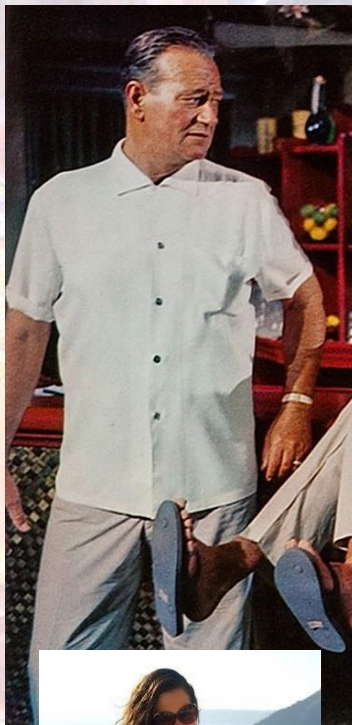
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SUNDAY – SPOUSE FUNCTION



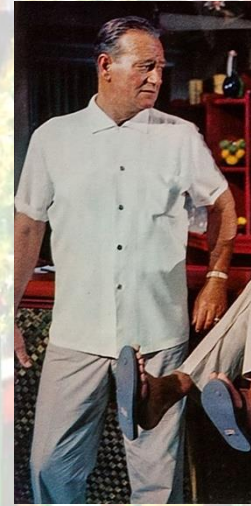
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SUNDAY – HOSPITALITY NIGHT



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MONDAY– TAG SPOUSE FUNCTION



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MONDAY – STATES DINNER