# -Mississippi Strong—

## Newsletter of the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary

May 2019

# **MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NCO ASSOCIATION**



51<sup>st</sup> Association Annual Conference 49<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary Annual Conference April 12-14, 2019

# Historic 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

It was a very special Mississippi National Guard Noncommissioned Officers Association Conference held April 12-14, 2019 at the County Line Hilton Hotel in Jackson. This was the 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference for the Association and the 49<sup>th</sup> annual Conference for the Auxiliary.

The really special part was that it was the <u>50<sup>th</sup> anniversary</u> of the Association which was begun in 1969. There was even a special 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary coin.

SGM Virgil R. Williams was the first President in 1969-70; Vice President Army was CSM James E. Clark; Vice President Air was SMSgt Arthur F. Adams; MSgt Louis J. Pelligrine was Secretary; and SGM Alvie L. Smith was the Treasurer. The Auxiliary formed later with Dot Brown as the first Auxiliary President in 1970-71.

Congratulations to SFC Tommy Morgan on his re-election as MS NG NCO Association President. Angelia "Angie" Carnes was re-elected as Auxiliary President.

Congratulations to the six youth who received Association scholarships: 1. Lauren Grace Barnett; 2. Jackson Patrick Daughdrill; 3. Sterling Spears; 4. Charles Cooper Clevenger; 5. Elisha Tess Rodgers; 6. John Adam Howard Thomas. The Scholarship Chairman noted that the rankings were very close this year with just a point or two separating applicants. A class of great youth with bright futures!

Congratulations to all the participants in the Best Warrior competition and to the winners: NCO of the Year, SGT Darrell Washington and Airman, AIC Trung Nguyen. Y'all are awesome!!





### Scholarships Are Open!

Great Opportunities for EANGUS Members, Dependents, and Auxiliary Members

Check out the

"Welcome to the 2019 EANGUS Scholarship Application Page"

https://eangus.org/we-care-for-america/scholarship-information/

New this year, single application form that will guide you through which scholarships you wish to apply for.

# Deadline to apply is 1 May, 2019 (unless listed otherwise)

\*\*Only online applications will be accepted. Please do not email or mail applications.\*\*

### USAA and EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarships



The program includes one USAA Scholarship and four EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarships. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of: (1) eligibility; (2) scholastic achievement, character, leadership and need, and (3) availability of funds for the current year and the number of applicants.

Who is Eligible? Annual and Life EANGUS Auxiliary Members, Spouses and Unmarried children/step children, grandchildren/step grandchildren (up to age 26).
<u>Criteria</u>/Application can be downloaded at <u>https://eangusauxiliary.org</u> Scholarship tab, or in *The Signal.* 



# 48th Annual EANGUS

Conference

August 4-7, 2019

Des Moines, IA

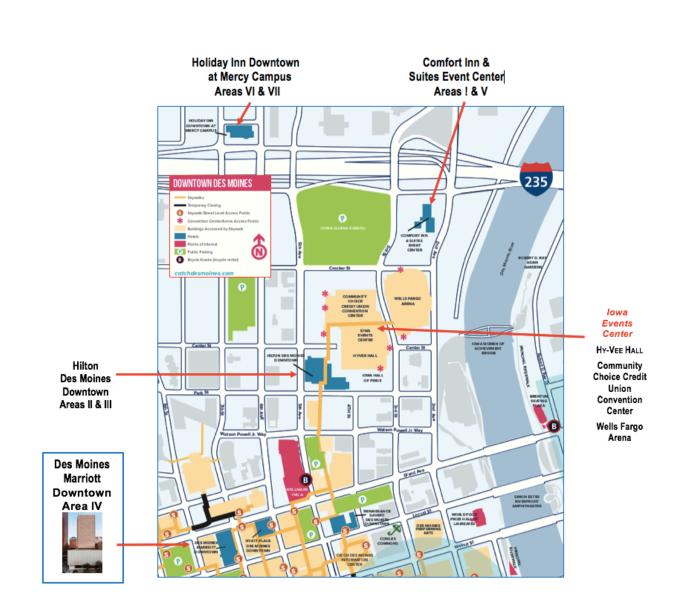
Iowa Events Center - 730 3rd Street, Des Moines, IA

**Conference Registration:** <u>https://eangusconference.org/2019-conference- registration/</u>

Hotel Reservations: https://eangusconference.org/hotel-reservations/

Area IV Hotel - Des Moines Marriott Downtown Hotel Reservations Area IV – BOOK ON-LINE at

https://mmxreservations.com/fer/#/desmoines?groupCode=area4&eventId=5195



# **Des Moines International Airport**

(5 Miles from Hilton; Driving Time 15 Minutes)

**Directions** - Head west on Cowles Drive, Continue on Fleur Drive, Take Thomas Beck Road and SW 8th Street to Park Street in Des Moines, Turn Right onto Park Street.

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### MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY <u>STATE</u> LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Card Number assigned by MS A	uxiliary treasurer		
Applicant's Name: Last	First	Middle	Maiden
Street Address or Post Office Bo	X		
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone Number:	(home)		(work or cell)
Age Birthday		Army Guard	Air Guard
Spouse's Name	Rank	Unit	
EANGUS Auxiliary Lifetime Me	embership Number		

Cost of Lifetime Membership: An annual member may become a lifetime member by payment of a fee of <u>\$10.00</u> plus the annual dues that apply until the applicant reaches the age of <u>65</u>. This is a non-refundable payment. After the age of 65, no dues are required, only the \$10.00 fee. If the applicant is not a lifetime member of the EANGUS Auxiliary and does not become one, the applicant would have to continue to pay annual EANGUS Auxiliary dues.

Date application received by MS Auxiliary treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

Date received by MS Auxiliary Executive Council

### LIFETIME DUES SCHEDULE

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<u>Current Age</u>	Amount Due	<u>Current Age</u>	Amount Due	Current Age	Amount Due
Age 65 or over	\$10.00	51	\$94.00	37	\$178.00
64	\$16.00	50	\$100.00	36	\$184.00
63	\$22.00	49	\$106.00	35	\$190.00
62	\$28.00	48	\$112.00	34	\$196.00
61	\$34.00	47	\$118.00	33	\$202.00
60	\$40.00	46	\$124.00	32	\$208.00
59	\$46.00	45	\$130.00	31	\$214.00
58	\$52.00	44	\$136.00	30	\$220.00
57	\$58.00	43	\$142.00	29	\$226.00
56	\$64.00	42	\$148.00	28	\$232.00
55	\$70.00	41	\$154.00	27	\$238.00
54	\$76.00	40	\$160.00	26	\$244.00
53	\$82.00	39	\$166.00	25	\$250.00
52	\$88.00	38	\$172.00	24	\$256.00

### Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States Auxiliary <u>SPOUSE MUST BE AN EANGUS LIFETIME MEMBER</u> <u>APPLICANT MUST BE CURRENT STATE & EANGUS AUXILIARY MEMBER</u>

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				Date of Application
Name	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	(Maiden name, please)
Mailing Ad	dress			
City, State				
Age	Date of Birth		State Affiliation	State Verification
Spouse's N	Name		Phone numb	per
Email Add	ress			
Army	Air		Lifetime number assigned	by EANGUS for Spouse:

#### COST OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP

An annual member may become a life member by payment of **\$25.00 plus the annual dues which apply until the applicant reaches the age of 60.** This is a nonrefundable payment. After age 60, no dues are required. Application must be accompanied by verification of eligibility from the treasurer of the state of which the applicant is an annual member.

Year of birth +	60 =		=	(	)
		Current Year	Х	\$ 7.0	00
		Life Membership Dues to age 60:	=		
		Application Fee:	+	\$ 25.0	00
		TOTAL:		\$	

A Life Member card number will be assigned by the LIFE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR.

Mail this application along with applicable dues to:

#### Vivian Taylor, LTM Chairperson, PO Box 101, Clara, MS 39324-0101

Date received by EANGUS Auxiliary Treasurer

-- Side By Side We Stand With Pride --

November 2018

Amount \$

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YOUR NAME:		
YOUR HOME ADDRESS:		
СІТҮ:	ZIP CODE	
HOME PHONE:	WORK PHONE:	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:		
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EANGUS Area IV 2020 Mid-Winter Annual Meeting January 17-19, 2020 Austin, Texas www.ngat.org/Eangusmidwinter2020.htm

### **REGISTRATION FORM**

This registration is for attendance only. Registration fee covers Fri welcome reception/hospitality, Sat breakfast tacos, Sat lunch, Sat dinner, Sat hospitality. You must book your hotel room through the hotel.

Name:		Rank:		_
Name to Appear on	Badge:			
Title/Position:		Sta	te:	
Address:				_
City:	State:	Zip Code	:	_
Telephone:	Cell Phone:	E-Mail	:	
Will you ha∨e a spou	use or guest attending?	Yes	No	
Spouse/Guest Name	e to Appear on Badge:			
Conference Fee: \$7	5.00 per person			
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Registration	and payment must be recei	ved no later t	han <mark>January 5,</mark>	<mark>2020</mark> .
	Registrations can I National Guard Assoc ATTN: Theresa Bil 3706 Crawfo Austin, TX 787	ciation of Texa lleck-Zuniga rd Ave	as	
	AIRPORT TRANSE Ride Share Available: Uber, L er Shuttle: www.supershuttle	_yft, Ride Austi		
Que	estions can be directed to: Theresa	a Billeck-Zuniga, ti	bz@ngat.org	
	website for updates on the Annual DRS PLEASE REGISTER ON EXH			

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### EANGUS Priorities for the First Session of the 116th Congress



Reserve Component medical readiness/ TRICARE Reserve Select expansion (S164/HR613)

- Early retirement credit under 12304b orders
- Issue a DD214 upon separation or discharge from a Reserve Component similar to Active Duty
- Urge the Air National Guard to fund Federal Tuition Assistance for all ANG members
- Tax incentives for employers to hire members of the Guard
- Tax deductions for drill weekend travel
- Allow TSP contributions outside of 401(k) threshold
- Improved mental health care access and treatment for members of the Guard
- Amend Title 38 of the United States Code to recognize Guardsmen's ADT, ADSW, & AD
- Support for Post-9/11 GI Bill eligibility & Transfer of Education Benefits



### EANGUS Legislative Call to Action 2019-1

### **TRICARE** Reserve Select Expansion to Eligible Federal Employees

**ISSUE:** Federal Employees eligible for TRICARE Reserve Select (TRS) are forced to utilize more expensive healthcare offered on the Federal Employee Health Benefit Plan (FEHBP)

**BACKGROUND**: The membership of the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the U.S. believes that Reserve Component (RC) servicemembers should be able to choose whatever health care provider is best for their military readiness and for the care for their families regardless of who their employer may be. RC members who are Federal employees are not given a choice to provide continuity of care in the TRICARE program during the complete mobilization cycle (before, during and after) due to restrictions in Federal law. This continuity of care can be achieved by removing the restriction.

Federal employees eligible for FEHBP coverage and TRS must accept health care coverage under FEHBP. FEHBP, managed by the Office of Personnel Management, provides a wide-range of health insurance coverage using a robust network of providers. However, TRS is a more affordable option for RC servicemembers compared to options offered by FEHBP. For example, the widely utilized Blue Cross Blue Shield Basic Option rate costs \$159.74 per month for self only and \$384.02 per month for self and family in calendar year 2019. TRS coverage during calendar year 2019 cost \$42.83 per month for self only coverage and \$218.01 per month for member and family coverage.

In January 2019, Senator Daines (R-MT) and Senator Manchin (D-WV) introduced S. 164 and Representative Garamendi (D-CA) and Representative Kelly (R-MS) introduced H.R. 613 to resolve this issue. During the 115th Congress, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) scored similar legislation; CBO estimated a \$173 million mandatory spending increase, and a savings of \$1.2 billion discretionary. The costs are associated with removing as many as 113,000 RC servicemembers currently utilizing FEHBP and putting those servicemembers into TRS managed by the Department of Defense (DOD). If all 113,000 servicemembers opted into TRS, DOD would realize \$1.2 Billion in discretionary savings during a time when readiness and training are the highest priorities of each of the Services. ]

**Take Action:** The EANGUS National Office requests that members please take a few minutes out of your day to message your delegation in Washington, D.C. to become a co-sponsor of H.R. 613 and S. 164.

### ANSWER THE CALL FOR ACTION:

https://eangus.org/legislative-calls-to-action-2/ - CLICK on Call to Action 2019-1

### EANGUS Legislative Call to Action 2019-2

### Military Student Identifier

**ISSUE:** With the 2015 adoption of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA– Public Law 114-95), military-connected students are now recognized as a distinct subgroup. The ESSA stipulates that the new subgroup

includes students with a parent who is a member of the Armed Forces (defined in section 101(a)(1)(4) of title 10, United states Code) on active duty (as defined in section 101(d)(5) of such title).

Over 80% of military-connected pupils attend US public schools. Students with parents/guardians who serve full-time in the military move and change schools frequently. In addition, they experience separations from a parent/guardian due to their parents' service to the U.S. Military. The Military Student Identifier (MSI) provides educators with critical information to personalize attention to military dependent children.

Unfortunately, the current law directs the military student identifier only towards the children of active duty families, leaving out the nearly one-half million children of the Reserve Component, both National Guard and Reserves.

**TAKE ACTION:** The EANGUS National Office requests that you please take a few minutes out of the day to message your delegation in Washington, D.C. to become a co-sponsor of H.R. 1896, the Supporting Children of the National Guard and Reserve Act.

#### Answer Call to Action: <u>https://eangus.org/legislative-calls-to-action-2/</u>

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# MS NG NCO ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY PAST PRESIDENTS

1970-71—Dot Brown, deceased 1972-73—Virginia Brown, deceased 1974-75—Ruth Ann Crawford 1976-77—Delores Ford, deceased 1978-79—Beverly Hurst 1980-81-Billie Davis 1982-83—Dot Brown, deceased 1984-85—Ann Hart 1986-87—Paulette McLeod, deceased 1988-90—Brooks Marr 1991-92—Mildred Geary, deceased 1993-94—Doris J. Hoxie, deceased 1995-96—Vivian D. Taylor 1997-98—Barbara McCay 1999-2000—Janet McCullum\* 2001-2002-Phyllis Barranco, deceased 2003-2004—Pat Burchfield 2005-2006—Gloria Cooley 2007-2008—Danna Davis 2009-2010—Pat Bishop 2011-2012—Pat Burchfield 2013-2014—Cathy Adams 2015-2016—Christina Thomas\* 2017-2018—Connie Myers \*unable to complete term

1971-72—Doris Williams, deceased 1973-74—Agnes Tupman, deceased 1975-76—Dianne Sullivan 1977-78—Dot Dudley, deceased 1979-80—Elwanda Keith 1981-82—Beverly Lee, deceased 1983-84—Judy Harris 1985-86—Dot Pee, deceased 1987-88—Paula Carrigan 1990-91—Ancia Lowery 1992-93—Danna Davis 1994-95—Linda B. Bishop, deceased 1996-97—Suzie Stewart 1998-99-Shirley A. Ritter, deceased 2000-2001—Pearleen Pearce 2002-2003—Karla Dickens 2004-2005—Christina Ammons 2006-2007—Connie Myers 2008-2009—Florence Wright 2010-2011—Karen Solots 2012-2013—Pat Burchfield 2014-2015—Cathy Adams 2016-2017—Connie Myers 2018-2019—Angelia Carnes

### Ten Good Reasons to Join and Remain a Member of the EANGUS Auxiliary

The EANGUS Auxiliary is:

- A strong voice to Congress which addresses the needs of the National Guard/Reserve.
- An organization that binds National Guard families by encouraging their involvement in legislative grass roots alerts.
- An organization, through support of EANGUS, which maintains a continuing representation for Guard members in Washington, D.C.
- An organization that has a scholarship program which helps with scholarships for members, spouses, children, and grandchildren.
- An organization that sets state and national objectives and coordinates activities which help to accomplish those objectives.
- An organization that stresses communication between leaders and members. *The Signal*, the Auxiliary's national newsletter, is published by the EANGUS Auxiliary President. Area Directors and State Presidents also publish newsletters for members. These publications inform, educate, motivate, and inspire members.
- An organization that coordinates its overall activities through elected Officers and Area Directors who represent the seven geographic areas of the United States.
- An organization that coordinates national activities through annual conferences held at locations throughout the United States.
- An organization that responds to needs as one, though thousands of miles separate members.
- An organization that strives for better incentives to attract and retain members.

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# Time to Get Down to Work

Another MS NG NCO Association and Auxiliary State Conference has come and gone. Auxiliary Officers and Directors were elected and now it is "time to get down to work". Each Officer has specific duties as outlined in the Constitution. Directors' duties are also listed in the Constitution and a Guideline for District Directors was also developed years ago to assist Directors in accomplishing their work. Those Guidelines are found below.

## MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY

## GUIDELINES FOR DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Do not volunteer or accept the nomination to be a District Director unless you are genuinely interested in promoting the Auxiliary. Being a District Director takes work and time. However, the results, knowledge, and satisfaction you receive are rewarding.

1. Read the Constitution. If there is anything you do not understand, ask questions of your Junior Director, Senior Director, or an Officer.

- 2. Be knowledgeable about the NCO Association and the Auxiliary. If you are asked what the Auxiliary does, be able to answer. If you do not have the answer to a specific question, tell the asking person that you will get an answer and let them know. THEN DO IT!
- 3. Work as a Senior/Junior Director Team and coordinate your work within your District.
- 4. Attend all Board of Director Meetings. Meetings are customarily held quarterly. The President will notify you of the time and place for the Board Meeting. Prepare and submit a written report to the Board of your activities. Report would include at least these items:
  - o Legislative activity... letters written, emails/texts sent, phone calls made, responses received from legislators.
  - Membership recruitment efforts... letters written, phone calls made, face-to-face solicitations, members sponsored.
  - o Events attended... Conference, Board Meetings, unit visits, Family Days, Retiree events, and others.
  - Correspondence with Board members and other Auxiliary members... get well cards, sympathy cards, thinking of you cards, phone calls, texts/emails, etc.
  - o Donations... silent auction, services donated, etc.
- 5. Promote the Guard, the NCO Association, and the Auxiliary. Be cheerful and enthusiastic. Smile. Introduce yourself to people as a Mississippi Auxiliary District Director.
- 6. Promote membership within your District. By virtue of office, you are a member of the Membership Committee. Get to know the Auxiliary Director at Large and work with her/him on membership.
- 7. Disseminate information from the EANGUS Auxiliary President, EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Directors, and Mississippi Auxiliary President to the members in your District. Be creative. You can share through email, website, Facebook, and other avenues.
- 8. Be active legislatively. The Auxiliary has a Legislative Chairman who will keep you informed on issues and provide information on making contacts. Remember to also notify the Chairman of legislative responses.
- 9. Communicate, between Board of Directors Meetings, with the President and Director at Large, on your activity in the District, to express concerns, and/or to ask for help or information.
- 10. Set up a file and keep a copy of all outgoing/incoming correspondence.

# ☺Happy Mother's Day to all the moms in our lives!☺



#### MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NCO ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY BOARD MEETING

# HILTON HOTEL, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI—CABANA POOLSIDE APRIL 12, 2019

#### Call to Order and Welcome

President Angelia "Angie" Carnes called the meeting to order at 9:55 a.m. and welcomed members.

#### Prayer

District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson led in prayer.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Director at Large Kandice Netto led members in The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

#### Introduction of Guests

There were no guests present.

#### Roll Call

Secretary Vivian Taylor called the roll. Officers President Angie Carnes Treasurer Pat Burchfield Immediate Past President Connie Myers District Director District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson Committee Chairmen Legislative Committee Chairman Vivian Taylor Membership Committee Chairman Kandice Netto Constitution Committee Chairman Billie Davis Appointee Parliamentarian Billie Davis

Secretary Vivian Taylor Director at Large Kandice Netto

Lifetime Membership Comm. Chairman Pat Bishop Scholarship Committee Chairman Pat Burchfield

#### Members Absent and Excused

District I Senior Director Sherry Clark; District III Senior Director Kaye Pace; Meridian Air Junior Director Daryl Gail Jensen; and Silent Auction Chairman Maria Kennedy were excused.

#### Quorum

With six (6) of nine (9) Board members present there was a quorum.

#### Approval of Minutes from October 27, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting

Secretary Taylor emailed the October 27, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting minutes to Board members. No changes had been noted. Treasurer Pat Burchfield moved that the minutes from the Board Meeting be approved as printed; Immediate Past President Connie Myers seconded motion. Motion carried.

#### <u>Reports</u>

#### **Officers**

President Angie Carnes provided a printed report. She reported that she had:

- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference March 02-04, 2018 and was elected as MS Auxiliary President.
- ✓ Provided items for the Auxiliary Silent Auction.
- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association Board Meeting on March 04, 2018.
- ✓ Attended and presided at the June 02, 2018 Auxiliary Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian and provided a President's report.
- ✓ Attended the MS National Guard Officers Convention in Biloxi, MS.
- ✓ Attended the Dedication for the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument at Camp Shelby on June 16, 2018.

- ✓ Attended the MS NG Summer Youth Camp, Kids AT, June 2018.
- ✓ Attended the EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference in Charleston, West Virginia August 12-16, 2018 and served as Mississippi Auxiliary delegation chairman. Presented to Mrs. Connie Myers, EANGUS Auxiliary President, on behalf of the MS Auxiliary, a gift card in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) in recognition and appreciation for all her hard work and dedication to the MS National Guard NCO Association Auxiliary and EANGUS Auxiliary.
- ✓ Worked at the MS NG NCO Association Ways and Means project, the Mississippi State Fair, October 5, 6, 7, 13, and 14.
- ✓ Attended and presided at the October 27, 2018 Auxiliary Board Meeting at Camp McCain and provided a President's report.
- ✓ Attended the 1108<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party, December 2018.
- ✓ Worked on membership throughout the year. Enlisted 1 new annual member, 1 annual member, and 4 associate members.
- ✓ Responded to EANGUS Calls to Action and reported to Legislative Committee Chairman.
- ✓ Promoted the MS NG NCO Association and Auxiliary at every opportunity.

Secretary Vivian Taylor distributed a printed report which indicated she had:

- ✓ Attended the MS Auxiliary Past Presidents Breakfast on March 02, 2018; presented gifts to all the Past Presidents in attendance.
- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference March 02-04, 2018 at the Hilton, Hotel in Jackson, Mississippi. Recorded minutes and provided to members on March 05, 2018. Also provided the minutes for the newsletter.
- ✓ Provided items for the MS Auxiliary Silent Auction which netted six hundred sixty-four dollars (\$664.00) for the MS Auxiliary treasury.
- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association Board Meeting on March 04, 2018.
- ✓ Prepared a news release for *The Wayne County News* on attendance at Mississippi Conference and encouraged each of the other Board members to do the same in her region of the state.
- ✓ Provided updated Mississippi Auxiliary State Chapter information following Conference to the EANGUS Auxiliary Officers and Directors.
- ✓ Solicited information and wrote recommendation letters for MS Auxiliary's and Secretary Taylor's nominees for 2018 EANGUS Auxiliary Awards: Distinguished Service Award, Pam Adams; Meritorious Service Award, Bryan Birch; and Spouse of the Year Award, Stephen Berry. Each of those individuals received the Award for which she/he was nominated.
- ✓ Attended the June 02, 2018 Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian and recorded minutes. Sent minutes by email on June 04, 2018. Assisted in training for District Directors.
- ✓ Updated the Mississippi Auxiliary membership brochure and provided to Officers and Directors at the June Board Meeting.
- ✓ Attended the EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference in Charleston, West Virginia, August 10-16, 2018. As EANGUS Auxiliary Secretary and EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Secretary recorded and distributed minutes from all EANGUS Auxiliary meetings and Area IV Auxiliary meetings. Provided the minutes for *The Signal* newsletter. Received the EANGUS Auxiliary Recruiting Member of the Year Award.
- ✓ Provided numerous items for the EANGUS Auxiliary Silent Auction which netted over four hundred fifty dollars (\$450.00+) for the EANGUS Auxiliary treasury.
- ✓ Prepared a news release for *The Wayne County News* with information on EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference in West Virginia. Encouraged each of the other Board members to do the same in her region of the state.
- ✓ Donated fifty dollars (\$50.00) to purchase food items for the worker's tent at the Mississippi State Fair.
- ✓ Attended the October 27, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board of Directors meeting at Camp McCain, provided a Secretary's report, took minutes, and provided the minutes to members and for the MS Auxiliary newsletter on October 29, 2018.
- ✓ Visited Waynesboro unit retirees at Christmas party at Boondock Eddie's in Waynesboro on December 04, 2018.
- ✓ Attended the EANGUS/Auxiliary Area IV Caucus/Meeting in Springfield, Missouri, January 18-20, 2019. Recorded minutes and distributed to Area IV Auxiliary Directors and members on January 24, 2019. Provided the Mississippi Auxiliary report for Mid-Winter Auxiliary Meeting. Provided minutes for the February issue of *Mississippi Strong* newsletter.

- ✓ Provided five (5) items for the EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Silent Auction which netted ninety-three dollars (\$93.00) for the EANGUS Area IV Auxiliary treasury.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "*We Care for America*" Foundation, Inc. at every meeting as well as directly to EANGUS.
- ✓ Made a memorial donation to Biloxi First United Methodist Church in memory of Mrs. Jean Garner.
- ✓ Prepared 2018 Mississippi Auxiliary History Highlights.
- ✓ Prepared the 2018 EANGUS Auxiliary History and provided to Officers and Directors and for *The Signal* and compiled 2018 History Highlights from the states.
- ✓ Responded to legislative Calls to Action and reported to Legislative Committee Chairman.
- ✓ Provided Mississippi Auxiliary information for EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV newsletter The Voice of Area IV.
- ✓ Sent appropriate cards—sympathy, get well, thinking of you, congratulations—to members as needed.
- ✓ Donated postage and supplies throughout 2018.
- ✓ Prepared Policy Letter Number 15.
- ✓ Provided information to MS Auxiliary and EANGUS Auxiliary Officers and Directors as per requests.
- ✓ Worked on membership throughout the year. Provided several to-date lists for MS Auxiliary Officers and Directors of those members who had and had not renewed for 2019.
- ✓ Sent several emails to non-renewing MS Auxiliary members on behalf of the Officers and Directors.
- ✓ Enlisted 54 members: 20 renewal members, 1 new annual member, 2 new lifetime members and assisted on third, and 30 annual associate members, some of whom were sponsored.
- ✓ Supported the MS Auxiliary Officers, District Directors, Committee Chairmen, and Appointees in every way possible.
- ✓ Prepared and distributed four (4) issues of Mississippi Auxiliary newsletter: October; November-December; February; and March-April.
- ✓ Submitted updated Auxiliary information to the Association for updating Auxiliary tab on the MS NCOA website.

*Treasurer Pat Burchfield* provided a printed financial statement for the period October 2018 through March 2019. Checking Account

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Beginning Balance Income		\$ 3,559.75
Donation	¢ 100	
	\$ 1.00 \$ 1.504.00	
Membership—2019	\$ 1,504.00	
Membership—2020	\$ 30.00	
Membership—STRIPE	\$ 63.54	
We Care for America donation	<u>\$ 65.00</u>	
Total Income	\$ 1,663.54	<u>\$ 1,663.54</u>
Sub-total beginning balance and income		\$ 5,223.29
Expenses		
Bank service charge	\$ 24.37	
MS NG NCO Assoc.—membersh	1ip\$ 85.00	
MS NG NCO Assoc.—scholarshi	ip \$ 15.00	
October Board Meeting—travel	\$ 346.00	
October Board Meeting—lunch	\$ 75.00	
EANGUS Auxiliary—lifetime mł	or.\$ 99.00	
EANGUS Auxiliary—membersh		
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President replacement to Area IV		
Total expenses	\$ 2,148.37	-\$ 2,148.37
Checking account balance		\$ 3,074.92
Savings Account		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Beginning Balance	\$ 9,177.17	
Interest	\$ 2.31	
Savings account balance	\$ 9,179.48	\$ 9,179.48
Auxiliary net worth	ψ 2,112110	\$12,254.40
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Treasurer Pat Burchfield provided a printed report which indicated her Auxiliary activities:

- ✓ Provided Treasurer's report and Proposed Budget for the 2018 Mississippi Auxiliary Conference.
- ✓ Processed Auxiliary income and expenditures from 2018 Conference.
- ✓ Provided treasurer's report for the June 02, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW in Meridian.
- ✓ Attended EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference in Charleston, West Virginia, August 10-16, 2018 and served as a delegate for the Mississippi Auxiliary. Served on the EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarship Committee.
- ✓ Provided items for the EANGUS Auxiliary Silent Auction.
- ✓ Attended the October 27, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board Meeting at Camp McCain and provided treasurer's report.
- ✓ Processed MS Auxiliary membership applications and deposited funds to Auxiliary account.
- ✓ Made deposits to MS Auxiliary treasury and disbursed funds as per the budget.
- ✓ Provided reports for each meeting.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Responded to legislative Calls to Action.
- ✓ Sent several emails to MS Auxiliary members who had not paid dues for 2018.
- ✓ Sponsored renewal members and associate members; enlisted a total of 6 annual members, assisted with 1 new lifetime member, and 12 associate members.
- ✓ Answered emails regarding MS Auxiliary business and stayed in contact with Board members.

Director at Large Kandice Netto had:

- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference March 02-04, 2018 at the Hilton Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi.
- ✓ Provided items for the silent auction.
- ✓ Attended the June 02, 2018 MS NG NCO Association Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS *"We Care for America"* Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Attended Family Day with the 367<sup>th</sup> Maintenance unit in July 2018.
- ✓ Worked at the MS NG NCO Association Ways and Means project, the MS State Fair, in October 2018.
- ✓ Worked on membership by emails, texts, phone calls, and face-to-face contact. Enlisted 2 renewal annual members.
- ✓ Communicated with President Carnes, Officers, and Board members via text, calls, and emails.

Immediate Past President Connie Myers had:

- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Past Presidents Breakfast on March 02, 2018 at the Hilton Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi. Suggested the recipient for the Leola "Bugger" Coggin Supporter Award.
- ✓ Attended and presided at the 2018 MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting March 02-03 at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson. Spoke at the Joint Session of the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Meeting on March 03, 2018 and presented the Auxiliary donation for the Gold Star Family Memorial at Camp Shelby to Gold Star Family members present at the meeting. Completed tenure as MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary President and moved to Immediate Past President.
- ✓ Provided silent auction items.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Attended the West Virginia Auxiliary Conference in Charleston, West Virginia, April 2018.
- ✓ Attended the Area V Caucus in Rochester, Minnesota, May 2018. Presented Roxie Barwick with special award from Mississippi Auxiliary recognizing her contributions to the Auxiliary as editor of the *Building Bridges* newsletter.
- ✓ Helped put flags on gravesites at VA Cemetery in Newton.
- ✓ Continued volunteer work with Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.
- ✓ Attended and hosted the June 02, 2018 MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian and provided continental breakfast and lunch.
- ✓ Worked at 2018 Kids A.T.
- ✓ Attended and presided at the EANGUS Auxiliary Conference events in Charleston, West Virginia, August 10-16, 2018. Completed tenure as EANGUS Auxiliary President and moved to EANGUS Auxiliary Immediate Past President.

- ✓ Worked at the MS NG NCO Association Ways and Means project, the Mississippi State Fair, and provided food.
- ✓ Attended MS NG NCO Association Board Meetings.
- ✓ Attended the EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Caucus in Springfield, Missouri in January 2019.
- ✓ Attended ESGR Training at Camp Shelby in March 2019.
- ✓ Continued to work ESGR events.
- ✓ Responded to EANGUS Calls to Action and reported same to MS Auxiliary legislative chairman.
- ✓ Enlisted 27 Auxiliary members: 5 new annual members, 10 renewal members, 11 annual associate members, and 1 MS Auxiliary lifetime associate member, some of whom were sponsored.

#### District Directors

District I Senior Director Sherry Clark provided a printed report:

- ✓ Attended the 2018 MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson in March. Elected as District I Director.
- ✓ Spoke with several officer and enlisted personnel about opportunities to recruit spouses for the Auxiliary; due to NTC rotation had limited progress.
- ✓ Attended Family Day at 2-198 CAB, Senatobia.
- ✓ Sent care packages to soldiers.
- ✓ Attended the June 02, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board of Directors Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian.
- ✓ Worked at Kids AT.
- ✓ Volunteered at the MS NG NCO Association Ways and Means project, the Mississippi State Fair.
- ✓ Attended and hosted the October 27, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board of Directors Meeting at Camp McCain.
- ✓ Spoke at the Longview Point Church for Military Spouses Night.
- ✓ Attended Social for Military Spouses in Hernando and gave out pamphlets.
- ✓ Served as panel member for Q&A for spouses in 2-198.
- ✓ Mailed care packages from Presbyterian Day School to members of 2-198.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Recruited 1 new annual member and 6 associate members.

*District III Senior Director Kaye Pace* provided a printed report:

- ✓ Attended the 2018 MS National Guard NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson in March. Elected as District III Director.
- ✓ Donated items for Silent Auction.
- ✓ Attended the June 02, 2018 MS National Guard NCO Association Auxiliary Board of Directors Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian.
- ✓ Attended the October 27, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board of Directors Meeting at Camp McCain.
- ✓ Communicated with spouses of deployed soldiers.
- ✓ Helped to organize her school's Veterans Day Walk.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Worked on membership through emails and phone calls.
- ✓ Responded to legislative Calls to Action.

District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson provided a printed report:

- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference in Jackson in April. Elected as Junior Director for District IV.
- ✓ Provided several Silent Auction items.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Attended the June 2018 Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW in Meridian.
- ✓ Provided reports for each Auxiliary Board Meeting.
- ✓ Responded to legislative Calls to Action and reported those efforts to Legislative Committee Chairman.
- ✓ Sent emails to distribution list reminding members of legislative Calls to Action as they became available.
- $\checkmark$  Responded to emails and stayed in contact with Officers and other Board members throughout the year.
- ✓ Worked on recruiting membership through face-to-face contacts, emails, texts, and letters.
- ✓ Enlisted 5 renewal annual members and 2 associate members.

Meridian Air Junior Director Daryl Gail Jensen—prior reports to the Board indicated the following:

- ✓ Attended the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference in Jackson in March; provided Director's report at the Auxiliary General Membership Meeting on March 03, 2018.
- ✓ Attended MS ANG Key Field Communications Squadron Family Outing.
- ✓ Served as Key Spouse/Volunteer at Key Field.
- ✓ Attended the June 02, 2018 MS Auxiliary Board of Directors Meeting at 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian.
- ✓ Answered Calls to Action.
- ✓ Enlisted member.

#### Committee Chairmen

Proposed Budget—Secretary Vivian Taylor reviewed the proposed budget with the Board; it was the consensus of the Board that the proposed budget, as printed, be presented to the membership for approval on Saturday, April 13, 2019. Conference Arrangements Chairman Connie Myers reported to the Board that, due to low attendance at Conference, only 3 rooms were comped by the Hilton Hotel for use at the 2019 Conference; all 3 of those rooms were required for use by the Association, which meant there was not a comped room available for the Auxiliary President. Motion to pay for Auxiliary President's room—Treasurer Pat Burchfield moved that the Auxiliary treasury pay for the room for Auxiliary President Angie Carnes at the stated rate for three (3) nights, three hundred eleven dollars ninety-four cents (\$311.94); District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson seconded motion. Motion carried.

#### Legislative Committee Chairman Vivian Taylor

- ✓ Provided legislative report at each MS Auxiliary Board meeting and at General Membership Meeting.
- ✓ Sent MS Auxiliary legislative report to EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Point of Contact Pat Bishop and EANGUS Auxiliary Legislative Committee Chairman Barbara Rains with courtesy copy to EANGUS Auxiliary Officers.
- ✓ Forwarded all EANGUS Calls to Action to membership distribution list.
- ✓ Those who reported participation in the legislative grassroots efforts for the year March 01, 2018 through April 05, 2019 were: Willa and Keith Ales, 9; Pat and Jim Bishop, 16; Pat and Jerry Burchfield, 9; Angie Carnes, 10; Paula Carrigan, 7; Lynn and Scotty Cole, 2; Natalie and Norman Copeland, 40; Billie Davis, 7; Kathi Goodwin, 4; Elaine Jackson, 11; Mev Knight, 4; Connie and Ricky Myers, 19; Kaye Pace, 8; Vivian and Jerry Taylor, 22. Also received an email from Pat Bond on April 7 with a report of 3 emails sent and 1 response received. The twenty-eight individuals who reported sent 131 emails, made 6 visits, and received 35 responses for a total of 172. Members were reminded to let Chairman Taylor know when they sent emails and received responses. She noted that there were fewer Calls to Action from EANGUS for that period.

#### Lifetime Membership Committee Chairman Pat Bishop

- ✓ Lifetime members who died in 2018 were: MS Auxiliary lifetime member #12 and EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime member #173 Beverly Gay (Scarborough) Lee, MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary President 1981-82, died March 29, 2018; MS Auxiliary lifetime member #133 and EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime member #603 Patricia "Pat" Ann (Thornton) Hollingsworth died October 14, 2018.
- ✓ New lifetime members for the Class of 2018 were: EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime member #803 and MS Auxiliary lifetime member #182 Pamela "Pam" J. Plunk; EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime member #810 and MS Auxiliary lifetime member #183 Geraldine "Geri" (Havei) Hill; EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime member #811 and MS Auxiliary lifetime member #184 Susan (Fandal) Kitch.
- ✓ At the time of the report there were 84 living lifetime members and 28 deceased lifetime members.
- ✓ Any annual member whose spouse is a MS NG NCO Association and EANGUS lifetime member is encouraged to apply for lifetime membership. An annual member may become a lifetime member of the Mississippi Auxiliary by payment of a fee of \$10.00 plus the annual dues that apply until the applicant reaches the age of 65. This is a non-refundable payment. After the age of 65, no dues are required, only the \$10.00 fee. If the applicant is not a lifetime member of the EANGUS Auxiliary dues. An annual member may become a lifetime member of the EANGUS Auxiliary dues. An annual member may become a lifetime member of the EANGUS Auxiliary by payment. After the age of 60, no dues are required, only the \$10.00 fee. If the applicant is not a lifetime member of the EANGUS Auxiliary dues. An annual member may become a lifetime member of the EANGUS Auxiliary by payment of \$25.00 plus the annual dues which apply until the applicant reaches the age of 60. This is a non-refundable payment. After the age of 60, no dues are required, only the \$25.00 fee. Mississippi Auxiliary lifetime membership forms and EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime membership forms are available upon request and were also printed in the

March-April edition of the Mississippi Auxiliary newsletter, *Mississippi Strong*, and were attached to the Lifetime Committee Chairman's report.

*Constitution and Bylaws Chairman Billie Davis* indicated there were no proposed amendments for the Constitution and Bylaws.

Scholarship Committee Chairman Pat Burchfield provided the following printed report:

- ✓ Received, reviewed, and forwarded applications for the 2018-2019 year EANGUS Auxiliary scholarships.
- ✓ Three of the five EANGUS Auxiliary scholarships were received by Mississippi youth. Laken E. Sanders was awarded a two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) scholarship from EANGUS Auxiliary; Alyssa D. Rickles received a scholarship for one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) from EANGUS Auxiliary; and Devin B. Wise received an EANGUS Auxiliary scholarship in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- ✓ The MS Auxiliary budgets for two (2) five hundred dollars (\$500.00) scholarships each year; recipients are the first two applicants not chosen by the MS NG NCO Association whose sponsor has been a MS Auxiliary member for at least two years. There were 2 eligible runners-up from the MS NG NCO Association scholarship applicants for the 2018 MS Auxiliary scholarships—2018 MS Auxiliary scholarship recipients were Kaycee Elizabeth Grice (mother Pam) and Erin Renea Thomas (mother Jan). There were no eligible recipients for 2019.
- ✓ Information was distributed and questions were answered about the 2019 scholarships offered by the MS NG NCO Association and Auxiliary and about EANGUS and EANGUS Auxiliary scholarships.

*Conference Arrangements*—MS NG NCO Association Executive Director Ricky Myers and Immediate Past President Connie Myers noted the following Conference events and times:

- ✓ April 12, 2019 evening meal, 6:00 p.m.
- ✓ First Timers as well as Legislative Brief would follow the evening meal at 7:30 p.m.
- ✓ Retiree Breakfast, 7:00 p.m. April 13, 2019—pre-registration had been required for 2019; anyone who wished to attend should check with MS NG NCO Association Executive Director Ricky Myers to learn if any more individuals could be accommodated in the Crown Room.
- ✓ Joint Session, 9:00 a.m., April 13, 2019 which would include Auxiliary President's address; the Auxiliary would be dismissed for the Auxiliary General Membership Meeting following President Carnes' address.
- ✓ Silent Auction would close at 2:00 p.m. on April 13, 2019.
- ✓ No host Social, April 13, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
- ✓ Banquet and Awards, April 13, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

#### <u>Appointees</u>

Parliamentarian Billie Davis had:

- ✓ Attended the Past Presidents Breakfast on March 02, 2018.
- ✓ Attended the 2018 MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson, Mississippi. Provided items for the Silent Auction.
- ✓ Donated to EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.
- ✓ Attended the June 2018 Board Meeting at the 186<sup>th</sup> ARW, Meridian.
- ✓ Answered legislative Calls to Action and reported to Legislative Committee Chairman.

#### Unfinished Business

Donations for EANGUS *"We Care for America"* Foundation, Inc. would be received at the Auxiliary's General Membership Meeting on April 13, 2019.

#### New Business

✓ EANGUS Auxiliary Award Nominees—Members discussed criteria for the awards and were reminded of the MS individuals who were past recipients. Immediate Past President Connie Myers and Secretary Vivian Taylor noted that the MS Auxiliary had also nominated individuals from other states when warranted. Immediate Past President Connie Myers nominated Dean Kennebeck, Iowa, for the Spouse of the Year Award; Director at Large Kandice Netto seconded nomination and Board approved. Secretary Vivian Taylor nominated Richard Bryant, New Mexico, for the EANGUS Auxiliary Meritorious Service Award; Immediate

Past President Connie Myers seconded nomination and the Board approved. There was not a nomination for the Distinguished Service Award. Any individual in the Auxiliary could later make a nomination for that award.

- ✓ EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference would be held August 04-07, 2019 in Des Moines, Iowa.
- ✓ Responsibilities of Directors in District Caucuses were outlined by Director at Large Kandice Netto.
- ✓ Pay Bills—Director at Large Kandice Netto moved that the Auxiliary pay its bills; District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson seconded motion. Motion carried.

#### Meeting Adjourned

Immediate Past President Connie Myers moved the meeting adjourn. Secretary Vivian Taylor seconded motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Vivian. D. Taylor

Vivian Taylor Secretary

#### MS NG NCO ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

#### HILTON HOTEL—JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI—CABANA POOLSIDE APRIL 13, 2019

Call to Order

President Angie Carnes called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

#### Welcome

President Carnes welcomed members.

#### Devotion and Prayer

District I Senior Director Sherry Clark led in prayer.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Director at Large Kandice Netto led members in The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

#### Roll Call

Secretary Vivian Taylor called the roll.Officers and Directors present were:President—Angie CarnesPresident—Angie CarnesSecreTreasurer—Pat BurchfieldDirector—Sherry ClarkDistrict I Senior Director—Sherry ClarkCommittee Chairmen present were:Legislative—Vivian TaylorLifetiMembership—Kandice NettoConstitution and Bylaws—Billie DavisAppointee present was: Parliamentarian—Billie Davis

Secretary—Vivian Taylor Director at Large—Kandice Netto

District IV Junior Director—Elaine Jackson

Lifetime Membership—Pat Bishop Scholarship—Pat Burchfield Silent Auction—Maria Kennedy (in Silent Auction room)

#### Minutes

The minutes from the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary March 2018 Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting were emailed to the membership on March 05, 2018 and again on March 11, 2019. The minutes were also included in the March-April edition of the Mississippi Auxiliary newsletter, *Mississippi Strong*. No corrections had been noted. The minutes from the March 02, 2018 Board Meeting had been approved at the June 02, 2018 Board Meeting. Director at Large Kandice Netto moved the minutes from the March 2018 General Membership Meeting be approved as printed; District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Minutes were approved as presented.

#### <u>Reports</u>

The reports from Officers, Directors, Committee Chairmen, and Appointee were found on pages one through seven (1-7) of the minutes from the April 12, 2019 MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Board Meeting. The reports were also made available to members in printed form during the General Membership Meeting.

#### <u>Budget</u>

Secretary Vivian Taylor presented the Proposed Budget as recommended by the Mississippi Auxiliary Board of Directors.

	2019 Budget	2018 Budget	2018
REVENUES:			
MEMBERSHIP (includes payments on STRIPE)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,956.54
WAYS AND MEANSSILENT AUCTION & DONATION	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,637.00
STATE FAIR & HAUNTED TRAIL EARNINGS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,000.00
EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc.	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 299.00
INTEREST	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 13.48
DONATION FOR PAST PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56.80
RESERVE TRANSFER	\$ 4,292.00	\$ 4,292.00	\$ _
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 10,100.00	\$ 11,600.00	\$ 6,162.82
EXPENSES:			
EANGUS AUXILIARY DUES	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 968.00
EANGUS AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP DONATION	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 336.00
STATE AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
PRINTING OF 2 AUXILIARY NEWSLETTERS	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ -
PRESIDENT EXPENSES CONFERENCES	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
BOARD MEETING LUNCHEONS 3 @ 75.00 each	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 150.00
EANGUS AUXILIARY CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS			
(8 delegates X \$250.00 each)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 900.00
NAME BADGES	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 34.00
POSTAGE	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
OFFICE SUPPLIES, MISC. COPYING	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
AWARDS (Plaques, certificates, frames, engraving)	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 205.50
MEMORIAL GIFTS	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 75.00
SPEAKERS & FIRST TIMER'S GIFTS	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
COMMITTEE EXPENSES	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
BOARD MEETING MILEAGE	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 605.55
EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc. MS PHILANTHROPIC FOR 2019	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
(2018 was ChalleNGe Foundation)	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
STORAGE BUILDING RENT 12 mo. @ 29.00 month	\$ 348.00	\$ 348.00	\$ 348.00
EANGUS AUXILIARY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE*	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 272.96
EANGUS AUXILIARY PHILANTHROPIC PROJECT	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
PAST PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 159.04
BANK SERVICE CHARGE	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 83.45
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 152.00	\$ 152.00	\$ <u> </u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 10,100.00	\$ 11,600.00	\$ 6,552.50

#### \*Area IV Auxiliary Director Clay's expense to MS Conference

District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson moved that the Budget be accepted as printed. Director at Large Kandice Netto seconded motion. Motion carried. Budget was adopted as printed.

Audit Report—Mississippi Auxiliary Past President Paula Carrigan provided the following report from the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee met on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson, Mississippi. The members did a financial audit on the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary accounts for the period April 2017 through March 2019. All monies were accounted for with the bank statements. One deposit slip was missing but the money was in the bank. The Committee members were Past Presidents Connie Myers, Vivian Taylor, and Paula Carrigan.

*Conference Arrangements*—Immediate Past President Myers noted these events and times: the Silent Auction would close at 2:00 p.m.; the no host Social would be at 6:00 p.m.; Adam Vance would be taking pictures; and the Banquet and Awards would be at 7:00 p.m. on April 13, 2019. She recognized Past Presidents Dianne Sullivan and Pat Bishop and expressed pleasure that both ladies were able to attend the 2019 General Membership Meeting. She briefly explained the Food Pantry at the VA Medical Center held for needy veterans each Wednesday. The Auxiliary and Association members had been encouraged to bring items for the VA Food Pantry and numerous individuals had responded with many hundreds of items—enough to fill two of the Hotel's luggage carts.

*Silent Auction Chairman Maria Kennedy* reported that at the time of the report the one hundred thirty-six (136) items in the Silent Auction totaled two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

#### Unfinished Business

Donations were received for EANGUS "We Care for America" Foundation, Inc. The Mississippi Auxiliary continued the practice which was started several years previously and which was done in lieu of door prizes.

#### New Business

- ✓ EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference—President Angie Carnes noted that the 2019 EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference would be in Des Moines, Iowa, August 3-8, 2019 (with first and last as travel days).
- ✓ Pay Bills—District IV Junior Director Elaine Jackson moved that the Auxiliary pay its bills; Director at Large Kandice Netto seconded. Motion carried.
- ✓ Election of Officers—Secretary Vivian Taylor noted that the following individuals had agreed to serve if elected: President, Angie Carnes; Secretary, Vivian Taylor; Treasurer, Pat Burchfield; Director at Large, Kandice Netto. Secretary Taylor called for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Past President Paula Carrigan moved that the nominations cease and that the Officers be elected by acclamation. Past President Billie Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Officers were elected as listed.
- ✓ District Caucuses—Members met in District Caucuses to elect District Directors.
- ✓ Results of Caucuses: District I—Sherry Clark, Junior Director; District II—no one elected; District III— President to check with Kaye Pace; District IV—Elaine Jackson ascended to Senior Director; District V—no one elected; Gulfport—no one elected; Jackson—no one elected; Meridian—President to check with Daryl Gail Jensen.
- ✓ Installation of Officers and Directors—Past President Billie Davis administered the oath of office to the Officers and Directors.

#### Command Chief Master Sergeant Lynn Cole

Secretary Taylor announced the presence of Command Chief Master Sergeant Lynn Cole, Command Chief for the Mississippi Air National Guard. Command Chief Master Sergeant Lynn Cole is the first female Mississippi Command Chief Master Sergeant and the 13<sup>th</sup> Mississippi Command Chief Master Sergeant. District I Senior Director Sherry Clark escorted Command Chief Master Sergeant Lynn Cole to the podium. Command Chief Master Sergeant Cole stated her support for the Auxiliary and thanked members for their support of the Mississippi National Guard airmen and soldiers. Secretary Taylor noted that both Command Chief Master Sergeant Lynn Cole and her spouse, Chief Master Sergeant Scotty Cole, Command Chief for the 172d AW, were members of the Mississippi Auxiliary.

New Business continued...

✓ Awards—President Carnes presented the 2019 Leola "Bugger" Coggin Supporter Award to Linda Matthews following the meeting.

<u>Benediction</u> District I Senior Director Sherry Clerk prayed the benedictory prayer.

<u>Meeting Adjourned</u> The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Vivian D. Taylor

Vivian D. Taylor Secretary

#### Other Conference Notes

**Past Presidents Breakfast**— Eight (8) Past Presidents attended the Past Presidents Breakfast on April 12, 2019: Pat Bishop, Pat Burchfield, Paula Carrigan, Billie Davis, Ann Hart, Connie Myers, Dianne Sullivan, and Vivian Taylor. It is the policy of the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary that the sitting President be invited to the Past Presidents Breakfast; President Angie Carnes joined the Past Presidents for breakfast. Those present signed a card for Past President Ruth Ann Crawford who had suffered a severe fall and was unable to attend. The nominee for the 2020 Leola "Bugger" Coggin Supporter Award was selected.

First Timers Meeting—There were no First Timers present.

**Presentation of Auxiliary share of Mississippi State Fair proceeds from MS NG NCO Association**—The MS NG NCO Association President, SFC Tommy Morgan, presented a check from the Association in the amount of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) to President Angelia Carnes at the Joint Session on Saturday morning, April 13, 2019.

Auxiliary Silent Auction—The one hundred thirty-six (136) items in the Auxiliary Silent Auction netted two thousand three hundred sixty-two dollars (\$2,362.00) for the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary treasury. Twenty-five (25) families provided items for the Silent Auction; forty (40) families bought items. There was also two dollars (\$2.00) generated from the Country Store.

EANGUS "*We Care for America*" (WCFA) Foundation, Inc. Donation—A total of ninety dollars (\$90.00) was given during the Auxiliary General Membership Meeting and after noon for WCFA.

MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary President's Award—President Angie Carnes presented the Auxiliary President's Award to MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Secretary Vivian Taylor at the Saturday evening Banquet/Awards Dinner.

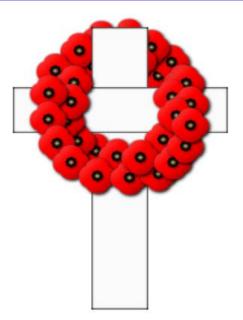
MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Side by Side Award—President Angelia Carnes presented the Auxiliary's Side by Side Award to Chance Netto at the Saturday evening Banquet/Awards Dinner.



Whoopee!!! Spring has sprung and summer is nearly here (summer solstice is June 21). May 1<sup>st</sup> is May Day, National Mother Goose Day, National Chocolate Parfait Day, Silver Star Banner Day, and more. The entire month of May is National Photo Month. Other special days in May include National Day of Prayer, Kentucky Derby Day, Cinco de Mayo, National Teacher Appreciation Day, National Military Spouse Appreciation Day, National Candied Orange Peel Day, Sun Day, Limerick Day, Mother's Day, Graduations, International Museum Day, World Turtle Day, Peace Officers Memorial Day, NASCAR Day, and Memorial Day. Memorial Day is a time to commemorate all those who have given the "last full measure of devotion" in service to the United States. Altogether there are about 50 special days and or weeks celebrated in May. Several of our Auxiliary members have May birthdays which also makes May a very special month!

## Final Reminder EANGUS Auxiliary 2019-2020 Scholarships

One (1) USAA Auxiliary scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 (three thousand dollars) One (1) EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 (two thousand dollars) One (1) EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 (one thousand five hundred dollars) Two (2) EANGUS Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 (one thousand dollars) each Criteria/Application can be downloaded at <u>https://eangusauxiliary.org</u> Scholarship tab or in *The Signal.* Please send to MS Auxiliary scholarship chairman Pat Burchfield by May 31 for review. Deadline postmark date for submission to EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarship Chairman: June 30.



Originally known as Decoration Day, Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.

Decoration Day originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. The Civil War, which ended in the spring of 1865, claimed more lives than any conflict in U.S. history and required the establishment of the country's first national cemeteries.

On April 25, 1866, women in Columbus, Mississippi laid flowers on the graves of both the Union and Confederate dead in the city's Friendship Cemetery. In 1915, following the Second Battle of Ypres, Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, a physician with the Canadian Expeditionary Force, wrote the poem, "In Flanders Fields". The opening lines of the poem refer to the fields of poppies that grew among the soldiers' graves in Flanders. In 1920 the National American Legion adopted the poppy as their official symbol of remembrance.

Many of us will observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings, and/or participating in parades.

Whatever you choose to do this Memorial Day, take time to remember all those who gave "the last full measure of devotion".

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." –John 15:13.

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Auxiliary Silent Auction team taking a few minutes to pose for a picture: Kristi Collins; Connie Myers; Maria Kennedy, chairman; Paula Carrigan; Pat Burchfield; and Vivian Taylor. The Auxiliary netted \$2,362.00 on 136 items. <u>Many thanks</u> to all who provided items and shopped! –photo by Allen Kennedy

# Air Guard in the house!

MSgt Jessica Couch, MSgt Lisa Oliver, & MSgt Melissa Herron







Command Chief Master Sergeant Lynn Cole, Airman First Class Trung Nguyen, MSgt Lisa Oliver, & Paula Carrigan

September Wallace & Lisa Oliver

CMSgt (Ret) Charlie Carrigan (9<sup>th</sup> Command Chief) and Paula Carrigan, Past Presidents of the Association and Auxiliary, with future leaders AIC Trung Nguyen and TSgt Joshua Parker









Friday evening meal—fish, chicken, and all the trimmings. Just like a family reunion... seeing long-time friends and folks you haven't seen in a coon's age (that's a noun meaning a long while)!





MG Janson D. Boyles, TAG, MS (left) and CSM John Raines, III, SEL, MS (right) stand with 2019 Best Warrior competition winners NCO of the Year, SGT Darrell Washington (middle left), and Airman, AIC Trung Nguyen (middle right).



Auxiliary Board members for 2019-2020 year take the oath of office: l-r, Billie Davis, Past President administered oath; Kandice Netto, Director at Large; Connie Myers, Immediate Past President; Pat Burchfield, Treasurer; Angelia "Angie" Carnes, President; Vivian Taylor, Secretary; Sherry Clark, District I Junior Director; and Elaine Jackson, District IV Senior Director.







Auxiliary members in General Membership Meeting

Thanks to Photographer Adam Vance and all those who sent pictures for use in the newsletter.

Our goal is to provide an EANGUS COOKBOOK All-Area Cookbook for the National Guard family to discover, preserve, and share their favorite recipe stories. Please submit your story We invite members to share their on the link provided. best recipes - the favorites served at the dinner table, at parties and potlucks, the recipes your family and friends ask Cookbooks will be available fo rders will be to for. We'd love to hear the heartwarming. and humorous stories behind each dish.

Please share recipes by May 31. Go to eangus.org for Cookbook Submission Form.