

—Mississippi Strong—

Newsletter of the MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary

May-June 2020

In this issue of the *Mississippi Strong* newsletter you will find: membership & scholarship information; seasonal highlights; 2019 MS Auxiliary History Highlights; and much more. Please send any information for the newsletter to Vivian via email at vivtay7@aol.com. Thanks for your assistance!



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Cancelled

See page 20 for related information.



MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NCO ASSOCIATION & AUXILIARY CONFERENCE CANCELLED

As you know the MS State Conference was postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Conference had been rescheduled for June 12-14, but

has now been cancelled.



David Dan Hart - December 13, 1943-April 19, 2020 (age 76)

David Dan Hart, age 76, former president of the Mississippi National Guard Noncommissioned Officers Association, passed away Sunday, April 19, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Ott & Lee Funeral Home in Brandon, MS is handling arrangements.

Mr. Hart, a Pickens native, served in the Mississippi National Guard from March 1964 until his retirement in September 1994. He served in numerous positions culminating as the Mississippi Air National Guard's State Command Chief Master Sergeant. He received numerous awards and decorations. Mr. Hart served in various positions in the Mississippi National Guard Noncommissioned Officers Association and as its President, 1986-1987. He was employed by the Veterans Benefits Administration in Jackson, 2000-2003. He was a life member of the Pickens Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include wife, Ann; daughter, Dedra Harthcock and sons, Dan Hart of Madison and Sam Lemmon of Brandon; seven grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren; two grandsons-in-law and a nephew, Allen Hart. He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Roland Hart.

Memorials may be made to the Pickens Presbyterian Church, Pickens, MS 39146.

Mrs. Mary Louise Hall February 7, 1933 – April 25, 2020

Mary Louise Hall, 87, passed away on Saturday, April 25, 2020. She was born on February 7, 1933 in Canton, MS. She and her husband, Duane, were active members of Lakeside Presbyterian Church and the 172nd retiree association.

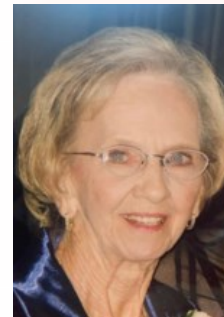
She is preceded in death by her parents, Clifton "Buck" Gartee, Jr. and Lessie Ross Gartee, and sister, Kathryn Lawalin.

Mrs. Hall is survived by her husband, Duane Hall; children, Mike Hall (Debbie), Becky Shelton (Richard), and Steve Hall; twin sister, Martha Lee Gartee Price (Charles); 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family would like to thank the caregivers at Peach Tree Village for the compassion and care given to Mrs. Hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Diabetes Association at diabetes.org

A committal service will be held at Lakewood Memorial Park on Tuesday, April 28 at 2:00 PM.



The Guard Family offers sincere sympathy at the death of Dave and Mary Louise.

Please continue to remember their families in your prayers.

**MS NG NCO ASSOCIATION
AUXILIARY
PAST PRESIDENTS**

1970-71—Dot Brown, deceased	1996-97—Suzie Stewart
1971-72—Doris Williams, deceased	1997-98—Barbara McCay
1972-73—Virginia Brown, deceased	1998-99—Shirley A. Ritter, deceased
1973-74—Agnes Tupman, deceased	1999-2000—Janet McCullum*
1974-75—Ruth Ann Crawford	2000-2001—Pearleen Pearce
1975-76—Dianne Sullivan	2001-2002—Phyllis Barranco, deceased
1976-77—Delores Ford, deceased	2002-2003—Karla Dickens
1977-78—Dot Dudley, deceased	2003-2004—Pat Burchfield
1978-79—Beverly Hurst	2004-2005—Christina Ammons
1979-80—Elwanda Keith	2005-2006—Gloria Cooley
1980-81—Billie Davis	2006-2007—Connie Myers
1981-82—Beverly Lee, deceased	2007-2008—Danna Davis
1982-83—Dot Brown, deceased	2008-2009—Florence Wright
1983-84—Judy Harris	2009-2010—Pat Bishop
1984-85—Ann Hart	2010-2011—Karen Solots
1985-86—Dot Pee, deceased	2011-2012—Pat Burchfield
1986-87—Paulette McLeod, deceased	2012-2013—Pat Burchfield
1987-88—Paula Carrigan	2013-2014—Cathy Adams
1988-90—Brooks Marr	2014-2015—Cathy Adams
1990-91—Ancia Lowery	2015-2016—Christina Thomas*
1991-92—Mildred Geary, deceased	2016-2017—Connie Myers
1992-93—Danna Davis	2017-2018—Connie Myers
1993-94—Doris J. Hoxie, deceased	2018-2019—Angelia Carnes
1994-95—Linda B. Bishop, deceased	2019-2020—Angelia Carnes
1995-96—Vivian D. Taylor	2020-2021—

*unable to complete term

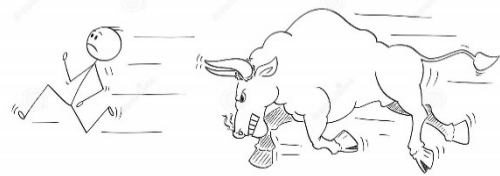


Answers for Word Puzzle in March issue

1. Point blank range
2. Walk in the park
3. Tip of the iceberg
4. Horsing around
5. One if by land two if by sea
6. In the middle of nowhere
7. Crossfire
8. You deserve a break today
9. Breaking the bank
10. Barbershop quartet
11. Contract extension
12. The pen is mightier than the sword
13. Shifting gears
14. Side splitting laughter
15. Temporarily out of order
16. Sitting on top of the world
17. Eye chart
18. Crying shame



Humor



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A DEA officer stopped at our farm yesterday, he said “I need to inspect your farm for illegally growing drugs.” I said “Okay, but don’t go in that field over there.” The DEA officer verbally exploded saying, “Mister, I have the authority of the Federal Government with me!” Reaching into his rear pants pocket, the arrogant officer removed his badge and shoved it in my face. “See this badge?! This badge means I am allowed to go wherever I wish, on any land! No questions asked or answers given! Have I made myself clear? Do you understand?!” I nodded politely, apologized, and went about my chores. A short time later, I heard loud screams, looked up, and saw the DEA officer running for his life, being chased by my big, old, mean bull. With every step the bull was gaining ground on the officer, and it seemed likely that he’d sure enough get gored before he reached safety. The officer was clearly terrified. I threw down my tools, ran to the fence and yelled at the top of my lungs “Your badge, show him your BADGE!”

All gave some. Some gave all. Please take Memorial Day seriously. Find a moment to genuinely pause and reflect on the sacrifice of others to keep our country free.



See if you recognize the fella second from the left.





The U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) wants to restrict Veterans from transferring their Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to their families. Join us in helping Congress protect Veterans' rights!

HELP PROTECT OUR RIGHT TO TRANSFER THE POST 9/11 GI BILL

The Department of Defense has indicated they wish to further limit and deny service members and veterans the right to transfer their education benefits to their families. The Post 9/11 GI Bill Transferability Entitlement Act (TEA Act) in the Senate and House has been introduced as a response to DoD's intention to limit education benefits, and will ensure that transferring education benefits becomes an entitlement for all military families.

Please join us by reaching out to your Senator and member of Congress to vocalize your support for S. 2327 and HR. 5522, the Post 9/11 GI Bill Transferability Entitlement Act (TEA Act).

Answer The Call

<https://eangus.org/legislative-calls-to-action-2/?vsrc=%2fCampaigns%2f70270%2fRespond>

Letter

(Please add your own story about this issue to personalize your message)


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I believe military families should have the ability to use their earned benefits as they see best, and I no longer want to see military families denied the benefits they were promised. I encourage you to support the TEA Act and fulfill your promise to protect veterans and their families.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LET MS AUXILIARY LEGISLATIVE CHAIRMAN VIVIAN TAYLOR KNOW WHEN YOU HAVE RESPONDED TO CALLS TO ACTION AND WHEN YOU RECEIVE RESPONSES FROM LEGISLATORS. THANKS!!!

UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS - MISSISSIPPI

UPDATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Republicans 

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116th Congress

January 3, 2019- January 3, 2021

Mississippi U.S. Senators



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Roger Wicker

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Cindy Hyde-Smith

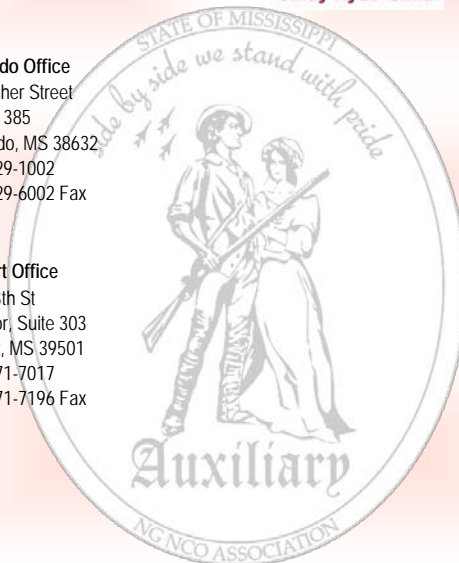
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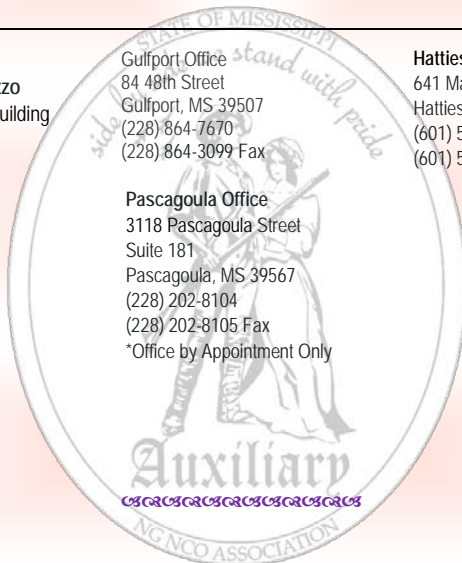


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Found this G O A L stuck in some of my old notes.
 Not a bad one to which to adhere.

- Gracious not grumpy.
- Optimistic not obstructionist
- Aid not analyze.
- Love not lash.

*Life is like a mirror—if you frown at it, it frowns back;
 if you smile at it, it returns the greeting.*

CANCELLED

49th EANGUS Conference

Statehouse
Convention Center
101 E. Markham Street

Little Rock, AR
August 9-12, 2020



Attendee Registration

<https://eangusconference.org/2020-conference-registration/>

\$150 — Until July 1, 2020

No refunds after July 1st

\$ 200 — July 2, 2020, to Conference

\$ 225 — At the Conference

Iowa 2019
EANGUS & EANGUS Auxiliary
Conference Books
Available to Read
or Download at <https://eangusconference.org/>



48th EANGUS
Conference Book 2019

<https://online.fliphtml5.com/papa/vjop/#p=1>

46th EANGUS AUXILIARY
Conference Book 2019

<https://online.fliphtml5.com/papa/iqvb/-p=1>



2020 EANGUS CONFERENCE CANCELLED

The decision was based on public health concerns, ongoing restrictions, and uncertainties related to COVID-19.

50th EANGUS Conference
August 8-11, 2021
Albuquerque, New Mexico

51st EANGUS Conference
August , 2022
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rochester, Minnesota will follow in 2023



Mother's Day—May 10 Father's Day—June 21
If you are blessed to have a living mom and/or dad let her and/or him know how much you love and appreciate her and/or him!!



Different Classes of Membership for the Auxiliary

Annual Member—Your spouse must be a member of the MS NG NCO Association. In Mississippi the annual membership is \$13.00.

Lifetime Member—Your spouse must be a Lifetime member of the NCO Association and you must be a current annual member of the Auxiliary. The cost is figured on your age.

Associate Member—You do not have to have anyone in the Guard. This membership shows your support of the Guard, the NCO Association, and the Auxiliary. There are no voting privileges and you cannot hold an office. Cost is \$10.00 for Mississippi and EANGUS Auxiliary associate membership.

Mississippi Auxiliary Associate Lifetime Member—The rules are the same as for an Associate Member, except it is for Mississippi Auxiliary Lifetime only and there will be no more dues. Cost is \$100.00.

EANGUS Auxiliary Associate Lifetime Member—The rules are the same as for the Mississippi Auxiliary Associate Lifetime Member, except it is for the National Organization only and there will be no more dues. Cost is \$100.00.

Lifetime membership is good for both the Auxiliary and the individual. Please inquire if there is something you don't understand. Any Officer would be happy to help you!



Welcome to our newest lifetime member:
**Violet Lambert, #188 (MS Aux.),
#832 (EANGUS Auxiliary).**

**MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS
ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY STATE LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Card Number assigned by MS Auxiliary treasurer _____

Applicant's Name: Last First Middle Maiden

Street Address or Post Office Box

City State Zip Code

Phone Number: _____ (home) _____ (work or cell)

Age _____ Birthday _____ Army Guard _____ Air Guard _____

Spouse's Name Rank Unit

EANGUS Auxiliary Lifetime Membership Number _____

Cost of Lifetime Membership: An annual member may become a lifetime member 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 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

<u>Current Age</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>	<u>Current Age</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>	<u>Current Age</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
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
SPOUSE MUST BE AN EANGUS LIFETIME MEMBER
APPLICANT MUST BE CURRENT STATE & EANGUS AUXILIARY MEMBER

LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

2018--November

Date of Application

Name (Last) (First) (Middle) (Maiden name, please)

Mailing Address

City, State

Age Date of Birth State Affiliation State Verification

Spouse's Name Phone number

Email Address

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.

Table with columns for Year of birth, Current Year, Life Membership Dues to age 60, Application Fee, and TOTAL. Includes mathematical calculations for dues.

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 Amount \$

-- Side By Side We Stand With Pride --

November 2018

MS NG NCO ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

YOUR NAME: _____

YOUR HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: _____ BIRTHDAY: _____

SPOUSE:(NCO) _____ RANK: _____

UNIT ASSIGNED: _____ ARMY: _____ AIR: _____

CITY: _____ DISTRICT: _____

Spouse Current Member of MS NG NCO Association YES _____ NO _____

Spouse MS NG NCO Association Membership Number _____

Did Spouse join NCO Association On-Line? YES _____ NO _____

CHECK ONE BELOW – LEVEL CHECKED WILL INDICATE DUES

NEW ANNUAL MEMBER
\$13.00

RENEWAL MEMBER
\$13.00

ASSOCIATE MEMBER
MS AUXILIARY ONLY
\$5.00

ASSOCIATE MEMBER MS AUXILIARY AND EANGUS AUXILIARY \$10.00

LIFE MEMBER EANGUS
(STATE ONLY) \$6.00

LIFE MEMBER STATE
(EANGUS ONLY) \$9.00

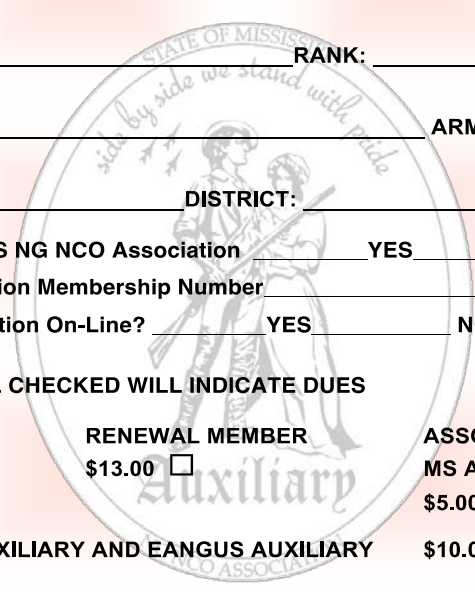
LIFE MEMBER (BOTH
STATE & EANGUS)

It is understood that by acceptance of this application and membership dues, I will be a member in good standing with the Mississippi National Noncommissioned Officers Association Auxiliary. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations as set forth in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Auxiliary and that violation of the same is cause for revocation of membership.

DATE: _____ YOUR SIGNATURE: _____

PLEASE MAIL APPLICATION TO:
TREASURER PAT BURCHFIELD
MS NG NCO ASSN. AUXILIARY
2443 DOGWALK RD, TUTWILER, MS 38963

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
MS NG NCO ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY



MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY STATE ASSOCIATE LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name (Last) (First) (Middle) (Maiden)

Address (Street and/or P.O. Box) City State Zip Code

Phone Number (Home) (Work or Cell)

Email Address

Spouse

Your Birthday Anniversary

COST OF STATE LIFETIME ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: \$100.00

DATE SIGNATURE

Please mail this application along with application dues to:

Treasurer Pat Burchfield 2443 Dogwalk Road Tutwiler, MS 38963

Please Make Checks Payable To MS NG NCO ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY

ENLISTED BY

Individuals who support the objectives of the Auxiliary but do not otherwise qualify to join as annual or lifetime members, we invite you to join as a state associate lifetime member. Currently the Mississippi Auxiliary has fourteen (14) State Associate Lifetime Members. The Mississippi Auxiliary appreciates your support!



EANGUS AUXILIARY LIFE NATIONAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Life National Associate Membership may be issued to individuals who support the objectives of the ENLISTED ASSOCIATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES (EANGUS) AUXILIARY but do not otherwise qualify for annual or lifetime membership. A national life associate member shall not be a voting delegate, eligible for scholarships, or qualified to hold office in the AUXILIARY. Dues are **\$100.00** (one hundred dollars). This is a onetime non-refundable payment.

Request for Life National Associate Membership

Date _____ Member ID _____
(Member ID will be assigned)

State Auxiliary Affiliation _____

Name _____

Company/Corporation Name _____
(If applicable)

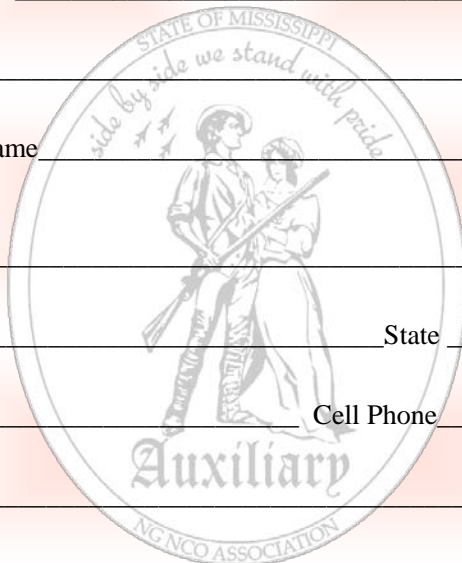
Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Signature _____



Hard copy membership applications may be mailed with dues payment to current EANGUS Auxiliary Membership Chair, Judith Putman, 1234 Road 137, Emporia, KS 66801. Please allow 30 days for processing hard copy membership applications.

Make check payable to EANGUS Auxiliary.

FREE email subscription to EANGUS Auxiliary news publication, *The Signal* (if email address is provided).

Check here for hard copy subscription to EANGUS Auxiliary news publication, *The Signal* at a cost of \$25.00 for 11 issues.

The Mississippi Auxiliary currently has nine (9) EANGUS Auxiliary Life Associate Members; one is deceased.

EANGUS AUXILIARY 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)

Criteria/Application can be downloaded at <https://eangusauxiliary.org> Scholarship tab, or in *The Signal*.

Deadline for submitting scholarship application is 30 June 2020.

Liz Bryant, EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarship Chair labrab0704@gmail.com

Note: Mississippi Auxiliary applicants need to submit complete scholarship packet to MS Auxiliary Scholarship Chairman, Pat Burchfield, not later than MAY 31, 2020, so that she can review the application before forwarding to EANGUS Auxiliary Scholarship Chairman Liz Bryant.

If you need more info contact Pat at patburchfieldbo@hotmail.com. Pat Burchfield's address is on the front page of this newsletter.

INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY



- ◇ Spouses of Auxiliary Members
- ◇ Children, Stepchildren, Grandchildren
and
- ◇ Step Grandchildren of Auxiliary members in good standing

Mississippi applicants must be sponsored by a current member of the Mississippi Auxiliary.



Fun Facts

The Army is older than the country

The measure to create a unified Continental Army, to be led by George Washington, was passed by the Second Continental Congress on June 14, 1775. So, technically, the United States has had an army for a year longer than it's been a country.

—*Soldier Today*, February 25, 2020

Mississippi Auxiliary—History Highlights for 2019

State Conference—The Mississippi National Guard Noncommissioned Officers (MS NG NCO) Association and Auxiliary met for annual Conference April 12-14, 2019 at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson, Mississippi. The Conference was a celebration of 50 years of the MS NG NCO Association (1969-2019). Many MS NG NCO Association Past Presidents were in attendance, some who had not been at Conference for a number of years, and they were recognized at the joint session on Saturday morning. The Mississippi Auxiliary Past Presidents in attendance were also recognized during the joint session. The Conference included the standard events—golfing, fishing, bowling, hospitality rooms, Friday night catfish/chicken meal, Saturday morning Retiree Breakfast, business sessions and break outs, Awards Banquet, Sunday morning chapel service, etc. The planned corn hole tournament was cancelled.

Eight Auxiliary Past Presidents—Pat Bishop, Pat Burchfield, Paula Carrigan, Billie Davis, Ann Hart, Connie Myers, Dianne Sullivan, and Vivian Taylor—met for the Mississippi Auxiliary Past Presidents Breakfast on Friday morning and were joined by the 2018-2019 Mississippi Auxiliary President Angelia “Angie” Carnes. The PPs selected the 2020 recipient of the Leola “Bugger” Coggin Supporter Award. The Auxiliary held its Board Meeting on Friday morning and then opened the Silent Auction on Friday afternoon. A total of one hundred thirty-six (136) items netted two thousand three hundred sixty-two dollars (\$2,362.00) for the Mississippi Auxiliary treasury.

Former Mississippi State Auditor Stacey Pickering, now Director of the Veterans Affairs Board, addressed the retirees at the Retiree Breakfast on Saturday morning. Auxiliary President Carnes spoke to the attendees on Saturday morning and received a check for one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) from the Association, which was a share of the proceeds from the Association’s 2018 ways and means project, the Mississippi State Fair. The Auxiliary helped the Association with the project by working with Association members at the gate and by also providing food for those who worked the project.

The Auxiliary held its General Membership Meeting on Saturday morning. Members were presented with reports from the officers, directors, and committee chairmen and approved a budget of ten thousand one hundred dollars (\$10,100.00) which included one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for state scholarships and three hundred dollars (\$300.00) each for a Mississippi Auxiliary philanthropic project, for the EANGUS Auxiliary philanthropic project, and for EANGUS “*We Care for America* (WCFA)” Foundation, Inc. Ninety dollars (\$90.00) was received for WCFA during the Auxiliary meeting. Auxiliary officers were re-elected: Angie Carnes, President; Vivian Taylor, Secretary; Pat Burchfield, Treasurer; and Kandice Netto, Director at Large. Connie Myers continued to serve as Immediate Past President. Sherry Clark was elected as District I Junior Director and Elaine Jackson ascended to District IV Senior Director.

The Association and Auxiliary were honored to have EANGUS President CSM (Ret) Karen Craig attend Conference and address the members on Saturday afternoon. The Association presented six (6) scholarships in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) each to: Lauren Grace Barnett; Jackson Patrick Daughdrill; Sterling Spears; Charles Cooper Clevenger; Elisha Tess Rodgers; and John Adam Howard Thomas. There were no eligible recipients for the 2019 Auxiliary scholarships. Also on Saturday afternoon, Tony L. Bailey, volunteer at the Jackson G.V. “Sonny” Montgomery Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC), accepted hundreds of food items worth hundreds of dollars, for the Freedom Foods Food Pantry at the Jackson VAMC.

The Saturday evening Awards Banquet included the presentation of the MS Best Warriors and Mississippi Adjutant General MG Janson D. Boyles and Mississippi Senior Enlisted Leader CSM John Raines, III announced the winners of the competition who were NCO of the Year, SGT Darrell Washington and Airman, A1C Trung Nguyen. Auxiliary President Angie Carnes presented the Auxiliary President’s Award to Secretary Vivian Taylor and the Auxiliary’s *Side by Side* Award to Chance Netto.

Area IV Mid-Winter Caucus—EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Treasurer and Mississippi Auxiliary Past President and Past Treasurer Paula Carrigan, EANGUS Auxiliary and Mississippi Auxiliary Immediate Past President Connie Myers, EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV and Mississippi Auxiliary Secretary and Mississippi Auxiliary Past President Vivian Taylor, and EANGUS Auxiliary and Mississippi Auxiliary associate lifetime member Jerry Taylor represented the Mississippi Auxiliary at the Auxiliary Caucus on Saturday morning January 19. There was a total of eleven (11) Auxiliary members from five (5) states present in the meeting. The Area IV Mid-Winter Caucus was held at the Oasis Hotel and Convention Center in Springfield, Missouri. EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV members in attendance adopted a budget of seven hundred dollars (\$700.00), received one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for EANGUS WCFA, and netted three hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$398.00) for the EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV treasury. Mississippi Auxiliary members provided eleven (11) items that sold for one hundred eighty dollars (\$180.00).

EANGUS Conference—Mississippi Auxiliary seated delegates—MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Treasurer and Past President Pat Burchfield and MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Past President and Past Treasurer Paula Carrigan—and used proxies. EANGUS Auxiliary Immediate Past President Connie Myers and EANGUS Auxiliary Secretary Vivian Taylor were present at all EANGUS Auxiliary functions and performed relevant duties. Mississippi Auxiliary members donated dozens of items for the EANGUS Auxiliary silent auction. Mississippi Auxiliary donated three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to the EANGUS Auxiliary philanthropic project *Paws and Effect*. Mississippi Auxiliary received the Outstanding State Award in the 79 plus members category and received certificates for the largest percentage increase in lifetime members and associate members in that same category. Secretary Vivian Taylor was presented the 2019 Sara Hendricks Lifetime Membership Award and the Recruiting Member of the Year Award. The EANGUS Auxiliary award nominees submitted by Mississippi all received the award for which nominated: Debra Campbell, Distinguished Service Award; Richard Bryant, Meritorious Service Award; and Dean Kennebeck, Spouse of the Year Award.

Newsletter—Secretary Vivian Taylor published eight (8) issues of *Mississippi Strong*, the Mississippi Auxiliary newsletter, in 2019. The newsletter included minutes from Auxiliary General Membership and Board Meetings, relevant information for military spouses and retirees, pictures from events, MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary news, EANGUS/Auxiliary news, EANGUS Area IV/Auxiliary news, legislative Calls to Action, and more. The *Mississippi Strong* newsletter was also posted on social media and on the EANGUS Auxiliary bookcase.

Communication—All EANGUS Auxiliary and EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV newsletters and communication, as well as EANGUS Calls to Action, were distributed by email to over one hundred forty-five (145+) members. Secretary Taylor sent numerous email reminders about membership renewal to members prior to the membership deadline. Immediate Past President Myers posted reminders and information on Facebook and the newsletter was shared on social media and posted on the EANGUS Auxiliary bookcase. Secretary Vivian Taylor submitted articles related to the MS NG NCO Association/Auxiliary Conference held in April in Jackson, Mississippi and the EANGUS/Auxiliary Conference held in Des Moines, Iowa in August which were published on each occasion in *The Wayne County News* in Waynesboro, Mississippi.

Legislative—About twenty (20) Auxiliary members consistently answered EANGUS Calls to Action and communicated with legislators at both the state and national level. MS NG NCO Association members and Auxiliary associate members attended the EANGUS Legislative Workshop; Auxiliary members and associate members attended the Legislative Reception. The Legislative Committee Chairman submitted an annual report to the EANGUS Auxiliary Area IV Legislative Point of Contact with a courtesy copy to the EANGUS Auxiliary Legislative Committee Chairman.

Projects/Participation—The Auxiliary continued to assist the MS NG NCO Association with its Ways and Means project, the Mississippi State Fair, by working at the gate and providing food items for those who worked. MS NG NCO Association and Auxiliary members and associate members worked at the 27th MS NG Summer Youth Camp, Kids AT. Association and Auxiliary members provided food items for the G.V. “Sonny” Montgomery VAMC Freedom Foods Food Pantry, as well as donating three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to the Freedom Foods Food Pantry from the Auxiliary budget. The Auxiliary continued to donate to the EANGUS “*We Care for America*” Foundation, Inc. at all its meetings.

Board Meetings—The MS NG NCO Association Auxiliary Board met on April 12 in Jackson, Mississippi and on October 26 at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Deceased Lifetime Members—Patsy (Tate) Rowe, MS Auxiliary lifetime member #132 and EANGUS Auxiliary lifetime member #601, died November 16, 2019. EANGUS Auxiliary and Mississippi Auxiliary lifetime associate member James M. “Jim” Bishop, LA005 and MS 2014-1, died November 23, 2019.

Membership—The Mississippi Auxiliary reported the following membership numbers for 2020: ninety-one (91) annual members; eighty-six (86) lifetime members; eighty-six (86) annual associate members; eight (8) EANGUS Auxiliary and Mississippi Auxiliary lifetime associate members and one (1) deceased EANGUS Auxiliary and Mississippi Auxiliary lifetime associate member; five (5) Mississippi Auxiliary lifetime associate members and annual EANGUS Auxiliary associate members; and four (4) Mississippi Auxiliary only associate members.

CANCELLATION OF 2020 KIDS AT

On May 6, 2020, at 4:11 PM, Haggerty, Michela M NFG NG (USA) <michela.m.haggerty.nfg@mail.mil> wrote:

Hi Everyone:

First, let me say I hope you and your family are safe and healthy as you read this. It is with heavy hearts we send this email to cancel Kid's A.T. 2020. This decision does not come lightly; however, we feel this is in the best interest of our campers, volunteers and community at this time.

While we are saddened by this announcement, we are excited to offer several at home "camp" options. Please like our Facebook page, MSNG Family Programs, to see when these options are available and for updates.

Please know how much we appreciate you! We could not and would not want to do camp without you! Please plan on coming next year; I hope to have dates soon.

Thank you for your understanding as we all navigate this unprecedented time. If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to call me at 601-519-2439.

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**America & Britain celebrated Victory in Europe
on May 8, 1945.**



Military Family Appreciation Month is observed in November each year. With all that is going on now with COVID-19 and the deployment of military members, once again military families are stepping in to keep homes going, so I wanted to say thanks to all our military families for all you do all the time.

This year National Nurses Week has been expanded to celebrate nurses the entire month of May. We are all so appreciative of what these front-line folks do for us each day but especially during this pandemic.



**A heartfelt
thanks
for all you do**

National Nurses week