

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

Albert Hughes
State Commander

Paul Kaiser
State Adjutant

March 11, 2021

Dear Commanders and Adjutants,

I am happy to announce our 2021 Department Convention is a go! Our Department has been closely following the news surrounding COVID-19 and its related public health concerns, and feel we can safely proceed with our event, with some minor changes. By now, you have likely heard news of school and business closings as well the canceling of social and community events to prevent further spread of the virus. Our Department will be joining our community, state and national partners in working to limit the spread the COVID-19 pandemic by condensing this year's convention with a focus on attending to official business. Our Convention will take place at the Soaring Eagle Casino in Mount Pleasant on June 21-22, with administrative committee meetings commencing on Sunday June 20th.

This letter/convention package has taken the place of our newsletter this year; It has been mailed to all current Chapter Commander's and Adjutants, as well as all 2019 Convention attendees. *It is each Chapter Commander/Adjutants responsibility to notify your Chapter members of the following information. This letter (and all forms) will be listed on our website at <https://www.mi-dav.org> on or before 3/26/21.*

The major changes for this year's convention are as follows:

- 1) As we are all aware, the pandemic has affected many of our Chapters and members from a financial standpoint. In an effort to provide some relief, we will not be charging for convention this year. The only costs attendees will be responsible for are their room, and the banquet meal (if they choose to attend the banquet).
- 2) Chapter Service Officer training will not be conducted concurrent with Convention this year; We have been working with the Service Office to reschedule this event for the fall of this year; whether in person, virtual, or combined format. More to follow.
- 3) In lieu of a separate memorial service, a remembrance ceremony will take place immediately prior to our banquet. Please email me a listing of any of your chapter members that have passed away this past year to ensure all are recognized. My email address is paul@davmichigan.com.
- 4) You must call the Soaring Eagle at make reservations as early as possible, but no later than May 31, 2021 to guarantee the group rate, and room availability. DAV Code number DAV062121 – Room rate \$139.00.
- 5) Please note: We no longer take credit cards. If you or your members would like to attend the banquet, payment (\$35) must be sent to Department no later than June 5th along with the included pre-registration form. There will be no banquet tickets available for purchase at convention.
- 6) If you will not be attending the banquet, you must still email your registration to Kelly Trambley and me. Our email addresses are paul@davmichigan.com and kelly@davmichigan.com.
- 7) Due to the pandemic and associated school closings, we will not be holding a "say no to drugs" poster contest.

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- 8) Department will not be planning or hosting a PDC luncheon this year, however PDC's are welcome to coordinate a break out session/luncheon for their group if desired.
- 9) The Auxiliary has elected to cancel their auction this year.
- 10) For future reference, this letter and associated documents will be posted on our website at <https://www.middav.org>. Please refer to the website if you need additional copies.

As another year comes to an end, it's time to look back and reflect on the past 12 months...Our organization has not missed a beat! Despite all the challenges we have faced, our team upheld their focus and epitomized "service before self" against the backdrop of a very challenging environment. I have no doubt that we will continue to remain our nation's premier veteran's service organization for another 100 years. Thank you ALL for your hard work, commitment, and invaluable contributions to our organization that has been integral to our continued progress and success.

Our Department leadership team looks forward to seeing all of you in June! We hope your spring is filled with success, happiness, and good health.

Yours in patriotism,



Paul Kaiser State Adjutant

DAV Department of Michigan

**INFORMATION FORM FOR MEMBERS SEEKING A DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS STATE OFFICE**

*Please complete and forward to
DAV Department Headquarters 17779 E. 14 Mile Road, Fraser, Michigan 48026.
This Form **MUST** be received by the Department of Michigan*

No later than June 5, 2020

CIRCLE CHOICE OF POSITION: LINE OFFICER – CHAPLAIN – TREASURER

Name: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone #: _____

Your Chapter Number and Location: _____

Why do you want this position?

Are you a member in Good Standing? _____ Do you belong to an active chapter? _____

Do you attend Chapter meetings? _____ Are you active in your chapter? _____

How long have you been a DAV member? _____ Are you a chapter officer now? _____

If yes, what office? _____

To what other veteran organizations do you belong? _____

Have you served as an officer in any of them? _____ What offices and when? _____

Are you now employed? _____ If yes, where and what type of work? _____

Are you reasonably free to travel? _____ Can you spend your own money? _____

Add any information you desire concerning training, education, and experience: _____

Signature: _____

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Dear Chapter Adjutant:

It is **Mandatory** that all chapters hold their election of officers in the months of **March, April or May** and shall install their officers prior to July 1st.
(Article III, Section 1 (b) of the Department Constitution and Bylaws)

The Department has enclosed the "Installation of Officers Report" form for the upcoming 2021-2022 year. Also, remember that you need to complete and mail the National Officer report after installation as well with a copy to Department too.

****National and Department Officer reports must each be turned into Department after installation****

Please be sure to fill out the form completely and mail an original to the Department office ***within 10 days after installation***. Be sure to retain a copy for your file.

Mail to: DAV Department of Michigan, 17779 E. 14 Mile Road, Fraser, Michigan 48026, or you can send via e-mail to: paul@davmichigan.com

This procedure will ensure that Department correspondence is directed to your chapter's current officers and will enable our office to prepare the new Department Directory.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Department Headquarters at 1-888-448-2328.

Sincerely,



Paul Kaiser
State Adjutant

Disabled American Veterans / Department of Michigan
17779 E. 14 Mile Road, Fraser, Michigan 48026



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS / DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN 2021-2022 CHAPTER OFFICER REPORT

CHAPTER #: _____ CHAPTER NAME: _____ DISTRICT: _____ MEETING PLACE: _____

MEETING TIME: _____ MEETING DAY OF MONTH: _____ MEETING ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

CHAPTER E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ CHAPTER PHONE NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS WHERE CHAPTER MAIL IS TO BE SENT: _____

MONTHS THE CHAPTER IS CLOSED _____

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY & ZIP CODE	PHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS
COMMANDER					
SR. VICE COMMANDER					
JR. VICE COMMANDER					
TREASURER					
ADJUTANT					
CHAPLAIN					
SERVICE OFFICER					
AMERICANISM CHMN					
LEGISLATIVE CHMN.					
MEMBERSHIP CHMN					
SERVICE OFFICER					
ADDITIONAL SERVICE OFFICER					
ADDITIONAL SERVICE OFFICER					

SIGNATURE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____
 (**Newly Installed Chapter Commander) (Installing Officer)

**** NEWLY INSTALLED COMMANDER: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO RETURN THIS FORM TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS NO LATER THAN 10 DAYS AFTER INSTALLATION
 MAIL TO: DAY, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, 17779 E. 14 MILE ROAD, FRASER, MICHIGAN 48026**



TO: DAV Department of Michigan: Chapter Commanders and Adjutants
FROM: DAV Department of Michigan
SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION SUBMITTAL TO THE 99th STATE CONVENTION**

Prior to the upcoming State Convention, I ask that you submit approved resolutions for the *Department State Bylaws that require action by the State Convention to:*

*DAV Department of Michigan
Convention Resolutions
17779 E. 14 Mile Rd.
Fraser, Michigan 48026*

Article 15 – Amendments Section 15.1 – Resolutions to amend the State Department Bylaws must be submitted to the Department Director no later than fourteen (14) days prior the first business session of the State Convention.

To facilitate the handling of these resolutions:

1. Submit one copy of each approved resolution.
2. At the end of each resolution, indicate the approval of the Chapter, etc.

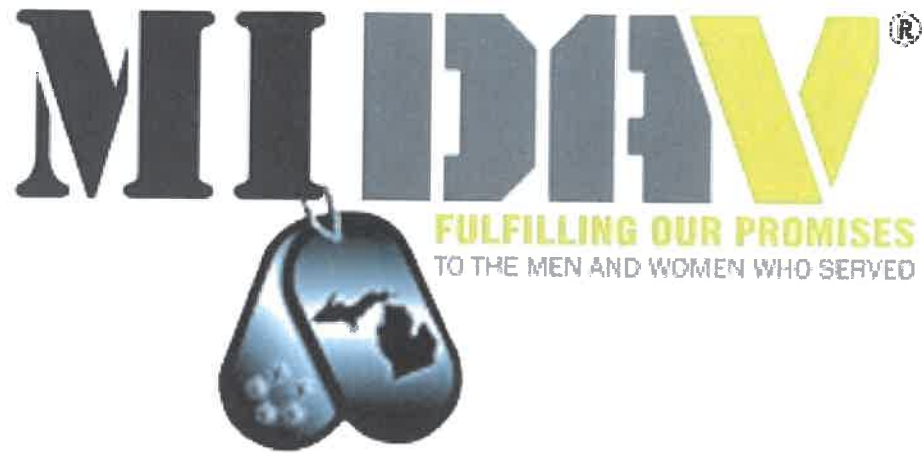
You will receive an acknowledgement letter from the DAV Department of Michigan Headquarters once your resolutions are received. If you do not receive an acknowledgement letter within 10 days of submission or the number of resolutions acknowledged in the letter does coincide with your record, please contact Paul at (586) 415-8610 or via email: Paul@davmichigan.com

Again, please note that the resolutions for the Department State Bylaws must be received no later than **June 7, 2021. NO RESOLUTION WILL BE CONSIDERED/ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE.**

Thank your time regarding these matters.



Paul Kaiser
State Adjutant



Commander and Adjutant,

If no member of your chapter will be attending State Convention this year to represent your chapter, please call or email the Department of Michigan to let us know.

Phone: 586-415-8610

Email: paul@davmichigan.com

Thank You

Department of Michigan



DAV & DAVA 2021 STATE CONVENTION PRE-REGISTRATION FORM
CONVENTION DATES: Monday June 21 and Tuesday June 22, 2021

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

(*required) EMAIL: _____ CHAPTER / UNIT # _____

(*required) PHONE NUMBER _____

CONVENTION REGISTRATION ONLY \$ FREE ()

BANQUET \$ 35.00 ()

EXTRA BANQUET TICKETS (\$ 35.00 EACH) NUMBER OF EXTRA TICKETS ()

****THERE WILL BE NO BANQUET TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT CONVENTION****

*****PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY JUNE 5, 2021*****

NO REFUNDS ISSUED FOR CANCELLATIONS MADE AFTER MAY 31, 2021

MAIL FORM WITH CHECK or MONEY ORDER MADE PAYABLE TO: DAV and mail to
DAV DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN 17779 E. 14 MILE ROAD, FRASER, MICHIGAN 48026

*****CREDIT CARDS ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED*****

**YOU MUST SEND IN REGISTRATION FORM EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT
ATTENDING BANQUET - WE NEED FINAL COUNTS BY 6.5.21**

**If you are attending Convention only you can email your
registration form to:**

paul@davmichigan.com or kelly@davmichigan.com



Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary
2021 State Convention
June 20, 2021- June 22, 2021

**TENTATIVE
Schedule of Events**

Sunday June 20, 2021

3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Registration – Grand Foyer
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m Finance Board/State Standing Rules Mtg – Squirrel Room

Monday June 21, 2021

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Registration – Grand Foyer
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Executive Committee Meeting – Three Rivers
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Joint Opening Session & 10th District meeting – Black River/Swan
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – 1st Convention Business Session – Three Fires Room
6:00 p.m. - Remembrance Ceremony/Banquet – Black River/Swan Creek room

Tuesday June 22, 2021

9:00 a.m.- 10:00 2nd Convention Session: Three Fires Room
10:00 a.m.- 11:00 Forget me not meeting: Three Fires Room
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 pm 3rd Convention Session: Three Fires Room
8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. 4th Convention Session: Three Fires Room **Election of Officers**

Wednesday June 22, 2021

Checkout

Installation of Officers will take place at the Post Convention Executive Committee Meeting that convenes immediately following the close of convention.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
June 20, 2021 -
June 22, 2021
TENTATIVE AGENDA
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Sunday June 20, 2021

3:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Registration - Grand Foyer
Board of Directors meeting -Dept Office (Ojibway)
C3 Foundation Meeting - Dept Office (Ojibway)

Monday June 21, 2021

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration - Grand Foyer

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

District Caucuses

District 1 -Black River/Swan Creek

District 3 - Black River/Swan Creek

District 5 -Black River/Swan Creek

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

District 2 - Black River/Swan Creek

District 4 - Black River/Swan Creek

District 6 - Black River/Swan Creek

10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting- Black River/Swan Creek

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Joint Opening Session & **10th District Meeting** - Black River/Swan Creek

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

1st Convention Business Session - Black River/Swan Creek

Roll Call and Committee Appointments/ Report of State Officers

1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Nomination Interviews-- Department Office (Ojibway)

6:00 p.m. -

Remembrance Ceremony/Banquet - Black River/Swan Creek

Tuesday June 22, 2021

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Registration - Grand Foyer

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

2nd Convention Business Session - Black River/Swan Creek

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

3rd Convention Business Session - Black River/Swan Creek

(Election and Installation of Officers)

Wednesday June 23, 2021

Checkout

****the above schedule of events is tentative and subject to change****