

Convention
2024

3rd DEC Business Session



Spring Conference
3rd Department Executive Committee Meeting
March 23rd, 2024

Commander King **Call to Order** **Time 11 a.m.**
We will now have the invocation by the Chaplain.

Chaplain Coker-Bell: Creator God, of everything in heaven and on earth, we pray that from Your glorious, unlimited resources You will empower us with inner strength through Your Spirit.

May we, members of the DAV, have the power to understand how wide, how long, how high, and how deep Your love is as we seek to do all we can to encourage and edify veterans and their families.

God, may we experience Your love as we show love towards others. Glory to God throughout this time we will spend together as we strive to empower veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity.

Forever and ever! Amen.

Commander King: We will now have the Oath of Allegiance by SVC Smith.

Sr. Vice Smith: Oath of Allegiance to the Flag

Commander King: Adjutant Gregory will now read the MISSION STATEMENT

Adjutant Gregory:

We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life.

The entire mission statement is on the department and National webpage.

Rules of the Conference

Will only read the first six rules of the 31 (A copy of the 31 rules are on the Dept. Website).

Rule 1: Robert's Rules of Order, revised, will govern except as hereinafter specifically stated, and when not in conflict with the Disabled American Veterans Constitution and Bylaws and the Rules of the Convention.

Rule 2: For the purpose of recognition, a member of the Convention must (a) address the chair as Comrade Commander; (b) state name and chapter or title; (c) proceed only after recognition from the chair.

Rule 3: Debate on any question shall be limited to five minutes for each speaker except by consent of two-thirds of the delegates present.

Rule 4: Not more than two (2) representatives from any one Chapter shall be permitted to discuss any one subject except by a two-thirds (2/3) consent.

Rule 5: Recognition shall be granted only once to any one speaker on any one subject. A rebuttal of not more than two minutes may be permitted. Additional recognition may be granted by two-thirds (2/3) consent.

Rule 6: No person who has spoken for or against any motion, resolution or report on the Convention floor shall be permitted to make a motion to table. A motion to table is not debatable and shall require a majority affirmation vote. A tabled motion may be taken from the table for reconsideration by a majority vote.

DEPARTMENT ELECTED OFFICERS:

Commander KING (33) / x /

Senior Vice Commander SMITH (22) / x /

1st Jr. Vice Commander LEHMANN (50) / x /

2nd Jr. Vice Commander RAMEY (20) / x /

Judge Advocate COMBS (7) / x /

Chaplain PATRICIA COKER-BELL (22) / x /

Immed. Past Commander MITCHELL (6) / exc /

DEPARTMENT APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Adjutant GREGORY (7) / x /

Treasurer COX (60) / x /

Inspector ALICEA-DIAZ (13) / x /

Officer of the Day EARLY (3) / exc /

Sergeant at Arms GILES (3) / exc /

Past Department Commanders:

Cynthia BAILEY	(20)	/ <u> x </u> /
John SIMMONS	(22)	/ _____ /
Lisa GREGORY	(7)	/ <u> x </u> /
Denice WILLIAMS	(22)	/ <u> x </u> /
Jim PROCUNIER	(10)	/ _____ /
Cynthia MADISON	(27)	/ <u> x </u> /
Rita E. ABEREGG	(7)	/ <u> x </u> /
David CUFF	(61)	/ <u> x </u> /
Dan MILLER	(58)	/ <u> x </u> /
Stephen D. PERKINS	(23)	/ <u> x </u> /
Robert D. COX	(60)	/ <u> x </u> /

Chapter DEC

2	IRBY COTTON	/ _____ /
	SHARON DORSEY-MONROE	/ _____ /
3	DAVID RABORN (SUSPENSION)	/ _____ /
	LISA OLIPHANT	/ _____ /
5	MURPHY COLEMAN	/ <u> x </u> /
	OTIS DOWTIN	/ <u> x </u> /
6	ISADORE MAJOR	/ _____ /
	ROBERT MCDOWELL	/ <u> x </u> /

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7	MARIA SANTY	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
	JEFF OGILIVIE	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
9	CHRISTIAN NELSON	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
	ERWIN CASTO	/ <input type="checkbox"/> /
10	SHAMALA CAPIZZI	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
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	WILLIE SHOWELL	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
21	MARCIA STEWART	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
	DONNELL CEPHUS	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
22	JAMES E. WERTZ	/ <input type="checkbox"/> /
	LARRY A. ROMAINE	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /

Chapter DEC

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| 23 | ROGER L. WILSON | /_____/ |
| | STEPHEN D. PERKINS | /__x___/ |
| 24 | MEREDITH L. CONLEY | /_____/ |
| | DAVID BAXLEY | /_____/ |
| 26 | MARK A. MOTEN (TRUSTEESHIP) | /_____/ |
| | JAMES MCINTYRE | /_____/ |
| 27 | KIMBERLY BARKLEY | /__x___/ |
| | CYNTHIA M. MADISON | /__x___/ |
| 28 | MICHAEL L. BAGLEY | /__x___/ |
| | JOHN W. BONNER | /_____/ |
| 30 | WAYNE GODBY | /__x___/ |
| | STEVE MONTERROZO | /_____/ |
| 31 | CRAIG SMITH | /__x___/ |
| | MONTIE DALE ALBERT | /_____/ |
| 33 | ROBERT REESE | /__x___/ |
| | TYRELLE FELDER | /__x___/ |
| 34 | CHARLES L. MORRIS | /_____/ |
| | LARRY GRIFFIN | /__x___/ |
| 35 | RONNIE L. ROBBINS | /_____/ |
| | JACKIE D. BRANHAM | /_____/ |

Chapter DEC

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| 40 | NONE | /_____/ |
| | NONE | /_____/ |
| 48 | CHRISTINE TAYLOR | /__x___/ |
| | JULIE HOYTE | /__x___/ |
| 50 | CHARLES CRENSHAW | /__x___/ |
| | OTIS ROYSTER | /_____/ |
| 52 | ROBERT HAYZLETT | /_____/ |
| | MARC THOMAS | /_____/ |
| 56 | DOUG COLLINS | /_____/ |
| | NONE | /_____/ |
| 57 | LLOYD WILSON | /__x___/ |
| | LUTHER (TOM) WARD | /_____/ |
| 58 | MACK MCCALLON | /_____/ |
| | DANIEL MILLER | /__x___/ |
| 60 | CHRISTOPHER CHENEY | /__x___/ |
| | RONNIE PERDUE | /_____/ |
| 61 | THOMAS RILEY | /_____/ |

Adjutant Gregory: Comrade Commander, we have a quorum. I will now read communications to the Department.

Our National Representative for the Annual Convention will be Dan Clare, Chief Communications and Outreach Officer.

The Testimonial Dinner for National Commander Nancy Espinoza will be Saturday, May 4th at the Newpark Resort, Park City, Utah. Room reservations can be made by calling 877-649-3600 and ask for the DAV rate. Or visit newparkresort.com to make reservations. More information can be found at dav.org/events.

We will be doing donations as we did at the Fall Conference. At 1:00 p.m. bring your donation/pledge forms to the registration area. Take your donation to the appropriate station. You need to complete a donation sheet for each donation.

I will announce the donations during the afternoon meeting.

Commander King: At this time I make the following appointments:

**Tellers of Election: PDC Rita Aberegg, Chapter 7
PDC Steve Perkins, Chapter 23
PDC David Cuff, Chapter 60**

Is there a motion to accept the appointments.

**Motion PDC Dan Miller, 58 Second PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20
Motion Passed**

Commander King: Adjutant will you read the minutes of the 2nd DEC.

Adjutant Gregory: I am now prepared to read the minutes of the Department 2nd DEC Fall Conference 2023. The minutes were posted on the Department Website for review prior to this conference.

Motion to accept the Minutes as Posted by:

**Motion PDC Rober Cox, 60 Second PDC David Cuff, 60
Motion Passed**

Commander King: The following reports were provided to the conference prior to convening:

- Commander**
- Senior Vice Commander**
- 1ST Junior Vice Commander**
- 2ND Junior Vice Commander**
- Judge Advocate**
- Chaplain**
- Immediate Past Commander**
- Adjutant/EO**
- Treasurer/Financial**
- State VAVS Chair**
- Department Inspector**

Each Officer will have an opportunity to provide an addendum to their report:

Commander	(Addendum)	No
Senior Vice Commander	(Addendum)	No
1ST Junior Vice Commander	(Addendum)	No
2nd Junior Vice Commander	(Addendum)	No
Judge Advocate	(Addendum)	No
Chaplain	(Addendum)	No
Immediate Pat Commander	(Addendum)	No
Adjutant	(Addendum)	No
Treasurer/Financial	(Addendum)	No
VAVS Chair	(Addendum)	No
Inspector	(Addendum)	No

Commander King: I will entertain a motion to accept the Officer reports and addendums.

**Motion PDC Dan Miller, 58 Second PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20
Motion Passed**

Commander King: The following reports were provided to the conference prior to convening:

Department Service Director

Awards Committee

Finance Committee

Audit Committee

Emergency Relief

Homeless Committee

Women's Committee

Employment Committee

Membership Committee

Incarcerated Veterans Assistance Committee

Legislative/Benefits Protection Team Leader

Joint Leadership Council

Social Media Committee

Each Committee will have an opportunity to provide an addendum to their report:

Department Service Director	(Addendum)	Yes
Awards Committee	(Addendum)	No
Finance Committee	(Addendum)	No

Audit Committee	(Addendum)	No
Emergency Relief	(Addendum)	No
Homeless Committee	(Addendum)	No
Women Veteran's Committee	(Addendum)	No
Employment Committee	(Addendum)	No
Membership Committee	(Addendum)	No
Incarcerated Veteran Committee	(Addendum)	No
Legislative Committee	(Addendum)	No
Joint Leadership Committee	(Addendum)	No
Social Media Committee	(Addendum)	No

Commander King: I will entertain a motion to accept the Committee reports and addendums.

**Motion PDC Dan Miller, 58 Second PDC Robert Cox, 60
Motion Passed**

Commander King: We will now have the Time and Place Report

Chair Zeola Brady: The Time and Place Committee report is as follows.

Registered Attendance (DAV)	_____101_____
Registered Attendance (DAVA)	_____33_____
Past Department Commanders	_____9_____
Chapters	_____22_____
Units	_____12_____
Banquet Attendance	_____99_____

Commander King: Is there a motion to accept the report?

**Motion PDC Cynthia Madison, 27 Second PDC Rita Aberegg, 7
Motion Passed**

Commander King: Any unfinished business?

Adjutant Gregory: None

Commander King: If your chapter/or anyone is going to donate to any of the service programs, please get the donation slip from Sgt-at-Arms Giles or the registration table and return the donation to the registration desk by 1:00 and I will read the donations during the afternoon session.

PDC Luncheon will be in Allegheny C.

We will recess until 1:30.

DEC reconvenes

Commander King: The 2nd DEC is reconvened at 1:30.

Commander King: Do we have any New Business.

Adjutant Gregory: Yes.

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4-7, Para 3 Nominating Committee, Para 3.1 reads "Shall be elected by the DEC during the DEC Meeting of the Spring Conference. The committee will consist of five (5) members and two (2) alternates from different chapters.

Commander King: I now open the floor for nominations for the Nominating Committee:

Are there any nominations?

The following nominations were made:

- 1. ___PDC Rober Cox, 60___ nominated ___PDC Steve Perkins, 23___**
- 2. ___ PDC Dan Miller, 58__ nominated ___PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20___**
- 3. ___PDC Steve Perkins, 23_ nominated PDC Denice Williams, 22_____**
- 4. ___Shay Odom, 13_ nominated _Ana Alicea-Diaz, 13_____**

5. Wayne Godby, 30 nominated Christian Nelson, 9
6. Rhonda Lawson, 30 nominated Mark Durland, 30
7. Charles Crenshaw, 50 nominated Mitch Kuptz, 50
8. Robert Reese, 33 nominated Tyrelle Felder, 33
9. Larry Griffin, 34 nominated TC Lasker, 34
10. Sam Jones, 5 nominated Murphy Coleman, 5
11. Marcia Stewart, 21 nominated Donnell Cephus, 21
12. David Cuff, 60 nominated Cynthia Madison, 27
13. Shamala Capizzi, 10 nominated Anna Lutz, 10
14. Christine Taylor, 48 nominated Julie Hoyte, 48
15. Sam Watkins, 28 nominated Michael Bagley, 28
16. Stephen Combs, 7 nominated Maria Santy, 7

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Hearing None, nominations are closed.

Due to an appointed Teller being nominated we will replace PDC Steve Perkins with PDC Dan Miller. Will the tellers move to the front table.

Adjutant Gregory: We have 16 nominees so I will do another Roll Call vote. PDC's please let me know if you are voting as a PDC or with your Chapter.

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Commander KING (33) / x /

Senior Vice Commander SMITH (22) / x /

1st Jr. Vice Commander LEHMANN (50)	/__x__/
2nd Jr. Vice Commander RAMEY (20)	/__x__/
Judge Advocate COMBS (7)	/__x__/
Chaplain PATRICIA COKER-BELL (22)	/__x__/
Immed. Past Commander MITCHELL (6)	/__exc__/

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Dan MILLER (58)	/__Chapter__/
Stephen D. PERKINS (23)	/__Chapter__/

Robert D. COX (60) / x /

Chapter DEC

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3 DAVID RABORN (SUSPENSION) / _____ /

LISA OLIPHANT / _____ /

5 MURPHY COLEMAN / x /

OTIS DOWTIN / x /

6 ISADORE MAJOR / _____ /

ROBERT MCDOWELL / x /

7 MARIA SANTY / x /

JEFF OGILIVIE / x /

9 CHRISTIAN NELSON / x /

ERWIN CASTO / _____ /

10 SHAMALA CAPIZZI / x /

ANNA LUTZ / x /

13 LARRY BREWER / _____ /

ANA ALICEA-DIAZ / x /

15 ED ORTIZ / _____ /

JOEL COURTEMANCHE / x /

17 WILLIAM B. HILL / x /

LESTER JOHNSON / _____ /

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	CYNTHIA M. MADISON	/__x___/
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	JOHN W. BONNER	/_____/
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	STEVE MONTERROZO	/_____/
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58	MACK MCCALLON	/ <input type="checkbox"/> /
	DANIEL MILLER	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
60	CHRISTOPHER CHENEY	/ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> /
	RONNIE PERDUE	/ <input type="checkbox"/> /

Commander King: At this time we will let the Tellers do their count. We can take a break or move on. Let’s go ahead and move on with new business for time purposes. Assistant Adjutant Cox will present proposals for the 2026 Spring Conference.

Assistant Adjutant Cox: Conference Direct sent proposals to the following hotels. Only one responded back with a proposal that being the Hotel Madison & Shenadoah Valley Conference Center. The others either didn’t have space, our event was too far out or they could not meet what we were asking for.

Hotel	Date	Room \$	F & B Min
Hotel Madison & Shenadoah Conf. Center	18 Mar 26- 22 Mar 26	\$107	\$8,500

The following other hotels were canvassed: Omni Charlottesville Hotel, DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Charlottesville, Holiday Inn Charlottesville-Univ Area, Virginia Crossings Hotel & Conference Center, Four Points by Sheraton Richmond Airport and Sheraton Richmond Airport Hotel

COMMANDER King: I WILL NOW ACCEPT A MOTION FOR THE SITE FOR THE 2026 SPRING CONFERENCE.

**Motion PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20 Second PDC Cynthia Madison
Motion Passed**

Assistant Adj. Madison: I will now read the donations that were made to the department service programs.

	Donations	Pledges
Disaster Relief	Chapter 33, \$100	Chapter 5, \$500
Golden Age Games	Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	
Social Media	Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	
WSC	Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	

Emergency Relief	Chapter 13, \$500 Chapter 58, \$500 Chapter 19, \$250 Chapter 34, \$100	Chapter 5, \$500
Wheel Chair Games	Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	
Women Veterans	Chapter 13, \$250 Chapter 33, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	Chapter 5, \$500 Chapter 17, \$50
Employment	Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	
IVAC	Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 58, \$500 Chapter 34, \$100	Chapter 17, \$50
Dept. Service	Chapter 33, \$100 Chapter 58, \$500 Chapter 13, \$100 Chapter 34, \$100	
Homeless	Chapter 13, \$500 Chapter 19, \$250 Chapter 34, \$100	

Total donations were \$5,250 and total pledges were \$2,100.

Commander King: Is there any other new business?

Adjutant Gregory: Yes. Chapter 9 held a meeting with their members to address changing the name of the Chapter from Stonewall Jackson Chapter 9 to Northern Shenandoah Valley Chapter 9 to better encompass the area they served. They held two meetings for a vote. Minutes of the meeting and an accompanying letter will be provided in the minutes.

Commander King: Do we have a motion to seek NEC approval for a name change for Chapter 9.

**Motion PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20 Second SVC James Smith, 22
Motion Passed**

Adjutant Gregory: Another piece of new business is a request from Congressman Bob Good's office for a letter of support from the Department to support his bill to rename the Lynchburg VA CBOC to the PFC Desmond T. Doss CBOC. I have spoken with our National Legislative staff and they do not see a problem in supporting this request. The letter will be attached to the minutes.

Commander King: Do we have a motion to support the bill to rename the Lynchburg CBOC.

Motion PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20 Second PDC Denice Williams, 22
Motion Passed

Commander King: Are there any announcements?

Adjutant Gregory: Yes. Reception will be from 5:30-6:30. Banquet doors will open for those using carts, wheelchairs, or other assistive devices at 6:25. Remember to wear your best Irish Celebration Outfits garb.

The 92nd Convention will be June 6th through 9th at the Holiday Inn Tanglewood, Roanoke, 4468 Starkey Road, Roanoke VA. CSO/DSO training will be conducted on Wednesday, June 5th.

Commander King: Good of the order

3rd National JVC/PDC Madison announced that she will be running for National Higher Office and is requesting the support of the Department of Virginia.

PDC Madison can you please come forward to officially announce your intent to run for National Higher Office.

PDC Madison: I ask for your support once again as I run for National Higher Office in August.

Commander King: Can we have a motion to send a letter of support from the DEC for PDC Madison for her intent to run for higher office. The Department of Virginia has always been a great supporter and I hope to count on that level of support when we meet in Phoenix.

Motion Chaplain Pat Coker-Bell, 22 Second Marcia Stewart, 21
Motion Passed

Commander King: This is now the opportunity for those interested to announce their intentions to seek a department office.

SVC Smith: I'm Senior Vice Commander James Smith and I hope you will support me in my bid for Higher Office.

1st JVC Lehmann: Hello I'm Rich Lehmann and I ask your support in my bid for Higher Office

2nd JVC Ramey: I'm 2nd Junior Vice Commander Dwayne Ramey and I'd like your support for Higher Office.

Chaplain Coker-Bell: I am once again running for Department Chaplain and would like your support.

JAG Combs: I'm Stephen Combs and am willing to stay on as your Judge Advocate with your support. I would like for the Department to consider creating a position of Assistant Judge Advocate for the future.

Comrade Felder: I'm Tyrelle Felder from Chapter 33 and I am interested in running for the Department line.

Comrade Stewart: Hello I'm Marcia Stewart, the Commander of Chapter 21 and I am interested in running for Higher Office.

Comrade Barkley: Good afternoon my name is Kimberly Barkley and I am the Commander of Chapter 27 and I'm seeking a position on the Department Line.

Commander King: We will now return to new business. The tellers have completed their count for the nominating committee. We will accept the top five as the Primary Nominating Committee members and the next top two as the Alternate members. After the vote the following are the Committee Members:

Primary; PDC Cynthia Bailey, 20; PDC Denice Williams, 22; Ana Alicea-Diaz, 13; Christian Nelson, 9; Mark Durland, 30.

Alternates are: PDC Steve Perkins, 23; Julie Hoyte, 48.

There was a question from the floor from Comrade Stewart, Chapter 21, on how the count was done. PDC Rita Aberegg, Chapter 7, explained the tally sheet used. Comrade Stewart questioned the vote strength and why it wasn't used. Adjutant Gregory explained at the DEC meetings each Chapter gets one vote and the vote strength is only used for the Election of Officers at the convention.

Due to time allowed for the election of the committee I will install the committee members at the beginning of the 4th DEC meeting.

Commander King: Motion to adjourn. Chaplain, please lead us in closing prayer.

Chaplain Coker Bell:

God, we thank you for this time of unity we have had during this session. We thank you for the building of relationships, friendships, and those you have positioned to work together for the success of the DAV. Thank you for the ideas that have been spoken and for those who willingly contributed their thoughts and ideas. So, God, fan into flames the gifts which is in each of us and reveal Your truth to us each day. Yours is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

Commander King: Final salute to the flag

Adjourn TIME ___3:53 p.m.____

