

# NGAA News

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## *Introducing the 2014 NGAA President .....*



Lieutenant Colonel Erica L. Ingram currently serves as the 87<sup>th</sup> Troop Command Brigade executive/administrative officer. She is also scheduled to assume battalion command of the 871<sup>st</sup> Troop Command Battalion in August 2014.

Lieutenant Colonel Ingram graduated from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff in May 1995 where she completed the four-year Army ROTC program. Lieutenant Colonel Ingram received her commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army on August 15, 1995. After serving four and a half years on active duty, she joined the Arkansas Army National Guard November 11, 1999. She has worked full time for the Arkansas National Guard in the Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) program since February 2004.

While in the Arkansas Army National Guard Lieutenant Colonel Ingram has served in various positions within the 212<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion, 87<sup>th</sup> Troop Command Brigade, Recruiting and Retention Command, Deputy Chief of Staff Personnel and Medical Command.

Lieutenant Colonel Ingram's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Arkansas Emergency Service Ribbon, and Arkansas Service Ribbon.

A native of Wilmar, Arkansas, Lieutenant Colonel Ingram resides in Little Rock with her husband, Otis Ingram and their two daughters Desarie and DeeDee.

Lieutenant Colonel Ingram was installed as 2014-2015 NGAA president in April during the association's annual conference in Springdale.

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## *Presidentially Speaking.....*

I want to thank Major Mike Culley for his leadership this past year as NGAA president. I look forward to continue working with him as he serves as association past president on the executive board.

As this year's association president, I want to personally welcome everyone to another year with NGAA and challenge you to join me in moving our organization to the next level. Our members and their guests all seemed to enjoy themselves at this year's annual conference. I'd ask that you provide after action reviews/comments to your association board representative, an NGAA staffer or officer of "3 ups, 3 downs" to help us improve future events.

This year's 136<sup>th</sup> National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) General Conference and Exhibition will be held August 22-25, 2014 in Chicago, Illinois. As in years past, we will continue our tradition of co-hosting a Southeast Conference (SEC) themed hospitality night with our SEC partner states. This event is a must visit attraction. Come call the Hogs with us on SEC night... in full Razorback gear of course! We urge you to join us in the Windy City and experience what happens on our behalf at the national level. I am sure you will not be disappointed. The complete conference event schedule can be found at [www.ngaus.org](http://www.ngaus.org). Look forward to seeing you there.

It is no secret that we will continue to face great challenges to our budget and force structure. A strong voice is essential for our future. NGAA and the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) are the two organizations that can impact decisions determining how our units are manned, funded, equipped, paid, and the benefits we receive. These two organizations are **OUR** voice.

As this year's president my goal is to continue to build on our past efforts with particular focus on these areas:

- Improving communication flow to membership regarding NGAA and its programs.
- Increase membership (emphasis on lifetime memberships; the gift that keeps on giving).
- Increase participation of members in NGAA events.
- Build on legislative relationships at both state and national levels.

Lastly, I would like to leave you with a challenge. If you are a member that has not been involved, become engaged. If you have been involved, spread the word with your fellow soldiers of what we as an organization provide that benefits everyone, non-members as well as members; and encourage someone else to become involved.

Lieutenant Colonel Erica Ingram  
Association President

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# *NGAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2014-2015*

Unit representatives on the National Guard Association of Arkansas Board of Directors for 2014-2015 are listed below. Contact your unit representative with issues you wish to present to the board.

Lieutenant Colonel Erica Ingram, President  
Major Gerald Robinson, First Vice President  
Major Matt Snead, Second Vice President  
Major Michael Culley, Past President  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Kenneth Moix, Executive Director

## **Member**

Captain Seana Warner  
Major Fred Lee  
Major Douglas Smutnick  
Lieutenant Colonel John Hunt  
Major John Latour  
CW4 Arthur K. Troy  
Captain Felicia Rowe  
Lieutenant Colonel Rodney Orick  
Captain Michael Speight  
Major Donnie Crain  
Captain Steven V. Thompson  
First Lieutenant Scotty Parker  
First Lieutenant Christopher Hart  
Major Kevin Truslow  
Major Marden Hueter  
First Lieutenant Uneeda Blackwell  
Captain Paul Davis  
Major Brook Ellis  
Captain Andrew Graham  
Captain John Chase  
Captain Reese Walker  
Captain James Holifield  
Major Christopher Heathscott  
Captain David Cox  
First Lieutenant Jason D. Myers  
Second Lieutenant Paul Bowen  
Captain Thomas Edwards  
Captain Jason Montgomery  
Vacant  
Colonel (Ret) Mike Merritt

## **Representing**

Headquarters, Arkansas Air National Guard  
188<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing  
184<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron  
189<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing  
154<sup>th</sup> Training Squadron  
Joint Force Headquarters  
Medical Command  
Installation Support Unit  
Fort Chaffee Maneuver Training Center  
National Guard Marksmanship Training Center  
233<sup>rd</sup> Regional Training Institute  
77<sup>th</sup> Aviation Brigade  
1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 114<sup>th</sup> Aviation  
777<sup>th</sup> Aviation Support Battalion  
87<sup>th</sup> Troop Command  
871<sup>st</sup> Troop Command  
875<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion  
142<sup>nd</sup> Fires Brigade  
1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 142<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery  
2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 142<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery  
217<sup>th</sup> Brigade Support Battalion  
Headquarters, 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team  
39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Support Battalion  
39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Support Training Battalion  
1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 151<sup>st</sup> Cavalry  
1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 153<sup>rd</sup> Infantry  
2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 153<sup>rd</sup> Infantry  
1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 206<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery  
Title 10 Officers  
Retiree Representative

# Minutes – NGAA Board of Directors Meeting

May 6, 2014

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## **Absentees**

LTC Erica Ingram, President (AT)  
MAJ Matt Snead, 2nd Vice President  
Maj Michael Culley, Past President  
CPT Uneeda Blackwell (871 Trp Cmd) (AT)  
2LT Paul Bowen (1-153 Inf)  
CPT John Chase (2-142 FA) (AT)  
CPT David Cox (39 BSTB)  
CPT Paul Davis (875 Engr Bn) (AT)  
CPT Thomas Edwards (2-153 Inf)  
CPT Andrew Graham (1-142 FA)  
MAJ Marden Hueter (87 Trp Cmd) (AT)  
COL (Ret) Mike Merritt  
1LT Scotty Parker (77 TAB)  
MAJ Brandan Robbins (25 ASG) (AT)  
CPT Felicia Rowe (Medical Command)  
CPT Michael Speight (CMTC) (AT)  
CPT Reese Walker (217 BSB)

## **Guests/NGAA Staff**

BG Keith Klemmer, Deputy Adjutant General  
COL Cary Shillcutt, Chief, Joint Staff  
James Lamb, NGAA staff  
Judy Shere, NGAA staff

Proper notice of this meeting was given prior to the meeting.

## **Call to Order**

In President Ingram's absence, First Vice President Gerald Robinson presided. The meeting was called to order and a quorum was verified. Brigadier General Keith Klemmer and Colonel Cary Shillcutt were recognized and welcomed.

Brigadier General Klemmer thanked all present on behalf of the Adjutant General for serving on the NGAA board of directors and for their attendance today. He said what is done here is extremely important; and if there ever was a time that we need a strong association, it is now because of the force structure and many other issues facing us. He said there is a great attempt by different forces to muzzle us at this time. He reminded everyone not to forget that "we are the Militia of the United States, and we are deeply rooted in the history of our Nation. It is critical right now to stay strong and for all of you to continue to attend the board meetings."

Colonel Shillcutt noted that we are in a fight right now. He added, "Financially, we are a savings to this country, but they are looking at a drawdown. We do not need to lose force structure. We had members on the ground within minutes at the recent tornado sites in central Arkansas. These are the reasons we need to maintain a viable force structure, and we are fighting for that right now. NGAA is very important to this fight. Remind your unit members of that. Thank you all for being here."

## **Minutes Approval**

The minutes of the 7 January 2014 board meeting were reviewed. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes as written.

## **New Business**

### **Board Representative Actions**

Representatives were asked to approve the following board representative actions:

CW2 Matthew McMullen to fill the vacant position as 1-114th Aviation representative through April 2016  
CPT James Holifield to fill the unexpired term of MAJ David Grant representing Headquarters, 39th IBCT, through April 2016

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve these appointments.

Major Robinson said the executive committee had asked him to propose a suggestion to eliminate the 25th Main Command Post Operations Detachment from the units represented on the NGAA board of directors and that it be represented by the 87th Troop Command representative. He said that unit has just one officer at this time, and it is likely to be two years before it gets back to full capacity. Additionally, the executive committee suggests eliminating the Title 10 position on the NGAA board of directors. The last sitting member was over a year ago, and the position has been vacant since then. There has been no interest by PEC (the organization that provides a representative) in participating, so the recommendation is to collapse that position. Major Robinson asked for a motion to eliminate both those positions. Such motion was made and seconded.

Following some discussion that included one representative saying he knows of a Title 10 officer that may be interested in serving, it was determined to table the Title 10 deletion at this time. The original motion to eliminate both positions was then amended to eliminate the 25th Command Post Ops Detachment position. The amended motion was seconded and approved. A motion was then made to table the elimination of the Title 10 position at this time. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Finance Report, James Lamb**

The finance report as of 31 March 2014 was presented for approval. There were no questions, and a motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the report as presented. Mr. Lamb said NGAUS has provided NGAA with a new software program for membership accountability. The program requires addresses, so he needs everybody's home address. If he doesn't have that, he will have to enter the unit address which could result in a large number of NGAUS magazines being sent to the units.

### **Insurance Report, James Lamb**

There are 6148 policies in force at this time, and one death claim in the amount of \$10,000 has been paid to date during the 2014-2015 insurance year.

### **2015 Budget, James Lamb**

Mr. Lamb presented and discussed the 2015 NGAA budget for approval. He noted that one reason for a drop in income is that AFLAC insurance is no longer offered by the association. There were no significant questions and Major Robinson asked for a motion to approve the 2015 budget. The motion was made, seconded and approved. A copy of the approved budget is attached to the record copy of these minutes.

### **Bank Resolutions and Transfer of Taxable Monies, James Lamb**

Mr. Lamb asked the board to consider approval of the bank resolutions for the upcoming year. This will allow the association staff to coordinate any necessary bank signature card adjustments generated by changes of staff members and/or elected officers. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve this action.

A request was made that NGAA be granted authority to transfer taxable monies into the association set aside non-taxable account if such funds are identified by the auditor. This authority will allow the association staff to move those funds into the non-taxable account; however, any money that needs to be taken out of that account will have to be approved by the board of directors. This action has never been necessary, but the set aside account is in place to receive such funds in the event it is needed. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve this request.

### **2014 NGAUS Conference, LTC Moix**

This year's NGAUS Conference will be held in Chicago, Illinois, August 22nd - 25th. The Arkansas delegation will be housed in the Marriott Chicago Downtown Magnificent Mile Hotel. Conference room rate is \$166 plus tax. Air fare is approximately \$350 round trip. LTC Moix had been asked to check Amtrak rates. He said travel time on Amtrak from Little Rock to Chicago is 14 hours and is rather expensive. More information about the conference is available at the NGAA website ([www.ngaa.org](http://www.ngaa.org)). Questioned as to whether there was the possibility of a military flight, the answer was no. Additionally, the Illinois Guard will not be providing transportation from the airport to the hotel and return. There is a shuttle service (Go Airport Express) that is approximately \$30 round trip. SEC hospitality night will be hosted by the Mississippi association at the Chicago House of Blues.

### **2016 State Conference Time and Place, Major Robinson**

Major Robinson provided copies of an information sheet listing possible sites and dates for the 2016 state conference. The sheet listed room rates, breakfast (complimentary or not), hospitality rooms information, parking options, dates available, etc. He discussed an option of having a "hospitality night" at a local establishment rather than the several hospitality suites hosted by units. A decision as to the conference site and date needs to be made at the next meeting in August. Major Robinson will add more information to the information sheet and send that via e-mail to board representatives prior to the August meeting. He asked everyone to share this information with their unit members and get their ideas and wishes.

### **Arkansas Coalition of Veterans, Major Robinson**

Major Robinson said an offer has been received from the Arkansas Coalition of Veterans to join that group in working with the state legislature on several items to include tax exemption for military retirees and other things that will be addressed at the next meeting when more information is available on those issues. Meanwhile, he invited everyone to Google the coalition, and he will also provide more information via e-mail.

Major Robinson echoed the sentiments of General Klemmer and Colonel Shillcutt, emphasizing that we not lose sight of what we are here for. Make sure we are taking care of not only today, but those coming after us. Talk to legislators every chance you get about this. We are all going to retire eventually and this is important to us.

### **Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the board of directors is Tuesday, 5 August 2014, in the NGAA conference room. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m., and the meeting will start at 5:45 p.m. A reminder will be sent prior to the meeting date. Please respond to the reminder to confirm your attendance.

### **Adjournment**

There was no further business, and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded by Judy Shere

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## PLAN TO ATTEND

### *136<sup>th</sup> NGAUS GENERAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION*

*AUGUST 22-25, 2014 – McCormick Place, Chicago, Illinois*

#### *2014 THEME*

*--- The National Guard: "Now More Than Ever" ---*

The 136<sup>th</sup> NGAUS Conference is just two months away! There is still time to register and make airline travel arrangements to join the Arkansas delegation in Chicago, Illinois, August 22<sup>nd</sup> through 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Arkansas delegation will be housed at the Marriott Chicago Downtown Magnificent Mile Hotel located at 540 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60611. The conference rate is \$166 per night. The hotel is right in the heart of the city with plenty to do in the surrounding area. It is within walking distance of great restaurants and shops. If you've never had a Chicago Deep Dish pizza or hot dog, you will want to try those. The Shops at Northbridge and other department and designer stores along Michigan Avenue and State Street offer excellent shopping. And, the rides, restaurants and theaters at Navy Pier are a must see.

Four of the world's tallest skyscrapers are in Chicago. You can stand on the clear plastic platform at the top of the Willis Tower/Skydeck where you will be suspended high above the city. Warning: It is rather spooky and may give you weak knees!

If you want to broaden your mind, be sure to visit the Field Museum, the biggest science museum in the Western Hemisphere with the most complete T-Rex dinosaur skeleton ever unearthed. Walk through the Museum of Science and Industry; the Art Institute of Chicago; the Adler Planetarium; the John Hancock Observatory; and the John G. Shedd Aquarium, the largest indoor aquarium in the world. These are just some of the many wonderful things to see and learn about our world in Chicago.

The sports enthusiasts will want to visit Wrigley Field and Soldier Stadium. If we're lucky, we might catch a game.

All the sights and activities Chicago has to offer has surely sparked your interest, so now let's talk about the conference itself. Airfare from Little Rock to Chicago airports is about \$350 round trip (see discount information below). The conference registration fee is \$165 and includes entry to all events except the NGAUS Golf Tournament, 5K Fun Run, and Retiree Luncheon for which separate fees are charged. The golf tournament will be held at the Harborside International Golf Center on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Later that day, the Company Grade/Warrant Officer Mixer will be at Dave and Buster's. Early on Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, enjoy the 5K Fun Run along Lake Shore Drive. Conference meetings and the trade show also begin on Saturday at McCormick Place, our Nation's largest convention center. Be sure to come by the Arkansas hospitality room for a hot breakfast before you start your day. More information about our hospitality room will be available in a separate program that the NGAA staff will provide upon arrival. Saturday events will conclude with the Governor's Reception at the Field Museum. There are more meetings on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, and the spouses will enjoy a luncheon at the Hyatt Hotel. Then, there's the big hospitality event that evening. Arkansas will once again join with other SEC states to co-host a night of fun and camaraderie at the Chicago House of Blues with a "boogie night" theme (don't forget to bring your Arkansas school colors!). Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, consists of meetings again and the States Dinner that evening in the McCormick Place's Skyline Ballroom.

This will be a formal event, and you will need the appropriate uniforms and attire. Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, is departure day, and we will take home many memories of an exciting 2014 NGAUS Conference.

Transportation from and to the airport and the Marriott will be at your own expense. Go Airport Express shuttle service is available at both Chicago O'Hare and Midway Airports (approximately \$30.00 round trip); shuttles are available every fifteen minutes. Taxi fare is approximately \$25.00 one way. The Chicago Metro runs close to the Marriott as well (one way Metro cost from the airports is approximately \$6.00).

**Deadlines:**

In order to ensure accommodations with the Arkansas delegation at the Marriott Hotel, NGAA must receive your conference registration by 8 July 2014. You may still register for the conference after 8 July; however, in that event, NGAA cannot ensure that you will have a room with the Arkansas delegation in the Marriott Hotel, and you will have to contact the Marriott at 1-888-253-1628 to reserve a room. If you register and cancel prior to 8 July, NGAA will refund your full registration to include your hotel room deposit. If you cancel after 8 July, NGAA will refund your conference registration fee but will be unable to refund the room deposit because that will have already been deposited to hold your room. No refunds will be made after 22 August. Contact NGAA as soon as possible if you need to cancel your registration (501-758-6422 or e-mail [kmoix@ngaa.org](mailto:kmoix@ngaa.org)).

**Events/Attire:**

Company Grade/Warrant Officer Mixer: August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Dave & Buster's (casual attire)

Business Sessions: August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, McCormick Place

Attire: Military: Class B Short Sleeve Open Collar (Army & Air)

Civilian: Business

Governor's Reception: Field Museum (casual attire)

Hospitality Night: August 23<sup>rd</sup>, Chicago House of Blues (casual attire)

States Dinner: Skyline Ballroom, McCormick Place (formal attire)

**Air Travel Discount Information:**

United: Online 5-10% Discount Use Code ZRPN Agreement Code: 950824

Telephone: 2-10% Discount Code ZRPN 1-800-426-1127 (there may be a processing fee)

American: 5% Discount Authorization Number 1884BJ Telephone: 1-800-328-1111

Online: [www.aa.com/group](http://www.aa.com/group)

Delta: 2-10% Discount Meeting Ticket Designator/File Number: NMHJE (discount applies to available fares)

Telephone: 1-800-328-1111 Online: [www.delta.com](http://www.delta.com)

**To register for the conference, go to the NGAUS Conference link on this website and click on the appropriate link.**

Contact the NGAA office at 501-758-6422 or e-mail [kmoix@ngaa.org](mailto:kmoix@ngaa.org) for additional information and answers to your questions.

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## *All About Anthony Q. Sanders .....*



Major Anthony Q. Sanders has been a member of NGAA since 2000 and was elected to the NGAA board of directors in October 2013 to represent the Arkansas Army National Guard Recruiting and Retention Command. He has proven himself to be an active and strong contributor with much to offer the organization.

Major Sanders is an AGR officer and serves as executive officer of the Recruiting and Retention Command. He joined the Mississippi Army National Guard in 1993 while a freshman at Mississippi State University. Upon his graduation from the university, he moved to North Little Rock, Arkansas, and transferred his National Guard obligation as well where he joined 1-206<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery as a 13F (Forward Observer) in 1997. He received his commission from the Arkansas Army National Guard's Officer Candidate School in August 2000 and was named Most Distinguished Honor Graduate. He went on to graduate from the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course in November 2001, receiving Commandant's List recognition and has completed both Intermediate Level Education-Common Core and Intermediate Level Education-Advanced Operations Courses.

During his career, he has served in a variety of positions at the battery, battalion and brigade level to include battery platoon leader/executive officer and battalion assistant S3/Fire Direction officer during Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) II from 2004-2005 with the 1-206<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division in Taji, Iraq. Then, he served as firing battery commander for Alpha Battery, 1-206<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, during OIF at Camp Liberty, Baghdad, Iraq, in 2008-2009. He was promoted to the rank of Major on July 15, 2009 and served as 1-206<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery S3 operations officer, battalion executive officer and 39<sup>th</sup> IBCT assistant S3 before being assigned to his current position as XO for Recruiting and Retention Command. He was recently boarded on the FY 2013 Major-Lieutenant Colonel Promotion Board as number one overall.

His full time assignments have included serving as 39<sup>th</sup> IBCT assistant training officer, 1-206<sup>th</sup> FA administrative officer, 39<sup>th</sup> IBCT training officer and his current position as XO at R&R Command.

Major Sanders is an active member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and he serves as an usher in his church. He is a big fan of college football (SEC) and professional football (NFL) and basketball (NBA). He resides in Sherwood with his wife Towana and their five children: Amberly, Patrick, Zack, Jordan and Madison.

Asked why he is a member of NGAUS and NGAA, he said, "Why Not! These organizations have done and are doing so much for National Guard members and their families. It is a way for me to get involved and actively participate in the great initiatives that the association is working today and into the future."

The association is fortunate indeed to have officers like Major Anthony Sanders who have a strong commitment to being a part of the success story of the organization.

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## **New Corporate Members**

NGAA recently welcomed five new Partners in Patriotism to its corporate member family .....

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All academic programs at Embry-Riddle are approved for veterans' educational benefits and are accompanied by personalized academic advisement.

[www.erau.edu](http://www.erau.edu)

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Located just five minutes from downtown Little Rock, the Holiday Inn Airport Conference Center offers executive and business level rooms and a large area of space to ensure that your meeting, reunion and/or reception is a true success with no surprises. The friendly employees take special interest in meeting their guests' comfort.

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Unshackle yourself from the chains of debt. In this 40-minute seminar you will discover:

1. The fastest way to eliminate all of your debts, including student loans and home mortgage
2. The two things you must do to live debt free and still enjoy your life
3. Three places to find hidden money you already have
4. An excellent strategy for making every dollar you save do the work of four dollars

You do not want to miss this seminar. *Register today* by sending an email to Ron DuBois at [Ronald.dubois@axa-advisors.com](mailto:Ronald.dubois@axa-advisors.com) to reserve your seat. Pass this information along to your friends. Everyone is welcome. All questions will be answered.

**4:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014**  
**NGAA Conference Room**  
**Building 8100, Camp Robinson**



## *NGAA Corporate Members*

### Headline Corporate Member

Coca Cola Enterprises of Arkansas  
PepsiCo Foodservice

### Platinum Corporate Member

Nabholz Construction Services

### Gold Corporate Member

Arkansas National Guard MWR  
DRS Technologies  
W. L. Gore & Associates, Inc.

### Corporate Member

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AXA Advisors, LLC  
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The Boeing Company  
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Glidewell Distributing Company, Inc.  
Hog Wild Wines and Spirits, Inc.  
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Humana Government Business  
Kennedy Air Conditioning  
Litefighter Systems  
Metova  
Perkins Technical Services, Inc.  
Rocky  
Tyson Foods, Inc.  
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## *NGAA Goals*

- Provide services to members
- Promote legislative actions to benefit members and improve the capabilities of the Arkansas National Guard
- Establish and maintain a cooperative relationship with like organizations
- Maintain long term financial stability
- Preserve the history of NGAA
- Educate federal, state and local communities on the National Guard story
- Improve the communication flow to membership regarding NGAA and its programs

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## **Coming Events**

NGAA Endowment Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m.  
NGAA Board of Directors Meeting, 5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, 5 August 2014  
NGAA Office, Building 8100, Camp Robinson

136<sup>th</sup> General Conference & Exhibition  
National Guard Association of the United States  
22-25 August 2014  
McCormick Place  
Chicago, Illinois