



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
STATE DIRECTORS OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
Annual Conference
Asheville, NC

Saturday, September 12 – Thursday, September 17, 2009

*Group Rate Lodging at the
Crowne Plaza Resort Asheville, One Resort Drive
Asheville, NC ▪ (828) 254-3211 ▪ Fax: (828) 254-1603*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 – CROWNE PLAZA

One Resort Drive, Asheville, NC – (828) 254-3211

- 9 A.M. – 5 P.M.** **Registration / NASDVA Static Information Tables**
Lobby Area – All Attendees
- 1:00 – 2:00 P.M.** **Executive Committee and New Directors' Orientation and Training**
Dogwood Room – New Directors and Staff
Executive Committee Members
- 2:00 – 2:40 P.M.** **NASDVA Committee Meetings – Dogwood Room**
Constitution & Bylaws – Jim Willis
Veterans Benefits – Tom Kelley
- 2:40 – 3:20 P.M.** **NASDVA Committee Meetings – Dogwood Room**
Legislative – Terry Schow
Veterans Health Care and State Veterans Homes – Linda Schwartz
- 3:20 – 4:00 P.M.** **NASDVA Regional Caucus Meeting – Dogwood Room**
- 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.** **NASDVA Committee Meetings – Dogwood Room**
Finance and Audit – Vince Burgess
Nominating – Joey Strickland
- 6:00 – 7:30 P.M.** **President's Reception**
Overlook Room – All Attendees and Guests
Sponsored by: McLane Advanced Technologies
Guest Speaker: The Honorable Walter Dalton, Lieutenant Governor of NC

Business Casual Attire for the entire conference except where designated.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 – CROWNE PLAZA

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- 8:30 – 9:15 A.M.** **NASDVA Opening Ceremony** *(Business attire)*
Mt. Mitchell Room
Presentation of Colors – North Carolina National Guard – Diana Stumpf
Pledge of Allegiance – David Fletcher, Arkansas
National Anthem
Invocation – Terry Schow, Utah
PRESIDENT’S WELCOME – Charles F. Smith, North Carolina
Roll Call – Patrick Palmersheim, Iowa
Introduction of Special Guests – Charlie Smith
Britt Cobb, Secretary, NC Department of Administration
Ray Smith, Chairman, NC Veterans Affairs Commission
- 9:15 – 10:15 A.M.** **NASDVA Business Meeting (Resolutions)**
- 10:15 – 10:30 A.M.** **BREAK – Foxfire Room** *Sponsored by – Freedom Team Salute*
- 10:30 – 11:10 A.M.** **NASDVA Committee Reports**
- 11:10 – 11:30 A.M.** **Election of Officers**
- 11:30 – 12:00 Noon** **National Association of State Women Veterans Coordinators --**
1st Sgt. (Ret) Delilah Washburn, President
- 12:00 – 1:00 P.M.** **LUNCH** (on your own) Executive Committee meet with Emily Smith, DAS
- 1:00 – 2:00 P.M.** **Best Practices** – Texas Veterans Commission/
McLane Advanced Technologies (MAT)
- 2:00 – 2:30 P.M.** **Veterans Community Action Teams (VCAT)** – John King
- 2:30 – 2:45 P.M.** **BREAK – Foxfire Room** *Sponsored by – Freedom Team Salute*
- 2:45 – 3:15 P.M.** **Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS)** – Stacey Gleason
- 3:15 – 3:45 P.M.** **Website Update** – Floyd Vasquez, VET PAO & James F. Mingey, CEO,
The National Veterans Business Development Corporation
- 3:45 – 4:15 P.M.** **Solar Power Initiative Program**–Tim Youmans & Stephen Smith, Em-Link, LLC
- 4:15 – 4:30 P.M.** **National Association of State Veterans Homes** – Colleen Rundell, President
- 5:45 – 9:45 P.M.** **TOUR AND DINNER AT THE BILTMORE ESTATE**
*Sponsored by: Health Management Resources (HMR), Bill Biggs
and Healthcare Services, Group, Inc. (HSG), Ed Massey*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 – CROWNE PLAZA

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7:00 – 8:00 A.M.

Breakfast – *Sponsored by Gallup Poll, Inc.*

Presentation by Helen Musura

Overlook Room

8:15 – 10:15 A.M.

VSO's Forum

Mr. Barry Searle, American Legion

Mr. Frank Van Hoy, MOPH

Mr. David Gorman, DAV

Ms. Pat Bessigano, VVA

Jean Davis, U.S. Army Freedom Team Salute

Mt. Mitchell Room

10:15 – 10:30 A.M.

BREAK – Foxtire Room

10:30 – 11:00 A.M.

Student Veterans of America – Derek Blumke, Executive Director
Veterans of Modern Warfare – Donald Overton, Executive Director

11:00 – 12:00 Noon

Business Executives for National Security (BENS) –

Ray Boland and David Sevier, Devin Holmes, President

12:00 – 1:00 P.M.

LUNCH – *Sponsored by Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.*

Lunch Presentation – Reggie Van Lee

Overlook Room

1:00 – 1:30 P.M.

Forces Health Protection Conference Report – DOD–Linda Schwartz

1:30 – 2:00 P.M.

“Honor Air” – Jeff Miller

2:00 – 3:00 P.M.

LTC (Ret.) Barry Bridgers – Former Vietnam POW

3:00 – 3:45 P.M.

Executive Committee Meeting – Incoming President

6:00 – 10:00 P.M.

INSTALLATION BANQUET

Overlook Room

Business Attire

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TRAVEL TO HOME STATES