

**VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA
Twentieth National Convention
Greensboro, North Carolina
November 2-6, 2021**

DRAFT #11

This agenda is a work in progress. It could change several times, before it becomes final.

MONDAY, November 1, 2021

9:00am until	All Offices closed while staff are setting up for Convention	All Offices
8:00am – 6:00pm	COVID Screening (needed before registering for Convention)	Registration Desk 1
12:00pm – 5:00pm	Veterans mall open for Vendor set up only	Guilford EF

TUESDAY, November 2, 2021

8:00am – 5:00pm	Situation Room opens (meeting planner)	Blandwood
8:00am – 5:00pm	VVA/Media office open	Morehead
8:30am – 5:00pm	CSCP Meeting	Guilford G
8:00am – 6:00pm	COVID Screening (needed before registering for Convention)	Registration Desk 3
9:00am – 4:00pm	AVVA office open	Old North
9:00am – 5:00pm	Elections Committee office open	Cardinal
9:00am – 5:00pm	THE VETERANS MALL open	Guilford EF
Varies	Convention floor available for rehearsal & Set up (must coordinate this with Wes Guidry, to get in)	Guilford ABC
9:00am – 6:00pm	Credentials Office opens	Carolina
9:00am – 1:00pm	VVA Convention registration open (Pre-registered delegates only)	Registration Desk 5/6
9:00am – 6:00pm	AVVA Convention registration open	Registration Desk 4
2:00pm – 6:00pm	Convention registration open (Pre-registered and on-site)	Registration Desk 5/6
4:00pm – 5:00pm	New Delegates briefing	Auditorium II
4:00pm	National Board of Directors meeting	Guilford D
6:00pm – 8:30pm	Welcome Home Party “Cheeseburger in Paradise” Music by “The Beach Bumz” Supper and show (<i>Advanced Tickets Required</i>)	Imperial Ballroom

WEDNESDAY, November 3, 2021

8:00am – 5:00pm	Situation Room opens (meeting planner)	Blandwood
7:30am – 8:00am	New Delegates briefing	Auditorium II
8:00am – 5:00pm	VVA/Media office open	Morehead
8:00am – 6:00pm	COVID Screening (needed before registering for Convention)	Registration Desk 3
9:00am – 5:00pm	Elections Committee office open	Cardinal
8:00am – 6:00pm	VVA Convention registration	Registration Desk 5/6
8:30am	Convention floor open for delegates	Guilford ABC
11:00am - 5:00pm	THE VETERANS MALL open	Guilford EF
8:00am – 6:00pm	Credentials Office open	Carolina

Note: Registration, VVA Office, Credentials Office, Elections Office Media Office will be closed during Opening Ceremony)

9:00am – 12:00pm	Convention opening session	Guilford ABC
	Invocation – Gumersindo Gomez Presentation of Colors – TBD National Anthem – Pledge of Allegiance – Hotel employees (Veterans) Introduction of Officers Welcome – John Rowan Welcome –State Council President Welcome – Joanna Henshaw, AVVA Keynote Speaker –Lt. General (Ret) Ronald Ray Blanck, D.O.	

(Five minute break at conclusion of opening ceremony to allow guests to depart hall. Marshals will ensure that only delegates are seated on convention floor)

Credentials Committee –Richard Lindbeck, Chair
Rules Committee – Joe Jennings, Chair
Adoption of Agenda – Bill Meeks, National Secretary
Constitution Committee- Leslie DeLong, Chair
Resolutions Committee- John Margowski, Chair
Elections Committee- Scott DeArman, Chair
Announcements- Wes Guidry, Director of Meetings

12:00pm – 1:15pm	AVVA luncheon (Advance tickets required)	Imperial Ballroom
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Committee hearings on resolutions Agent Orange/Dioxin Committee POW Committee PTSD and Substance Abuse Committee Veterans Benefits Committee Veterans Incarcerated Committee	Auditorium IV (3 rd Floor) Pebble Beach (3 rd Floor) Augusta (3 rd Floor) Grandover West (3 rd Floor) Grandover East (3 rd Floor)
2:30pm – 4:00pm	Committee hearings on resolutions Membership Affairs Committee Public Affairs Committee Health Care Committee Women Veterans Committee Homeless Veterans Committee	Auditorium IV (3 rd Floor) Augusta (3 rd Floor) Grandover West (3 rd Floor) Pebble Beach (3 rd Floor) Grandover East (3 rd Floor)

4:00pm – 5:30pm	Committee hearings on resolutions Minority Affairs Committee Government Affairs Committee Constitution Committee ETBO		Grandover East (3 rd Floor) Augusta (3 rd Floor) Auditorium IV (3 rd Floor) Grandover West (3 rd Floor)
6:00pm – 6:30pm	Candidates briefing		Auditorium II
7:00pm	Regional caucuses		
	Region 1 Tidewater A (3 rd Floor)	Region 6	Sandpiper (3 rd Floor)
	Region 2 Grandover East (3 rd Floor)	Region 7	Tidewater B (3 rd Floor)
	Region 3 Auditorium IV (3 rd Floor)	Region 8	Tanglewood (3 rd Floor)
	Region 4 Pebble Beach (3 rd Floor)	Region 9	Augusta (3 rd Floor)
	Region 5 Grandover West (3 rd Floor)		

THURSDAY, November 4, 2021

8:30am – 5:00pm	Situation Room opens (meeting planner)		Blandwood
7:30am – 8:45am	Service Representatives' breakfast <i>(Advance tickets required)</i>		Guilford G
8:00am – 5:00pm	VVA/Media office open		Morehead
8:00am	AVVA office Closed		Old North
9:00am – 5:00pm	Elections Committee office open		Cardinal
9:00am – 5:00pm	THE VETERANS MALL open		Guilford EF
8:00am – 4:30pm	Convention registration		Registration Desk 5/6
8:00am – 4:30pm	Credentials Office open		Carolina
9:00am – 5:00pm	AVVA Convention General Session		Guilford D
9:00am – 11:45am	Convention General session Guest speakers - TBA Credentials Committee – Richard Lindbeck, Chair Elections Committee – Scott DeArman, Chair Announcements – Wes Guidry, Director of Meetings Announcement of VVA awards Recognitions & Introductions Delegates act on Constitution amendments – Leslie DeLong, Chair Reading and action on Resolutions – John Margowski, Chair		Guilford ABC
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch (on your own)		
12:00pm	<u>Registration deadline for voting eligibility</u>		
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Convention General session (continues)		Guilford ABC
7:00pm	Regional caucuses		
	Region 1 Tidewater A (3 rd Floor)	Region 6	Sandpiper (3 rd Floor)
	Region 2 Grandover East (3 rd Floor)	Region 7	Tidewater B (3 rd Floor)
	Region 3 Auditorium IV (3 rd Floor)	Region 8	Tanglewood (3 rd Floor)
	Region 4 Pebble Beach (3 rd Floor)	Region 9	Augusta (3 rd Floor)
	Region 5 Grandover West (3 rd Floor)		

FRIDAY, November 5, 2021

7:00am - 7:30am	POW/MIA Ceremony	Outdoors
7:30am – 8:45am	Women Veterans breakfast <i>(Advance tickets required)</i>	Guilford G
8:30am – 3:00pm	Situation Room opens (meeting planner)	Blandwood
8:00am – 3:00pm	VVA/Media office open	Morehead
9:00am – 5:00pm	THE VETERANS MALL open	Guilford EF
9:00am - 10:30am	VVA elections/voting	Colony (3 rd Floor)
9:00am – 10:30am	AVVA Candidate forum	Guilford D
	AVVA Election	Guilford D
9:00am – 12:00pm	THE VETERANS MALL opens	Guilford EF
10:30am – 12:00pm	AVVA Reconvene <i>(if needed)</i>	Guilford D
11:00am – 1:00pm	Convention General session Announcements – Wes Guidry, Director of Meetings Announcement of VVA awards Reading and acting on Resolutions – John Margowski, Chair	Guilford ABC
1:00pm	Lunch <i>(on your own)</i>	
2:30pm	Convention General session resumes	Guilford ABC
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Friday Night Special “Variety of Legends with Conner Lorre” Supper and show <i>(Advanced Tickets Required)</i>	Imperial Ballroom

SATURDAY, November 6, 2021

7:30am – 8:45am	Legislative Coordinator breakfast <i>(Advance tickets required)</i>	Guilford G
9:00am – 3:00pm	Situation Room opens <i>(meeting planner)</i>	Blandwood
9:00am – 12:30pm	Elections Committee Office opens	Cardinal
9:00am – 12:00pm	THE VETERANS MALL opens	Guilford EF
9:00am – 10:30am	VVA run-off election <i>(if needed)</i>	Colony (3 rd Floor)
10:00am	Convention General session Elections Committee – Scott DeArman, Chair Announcements – Wes Guidry, Director of Meetings Announcement of VVA awards Recognitions & Introductions	Guilford ABC
At conclusion of General Session	National Board of Directors meeting (new board)	Guilford D
12:00pm	Lunch <i>(on own)</i>	

5:30pm – 7:00pm

Pre-banquet reception

Prefunction Area

7:00pm

VVA Awards Banquet
(Advance tickets required)

Guilford ABC