

***National League of Families of American
Prisoners, Missing & Unaccounted-For in Vietnam***

(Chartered May 28, 1970)

***53rd Annual Meeting Administrative Notes
June 26 & June 29, 2024***

***The Mayflower Hotel
1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036
&
The American Legion Building, 7th Floor
1608 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006***

Registration: 11:00 AM, June 26th, Mayflower Hotel, District Ballroom Foyer

Opening Session: 1:00 – 5:00 PM, District Ballroom, Mayflower Hotel

Badges: All attendees, except uniformed military officials, must wear a visible, color-coded badge on the lanyard provided at registration for entrance to all sessions. ANY alteration to a badge will result in revocation and denial of admittance.

Blue – League (voting) Family Members
Yellow – Concerned citizens

Green – League Associate Members
White – US Officials

Information & Press: Located in the District Ballroom Foyer. Direct inquiries to Communications Chairman Nicki Chopski, email chopski103@hotmail.com or call the League Office (703-465-7432).

Individual Case File Reviews must be scheduled by the Service Casualty Officers. When available, the times and precise locations will be confirmed by the SCO. Please try not to schedule reviews when critical information should be presented. Instead, ask for early morning, lunch or dinner breaks.

Reception & 53rd Annual Dinner: A No-host Reception will be held at 6:00 PM on the Mayflower Hotel Mezzanine, and the 53rd Annual Dinner will be held in the District Ballroom, also in the Mayflower Hotel, at 7:00 PM, **ending promptly at 9:00 PM.**

Boutique: A special Boutique will occur during the 53rd Annual Meeting. Times and locations will be posted in the Mayflower District Ballroom and Mezzanine and in The American Legion Building 7th Floor.

DNA Testing: Family members who have yet to provide a DNA sample for identification comparison are encouraged to do so, and should check with their Service Casualty Office to determine eligibility.

Emergencies/Cell Phones: In case of emergency, call the Mayflower Hotel operator, 202-347-3000. Cell phones must be silenced for all functions, including the No-Host Reception and 53rd Annual Dinner.

Wednesday, June 26, 2024
Mayflower Hotel

9:00 AM VSO ROUNDTABLE
10:30 AM RECESS
11:00 AM REGISTRATION/CREDENTIALS PICKUP District Ballroom Foyer
1:00 PM OPENING SESSION District Ballroom

Call to Order: Ann Mills Griffiths, Chairman of the Board

Pledge of Allegiance: Bruce Hallberg, Treasurer

Invocation: Sue Scott, Vice Chairman of the Board

League Chairman's View: Prospects for Success

Mr. Richard Childress – Current Challenges – Future Hope

Dr. Jay Veith – League Intelligence Assessment

Mr. Glenn Hines – Unlocking Wartime Imagery

Col Ed Sykes, USAF (Ret) – Answers On Your Own?

DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (DIA) PANEL

Mr. Will Whitsitt, Director, Defense Attaché Service

Mr. Brad Taylor, Chief, Stony Beach Team

Mr. David G. White, Vietnam Specialist, Stony Beach

5:00 PM **RECESS – CLOSING PRAYER:** Caroline McCall, Board Secretary

6:00 PM **NO-HOST RECEPTION & MUSICAL PRELUDE** Mezzanine
The League's Annual Boutique will be available

7:30 PM **53RD ANNUAL DINNER & CANDLELIGHT HONORS** District Ballroom

Welcome, Presentation of Colors

National Anthem & Armed Forces Medley

Invocation, Dinner, Introduction of Special Guests

Remarks: AMBASSADOR DANIEL KRITENBRINK (invited)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, ASIA & PACIFIC

Presentation of League Awards

Candlelight Ceremony Honoring Unreturned VN War Veterans

Benediction/Conclusion, "God Bless America"

9:00 PM

Thursday, June 27, 2024
The American Legion Building, 7th Floor Ballroom

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	LIVE-STREAMING PARTY
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	INFORMAL LUNCH PROVIDED
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	LIVE-STREAMING PARTY
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM	INFORMAL HAPPY HOUR

Friday, June 28, 2024
The American Legion Building, 7th Floor Ballroom

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	LIVE-STREAMING PARTY
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	INFORMAL LUNCH
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	LIVE-STREAMING PARTY

Saturday, June 29, 2024
The American Legion Building, 7th Floor Ballroom

9:00 AM 12:00 PM	GENERAL SESSION - Q&A FORUM & LEAGUE BUSINESS SESSION
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League Chair of the Board or Executive Director, Presiding

*DIA presenters, League Advisors & Speakers,
& Board Members will agree to respond to
questions covering presentations made at the
DPAA-hosted Annual Government Briefings
the two prior days.*