



Virginia ARMY & AIR National Guard Enlisted Association (VaA/ANGEA)



Benefits and Accomplishments



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VaA/ANGEA & ENLISTED ASSOCIATION OF NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES (EANGUS)

-  A professional organization dedicated to supporting the rights and benefits of enlisted members of the National Guard.
-  Fights to maintain and improve our benefits and to keep the National Guard as a viable part of the total military.

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Members of the Association

-  Current members of the Air Guard
-  Current members of the Army Guard
-  Retired members of the Air Guard
-  Retired members of the Army Guard
-  Officers, Warrant Officers, civilians and family members can join as Associate Members.
-  **The more members we have the more lobbying power we hold!**







Benefits of Membership

- The *New Patriot Magazine* by EANGUS and *The Cardinal* newsletter by VaA/ANGEA.
- \$1,000.00 “no cost” Accident and Death Life Insurance for VaA/ANGEA members.
- \$1,000.00 “no cost” Accident and Death Life Insurance for EANGUS members.
 - Additional optional coverage available.
- Scholarships for Soldiers and Dependents.
- Discounts at many major businesses.
- The exchange of ideas and professional growth through Association meetings.



VaA/ANGEA Accomplishments

-  State tuition assistance
-  Up to \$3,000.00 state tax exemption from your Guard pay for all enlisted members
-  National Guard license plates for ½ price for members still serving
-  County & City decals for the same price as your National Guard license plates



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2009 EANGUS Legislative Initiatives

- ✈ Making the early retirement provisions of the 2008 NDAA retroactive to September 11, 2001
- ✈ Increase access to TRICARE for reservists beginning with the issuance of an alert order (currently 90 days prior to mobilization) and concluding 180 days post mobilization
- ✈ Allow “gray area” reserve retirees to purchase TRICARE standard health care coverage at full premium rate
- ✈ Authorize transferability of Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) benefits to spouse
- ✈ Issuing of DD 214 to anyone who serves on AD for any period of time

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2009 EANGUS Legislative Initiatives continued

- ✈ Restore balance in payable benefit for MGIB from 24.9% today to historic 47-50% of active duty level
- ✈ Expand the tax deductibility of non-reimbursable expenses related to military training for Guard & Reserve members, decreasing the distance requirement from 100 miles to 50 miles
- ✈ Elimination of Basic Allowance for Housing II(BAH-II), which pays a housing allowance for periods of Active Duty (AD) for 30 days or less
- ✈ Consider earlier retirement eligibility for Military Technicians as an exempted class of civil service employees(25yrs svc, or age 50+ 20yrs svc)



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2009 EANGUS Legislative Initiatives continued

- Remove the specific countries of Afghanistan, Iraq, and Kuwait that are mentioned in 37 USC(a)(5), and simply make it read “combat zones”
- Provide authority for surviving spouses of military members to travel space “A” on military aircraft
- Expand travel & transportation allowances for reservists traveling long distances to drills
- Amend 38 USC to include in the definition of “veteran” those retirees of the Guard & Reserve who have completed 20 or more years of service and are retired from military service (commonly referred to as “gray area” retirees) and transferred to the Retired Reserved

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2008 EANGUS Accomplishments

- 👤 Pay raise of 3.9%, 0.5% over the President asked
- 👤 New GI Bill with better financial benefits, still have MGIB
- 👤 Tuition assistance for spouses for portable careers
- 👤 Increased full time support
- 👤 Lowering of TRICARE Reserve Select Fees
- 👤 NO TRICARE fee or pharmacy increases









2008 EANGUS Accomplishments continued

-  Wavier of co-payments for preventative health services for those under 65
-  Expanded medical and dental readiness with onus on services not individuals
-  Health risk management demonstration project
-  Smoking cessation programs with Rx at no cost and 24 hr quit line
-  Presumption of services connection for retirement eligibility (medical issues)



2007 EANGUS Accomplishments

-  Pay raise of 3.5%
-  Raise creditable retirement points from 90 to 130 per year
-  Early retirement provisions
 -  90 days off age 60 for 90 aggregate days deployed
-  No TRICARE fee or pharmacy increases
-  Extend VA health care from 2 years to 5 years post-deployment



2007 EANGUS Accomplishments continued

- 👤 Use of MGIB REAP benefits for 10 yrs after discharge
- 👤 Retain Military Technicians as non-dual status if combat injured and discharged
- 👤 Salute the flag when not in uniform



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Membership Dues

INCLUDES MEMBERSHIP IN EANGUS

RANK	1 YEAR	3 YEARS
E-1 TO E-4	\$10.00	\$25.00
E-5 TO E-6	\$15.00	\$40.00
E-7 TO E-9	\$20.00	\$50.00
Associate	\$20.00	

Life Memberships are available

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QUESTIONS



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