

2022

Non Commissioned Officers Association Annual Conference and Professional Development Symposium

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The Non Commissioned Officers Association's Annual Conference will be held July 19-22, 2022, in San Antonio, Texas, at the Hilton San Antonio Airport Hotel.

We invite all NCOs and Petty Officers past and present to join us as NCOA gathers its general membership, their International Auxiliary, and their Knights' Assembly, for a week of camaraderie and learning! The conference serves as a venue to strengthen the bonds among NCOA members and recruit new members; offers military professional development sessions, mentoring opportunities, and information on a variety of resources; provides venues to meet and engage with current and former service and joint Senior Enlisted Leaders; and provides policy and program education and updates while allowing YOU to have a "voice" on quality of life and service issues impacting you and your family. Key events this year include:

Service Senior Enlisted Panel. Come to hear from and meet Senior Enlisted Leaders from all branches of the Armed Forces including United States Army Forces Command SEL **CSM Todd Sims**, Marine Forces Reserve Marine Forces South **Sergeant Major Carlos Ruiz**, Fleet Master Chief MPT&E/MyNavyHR **FLTCM Chief Del Terrell**, Air Education Training Command, **CMSgt Erik Thompson**, Chief Master Sergeant of the U.S. Space Force **Roger Towberman**, and Deputy Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard **Charlie Salls**. These experienced and influential leaders will provide the audience insights on the state of their service, answer your questions, and offer professional advice.

Resiliency Session. Come listen to and be inspired by America's Resilience Speaker and 2018 Air Force Spouse of the Year **Kristen Christy**. Kristen has had more than her share of seismic bumps in the road, and she travels the globe, sharing what she learned, her message of hope, and insights on building personal resilience and community with others to inspire and encourage.

COCOM SEL Panel. SPACECOM SEL **SgtMaj Scott Stalker** and CYBERCOM SEL **CSM Sheryl Lyon** will join NCOA President Paul Kingsbury, FLTCM, USN (Ret.) for a discussion on "The NCO Fighting in Space and Cyber".

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Professional Education Opportunities. Come to hear from and give your feedback to **Mr. John Boerstler**, Chief Veterans Experience Officer for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and Defense Health Agency Senior Enlisted Leader **CSM Michael Gragg**. Several retired senior enlisted leaders who work for USAA, Veterans Lending Group (**Speaker John W. Troxell, SEAC (Ret)**), and United Health Care will offer briefs and answer your questions on you and your family's benefits. Assistant Secretary for the Department of Labor **James Rodriguez** will also provide a brief on the transition process.

The conference culminates with our **Vanguard Award Banquet** where we recognize a recipient from each armed service for acts of heroism or valor and our outstanding NCOA chapters. **CSM Todd Sims** will be our guest speaker!

We are only minutes from Joint Base San Antonio! Come join us as we work to become The PREMIER joint PME expo where enlisted members from all services can come together to network, learn, and enhance lethality and personal and family readiness! The Non Commissioned Officers Association conference is an authorized conference and Active Duty members may take Permissive Leave for the conference dates. All conference professional development forums and information sessions are open and free of charge to all active duty and service members and DoD civilians and parking is free.

For more information, please contact our Executive Director Joe Terry at: jterry@ncoausa.org and **register today!** We look forward to hosting and meeting you in July! Sponsorship Opportunities are available.