

2010
SONS OF SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS / DAUGHTERS of 98 /
MILITARY ORDER OF THE SERPENT
CONVENTION AND CONVOCATION

The meetings will be held Friday July 30 and Saturday July 31.

The headquarters hotel is:
Quality Inn
1375 West State Route 55
I-75, Exit 73
Troy, OH 45373
(937) 335-0021

The room rate is \$54.99 plus tax. (Mention Sons of Spanish War Veterans for this rate)

The hotel does not provide a shuttle from the airport. If you are flying into Dayton International call Daughters of '98 Johanna McGrath at 937 448-2389 at least a week prior to arrange a ride with her.

There will be a registration table for our Orders in the lobby of the hotel Friday afternoon. Payment for the meals will be accepted during registration.

The Military Order of the Rats Banquet will be held in a private meeting room Friday night at 6:15. It will be a buffet meal which is paid individually by each diner. Cost will be approximately \$20.00 to \$25.00.

Immediately following the meal, the SSAWV Council of Administration meeting will take place in the room. This meeting shall consist of the elective National Officers, Past National Presidents, Past Department Presidents, National Secretary, National Treasurer and the National Judge Advocate. These Officers should make every effort to attend this meeting.

The hotel provides a free continental breakfast.

Joint opening Saturday morning at 9:30.

Immediately after, our Orders will split into two meeting rooms for conduct of business as needed throughout the rest of a day. The SSAWV will break at some point for lunch. The Serpent Convocation will be held at the close of SSAWV business.

There is a possibility that a memorial service will be held at a Spanish War marker in the county Saturday afternoon after our meetings and prior to the Saturday banquet. Details will be available during our meetings.

The Saturday evening banquet will be held in a private meeting room at 5:15. It will be a buffet meal which is paid individually by each diner. Cost will be approximately \$20.00 to \$25.00.

SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON THE SSAWV CONVENTION FROM THE 2009 BY-LAWS

The body of the National Convention shall consist of the following representatives:

1. National officers elected.
2. Past National Presidents.
3. Past Department Presidents.
4. Camp Delegates or their Alternates.
5. Members-at-Large.

All representatives to the National Convention must be Members in good standing in their respective Camps which likewise must be in good standing.

Each Camp, including the Member-at-Large Camp, may have 1 Delegate for each 5 Members, or major fraction thereof, with a minimum of 2 Delegates. The Delegates must be in good standing at the time of the National Convention and have been elected prior to the National Convention. One Alternate will be allowed for each Delegate. Delegates and Alternates shall have credentials issued by their Camp.

All Members present at a National Convention shall be eligible to any National office, provided that the candidates for Junior Vice, Senior Vice and National President shall have the title of at least Past President of a Camp or shall be a Member at Large who has been in attendance at three previous National Conventions.

The National Convention shall elect the following Officers for the period of one year or until their successors are duly elected and appointed and qualified; National President, National Senior Vice President, National Junior Vice President, and a Board of three Trustees.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Each Camp must elect Delegates and issue them a credential which should be presented at registration prior to the start of the Convention. MAL Members will be credentialed by the National Secretary at the Convention. All members of our Order are invited and welcomed to the Convention, however actual voting strength will be determined by the above mentioned formula.

Camp Commanders are requested to provide a list of Delegates and Alternates to the National Secretary and National President prior to the start of the Convention.

It has been requested that we provide the number of attendees who will eat the meals to the caterer by WED of the Convention week. Please let us know if you will eat Friday and / or Saturday night.

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