

# Minnesota National Guard Enlisted Association Auxiliary

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Dear Families and Friends of the National Guard,

Each year I look forward to the last weekend in April because of the Minnesota National Guard Enlisted Association Conference. There is so much planning and work done throughout the year in order to make the weekend a productive and fun time. This year we will be in Mankato on April 23-25.

I am writing to you, not your service member, to invite you to attend our Auxiliary meeting on Saturday morning during the conference. It is such a pleasure to see the smiling faces of others that share our common bond of a unique military life. It would be a wonderful to see some new faces with new ideas to share. Please ask us about the meeting time and agenda when you arrive and register.

Our President, Karen Vicente, always has new things to tell us and is always dedicated to the preservation of the Auxiliary and the causes it supports. I have been working in Family Programs for the military for two years and Karen often asks me to talk a little about Family Readiness during our Auxiliary meeting.

As most of you are aware our 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division has just returned from Basra, Iraq. This is a wonderful yet challenging time for families. We have several units still deployed as well as the BCT preparing for another deployment next year. These service members and their families truly benefit from the work we do at the Minnesota National Guard Enlisted Conference each year. I hope you will consider attending the Auxiliary meeting.

Sincerely,

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