

## LEGISLATIVE GOALS

*Below are a few of the legislative initiatives introduced by the MNGEA membership on both the State and National level.*

### **STATE:**

- **\$3,000/\$5,000 State Tax Exemption Reinstatement**
- **Retirement Pay State Tax Exemption**
- **Mid-Career State Reenlistment Bonus**

### **FEDERAL:**

- **Veteran Status for National Guard Retirees**
- **Military Tech Retirement Protections**
- **VA Burial Rights for Guard Members**
- **Full BAH for Deployed Single Guard Members**
- **Service Members Civil Relief Act Improvements**
- **Age 55 Retirement Pay for Guard Members**
- **Immediate Annuity for Retirement Pay**

*Visit [www.eangus.org](http://www.eangus.org) for detailed list of all EANGUS legislative goals.*

## STATE SPONSORED LIFE INSURANCE

*- Available to MNGEA Members ONLY*

*- Spousal Coverage also available*

### **Three Separate Programs**

**Level to Age 50  
Lean 15  
Militia Plan**

**Rates Lower than SGLI!**

**Coverage Continues After Discharge**

## WHAT IS MNGEA?

MNGEA is a Non-Profit Professional Organization that represents the interests of the enlisted personnel of the Minnesota Army and Air National Guard.

MNGEA is the only Professional Organization that specifically works on behalf of the Enlisted Guard Members in the State of Minnesota.

## WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF MNGEA?

To promote and support adequate security for the State of Minnesota and the United States of America. To foster, improve and advance the status, welfare, and professionalism of the National Guard of the State of Minnesota and the National Guard of the United States, and generally do all lawful acts and things necessary, proper and suitable to accomplish these purposes. To be affiliated with the Enlisted Association of the United States (EANGUS), and to be subject to the Constitution and By-Laws of that body, insofar as they effect and prescribe the function of the Minnesota National Guard Enlisted Association (MNGEA), but do not conflict with the articles of incorporation, and the laws of the State of Minnesota.



# MNGEA

**MINNESOTA  
NATIONAL  
GUARD  
ENLISTED  
ASSOCIATION**

*Contact information:*

### **MNGEA Membership Services:**

7830 110th Street South  
Cottage Grove, MN 55016  
651-768-8914  
[membership@mngea.com](mailto:membership@mngea.com)

**BENEFITS**

- ✓ Receive the *New Patriot*, a quarterly publication, that allows communication between members, State Chapters and the EANGUS National Headquarters. It keeps all members current on happenings within EANGUS and the State Chapters. Any EANGUS member or National Guard Public Affairs can submit articles to be published in the *New Patriot*.
- ✓ Free Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance (AD & D) – All EANGUS members receive a free \$1,000 AD & D insurance policy with their membership.
- ✓ Members can participate in many life and disability insurance plans. (Call 888-642-8748).
- ✓ Get a discount on your subscription to Air Force and Army Times. (Call 800-368-5718).
- ✓ Rental Car discounts. For discount member cards for Avis, Hertz, National & Alamo (800-234-3264).
- ✓ MBNA MasterCard & Visa Credit Card programs available for members with no annual fee and features rates lower than those available in other programs. (Call 800-847-7378).
- ✓ EANGUS Checks are available for less than what you may pay your bank for ordinary checks, you can proudly display your membership to EANGUS.
- ✓ Penske Auto Center discounts available. Present your ID card to the service personnel at the nearest Penske Auto Center to receive a 10% discount off the regular price of both parts and labor for any service performed on your car or light truck. (Call 800-234-3264).

**RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS**



- ✓ State Tuition Reimbursement (STR) Program cap increased from \$7500 to \$10,000 effective 1 July 2011.
- ✓ TRICARE Reserve Select for Guard Members
- ✓ 100% Tuition Reimbursement under Minnesota Stature 192.501 Financial incentives for National Guard members. Tuition and Textbook Reimbursement grant program. If a member of the Minnesota National Guard is killed in the line of state active service or federally funded state active

service the member’s surviving spouse, and any surviving dependent who has not reached 24 years of age is eligible for a tuition and textbook reimbursement grant.

- ✓ Homeowners insurance protection that guarantees no insurer can refuse to renew, reduce the limits of coverage, or cancel or charge a differential rate if the dwelling is vacant or unoccupied by a caretaker due solely to the insured being called to active duty.
- ✓ “Support Our Troops” license plates with proceeds going to Veteran’s programs and for emergency relief for military members of Minnesota and their families.
- ✓ An extension of the MN National Guard tuition reimbursement program whereby members who have been called to active service will receive an additional 2 years plus the time of deployment to use the Program following discharge from the National Guard. For those National Guard members discharged due to service connected illness or injury, the extension is for a period of 8 years.

**PREVIOUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- ✓ Pay raises above DoD standards.
- ✓ Establishment & extension for the VA Home Loan For Guard & Reserve members.
- ✓ DOD Dental insurance plans for Retirees and National Guard members.
- ✓ Burial benefits for National Guard members.
- ✓ Increase in Commissary visits for Guard and Reserve members.
- ✓ Small Business Administration loans for mobilized Guard & Reserve members.
- ✓ Retention of 4-pay periods for a UTA weekend
- ✓ Retention of the 15-day military leave for federal civilian employees when it was slated for elimination twice.
- ✓ Retirement flags for retiring Guard & Reserve members.
- ✓ Increase in IDT points that can be earned in one year from 60 to 75 to 90.
- ✓ AGR retirement at highest grade held.
- ✓ Imminent Danger Pay equity.
- ✓ Montgomery GI Bill education benefits increase & improvements.

**MNGEA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

1 January \_\_\_\_\_ to 31 December \_\_\_\_\_  
PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION BELOW!

NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI) \_\_\_\_\_ SSN (Last 4): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_ AREA \_\_\_\_\_

RANK / GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ANNUAL ENLISTED E1-E6 ..... \$15 \_\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATE MEMBER ..... \$20 \_\_\_\_\_

ANNUAL ENLISTED E7-E9 ..... \$30 \_\_\_\_\_ RETIRED MEMBER ..... \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

**MODE OF PAYMENT:**

**OPTION 1: CHECK PAYABLE TO "MNGEA"**  
MAIL TO: MNGEA, 7830 110<sup>th</sup> ST., COTTAGE GROVE, MN 55016

**OPTION 2: CREDIT CARD**

VISA \_\_\_\_\_ EXP DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MASTERCARD \_\_\_\_\_ EXP DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

LAST REVISION: 7 OCTOBER 2011

**MN NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED ASSOCIATION**

**TEMPERARY MEMBERSHIP CARD**

1 JAN \_\_\_\_\_ -- 31 DEC \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT: \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_ AREA \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (Circle one): \_\_\_\_\_

ANNUAL ASSOCIATE RETIRED