

# INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LEGIONS OF HONOR



## NEWSLETTER



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*Happy Fourth of July*  
*From the Officers of the*  
*International Association*  
*Legions of Honor*



"OKAY, SON, WHEN I YELL 'NOW!',  
LIGHT THE FUSE AND WE'LL  
WATCH THIS BABY BLAST OFF!"

Please be safe this fourth of July. Enjoy the back yard cook outs, baseball, swimming, fireworks and boating. Please follow all safety guidelines. We don't want anyone getting hurt.



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**Imperial Session**  
**July 4 - 8, 2021**  
**Houston, TX**

International Association Legions of Honor  
Annual Meeting  
Sunday July 4 - 10:00 am  
Marriott Hotel  
Room Kingwood B, 3rd Level  
1777 Walker Street, Houston, TX 77010  
It is located next to the convention center  
and is connected by a sky walk

## From the Commander Now Hear This

Greetings all.

I am happy and pleased that myself, family and our IALOH fraternity have been able to see some daylight out of the pandemic that we all have endured. This past 15 months or so, has for the most part changed all of lives in one way or another.

Since the last opportunity to contribute to this newsletter, my Lady Leighanne and I have had a couple of visits outside of our home front. Towards the later part of the month of April on 4/25 – 4/29, we traveled to Fredericksburg, TX (via the San Antonio airport), where we had a great visit with those from TALOH and other IALOH officers that were in attendance. Then on the return to the San Antonio airport on the 29th, Leighanne and I fly to Kingsport Tri Cities airport in Tennessee where we met up with those from SASA LOH and stayed there from April 29 – May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We were honored to have another four great days there visiting and rekindling friendships from days past. I next traveled to Kansas City

on the June 5<sup>th</sup> where I was picked up by Kenny Miller PC of Moila LOH for a visit at their temple in Saint Joseph MO. There I was able meet and have fellowship with their members for a few days before returning home to San Diego.

This past month has had their own challenges for being busy, Leighanne and I have been working on all the men's and ladies officer packets. I had the opportunity to move up to the position of CMDR Elect on May 1<sup>st</sup>. And with that being noted. I want to give a tremendous shout out and thank you to Past International Commander Tracy Coughlin, for his years of service to our IALOH Association and we will never forget the pandemic year he had to embrace and move on from. On June 1<sup>st</sup> we had a zoom meeting where I was elected Commander and all of our officers moved up one spot. We also elected Geoffrey Lyster, PP of Kena Shrine as the 8<sup>th</sup> Lt Commander. Our Adjutant David Smith was elected to 3 more years that same day.



Steve C. Walker, PC



Our next travel date is coming soon on June 21-24 where the IALOH officers and a few of their Ladies will meet in Reno NV. More on that visit in the next newsletter.

Steve Walker  
International Commander

## International Commander's Travel Plans

### 2021

#### July

July 3 – 8  
July 17

IMPERIAL SESSION  
ISMAILIA LOH PICNIC

Houston, TX  
Buffalo, NY

#### August

August 11 – 14  
August 18 – 22  
August 25 -29

SESA  
CSSA  
GREAT LAKES

Pigeon Forge, TN  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Springfield, IL

#### September

September 17

SASA (C of C)

Myrtle Beach, SC

#### October

October 8 – 11

SHRINER'S GOLF TOURN

Las Vegas, NV

#### November

November 2 – 7

ARLINGTON PILGRIMAGE

Arlington, VA

### 2022

#### January

January TBD

EAST WEST SHRINE BOWL

St. Petersburg, FL

#### February

February 22 – 24

TALOH

Fredericksburg, TX

#### March

March 24 – 27

MASA

Manassas, VA

#### April-May

April TBD  
April TBD  
April 27 – May 1

WSA  
SASA  
IALOH CONVENTION

Las Vegas, NV  
TBD  
Reno, NV

## 1st Lieutenant Commander

## Division 4

Hello LOH Nobles,

First I would like to congratulate all the IALOH Lt. Commanders in their advancement in the line and welcoming Jeffrey Lyster as the new 8<sup>th</sup> Lt. Commander. I am honored and thankful for your support. Also want to say Thank You to all the LOH delegates that made the zoom election possible, without your help the election would not have been successful. I am looking forward to a successful year.

As Covid restrictions being reduced, we can finally get together again seeing friends and having fun. In April I was honored in attending both the Texas Association Legion of Honor and the South Atlantic Shrine Assoc. Legion of Honor Mid-Winter meetings.

The Texas Association Legion of was held in Fredericksburg, Texas. We had fun touring Fredericksburg and attending the change of command. During the festivities, I was honored to give Mike Driskill the International Legions of Honor Distinguished Ser-

vice Award for all that he does for his temple and the Legion of Honor. Congratulations to Charles McIntosh for a successful meeting and Change of Command. Congratulations to the newly installed Commander and the Lt Commanders.

South Atlantic Shrine Assoc. Legion of Honor Mid- Winter was held in Kingsport, Tennessee. The mid-winter meeting was fun and had a great banquet! We also had time to do a little site seeing with a visit to Country Western Museum, thank you to Jericho LOH for setting this up and the transportation.

Please visit the IALOH web site to see any updates and meetings that are coming up this year. Many LOH Associations are planning events. Please make your reservations for upcoming events.

The agenda and form for Arlington is on the website. It has been a couple of years since we were able to get together to pay our respects and lay



David Ginapp, PC



the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns. Make your reservations so that we can keep this traditional event moving forward. For those who have attended in the past, you know that this a time of remembrance and to have a little fun. Hope to see you soon

David Ginapp  
1<sup>st</sup> IALOH Lt. Commander

## Legions of Honor Association Meetings

**Central States**  
August 19 - 22, 2021  
Residence Inn Brick Town  
Oklahoma City, OK

**Great Lakes**  
August 25th - 29th  
Wyndham Springfield City Centre  
Springfield, IL 62701

**South Atlantic**  
September 17, 2021  
Land Mark Resort  
Myrtle Beach, SC

**Mid-Atlantic**  
Fall Meeting  
September 8-12, 2021  
Virginia Beach, VA

**Mid-Atlantic**  
Spring Convention  
March 24-27, 2022  
Manassas, VA

**South Eastern**  
Convention  
August 11 - 14, 2021  
Pigeon Forge, TN

*For more information about the association meetings visit the IALOH website at [www.ialoh.org/Associations](http://www.ialoh.org/Associations)*

### Quartermaster Special Notice

At this time we are unable to take credit cards when ordering items off the website. You can still use the website to order items but when you check out it is going to instruct you to mail a check to the Quartermaster. Hopefully we will be able start taking credit cards in the future. When mailing a check to the Quartermaster please make it payable to the "IALOH". If you have any questions please contact the Quartermaster Mike Kimbrell. Mike's contact information is on page 15 of this newsletter.

## 2nd Lieutenant Commander

## Division 5

**Gray Areas:** Now that a significant amount of the pandemic restrictions have been lifted, I hope this finds you healthy, happy, vaccinated, and moving about. The Gray family is fully vaccinated, after I got my second shot I said, "have vaccine, will travel" and travel I did. March took me to Salina, KS, to the Isis Shrine to present Past Commander Robert "Bob" Johnson with the IALOH Distinguished Service Award (DSA). Bob was to have received this prestigious award during last year's convention but, we all know what happened to that. I want to thank Isis Potentate, Alex Leslie, and their Chief Rabban, Russ Contas,

for conspiring to ensure Bob was surprised by the presentation. Bob not only received the DSA for IALOH that evening, he was also awarded the Isis Shriner of the Year. At the same event, the Isis Legion of Honor was awarded the Isis Unit of the Year Award. Congratulations Bob and the entire Isis Legion of Honor for their contributions. I was honored to receive an Honorary Life Membership with the Isis Shrine, I am humbly grateful. I want to thank Potentate Alex, Chief Rabban Russ and the entire Isis Shrine family for their outstanding hospitality during my brief visit.

Closer to home, Lady Virginia and I attend the Western Shrine Association (WSA) Legion of Honor business

meeting and dinner at the Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino, here in Las Vegas. Zelzah Shrine Legion of Honor was invited to perform the 13-Fold Flag Ceremony, which was extra special because Imperial Sir Jim Smith, Imperial Chief Rabban William "Bill" Bailey, and Imperial High Priest and Prophet James "Ed" Stoltz, were all in attendance. Thanks to Past Commander Frank Callom for his and his staff's tireless work



Russell Gray, PC



in reenergizing the WSA LOH. Some of you may not be aware but, the WSA LOH nearly dissolved a few years ago. Teamwork saved the Association by reenergizing the membership and it has paid off with interest. Congratulations to the newly elected officers: Commander Massey, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. CDR Weil, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt CDR Bergstrom and Adjutant Heimsoth. I'm looking forward to next year's convention.

Next, Lady Virginia and I, along with my Chief of Staff Mike Kearns and Lady Peggy, were off to Fredericksburg, TX, to attend the Texas Association Legion of Honor (TALOH) convention. Our host, was IALOH's own 6<sup>th</sup> Lt CDR and TALOH Commander, Charles McIntosh, who

put on a great convention. The welcome party done "Texas Style" with folks decked out in their best boots and cowboy hats. We were entertained by a western band and ate some excellent Texas BBQ. Imperial Sir Jim Smith and Lady Alice were in attendance, as were Past International Commanders Arnold, Sykes, and Daffern. During the business meeting, Lt CDR McIntosh graciously allowed IALOH Commander Coughlin, Lt Commanders Ginapp, Gray, Chiefs of Staff Mike Kearns and Mike Driskill to conduct the 13-Fold Flag Ceremony. Afterward, Commander Coughlin presented the flag to Imperial Sir Smith from the IALOH, which was ordinarily set to be done at Arlington. It was with mixed emotions as Commander Coughlin installed the TALOH Officers as his last official act as Commander. Congratulations Commander James Farless and his entire TALOH line.

June 1<sup>st</sup> brought the election of the IALOH officers for the upcoming year, via ZOOM. Congratulations to Commander Steve Walker and his Lady Leighanne on the year ahead. The remaining line officers moved up and we welcomed Past Potentate Geoffrey Lyster, Kena Shrine to the IALOH line as 8<sup>th</sup> Lt CDR.

Lastly, I'd like everyone to please consider making the trip to Arlington this November. We haven't had a convention for a year and a half. This is the perfect opportunity for us to get back together and enjoy some fun and fellowship, which I know I have sorely missed. Information can be found on the website [IALOH.org](http://IALOH.org) under the events tab, Arlington Wreath Laying. I sincerely hope to see you all there.

Until we meet again, Russ Gray, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Commander, IALOH

## 3rd Lieutenant Commander

Brothers, well another year has come and gone. Hopefully this Covid-19 will disappear and we can really get back to normal.

I would like to send out my sincere thanks to Past Commander Tracy Coughlin and Lady Janet. You guys did an amazing job under these extreme and unusual circumstances. I wish you smooth seas and a calm wind at your back.

I want to thank all of you for your vote of confidence and promoting me to 3rd Lt. Commander for the ensuing year. Myself and Lady Lisa look forward to meeting new faces and traveling to new places.

The next stop for us is the Northeast Division 8 and the Legions of Honor for Aleppo, Cairo, Damascus, Ismailia, Melha, Philae, Pyramid, Rhode Island, Sphinx, and Ziyara. I am excited about the road ahead of me and communicating with these units.

Joining me on this journey will be Chief of Staff Jack Kempster - Egypt, Karl Stimson, Asst. Chief of Staff - Bahia, and Al Rock, Chief Personal Aide - Acca. Along with this leadership team will be the aides, Richard Spaulding - Egypt, Brad Slinkard-Zembo, Jim Thompson - Egypt, and Dale Bieber - Egypt. Should anyone have a questions or announcements please feel free to reach out to myself or any one of these brothers.

It is now time to set our sights on the Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony November 3rd - 6th. A new hotel, and a chance to get back together for comradery and fellowship. All of the information and registration can be found on the IALOH website. It would be great to have a representative from every Legion of Honor within the Association.

## Division 8



David Hobbs, PC



Now it's time to set our course for 2021- 2022, Right full rudder (away from 2020) and full speed ahead.

Wishing you the best  
Dave and Lisa.

## 4th Lieutenant Commander

GLSA LOH 46th annual meeting is August 25 - August 28, Springfield Illinois where I will be installed as GLSA LOH Commander. The 47th annual meeting will be in Cleveland Ohio in 2022, 8/24 - 8/27. Our hotel selection is The DoubleTree by Hilton in Independence. We will present the plan and agenda in August at Springfield. This years registration information is on the ialoh.org website under associations. There you will find registration, hotel information and agenda.

I have reached out to my newly assigned responsibility with division 3, asking unit commanders and adjutants where I may be of assistance. Our Al Koran LOH Unit is planning to install and dedicate our All Veterans Memorial monument later this year at

Ohio VA Western Reserve Cemetery. Once dates are confirmed we will sent invitations.

IALOH Arlington Wreath Laying event registration information is present on our ialoh.org website and we look forward to seeing many of you there November 3 thru November 6. I do thank Steven Walker, Tracy Coughlin, David Hobbs, David Smith, David Ginapp, Russ Gray and Pete Phillips for their support and assistance helping me as the 2021 Arlington Event Chairman. It is an honor to be a member of IALOH! As we return to normal operations I hope to travel and better support my division and the IALOH.

YITF,  
Wayne Angstrom

## Division 3



Wayne Angstrom, PP



## Patriotism Chairman Aaron Ayers

Legionaries if your Unit performs a Patriotic act(s) such as carrying the flags in a parade, posting the colors for events please let me know. I report these activities at the convention and it is a great way to get your Unit recognized.

You can contact me at Phone: 931-801-3488 or email: ayers.tnmason@gmail.com



## 5th Lieutenant Commander

I attended 2 functions in Texas this year and both were great; TALOH in April and TSA in June. What worries me is the lack of competition, most of the time I only see, at most, 2 Temples competing. When ask you most generally you hear we don't have enough nobles, they could not get off or it is too far. We really need to support our Temples. We need to recruit, and when we do recruit are

Nobles need to get involved and not set on the side line. Well I'm off to Reno ,NV for a business meeting and then to Houston, TX for Imperial Session.

Yours in the Faith  
Charles McIntosh  
5<sup>th</sup> Lt. Commander

## Division 1



Charles McIntosh, PC



## Arlington Tomb Shirt



If you are interested in ordering an Arlington Tomb shirt you can order the button down or polo; men's and ladies. The order form is on-line. Just follow these steps: Go to the **IALOH website [www.ialoh.org](http://www.ialoh.org). Select the "Event" menu tab then select "Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony" then select "Order Your Tomb Shirt".**

**If you have any questions please contact:**

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## **Congress Finally Got Something Right**



The bald eagle's role as a national symbol is linked to its 1782 landing on the Great Seal of the United States. Shortly after the Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress gave Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams the job of designing an official seal for the new nation. However, the three Founding Fathers failed to come up with a design that won Congress' approval, as did two later committees that were given the task. In mid-June 1782, the work of all three committees was handed over to Charles Thomson, the secretary of Congress. Thomson chose what he thought were the best elements of the various designs and made the eagle—which had been introduced by artistically inclined Pennsylvania lawyer William Barton in a design submitted by the third committee—more prominent. (Since ancient times, the eagle has been considered a sign of strength; Roman legions used the animal as their standard, or symbol.) Thomson also recommended that the small, white eagle used in Barton's design be replaced with an American bald eagle, and Congress adopted this design on June 20, 1782.

## 6th Lieutenant Commander

I want to begin by congratulating Noble Steven Walker on his election to be the 2021-2022 Commander of the IALOH as well as those members who have been advanced, elected, or retained in the Lieutenant Commander or support staff positions. I wish them all a very rewarding year. I also want to thank Tracy for his efforts during a very challenging year. My lady Vicki and I Hope everyone had a great Memorial Day Weekend and were able to get out to enjoy it. This year has already begun to open itself up to getting Legion of Honor units engaged in activities and community events and I hope to be able to attend many of them. I did have the pleasure of attending the Jericho Shrine LOH Annual Military Ball in Kingsport, Tennessee the last week of April. They always put on a great event and this was no exception. Lady Vicki has been ill so she has not been able to attend event to date, but she is ready to join me in future events, which will begin the third

week of June as we head off to Reno, Nevada, which will be followed by the attendance of the Shrine Imperial Session in Houston, Texas. Hope to see some of you there. My lady and I will have the honor of attending the annual picnic hosted by the Ismailia Shine Legion of Honor on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July in Yorkshire, New York. We are looking forward our New York visit with our Ismailia brothers. Before I closeout I want to make a pitch for Nobles of Division seven to take part in the Arlington Wreath Laying event that goes from 3-6 November. Information can be found on the IALOH webpage. We wish you all an exceptional year and for those in Division seven, if we are available, we would very much enjoy visiting your units. I can be reach at 931-596-5856 or [wayne.r.steele.usmc@gmail.com](mailto:wayne.r.steele.usmc@gmail.com).

Wayne Steele  
6<sup>th</sup> Lt. Cmdr.  
IALOH



Wayne Steele, PC



## 7th Lieutenant Commander

I am humble to be the new 7th Lt. Commander of IALOH. Lady Madeline is waiting for another great convention in Tennessee and get together with the Ladies and the Nobles. As you all know the COVID-19 Pandemic is keeping us lockdown in our home and we really miss flying to the states and other countries on a vacation.

Arlington is waiting for us and will be seeing all of you there. My son has an apartment across the street

from the Hotel in Arlington were will be staying, but we will stay at the Hotel to be gathered together with all my Brothers and their Ladies.

We now have permission from our Grand Lodge to celebrate our weekly meetings and hopefully to let us get together in our Al Raie Saleh Shriner Temple soon.

Fraternity,  
Jaime Munoz C, PP

## Division 6



Jamie Muñoz, PP



### Keeping The Adjutant Updated

It appears the pandemic is winding down and the Units are starting to meet again. If your Unit has any changes to the Unit Officers or correspondence address please let the International Adjutant David Smith know. It is very important to keep him informed of any changes so he can make sure the Units receive all the up to date correspondence. If your Unit thinks they have missed out on some important information please let him know. His contact information is on page 15 of this newsletter.

*Article deadline for the  
October 2021 newsletter  
September 15, 2021*

## 8th Lieutenant Commander

Greetings. I want to begin by congratulating Steve C. Walker on his installation as the Commander of the International Association Legions of Honor, as well as those other officers who were elected and installed. At the June 1 (virtual) Convention, I was honored to be elected and Installed as your 8<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Commander. Lady Theresa and I shall endeavor to do you proud and represent the IALOH with fervent dedication.

I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the membership. I am a retired, active duty Naval Officer. In my penultimate tour, in Pennsylvania, I was raised a Master Mason of Ashara Casiphia Lodge No. 551. I subsequently, joined the Scottish Rite, Valley of Harrisonburg.

After transferring to the Washington DC area, I joined Kena Shriners, Fairfax VA; Scottish Rite, Valley of Alexandria and National Sojourners, Fairfax, VA. At Kena I served as LOH Commander in 2015; Colonel of Units in 2016 and Potentate in 2020. I am currently the Commander, Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association, LOH. I have been assigned to Division 2, and I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible.

This past spring we have been working hard supporting various LOH units. On March 13, we had the honor to attend the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association Spring meeting at the Doubletree Hotel in Wilmington DE. I relieved Commander Fred Roland as MASA LOH Commander, and was installed with the new slate of officers. Congratulations to Fred on a fine year under arduous pandemic circumstances.

We assisted the Kena LOH as we built and wrapped over one hundred Easter Egg baskets for children in preparation for the Shriners annual Easter Egg Hunt and Klownfest (Easter - April 4). We supported the LOH Unit at the Kena Derby Day, selling devilled eggs to raise money. We attended the Kena Potentate Ball on June 12, and enjoyed a strong showing by the LOH.

On June 1, I was honored to attend the IALOH Convention via Zoom and I was very pleased with the strong turnout. I would like to express my congratulations to outgoing International Commander Tracy Coughlin for a great year under difficult circumstances.

Moving forward we are looking forward to the Kena LOH Summer Potluck Dinner on June 19. We will be attending the IALOH Officer Annual Meeting, June 22-24, 2021, at the Silver Legacy Resort, Reno, NV. On July 17, 2021 Lady Theresa and I, will be attending the Rajah LOH Family Picnic in Reading, PA. This annual LOH event attracts members from all over the Mid-Atlantic region.

On September 10, 2021 we will be hosting MASA LOH Fall Conference. We are expecting over two dozen Honor Guard/Color Guard Teams for our annual MASA LOH Military Drill Competition. After the competition we will be hosting the MASA LOH Luncheon beginning at noon, at the Khedive Shrine Center. If you are in the vicinity and would like to attend the cost is \$12 and include all you care to eat and drink (RSVP at poppy3x1@yahoo.com). The host hotel for this event is the Double Tree By

## Division 2



Geoffrey Lyster, PP



Hilton, Virginia Beach (mention MASA LOH for the \$105 rate).

This fall we are looking forward to welcoming everyone to the Oasis of northern Virginia for the "41st Annual Arlington Wreath Laying Ceremony", in Arlington VA from November 3-7, 2021. The host hotel will be the Double Tree By Hilton, Crystal City (Arlington), VA. Don't miss the impressive views of the DC skyline, Potomac River and Pentagon from the hotel's revolving rooftop restaurant.

In conclusion, I would like to reiterate my thanks for placing your confidence in me. Lady Theresa and I look forward to traveling and meeting as many LOH units and members as possible.

YITF,  
Geoffrey Lyster, PP



## Finance Officer Candidate

We have one candidate running for Finance Officer.

Noble Dale Bieber

Noble Dale's candidate information is on the IALOH website.  
Go to [www.ialoh.org/Main/Candidates](http://www.ialoh.org/Main/Candidates).

## From the International Adjutant/Editor

Hi Everyone,

I want to congratulate Commander Steve Walker on his election to IALOH Commander. I also, want to congratulate all the Lt. Commanders on their election. I am looking forward to working with all the elected officers because I was reelected as the International Adjutant. I will be serving for another three years.

The Arlington Wreath laying information has been posted on the website. If you have any problems please let us know so we can get it solved. If you have never been to the wreath laying you should try to make the trip it is a very memorable experience.

I am still taking ads for the 2021 - 2022 yearbook. The order form is on the IALOH website. I plan to get the yearbook to the printers by mid July. If you want to put an ad in the yearbook please get it to me as soon as possible. The cut off date is July 10th. After that date I will not be able to take anymore ads.

The Imperial Session is July 4 - 8, 2021 and I hope to see you there. If your Unit or Association has an event and would like it added to the newsletter please let me know. That is all for now. Until next time, aim high.

YITF,  
David Smith, PC



David Smith, PC



## Arlington A Blast From The Past



# Arlington Tomb of the Unknown Soldier 100 Years Old

On March 4, 1921, the United States Congress approved the burial of an unidentified American serviceman from World War I in the plaza of the new Memorial Amphitheater. On November 11, 1921, the unknown soldier brought back from France was interred below a three-level marble tomb. The bottom two levels are six granite sections each and the top at least nine blocks with a rectangular opening in the center of each level through which the unknown remains were placed through the tomb and into the ground below. A stone slab, rather than marble, covers the rectangular opening.



## The Tomb Guards

The tomb guards are soldiers of the United States Army. The first military guards were troopers from the 3rd Cavalry, "Brave Rifles", who were posted nearby on Fort Myer. Since April 6, 1948, (known then as "Army Day"), when the regiment was reactivated, it has been guarded by soldiers from 3rd Infantry Regiment, "The Old Guard". The Old Guard is also posted to Fort Myer, Virginia, adjacent to Arlington National Cemetery. It is considered one of the highest honors to serve as a Sentinel at the Tomb of the Unknowns. Fewer than 20 percent of all volunteers are accepted for training and of those only a fraction pass training to become full-fledged Tomb Guards. This attrition rate has made the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Guard Identification Badge the third least-awarded qualification badge of the United States Army; as of July 4, 2020, they number 683, including 23 which have been revoked and 7 "administrative errors", it is preceded by the 15 Military Horseman Identification Badges and the 17 Astronaut Badges.



## Dedication

A civilian guard was first posted at the Tomb on November 17, 1925, to prevent, among other things, families from picnicking on the flat marble slab with views of the city. A military guard was first posted on March 25, 1926. The first 24-hour guard was posted on midnight, July 2, 1937. The Tomb of the Unknowns has been guarded continuously, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, since that time. Inclement weather, terrorist attacks, et cetera, do not cause the watch to cease.

Since 1948, the tomb guards, a special platoon within the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) work on a team rotation of 24 hours on, 24 hours off, for five days, taking the following four days off. A guard takes an average of six hours to prepare his uniform—heavy wool, regardless of the time of year—for the next day's work. In addition to preparing the uniform, guards also conduct physical training, tomb guard training, participate in field exercises, cut their hair before the next work day, and at times are involved in regimental functions as well. Tomb guards are required to memorize 35 pages of information about Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, including the locations of nearly 300 graves and who is buried in each one.

A special Army decoration, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Guard Identification Badge, is authorized for wear after passing a detailed test of 100 questions (from a pool of more than 300), a uniform test with two gigs (errors) or fewer (measured to the 1/64"), and a test on the guard-changing sequence. After serving honorably for a period of nine months, and having passed the sequence of tests, a tomb guard is permanently awarded the Badge. Since the first award on February 7, 1958, fewer than 650 soldiers have completed training and been awarded this badge, including four women. A small number of tomb guard Identification Badges have also been retroactively awarded to soldiers who served as Guards before 1959. The Tomb Guard Identification Badge is the only badge awarded by the United States Army that can be revoked after a soldier has left the military. The Regimental Commander of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment has the authority to revoke a badge from any Guard (past or present) for any act that would bring discredit upon the Tomb of the Unknowns.

*Tomb information from  
Wikipedia The Free Encyclopedia*

91st International Association Legions of Honor Convention  
Silver Legacy Hotel  
Reno Nevada  
April 27 - May 1, 2022



The 2022 convention should be a fun time.  
Reno has a lot to offer and there is a lot to do  
in the surrounding area.

Visits the IALOH website for full details at  
[www.ialoh.org/Events/Convention](http://www.ialoh.org/Events/Convention)



International Association  
Legions of Honor  
41<sup>st</sup> Annual Arlington Wreath Laying

**New Hotel Information**

Double Tree by Hilton  
Washington DC - Crystal City  
300 Army Navy Dr.  
Arlington, VA 22202

**Dates**

November 3 - 7, 2021

*The hotel registration information and the agenda is posted on the IALOH website -  
[www.ialoh.org/Events/Arlington Wreath Laying](http://www.ialoh.org/Events/Arlington Wreath Laying)*

*The registration form is on page 10.*



## Around The Legion of Honor



Left Photo  
3rd Lt. Commander  
Dave Hobbs and Egypt  
Potentate III. Sir Dewey  
Haerberlein presenting  
a Distinguished Service  
Award to Noble Jack  
Kempster

Top Photo  
Ismailia Color Guard, at the Memo-  
rial Day non-denominational service  
and memorial dedications, at the  
Naval & Serviceman's Park, in Buf-  
falo NY.



In 2019 Al Koran's LOH Unit began a project to place a memorial monument dedicated to all veterans. Nobles and their families agreed to donate funds to fabricate and install the Monument. Approval to install the monument at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery was granted by The Department of Veterans Affairs. Installation and dedication is being planned for fall of this year.

Al Koran LOH Commander Wayne R Angstrom



**Arlington Registration**  
**Arlington Wreath Laying**  
 November 3 – 7, 2021  
 DoubleTree By Hilton Hotel  
 300 Army Navy Dr.  
 Crystal City, Arlington, VA 22202



Attendees must submit a registration form to the Arlington Registration Chairman along with a registration fee of **\$40.00 per person**. The registration fee is to offset the hospitality room cost.

A Remembrance Luncheon will be served after the wreath laying ceremony at the hotel. The cost of the luncheon is **\$40.00 per person**. **The cutoff for purchasing luncheon tickets is October 3, 2021.**  
**(Note: Due to a new hotel contract no luncheon tickets will be sold at Arlington.)**

You must make hotel reservations yourself. To make a room reservation use the web link below or call the hotel reservation number 1-800-222-8733 and ask for group code "IALOH".

<https://book.passkey.com/gt/218105292?gtid=80904a1d877b0fdb4c932380a29b64f>

**The cutoff date for making hotel reservations is October 3, 2021.**

**RETURN COMPLETED FORM AND MONIES TO:**

David Smith, PC HP: 386-752-0475  
 Arlington Registration Chairman CP: 785-633-8527  
 1018 SW Walter Ave. Email: [housingchairman@ialoh.org](mailto:housingchairman@ialoh.org)  
 Lake City, FL 32024

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Shrine Center: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lady/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration and Luncheon Cost:**

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$40.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Do you need Transportation to the Wreath Laying?

Attending Luncheon: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$40.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap Bus: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Wheelchair Required: Yes \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to IALOH. All funds must be in US currency**

**Note: If your Unit is using a bus to bring a group of attendees to the wreath laying, the individual organizing the trip will complete the form as the main contact and attach a list of attendees to this form with the cost for all attendees.**



**International Association Legions of Honor**  
**91<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention**  
**Silver Legacy Hotel – Reno Nevada**  
**27 April – 01 May, 2022**



**Convention Registration Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lady: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Title on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_

Shrine Center: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

LOH Offices held Past/Present: \_\_\_\_\_

What year did you join Legion of Honor? \_\_\_\_\_

Shrine Offices held Past/Present: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be traveling with guests under age 21? \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_

**Voting status is determined by the "Emeritus" list and the "Delegate Nomination" form submitted to the Adjutant by the Unit.**

Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Car: ☐ Air: ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Airline: \_\_\_\_\_ Flight Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be taking the complimentary shuttle? \_\_\_\_ The shuttle will run every hour.

**Convention Registration Fees**

Early Registration (Before 19 Mar 2022) \$165.00 (US) person X ☐ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Late Registration Dated (On/after 20 Mar 2022) \$200.00 (US) each X ☐ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tours, if any will be announced at the 2020 Arlington Pilgrimage **Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please make checks payable to "IALOH 22" and mail check along with this form  
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