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DAV/DAVA Department of Ohio Officers & Members

As required by Governor DeWine's recent Stay at Home Order & as advised by President Trump & CDC's notices regarding social gatherings, DAV Department Commander Plahovinsak & DAVA Department Commander Sigman provide the following instructions & advice, revising those issued four days ago:

All DAV/DAVA chapter/unit meetings are cancelled until the Governor lifts the Stay at Home Order.

The DAV Cleveland National Service Office is closed. DAV NSOs are working remotely and can be reached by visiting www.benefitsquestions.org.

DAV Department of Ohio District meetings have been cancelled. The DAV/DAVA Department Commanders' Testimonial Dinner has been postponed, to be rescheduled if possible. All meetings of any kind on chapter premises are subject to the Governor's Stay at Home Order. Chapter bar/lounges have ceased operations, with the possible exception of carry-out food items.

Veterans Administration Voluntary Services (VAVS) Representatives & Deputies should follow the instructions of their respective VA facility, while keeping their patients/residents & their own health as the paramount concerns.

For those in need of financial assistance, county Veterans Service Commissions remain in operation. Eligible financial assistance applicants are county-resident veterans, their spouses or surviving spouses, dependent parents, minor children or wards and active duty service men & women. Contact your respective VSC or your DAV-appointed commissioner for information on your local VSC operations.

DAV National Adjutant Burgess issued the attached 3-16-20 memo addressing, in part, the effect of cancellations on elections of officers. In brief summary, chapter officers retain their positions until their successors are duly elected or appointed. Members should be notified when meetings resume, said notice to include the date or dates of nominations & of a special election of officers.

Chapters may opt to issue such notice by mail. Chapter commanders & adjutants may print members' address labels on Avery 5160 labels by computer at www.davmembers.org. Use member number & date of birth to enter. To the right of "Report" scroll to "Membership list." Enter your chapter number & "generate."

When meetings are resumed, sick members should stay home and rest and recover.

These efforts are being taken to protect our membership and eradicate this virus. If you have any other questions or concerns or suggestions, please contact Department Headquarters.

Respectfully,

John Plahovinsak
DAV Department Commander

Tammy Sigman
DAVA Department Commander

Attch: Nat'l Adj Burgess memo dtd 3-16-20