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NGAUS success in Washington depends on strong and involved membership. If you're alread member, encourage others to follow your lead. It's ne too late in the year to join. And be sure to keep yo elected representatives informed of Guard need Together, we can make the National Guard even strong

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### Flexible Preparation

Two years ago, Hurricane Katrina changed the Gulf Coast forever. The Category 5 storm wiped out the Mississippi beachfront and the New Orleans levy and changed hundreds of thousands of lives. But the tragedy also left the National Guard and other agencies better prepared for the next life-changing storm or national disaster.



### Territorial Masters

Arizona was the last of the 48 contiguous states, admitted in 1912. But it built its military traditions years before in the 1860s. The rugged and sometimes unforgiving realities of the Old West produced a fighting force that left its mark in the Pacific during World War II, earning praise from the highest-ranking officials.



### San Juan Conference Update

The 129th NGAUS General Conference and Exhibition, Aug. 24 to 27, is just a month away, and it's time for attendees to solidify their plans. Featured speaker lists continue to grow, and crucial business sessions continue to take shape. Only a short time remains to get that airfare and organize that schedule for a hot trip to Puerto Rico.

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