



NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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NGAA-East - www.ngaaeast.org

NGAA-West - www.ngaawest.org

In late 2011, at the suggestion of the NGA Director, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Alumni Association (NGAA) was formed to foster greater collaborative effort and mutual support. There are currently two NGAA chapters. The West Chapter, with more than 350 members, is located in the St. Louis area and the East Chapter, centered in the greater Washington, DC area, has over 500 members. The NGAA chapters are successors to groups that have existed since the 1970s under other names. They serve to bring together current and former members and associates of NGA and predecessor organizations (NIMA, DMA, CIO, NPIC, and others). Membership is extended to all current and former employees of NGA, including current and former contract personnel and current and former foreign partners. The two chapters operate cooperatively, with independent by-laws and under the guidance of the NGAA Board of Directors, which consists of two directors from each chapter. Each chapter meets regularly and has a variety of activities. The East Chapter has spring and fall luncheons and the West Chapter has quarterly luncheons and active sports and social programs.

NGAA supports NGA in various ways, among them:

- NGAA annually honors East and West chapter "Employees of the Year" who have contributed significantly to NGA's mission and to their own communities.
- NGAA members conduct interviews for the NGA Oral History Program, contribute articles to NGA's flagship magazine the Pathfinder, and collaborate in the preparation of NGA exhibits to mark significant historic events.
- NGAA supports annual inductions into the GEOINT Hall of Fame with nominations and recommendations.
- NGAA provides members to serve as panelists at pre-retirement and career transition seminars conducted at NGA for current employees considering retirement.

Note: The one-year rule prohibiting post-employment access to NGA facilities does not apply to participation in any of the activities listed above or to NGAA luncheons held at NGA sites.

Benefits of membership –

- Both chapters publish newsletters to keep their members informed of association events and activities and milestones in the lives of members. This is a great way to stay in touch with other members.
- NGAA interacts with other Intelligence Community alumni groups through the Intelligence Community Alumni Network (ICAN), which provides additional linkage with former colleagues.
- There is reciprocal membership between NGAA-East and West for social functions and membership directories.
- Each Chapter publishes a Chapter-specific membership directory accessible online to dues-paying members of either Chapter.
- NGAA East lifetime membership is \$40.00.
- NGAA West dues are \$10.00 annually or \$100.00 for lifetime. The Arsenal Credit Union (ACU) will reimburse \$40.00 toward the lifetime membership of \$100.00 for any new NGAA West applicant who has been a member in good standing of ACU for a minimum of one (1) year, provided that the applicant's retirement occurred after January 31, 2013.
- In cases where both spouses are members of the same chapter, only one membership fee will be assessed, unless the spouses desire individual membership. If one spouse is already a member, the other, if eligible in his/her own right, may join at no additional fee.

More information on NGAA can be found at our website: www.ngaalumni.org. Chapter information and can be found at www.ngaaeast.org and www.ngaawest.org.