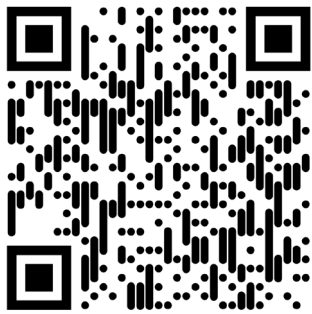


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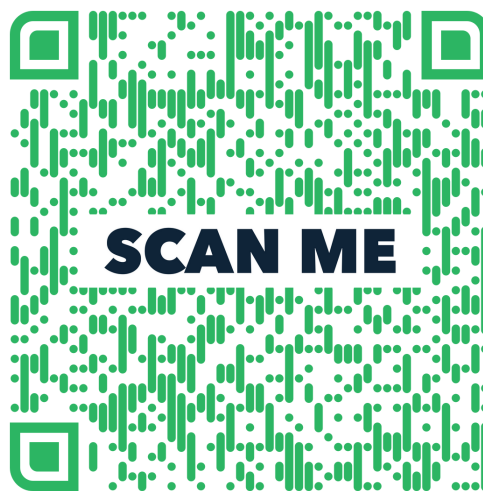
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**MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> - 7<sup>TH</sup>** *In Cleveland*

*WAC Conference*

**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> - 2<sup>ND</sup>** *In Mt. Sterling*

*Steward Conference*

**JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> - 6<sup>TH</sup>** *In Lewis Center*

*President's Conference*

**JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>** *In Columbus*

*Veteran's Conference*

**NOVEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>-14<sup>TH</sup>**

*Location TBD*

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