



THE AMERICAN LEGION

AMERICAN LEGION & SAL REGISTRATION

BALLROOM FOYER

Friday, February 14, 2025 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 15, 2025 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025

1:00 pm Marketing Commission – Room 397
Promotions & Revenue Enhancement Committee
Media & Communications Committee
3:00 pm Department Finance Commission – Room 397

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025

8:30 am Be The One Master Trainer Training – Iowa B
9:00 am Convention Commission – Room 397
10:00 am National Affairs Commission – Room 292
10:00 am Internal Affairs Commission – Iowa C
Strategic Planning Committee
Membership Committee
Training Committee
Sons of The American Legion Committee
American Legion Riders Committee

10:00 am Americanism Commission – Iowa B
Community Service Committee
Children & Youth Committee
Boy Scout Committee
Baseball Committee
Oratorical Contest Committee
Junior Shooting Sports Committee
10:00 am Legislative Commission – Room 398
10:00 am VA & R Commission Meeting – Room 396
Veterans' Benefits Committee
Health Administration Committee
11:00 am Resolution Sub-Committee – Room 175
12:00 pm DEC Luncheon – Iowa E
1:00 pm DEC Meeting – Iowa B-C
5:00 pm Color Guard Practice – ALR/SAL/ALA/TAL – Ballroom
5:00 pm Programs Fair Setup – Iowa A
5:00 pm Liaison Committee – Iowa B-C
6:30 pm Prelude – Ballroom
7:00 pm Joint Session – Ballroom
Call to Order – Brian Ring, Sr., Department Commander
Posting of Colors – ALR / SAL / ALA / TAL Durant Post #430
Invocation – Karen Ripperger, Auxiliary Chaplain
POW/MIA Empty Chair – Tom Ryan, Department Sergeant-at-Arms & Gerald Bennett, Department Vice Commander
Pledge of Allegiance – Ed Fontes, Department Vice Commander
Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion – Bob Colin, Department Vice Commander
Welcome & Introductions – Brian Ring, Sr., Department Commander
Remarks – John Derner, Legionnaire Insurance Trust (LIT)
Welcome – Doug Honse, SAL Detachment Commander
Address – John Lawrence (LA), SAL National Vice Commander

Welcome – Verlinda Prior, ALA Department President

Address – Kenzie Banicky, ALA Department Junior President

Address – Rosemarie W. Hauck (MO), ALA Central Division National Vice President

Presentations

Membership Awards

TAL Department Historian Awards

American Legion of Iowa Foundation Donor Awards

Address – John (Jay) Bowen (CO), Candidate for National Commander

Address – James A. LaCoursiere, Jr. (CT), National Commander

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Evening Hospitality & Entertainment – Courtyard

Root Beer Floats Hosted by SAL – Room 160

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025

7:00 am Iowa Foundation Breakfast – Iowa E

7:30 am Programs Fair – Iowa A

9:00 am SAL Detachment Executive Committee – Westview

9:00 am Workshops – Ballroom North

9:00 Be The One Training

10:00 Starting an American Legion Riders Chapter

11:00 Filing a VA Claim

9:00 am Workshops – Iowa B&C

9:00 Running a Commission/Committee

10:00 Boys State, what is it?

9:00 am Workshops – Ballroom South/Central

9:00 VA Death Benefits

10:00 Planned Giving / Retirement Planning

11:00 Flag Retirement Ceremony

11:00 am Baseball Meeting – Room 397

12:00 pm Past District Commanders' Luncheon – Iowa E

1:00 pm

Workshops – Ballroom North

1:00 Be The One Training

2:00 How to Write a Resolution

1:00 pm

Workshops – Iowa B&C

1:00 Starting/Reviving a SAL Squadron

2:00 Cyber Security

1:00 pm

Workshops – Ballroom South/Central

1:00 Membership Recruiting

2:00 Making your Post Attractive

1:00 pm

Scouting Q&A – Room 397

3:30 pm

District Caucuses

First – Iowa C

Second – Ballroom North

Third – Room 397

Fourth – Iowa B

Fifth – Room 292

Sixth – Ballroom Central/South

Seventh – Room 396

Eighth – Westview Central/South

Ninth – Westview North

4:30 pm

American Legion Riders – Iowa B&C

5:30 pm

Protestant Services – Ballroom North

5:30 pm

Catholic Services – Ballroom South/Central

6:30 pm

Women Veterans Forum – Room 397

6:30 pm

Past Department Commanders/Past Department Presidents/Past Detachment Commanders Social & Dinner – Iowa D&E

7:00 pm

Oratorical Contestant & Staff Briefings – Ballroom North

Evening

Hospitality & Entertainment – Courtyard

Root Beer Floats Hosted by SAL – Room 160

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025

7:00 am Oratorical Briefing Room – Iowa E

8:00 am Department Oratorical Finals – Ballroom North

9:30 am Joint Session – Ballroom

Call to Order – Brian Ring, Sr., Department Commander

Memorial Service – Cindy Yslas, Department Chaplain

Presentations – Girls State Director & Boys State Director

Girls Nation Senators

Boys Nation Senators

Samsung Scholarship Recipient

Address – Tony Cross, Be The One

Oratorical Results & Awards Ceremony

Closing Remarks – Doug Honse, Detachment Commander

Closing Remarks – Verlinda Prior, Department President

Closing Remarks – Brian Ring, Sr., Department Commander

Retire POW/MIA Flag – Tom Ryan, Department Sergeant-at-Arms &
Gerald Bennett, Department Vice Commander

Benediction – Cindy Yslas, Department Chaplain

Retire Colors – ALR / SAL / ALA / TAL Durant Post #430



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025

7:00 pm Joint Session – Ballroom

Evening Root Beer Floats Hosted by SAL – Room 160

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9:00 am Detachment Executive Committee – Westview Room

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025

9:30 am Joint Session – Ballroom

Evening Root Beer Floats Hosted by SAL – Room 160



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025

4:30 pm American Legion Riders Meeting – Iowa B&C