

2017 Department Convention

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017

10:00 a.m. Department Headquarters - Room 298
5:00 p.m. Resolutions Assignment - Room 175

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2017

Registration – Ballroom Foyer

8:00 a.m. Credentials Committee - Room 292
9:00 a.m. Rules Committee - Room 292
9:00 a.m. Chairman's Meeting - Iowa Room C
10:00 a.m. **Department Commission Meetings**
Convention Commission - Iowa Room B
Americanism Commission - Iowa Room E

Boys State

Oratorical Committee

Education

Boy Scout

Children & Youth

Community Service

Junior Shooting Sports

Legion Baseball Committee

VA & R Commission - Iowa Room C

Legislative Commission - Room 396

National Affairs Commission - Room 398

Internal Affairs Commission - Iowa Room D

Leadership Committee

Membership Committee

SAL Committee

Strategic Planning Committee

American Legion Riders Committee

1:00 p.m. Convention Committee Meetings

Americanism - Iowa Room E

Internal Affairs - Iowa Room D

National Affairs - Room 398

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation - Iowa Room C

Finance, Constitution, and By-Laws - Room 396

Iowa American Legion Press Association Meeting - Room 292

Liaison Committee - Iowa Room B

2:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. General Session – Ballroom Central and South

Call to Order– Ken Rochholz, Department Commander

Advancement of Colors – Post #430, Durant

Invocation – Dr. Dan McClure, Department Chaplain

POW/MIA Flag – Jennifer Monserud, Dept. Sergeant-At-Arms

Pledge of Allegiance – Department Vice Commander

Preamble – Department Vice Commander

Greetings – Veterans Orgs. & Public Officials

Report of Rules Committee - Department Judge Advocate

Report of Credentials

Report of the NEC - Bruce Feuerbach

Report of Department Officers

Department Service Officer, Gary Carter

Department Chaplain, Dr. Dan McClure

Department Historian, Scott Wolf

Department Adjutant, John Derner

Recess

6:00 p.m. Color Guard Competition Meeting - Iowa Room B

7:00 p.m. **Joint Session - Ballrooms North, Central, and South**

The American Legion

American Legion Auxiliary

Sons of The American Legion

Call to Order– Ken Rochholz, Department Commander

Address – Gary Bonesteel, Det. Commander, SAL

Address - Dept. Jr. Aux. Pres.

Address – Sharon Anderson, Dept. Auxiliary President

Address –

Adjourn Joint Session

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2017

Registration – Ballroom Foyer

7:00 a.m. Foundation Breakfast - Iowa Room E
8:30 a.m. Sons of The American Legion - Des Moines Room 396
9:00 a.m. **General Session – Ballroom Central and South**
Call to Order– Ken Rochholz, Department Commander
Iowa Foundation Awards, Dave Rehbein, President
Commission/Committee Reports

National Affairs Commission, Gary Smith, Chairman
Internal Affairs Commission, Mel Goslar, Chairman
Membership, Mike Etzel, Chairman
SAL, Randy Freel

Strategic Planning, Dennis Soppe

Leadership, Alan Schenck, Chairman

American Legion Riders, Randy Kessler

VA & R, Brent Wightman, Chairman

Legislative, Lyle Schaffer, Chairman

Convention Commission, Jim Peterson, Chairman

Finance Commission Report, Jim Demarest

Finance Officer Report, Ken Danilson

American Legion Riders - Westview North, Central and South

Past District Commander Luncheon - Iowa Room D

1:00 p.m. **General Session – Ballrooms Central and South**

Call to Order – Ken Rochholz, Department Commander

Legionnaire of the Year Award, Wendy Riggie

Boys State Director's Report, Jack St. Peters

Americanism Commission, Stan Elliott, Chairman

Educator of the Year, Vic DeSloover

Oratorical, Vic DeSloover

Children & Youth, D.J. Hall

Boy Scouts, Don Rasmussen

Baseball, Dick Meiners

Community Service, Wayne Frauenholtz

Junior Shooting Sports, Gary Palas

2:50 p.m. Recess

3:00 p.m. **District Caucuses**

First District -

Second District -

Third District -

Fourth District -

Fifth District -

Sixth District -

Seventh District -

Eighth District -

Ninth District -

4:00 p.m. Convention Place – Room 396

Color Guard Competition Practice - Iowa Rooms B, C, and D

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6:00 p.m. Iowa Veterans Band Practice - Iowa Room A

7:00 p.m. Color Guard Judging/Tallying - Room 292

7:00 p.m. Iowa Veterans Band Concert - Iowa Room A

7:00 p.m. District Hospitality

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2017

Registration – Ballroom Foyer

7:00 a.m. DEC Spouse Breakfast - Board Rooms 1 and 2
8:00 a.m. Memorial Services - Ballrooms North, Central and South
9:00 a.m. **General Session – Ballrooms Central and South**

Call to Order – Ken Rochholz, Department Commander
Report of Convention Committees

Americanism

Internal Affairs

National Affairs

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation

Finance, Constitution & By-Laws & Dues

Convention Place, Jim Peterson

Report of Liaison Committee, Mel Goslar

Special Order of Business

Election of Member to Boys State Board of Directors

Ratification of Department Constitution & By-Laws

Election and Ratification of Delegates & Alternates to

2017 National Convention

Nomination & Election of Department Officers

Retirement of Colors - Post #430, Durant

Benediction – Dr. Dan McClure, Department Chaplain

Adjourn – 99th Annual Department Convention

Meeting Location & Headquarters Hotel



Holiday Inn Des Moines Airport/Conference Center

6111 Fleur Drive

Des Moines, Iowa 50321

515-287-2400

Rate: \$99.00



Ask for The American Legion rate when making reservations.