

# 104th Annual Department of Arkansas Convention

## Program of Events

### Friday June 16, 2023

8:00 am- Noon	Registration	Lobby
8:00 am – 9:00	<b>Executive Committee Meeting</b>	Silver City Room 5
9 :30 am	<b>Joint Opening Session</b>	Silver City Room 1 & 2
Program Call to Order		
Advance Colors		
National Anthem		
Invocation		
POW/MIA		
Pledge of Allegiance		
Preamble to the Constitution		
Introduction of Department Officers		
Introduction of Past Department Commanders		
Introduction of Department Auxiliary Madam President		
Introduction of SAL Detachment Commander		
Introduction of ALR Department Director		
Convention Committee Instructions		
	Bob Pepper	

### Welcome and Greetings

Governor Greetings	Gov. Sara Huckabee Sanders
North Little Rock Mayor Representative	Terry Hardwick
VA Medical Center Director Little Rock	Dr. Marjorie Scott
VA Medical Center Director Fayetteville	
VA Volunteer Coordinator Fayetteville	
VA Volunteer Coordinator LR	Michael Dobbs
VA Regional Office, Foot Roots, N. Little Rock	
ADVA Secretary	Kendall W. Penn
ALA President	Dee Smith
VFW Commander Candidate	Teddy Pipkin

### Meeting and Room Announcements

11:30 am – 1 pm **RECESS / LUNCH**

\*\*\*\*\***Certification of Delegates Cease at 12:00 Noon**\*\*\*\*\*

1:00 pm	<b>CONVENTION RECONVENES</b>	Silver City Room 1 and 2
1:00 pm	Roll Call for Quorum	
1:15 pm	Certification of Credentials	
1:20 pm	Convention Rules	
1:30 pm	Activities Committee Report	
1:45 pm	Americanism Program	

#### Reports:

Boy Scout Chairman	Baseball Chairman
Boys State Chairman	Jr. Shooters Chairman

2:15 pm	Membership Report
2:40 pm	American Legion Riders Report
3:00 pm	Financial Officer Report
3:15 pm	Training Committee
3:30 pm	Policy Committee Report

### Announcements:

**Benediction**

**Adjourn**

### Friday Schedule of Events

Hospitality Room Open  
7:00 am – 9:30 am  
Huntersville & DeCantilion

Vendor Hall  
7 am – 7 pm  
Silver City 6

Arkansas Travelers Room  
SAL/Convention/  
Training 8:00 am -3:00 pm

LUNCH/Hospitality Room  
11:30 – 1:00 pm  
Huntersville & DeCantilion

Convention Rules Committee  
12:00 pm  
Silver City 5

Hospitality Room  
4:00-6:30 pm and 9:00 pm.-11:00 pm –  
Closed during Red, White and Blue  
Party

**Red, White and Blue Party**  
6:30 pm – 10:00 pm  
Silver City Rooms 2 – 4

**Saturday June 17, 2023**

9:00 am **Open Session** Silver City Room 1 & 2  
Call to Order - Colors in Place Hand Salute - Invocation - Pledge of Allegiance

**Department Distinguished Guests / Awards**

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year- Officer Bryan Robinson-Russellville  
Eagle Scout of the Year – Boulder Steelman  
Boys State Senators – Not Available at time of Print  
Boys State Governor – Not Available at time of Print  
Oratorical Winner – Alexis Childs – Cabot High School

10:00 – 10:15 am **RECESS**

10:15 am Convention Committee Report Silver City Room 1 & 2

10:30 am Resolution Committee

11:00 am Constitution & By-Laws Committee

11:15 am Announcements

Hospitality Room (Morning, Noon, and Evening- Closes at 6)

Religious Services Sunday Morning

Delegate Selection Committee

\*\*\*\*\* 11:30 – 1:00 pm **RECESS/LUNCH** \*\*\*\*\*

1:00 – 1:30 Guest Speaker

1:30 pm Commander’s Awards

1:45 pm Legislative Report

2:00 pm Children & Youth Report

2:20 pm Post & District Awards (Children & Youth and Americanism)

2:30 pm Membership Awards

2:45 pm Department Officers Reports

3:30 pm Sweepstake Drawing

Colors in Place, Hand Salute - Benediction - Recess

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**Sunday June 18, 2023**

7:00 am - 7:30 **Religious Service** Silver City Room 1 & 2

8:00 am Call to Order

Colors in Place, Hand Salute - Invocation - Richard Liles

Unfinished Business

1. Resolutions

2. Any Remaining Reports

New Business from the floor

Good of the Legion/Announcements

Election of Delegates to National Convention

**Election of Department Officers**

Commander’s Farewell Address

Installation of Department & District Officers

Announcements

- **Introduce Newly Elected Department Commander**
- **Introduce Newly Elected Department Auxiliary Madam President**
- **Introduce Newly Elected SAL Department Commander**
- **Introduce Newly Elected ALR Department Director**

**CLOSING CEREMONY**

**Saturday Schedule of Events**

Hospitality Room Open

7:00 am – 8:30 am

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Huntersville & DeCantilion Rooms

Vendor Hall

7 am – 3 pm

Silver City 6

Legion Rider Convention

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Silver City 5

Past Dept. Commanders Lunch

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Razorback West

Foundation Meeting Blue Dog Room

SAL Convention

1:00 – 3:00 pm

Silver City 5

Department Commander’s Banquet

6:00 – 9:00

Silver City 5 & 6 (Ticket holders)

**Sunday Schedule of Events**

Announcement: Newly Elected Department Commander and Officers, in keeping with Article 1, Sec. 1, of the American Legion Department of Arkansas By-Laws, the first 2022-2032 Executive Committee will meet Sunday, immediately after the close of Convention and then again on Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at Department Headquarters. Also meeting will be the Policy, and Budget & Finance Committees.