

2021 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DEPARTMENT OF IOWA



**AIRPORT HOLIDAY INN
DES MOINES, IOWA
FEBRUARY 11 – 14, 2021**

“RISING, STRONGER, WISER”

“100 YEARS OF SERVICE NOT SELF”

THE AMERICAN LEGION SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION & AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

AMERICAN LEGION & SAL REGISTRATION

Friday, February 14, 2020	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 15, 2020	7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021

SPECIAL MEETINGS & EVENTS: *See Page 5 for details*

JOINT SESSION: Ballroom / 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order – James Kessler, Department Commander

Present Colors – American Legion Riders

Present Colors – Sons of The American Legion

Present Colors – American Legion Auxiliary

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Invocation – Mary Mooberry, Auxiliary Chaplain

POW/MIA Empty Chair – Stan Elliott, Department Sergeant-at-Arms &
Dick Hogan, Department Vice Commander

Pledge of Allegiance – Bob Waugh, Department Vice Commander

Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion – Darrin Alderson,
Department Vice Commander

Welcome – James Kessler, Department Commander

Welcome – Mike Monserud, SAL Detachment Commander

Welcome – Kelly Elliott, ALA Department President

Address – Ashley Thompson, ALA Department Junior President

Address – Ruth Gott (MI), ALA Central Division National Vice President

Presentations – Membership Awards

American Legion of Iowa Foundation Donor Awards

TAL Department Historian Awards

Address – Bruce Feuerbach, TAL National Vice Commander

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021

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PROGRAMS FAIR: Iowa Room A / 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION – Ballroom Central

- 9:00 a.m. 5th Grade Flag Essay Contest
- 9:15 a.m. Veterans Employment Awards
- 9:45 a.m. Law Enforcement Officer & Firefighter of the Year Award
- 10:15 a.m. Educator of the Year Award
- 10:30 a.m. Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA)
- 11:00 a.m. Legionnaire of the Year Award
- 11:15 a.m. Honorary Life Membership
- 11:30 a.m. Recess for Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. \$1,000 Grant
- 1:15 p.m. Post Liability Insurance
- 1:30 p.m. Programs Annual Timeline
- 2:00 p.m. Posts in Action Panel Discussion
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

POST OFFICER TRAINING – Ballroom South

- 9:00 a.m. Post Administration & Timeline
 - Incorporation of Posts
 - Tax Exempt Status & IRS Filings
 - Sales Tax and Use Tax
 - Social & Charitable Gambling
 - Insurance
 - Use of The American Legion Emblem
 - Department Forms
- 10:30 a.m. Membership Processing
- 11:30 a.m. Recess for Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Consolidated Post Reports (CPRs)
- 1:30 p.m. Post Constitution & By-Laws
- 2:30 p.m. Developing a Post Training Program
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

OTHER WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS:

- 11:00 a.m. Baseball Meeting – Des Moines Room
- 11:30 a.m. Women Veterans Forum – Room 397

S.A.L. MEETINGS: Westview Rooms

- 8:30 a.m. SAL Detachment Executive Committee
- 1:00 p.m. SAL Leadership Seminar

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS:

4:30 p.m. Room 397

RELIGIOUS SERVICES:

Catholic Services – Christ the King Catholic Church, 5711 SW 9th St

Saturday – 5:00 pm

Sunday – 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Protestant Services, Ballroom South

Saturday – 5:30 pm

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021

DEPARTMENT ORATORICAL FINALS:

7:00 a.m. Oratorical Briefing Room – Iowa E

8:00 a.m. Oratorical Contest - Ballroom

ROOM LOCATIONS

American Legion Headquarters - Room 298

West View Rooms

Located on second floor, use Lobby elevator.

Rooms 292, 298, 394, 396, 397, 398

Use Lobby elevator to second and third floors

Iowa Rooms

North of the Main Ballroom Area

Room 175

Use hallway behind café

SPECIAL MEETINGS & EVENTS

THE AMERICAN LEGION & SAL

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021

- 1:00 p.m. Marketing Committee – Room 397
3:00 p.m. Department Finance Commission – Room 397

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021

- 9:00 a.m. Convention Commission – Des Moines Room
10:00 a.m. Internal Affairs Commission – Iowa Room C
10:00 a.m. VA & R Commission Meeting – Room 396
10:00 a.m. Legislative Commission – Room 398
10:00 a.m. Americanism Commission – Iowa Room B
10:00 a.m. National Affairs Commission – Room 292
11:00 a.m. Resolution Sub-Committee – Room 175
12:00 p.m. DEC Luncheon – Iowa D & E
1:30 p.m. DEC Meeting – Iowa Rooms B & C
2:00 p.m. Iowa American Legion Press Association – Room 292
5:00 p.m. Color Guard Practice – Ballrooms
5:00 p.m. Programs Fair Set Up – Iowa Room A
5:00 p.m. Liaison Committee – Iowa Rooms B & C

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. Iowa Foundation Breakfast – Iowa Rooms D & E
11:30 a.m. Past District Commanders' Luncheon–Iowa Rms B & C
11:30 a.m. Women Veterans Forum – Room 397
4:30 p.m. American Legion Riders – Room 397
5:00 p.m. Catholic Services – Christ the King Catholic Church
5:30 p.m. Protestant Services – Ballroom South
6:30 p.m. Past Department Commanders/Past Department
 Presidents/Past Detachment Commanders Social &
 Dinner – Iowa Rooms D & E
7:00 p.m. Oratorical Contestant/Staff Briefings – Ballroom North

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

AUXILIARY REGISTRATION: Ballroom Foyer

February 12, 2021: 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and

February 13, 2021: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 NOON

POPPY SHOW: Iowa Foyer – February 13, 2021

8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Pick up your entries by 4:00 p.m. Saturday.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021

5:00 p.m. Junior Camp Board Meeting – Room 393

6:00 p.m. Centennial Meeting – Room 393

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021

8:00 a.m. Mid-Winter Convention Committee Meeting – Room 397

8:30 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting – Room 397

9:00 – 11 a.m. Set up for Diva and Dudes Day – Iowa Foyer

11:00 a.m. VA & R Representative Meeting – Room 397

11:00 a.m. “Diva and Dudes Day” – Iowa Foyer

Lunch

1:00 p.m. Girls State Board – Room 397

2:00 p.m. 75th Anniversary Committee – Room 397

3:00 p.m. Department Executive Committee – Room 397

5:00 p.m. Pages Practice – Grand Ballroom

5:00 – 7 p.m. Set-up Programs Fair – Iowa Hall Rooms A

7:00 p.m. **Joint Legion Family Session – Ballroom**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021

7:30-8:30 a.m. **Joint Program Fair – Iowa Hall Room A** - Committees will have information tables and be in attendance for questions.

10 a.m. – 8 p.m. **Silent Auction – Hosted by Girls State – Iowa Foyer**

8:30 a.m. **Junior Activities – Room 160**

9:00 a.m. **Convene Auxiliary – North Ballroom**

Opening and Welcome – President Kelly Elliott

Prayer – Chaplain Mary Mooberry

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance – Americanism Chair – Mary Sypherd

National Anthem – Americanism Chair – Mary Sypherd

Preamble – Governing Documents Chairman – Sandy Deacon

Welcome – President Kelly Elliott

NEC & Liaison Committee Report – Ann Crawford

Future Focus – Jayne Soppe

Centennial Committee – Diana Shaddock

VA&R Service to Veterans – Joyce Elliott

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation – Judy Neal

Finance Report-Dawn Aberle, Linda Sue Mullen,

Julie Rosenboom

Historian Report-LaDonna Runner
Chaplain Report-Mary Mooberry
Parliamentarian-Diana Shadduck
Governing Documents/Policy report-Sandy Deacon
National Guest
Web Page Reports

11:30 a.m. Past District Presidents' Luncheon – Iowa D & E

1:00 p.m. Reconvene – Ballroom North
Membership Report – Judy Ring, Chairman, Alida Kolthoff
ALAMIS Training - Jeannie McKeever

2:00 p.m. Group Discussions - Ballroom North

Pink - Ballroom

Americanism
AEF
Community Service
Public Relations

Green - Ballroom

Children & Youth
Junior Camp
Junior Activities
Education

Yellow - Ballroom

Leadership
Legislative
Past Pres Parley
National Security
Poppy

3:15pm Junior Musical Presentation
Girls State – Mary Andersen, Bev Cople, Ann Rehbein,
75th Girls State Anniversary Committee – Mary Andersen
Poppy Award Winners – Pam Clark
Announcements

5:30 p.m. Catholic Services
Christ the King Catholic Church
5711 SW 9th St
Saturday – 5:00 pm
Sunday – 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am

5:30 p.m. Protestant Services – Ballroom South

**6:30 p.m. Social & Dinner for Past Department Commanders, Past
Department Presidents, and Past Detachment
Commanders and their guests – Iowa Rooms D & E**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021 – Oratorical Competition only. Review the
American Legion Schedule for more details.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Conference Committee.....Darla Davidson & Lu Rolfes
 Distinguished Guests.....Mary Jo Berning & Jayne Soppe
 Pianist.....Sue Schlitter
 Chairman of Pages.....Melinda Habben
 Assistant Chairman of Pages.....Michelle Long
 President's Page.....Sherri Rowden
 Executive Director's Page.....Judy Neal
 Registration:.....Department Membership Clerk Jeannie McKeever

NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

National President.....Nicole Clapp
 National Executive Committee.....Ann Crawford
 ALA Girls Nation Committee Chairman.....Wendy Riggie
 VA&R Committee Central Division Chairman.....Ann Crawford
 Junior Activities Committee Central Division Chairman.....Bev Copple
 Poppy Committee Central Division Chairman.....Mary Sebber

Please note that you must have your registration name tag on to attend events.

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