

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
Department of Illinois
103rd ANNUAL CONVENTION
TENTATIVE Schedule

ANGIE GOLIGHTLY, PRESIDENT 2023-2024

President Abraham Lincoln a Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, Springfield, IL
July 11 – 13, 2024

WEDNESDAY July 10, 2024

11:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m......Leadership/Department Chairmanship Courses
Freeport Room A,B,C, and Governor Yates Pres.

Hotel

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.Credential Registration, Pre-Function Hall, Pres. Hotel

4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Flag Registration, Mary Todd Room, Pres. Hotel

2:00 – 6:00 p.m.Contest Entry Drop-off in Display Room, Lincoln Room, Pres. Hotel

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.Social Functions Ticket Pick-up, Pre-Function Hall, Pres. Hotel

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.Board of Directors Meeting, Ottawa Room, Abraham Lincoln Hotel

THURSDAY July 11, 2024

7:00 – 8:15 a.m...... Display Room Open, Lincoln Room, Pres. Hotel

7:00 – 8:30 a.m......Credentials Open, Pre-function Hallway, Pres. Hotel

8:00 a.m.Opening Ceremony Staging, Pre-function Hallway, Pres. Hotel

8:30 a.m.**Opening of Convention**
Pam Ray, General Convention Chairman

Advance Department Officers

Advance Department President

Presentation of Department Colors

Presentation of Third Division Colors

Presentation of 15th District Colors

Presentation of Green Rock-Colona Unit 1233 Colors

Advance Division and District Colors Followed by respective Presidents

Call to Order/Welcome..... Department President, Angie Golightly

Invocation Tina Abdelnour, Chaplain

National Anthem..... Sung in Unison

Pledge of Allegiance..... Patti Williamson, Americanism Chairman
Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion Auxiliary.....Marsha Haag
Constitution & Bylaws Chairman

**Presentation of Department Officers, National Appointees,
Division and District Presidents**

GreetingsMayor of Springfield, Misty Buscher
Reading of Call to ConventionSharon Conatser, Interim Managing Director
Report of RulesTeri Miller, Chairman

**Nominations of Department Officers for 2024-2025 year
Endorsement for National Officers
Approval of Division & District Presidents and Vice Presidents as elected
Nominations of Delegates at Large to National Convention**

Greetings Department Commander, Delmar Buske
..... Senior Vice Commander, Joseph Lampert
..... National Executive Committeeman, Roy Weber
..... Alternate NEC, Ronald Hoffman
..... Department Adjutant, PNC, Marty Conatser
.....SAL Detachment Commander, Michael Vozar
..... SAL Detachment Sr Vice Commander, Rick Allen
..... SAL NEC, Paul Hayse

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

National Executive Committeewoman/ Past President Parley Chairman Janet Bacon
First Vice President / Legislative Chairman Arlene Holtgrave
Second Vice PresidentJill Layton
Historian.....Linda Iberg
Interim Managing Director Sharon Conatser
Treasurer Marybeth Revoir
Chaplain Tina Abdelnour
Sergeant-At-Arms Linda Oakley
Sergeant-At-Arms AssistantsSue DeDecker and Diane Rounds

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1:00 p.m..... Reconvene – Reports Continued

Membership Pam Corbin, Chairman

**NATIONAL PRESIDENT
LISA WILLIAMSON**

- Americanism Patti Williamson, Chairman
- Auxiliary Emergency Fund Sandra Kirby, Chairman
- Children and Youth Rebecca Sue Johnson, Chairman
- Community Service Jerri Akins, Chairman
- Constitution and Bylaws Marsha Haag, Chairman
- Finance Sharon Conatser, Chairman
- Gold Star Debbie Myles, Chairman
- Junior Activities..... Angie Mulligan, Chairman
- Leadership Cathy Zito, Chairman
- Music Patty Buhle, Chairman
- National Security Jill Layton, Chairman
- Photo Book Mary Collado, Chairman
- Public Relations Jami McIntyre, Chairman
- Preliminary Report of Resolutions Julia Moore, Chairman
- Preliminary Report of Credentials Louise Jones, Credentials Chairman
- Announcements Sharon Conatser, Interim Managing Director

RECESS

THURSDAY - evening

- 4:00 – 6:00 p.m..... Basket Raffle & Wine and Shine, Pre-Function Foyer, Wyndham Hotel
- 6:30 p.m..... Gold Star / Past Presidents Parley Dinner
(Doors open at 6:00 p.m.) Hosted by: Janet Bacon and Debbie Myles

FRIDAY July 12, 2024

- 7:00 – 8:15 a.m..... Display Room Open
- 8:30 a.m..... Reconvene, Department President, Angie Golightly
- Invocation Tina Abdelnour, Chaplain
- Pledge of Allegiance Patti Williamson, Americanism Chairman

Reports Continued

- Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Kate Weber, Chairman
- Holiday Gifts Laurinda Kidd, Chairman
- Hospital Service/Service to Veterans Cinda Held, Chairman

Volunteer Renewal CeremonyDepartment President, Angie Golightly
PoppySusan Heinz-Wojcik, Chairman
ALA Illini Girls State.....Sarah Wyckoff, Director and Kristie Krigbaum, Dean of Education
Election InstructionsJudy Zimmerman, Judge of Elections
Credentials ReportLouise Jones, Credentials Chairman
Roll Call of DistrictsSharon Conatser, Interim Managing Director

Election

Announcements Sharon Conatser, Interim Managing Director

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2:00 p.m. Quarter Auction, Wyndham Hotel

SATURDAY July 13, 2024

8:00 a.m. American Legion Family Joint Memorial Service
Poppy Poster Presentation, The Bank of Springfield Center

**Reconvene ALA Convention 30 minutes after adjournment of above.
Department President, Angie Golightly**

Pledge of AllegiancePatti Williamson, Americanism Chairman

ELECTION RESULTS

Reports Continued

EducationBarbara Howe, Chairman
Kathy Cisna and Carollee Junge, Committee Members

Report of Resolutions.....Julia Moore, Chairman

Unfinished Business / New Business

Recognition of Convention Committees and Pages

President's Remarks

Announcements

RECESS

1:30 p.m. Installation of Department Officers, Division and District Presidents

Installing Officer, Past Department President Ann Flanagan
Installing Chaplain, Past Department President Marsha Haag
Special Installing Reader, Past Department President Louise Jones
Installing Sergeant-At-Arms, Past Department President Judy Zimmerman

Presentation of Past Department President's Pin

BenedictionTina Abdelnour, Chaplain

Retirement of ColorsSergeant-At-Arms, Linda Oakley
Asst. Sergeant-At-Arms, Sue DeDecker and Diane Rounds

Closing Song Sung in Unison

Adjournment

3:00 p.m...... Installation Reception, Rooms B11- B C D, Bank of Springfield Center

4:30 p.m....Post Convention Board of Director's Meeting, Ottawa Room, Second Floor,
Abraham Lincoln Hotel

SATURDAY - evening

7:00 p.m. Commander / President's Dinner
Wyndham Hotel Grand Ballroom

Department Office Hours

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Thursday: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. or
20 minutes after close of session
Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 20 minutes
after session
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.–20 minutes
after session

Emblem Sales Located in the BoS Center Hours

Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.