

CALL
for the
98th Annual National Convention
of the
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
to meet in
Minneapolis, Minnesota
August 24 - 30, 2018

In conformity with Article VI, Section 1 of the National Constitution, which provides that the annual National Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary shall be held at the same time and place as The American Legion National Convention, the 98th Annual National Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary is hereby called to meet in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from August 24-30, 2018. The convention business sessions will be in the Minneapolis Convention Center.

PURPOSE

The annual National Convention is the legislative body of the American Legion Auxiliary. The convention is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, amending the National Constitution & Bylaws, receiving reports of national officers and committees, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected August 29, 2018.

REPRESENTATION

Representation in the convention shall be by department and in accordance with the provisions of the National Constitution, Article VI, Section 2.

Each department shall be entitled to five delegates and one additional delegate for each 1,500 members or major fraction thereof, whose current dues have been received by the national treasurer 30 days prior to the meeting of said convention, and to one alternate for each delegate.

In addition to the above, members of the National Executive Committee (including the national president, national vice president, national division vice presidents, Past National Presidents, national chaplain, and national historian) are delegates-at-large to the National Convention with vote, to be exercised with their departments.

Each delegate shall be entitled to one vote. The vote of any delegates absent and not represented by an alternate shall be cast by the majority of the delegates present from her department.

ALTERNATES

An alternate will have the power to vote only in the absence of her regular delegate.

The selection of alternates to represent absent delegates is a matter for decision by the respective department delegation.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A Pre-Convention Meeting of the 2017-2018 National Executive Committee is hereby called and will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, August 25, 2018, in Ballroom B, Minneapolis Convention Center, as provided by National Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2.

A Post-Convention Meeting of the 2018-2019 National Executive Committee will be held in Room 211AD, Minneapolis Convention Center, on Thursday, August 30, 2018 (National Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2).

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Department officers, unless elected as delegates or alternates to the National Convention, have no privilege in the convention except as guests of their respective delegations.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Pre-Convention Committee Meetings will be held Saturday, August 25, 2018, from 10-11:30 a.m. and 1-2:30 p.m. in the Minneapolis Convention Center. Locations will be provided in the agenda provided on site in Minneapolis. Each department shall designate one delegate or one alternate to a committee meeting and notify her of the time and location. Departments shall electronically file a list of the designees with the national secretary. Any substitution should be filed with the chairman or secretary of the convention committee.

DIVISION CAUCUS MEETINGS

The Division Caucus Meetings will be held Saturday, August 25, 2018, from 3-4:30 p.m. as follows:

Central Division	Ballroom B	Minneapolis Convention Center
Eastern Division	Room 205AB	Minneapolis Convention Center
Northwestern Division	Room 208CD	Minneapolis Convention Center
Southern Division	Room 211AD	Minneapolis Convention Center
Western Division	Room 208AB	Minneapolis Convention Center

CREDENTIALS

Each delegation secretary shall transmit to National Headquarters no earlier than July 30, 2018, and no later than August 13, 2018, the official Certification of Delegates and Alternates Form and electronic delegate and alternate lists. Electronic lists must contain the following information:

1. Name of department.
2. Number of units in the department.
3. Paid-up membership according to the national treasurer on July 28, 2018, which is 30 days prior to the meeting.
4. Date and place of the department convention at which delegates and alternates were selected.
5. Name of delegation chairman.
6. Name of delegation secretary.
7. Names, complete member ID numbers, complete home addresses, accurate email addresses, and unit affiliations of delegates.
8. Names, complete member ID numbers, complete home addresses, accurate email addresses, and unit affiliations of alternates.
9. Electronic signature of department president, attested by department secretary.

CREDENTIALS FEE

A registration fee of \$25 for each delegate, each alternate in attendance, and guest in attendance must be paid to the national treasurer by the delegation secretary no earlier than July 30, 2018, and no later than August 13, 2018.

SECURING CREDENTIALS IN MINNEAPOLIS

Delegation secretaries can secure credentials August 23 and 24, 2018, in Hall A, Minneapolis Convention Center.

GUEST REGISTRATION

Departments will be able to register guests to National Convention. Guest registration will begin July 30, 2018, and continue through registration cut-off. Guests may still also register via The American Legion.

DELEGATION HEADQUARTERS

Each department delegation will establish headquarters in the hotel to which it is assigned. Upon arrival in the convention city, all members of department delegations will report to their delegation headquarters. They will receive all necessary instructions from the secretary of their delegation.

ADMISSION TO NATIONAL CONVENTION SESSIONS

Admission to National Convention sessions will be by delegate, alternate, or guest badge. All visitors who wish to attend convention sessions must register.

ALA NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OFFICE


The American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters Convention Office will be in Hall A, Minneapolis Convention Center, August 22 - 30, 2018.

DATED: May 2018

ATTEST:



National Secretary



National President

American Legion Auxiliary
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Additional copies are available for download at
www.ALAforVeterans.org/Meetings/National-Convention/

WOMAN OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON

2018 National Convention
Minneapolis Convention Center
TICKET ORDER FORM

Deadline: July 27, 2018 to be received into Department Headquarters

Money received after July 27, 2018 will incur a Price increase to \$40.00

All reservations must be made through Auxiliary Department Headquarters

WHEN: Monday, August 27th @ 12:30pm

WHERE: Ballroom, Minneapolis Convention Center

TICKET PRICE: \$35.00 **Money received after July 27, 2018, Price increases to \$40.00**

Name: _____

Number of Tickets _____ Vegetarian _____ Check # _____ \$ Amount _____
Special Dietary Request _____ If an Allergy is indicated, please list specific
allergy on this form: _____

MENU: Citrus & Spiced Pecan Salad with Citrus Vinaigrette, Florentine Chicken
Wellington, Homemade Rolls & Dessert Shooters

If anyone from your department has special dietary needs, a vegetarian entrée will be substituted for the main entrée. Please indicate the number of vegetarian tickets you will need on the Ticket Order Form. If an allergy is indicated, please list specific allergy on form. Special Dietary Requests will only be considered if received by the deadline.

Please include the names of the individuals who require special meals.

American Legion Auxiliary and the Millennium will not be able to accommodate special requests on site in Cincinnati, Ohio

Make check payable to & mailed to:

ALA Dept. of GA
3035 Mt Zion Rd.
Stockbridge, GA 30281

Auxiliary States Dinner

2018 National Convention
Minneapolis Convention Center
August 25 – August 30, 2018

Deadline: July 27, 2018 to be received into Department Hdqtrs.

All reservations must be made through Auxiliary Department Headquarters

States Dinner: Auxiliary President's Banquet

When: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 @ 7:00pm

Where: Minneapolis Convention Center

Price: \$45.00, PRICE will increase to \$50 (if received after July 27th)

Name: _____
Number of Tickets _____ Vegetarian _____ Check # _____ \$ Amount _____
Special Dietary Request _____ If an Allergy is indicated, please list specific
allergy on this form: _____

Menu: *Mediterranean Salad with Lemon-Garlic Vinaigrette, Parmesan Breaded Chicken Breast served with Basil-Kale Pesto Cream Sauce, Grilled Tomato-Garlic Char Crusted Sirloin Steak, Mascarpone Mashed Potatoes, Italian Green Beans with Red Peppers and Alternating Milk Chocolate Cake and Lemon Meringue Bavarian Cheesecake.*

If anyone has special dietary or religious needs, a Vegetarian entry will be substituted for the main entrée. Special Dietary Request will be considered only if received by the deadline.

Please include the names of the individuals who require special meals.
The American Legion Auxiliary and the Minneapolis Convention Center will not be able to accommodate special requests on site in Minneapolis, MN.

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3035 Mt Zion Rd.
Stockbridge, GA 30281

2018

100th AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION

AUGUST 24 – 30, 2018

Crown Plaza Northstar Hotel

618 Second Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55402

LODGING RATES

Kings (one bed – one or two occupants)

Handicap Kings (one bed – one or two occupants)

Doubles (two beds – one or two occupants)

Cost: Per Room - \$142.88 Includes Tax

Additional Occupant in Room – \$25.00 (3-4 persons)

Self-Parking Per Day (weekday) - \$25.00

Self-Parking Per Day (weekend) - \$15.00

NO Valet Parking

Minimum three (3) Nights Occupancy

**PLEASE FURNISH ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED
RESERVATIONS**

Date of Arrival: _____ Date of Departure: _____

Type of Room: King _____ Double _____

Name of Person Reserving Room: _____

Type of Credit Card & # _____ ExpDate: _____

Personal Check made payable to Hotel: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

DEADLINE: July 2, 2018

All reservations must be made through Department Headquarters.

REGISTRATION FEES

All delegates, alternates and guests must pay a \$25.00 registration fee. ONLY the elected Auxiliary and SAL delegates and alternates are exempt from paying registration fees. The Auxiliary Secretary and SAL Adjutant will pay the registration fee for their delegates and alternates. ALL OTHERS MUST DO SO.

REGISTRATION
\$25.00 PER PERSON _____

COMMANDER'S BANQUET
\$48.00 PER PERSON _____

SOUTHERN BLOC
\$36.00 PER PERSON _____

PARADE SHIRTS \$20.00 Each _____

SHIRT SIZE _____

TOTAL PAYMENT _____

Make check payable to: The Department of Georgia
(Do NOT include your Hotel Reservation on this check)

Mail to: Department of Georgia, 3035 Mt. Zion Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281

AUXILAIRY PRESIDENT'S BANQUET
\$45.00 PER PERSON _____ \$50 _____ (after July ~~2018~~^{27th})

*******If paid after July ~~20~~²⁷, 2018 the price will be \$50.00 Per Person*******

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO THE AUXILIARY FOR
THE PRESIDENT'S BANQUET ONLY.**

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
2018 NATIONAL CONVENTION
Minneapolis, Minnesota
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
(Current as of May 25, 2018)**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

- 8:00 - 9:30 a.m. National Executive Committee Meeting, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 10:00 a.m. - noon Pre-Convention Committee Meetings, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Constitution & Bylaws Committee Pre-Convention Meeting, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Senior Member Division Caucuses, Minneapolis Convention Center

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. National and Department Pages Meeting, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 11:00 a.m. Joint Patriotic Memorial Service, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 4:00 p.m. National Convention Parade

MONDAY, AUGUST 27

- 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. Opening Convention Session, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 12:30 p.m. Woman of the Year Luncheon, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions, Minneapolis Convention Center

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

- 8:00 a.m. - noon Convention Session, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 6:30 p.m. The American Legion National Commander's Banquet, Minneapolis Convention Center

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

- 8:00 a.m. - noon Convention Session, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Installation of 2018-2019 National Officers, Minneapolis Convention Center
- 7:00 p.m. States Dinner, Minneapolis Convention Center

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

- 8:30 a.m. (*tentative*) National Executive Committee Meeting, Minneapolis Convention Center

Schedule is subject to change.

A final agenda will be provided in National Convention packets in Minneapolis.

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National Convention Chairman

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
8945 N. MERIDIAN ST.
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46260**

MEMORANDUM

FROM: Mary "Dubbie" Buckler, National Secretary
DATE: May 2018
SUBJECT: GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE 2018 ALA NATIONAL CONVENTION

CALL TO THE CONVENTION

Please find enclosed a copy of the Call to the National Convention. Additional copies are available at www.ALAforVeterans.org/Meetings/National-Convention/

DEPARTMENT PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Each department secretary will indicate representatives to the Pre-Convention Committee Meetings during delegate and alternate registration.

To allow representatives to attend more than one committee meeting, all committees have been assigned a time to meet. Groups A – J Pre-Convention Committee Meetings and the Constitution & Bylaws Pre-Convention Meeting will take place in the Minneapolis Convention Center.

PRE-CONVENTION ROLL CALL AND VOTING PROCEDURE

In order to provide an accurate roll call and to facilitate voting, the following procedure will be used for the Pre-Convention Committee Meetings:

In the front of each meeting room, 52 chairs will be reserved – one for the official representative (either a delegate or alternate) of each department. Cards bearing department names will be affixed to the chairs in alphabetical order. Other individuals present have voice but no vote.

The sergeant-at-arms is responsible for checking vacant chairs and indicating on a list the departments that are not represented. The department secretary electronically submits to ALA National Headquarters the name of the representative assigned to the Pre-Convention Committee Meeting; therefore, each department has an assigned chair, and it is not necessary to call the roll or pass a roll list.

Each time a national chairman presides, she will announce that only the official representatives to the appropriate meeting should be in the chairs, unless a member is replacing a previously assigned person from her department. The sergeant-at-arms will check the list each time a new chairman presides.

Since larger departments may have more than one person assigned to a group of Pre-Convention Committee Meetings (e.g., Mrs. Albright for Americanism, Mrs. Edwards for Education, and Mrs. Kelly for National Security), the national chairman will allow time for representatives to take their seats and make such changes, etc.

Voting will take place via voice vote. Votes may also be confirmed by a standing vote, show of hands, or roll call.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Pre-Convention NEC Meeting (2017-2018 National Executive Committee)

Date: Saturday, August 25, 2018
Time: 8 a.m.
Location: Ballroom B, Minneapolis Convention Center

Post-Convention NEC Meeting (2018-2019 National Executive Committee)

Date: Thursday, August 30, 2018
Time: 8:30 a.m. (Tentative)
Location: Room 211AD, Minneapolis Convention Center

DRESS CODE FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION

The attire for attendees of all business meetings for the 2018 National Convention is business casual. Please: no jeans, shorts, or tank tops.

For those individuals appearing on stage during the general session or presiding at a meeting, the national president asks that you wear business attire (suit with a skirt or pants or a dress).

ALA NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OFFICES

American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters office will be located:

Wednesday, August 22 - Thursday, August 30: Hall A, Minneapolis Convention Center

ONLINE SUBMISSION – NATIONAL CONVENTION INFORMATION, REGISTRATION, AND TICKETING

A website link will be provided to department secretaries in June for submission of the following:

- National Convention Department Pages
- States Dinner Ticket Purchases
- Woman of the Year Luncheon Ticket Purchases
- Packet Pickup and Delivery Information

On/after July 30, 2018, once the delegate strength has been determined by each department, instructions will be sent to register and certify delegates and alternates via the online system. Auxiliary departments will also be able to register guests utilizing the same online system. This system will enable departments to register guests and designate their delegates or alternates for pre-convention committee meeting representatives.

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(612) 334-3159

Scooter Rental is \$150 per week up to 300 lbs

Scooter Rental is \$175 per week up to 350lbs

Advance reservations are required

Delivery fee is included to/from hotel

SCOOTAROUND

(888) 701-7280

Scooter Rental \$300 per week

Based on availability

Advance reservations are required

Delivery fee is included to/from hotel

****Credit Card will be charged at time of booking**



The American Legion 100th National Convention



Shuttle Schedule

**Schedule subject to change*

Convention Center Pick-up/Drop off Location: On Grant St. outside of exhibit halls "D" and "E". Look for your specific route sign

Gold Route (Route 1)

Doubletree Hotel	At the hotel's main entrance on LaSalle Ave.
Best Western Inn	At the hotel's main entrance on 8th St.
Renaissance Depot Hotel	At the hotel's main entrance on 3rd Ave.
Crowne Plaza Hotel	At the hotel's main entrance on 2nd Ave.

Date/Day	Start	End	Frequency
Friday, August 24, 2018	7:00 AM	8:30 PM	15 min. to 30 min.
Saturday, August 25, 2018	6:45 AM	8:30 PM	15 min. to 30 min.
Sunday, August 26, 2018	6:00 AM	2:30 PM	15 min. to 30 min.
Monday, August 27, 2018	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	15 min. to 30 min.
Tuesday, August 28, 2018	6:00 AM	10:00 PM	15 min. to 30 min.
Wednesday, August 29, 2018	6:00 AM	10:00 PM	15 min. to 30 min.
Thursday, August 30, 2018	7:00 AM	3:00 PM	15 min. to 30 min.

Blue Route (Route 2)

Marquette Hotel	On the 7th St. curb across from the hotel
Marriott City Center Hotel	At the hotel's main entrance on 7th St.
Radisson Plaza Hotel	Walk across 7th St. to the Marriott City Centre
Westin Hotel	On the 6th St. curb across from the hotel

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If you have questions concerning an ADA ride between the convention hotels and the convention center during shuttle hours, please call (317) 525-7600 for assistance.

The American Legion's 100th National Convention



American Legion Family Night with the Minnesota Twins!

Saturday, August 25th at 6:10 PM • Target Field
Minnesota Twins vs. Oakland A's

Highlights to your event:

- Field Box Seats for \$36
 - Home Plate View Seats for \$23
- Seating is limited

Tickets are available only on a first-come, first-served basis

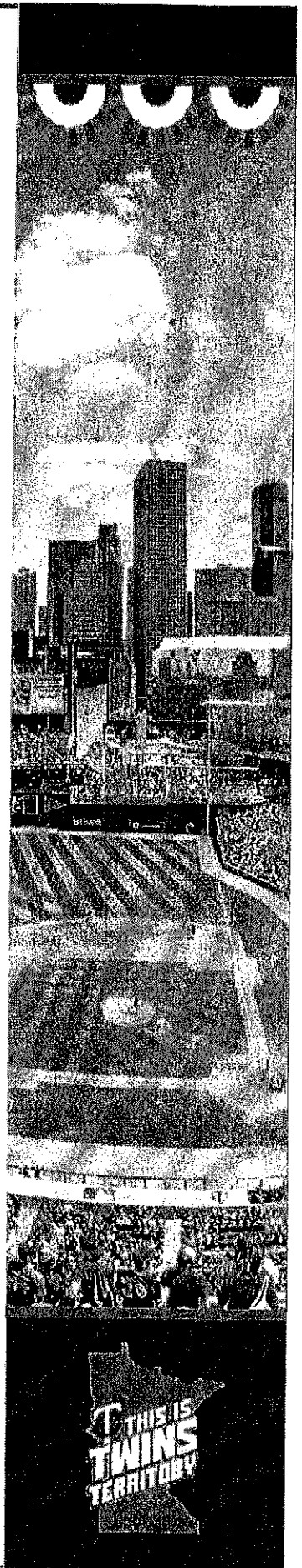
**Come and see your National Commander
Denise Rohan throw out the first pitch**

HOW TO ORDER

- Call 1-800-33-TWINS (hit "0" to speak to an attendant). *Phone lines are open during business hours and most evenings/weekends during Twins games.*
- **At the START of your call**, be sure to reference this special American Legion promotion.
- VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER and AMERICAN EXPRESS are accepted.
A \$5 service/handling fee will be added to each order.
 - Your tickets will be delivered by email.

No exchanges or refunds; offer not valid with any other discounts, promotions or on day of game. Game date and time are subject to change

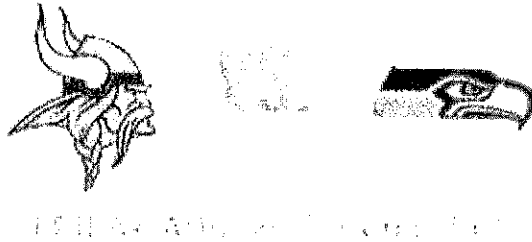
Questions or have a group of 25 or more? Contact Brian Bessler directly at
(612) 659-4083 or BrianBessler@twinsbaseball.com



Pre-Season Football Game

Minnesota Vikings vs. Seattle Seahawks

Friday, August 24, 2018 • 7:00pm



The Minnesota Vikings would like to extend a **\$20 ticket** offer to The American Legion members, their family and friends. Come see the Vikings battle the Seattle Seahawks on Friday, August 24th at 7PM and experience U.S. Bank Stadium.

1. [Click here](#) to buy tickets.
2. Click "find tickets" and enter promo code: **LEGION**
3. Select the number of seats to purchase and see the available locations.
4. Click add to cart.
5. Go to "Create an Account" on the right-hand side of the screen. (If you already have an account, you may enter your email address and password.)
6. Create a My Vikings Account using your email address.
7. Follow the instructions to purchase. After completing the purchase, download the Official Minnesota Vikings App and log in to your account to access your tickets.

Offer valid while supplies last. Does not apply to previous purchases. No refunds or exchanges.