



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
 DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
 2026 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION
 CROWN PLAZA SAN MARCOS
 CHANDLER, AZ**

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Thursday, June 25, 2026

REGISTRATION: 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.	CROWN PLAZA SAN MARCOS
11:00 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting PALO VERDE
1:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting PALO VERDE
3:00 p.m.	All Department Officers, including District Presidents, and Past Department Presidents Girls State Directors Meeting PALO VERDE
3:30 p.m.	Credential Committee Meeting PALO VERDE Rules Committee Meeting Resolutions Committee Meeting Courtesy Resolutions Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m.	Joint Opening BALLROOM A & B

Friday, June 26, 2026

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Chairmen, please sit up front prior to speaking.

REGISTRATION 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER 125 E. COMMONWEALTH
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7:00 a.m.	Sgt at Arms, & Pages, meet for Instructions
7:45 a.m.	Processional Lineup – All Department Officers, District Presidents, and Past Department Presidents... <i>Don't forget sashes.</i>

8:15 a.m. OPENING CEREMONY	CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER 125 E. COMMONWEALTH AVE
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Processional	Maggie Montijo, Americanism Chairman
Call to Order	Dolores Chavez, Dept Pres.
Opening Prayer	Debra "DeDe" Dexter, Chaplain
Pledge of Allegiance	Maggie Montijo, Americanism
National Anthem	Alma Mattingly, Music Chairman
Preamble	Barbara White, C&B Chairman

POW/MIA Chair

Dolores Chavez, Dept Pres.
Marge Christianson, Dept VP
Lynda Griffin 2nd Dept VP
Dolores Chavez, Dept Pres.
Marge Christianson, Dept VP

Welcome and Purpose
Response

Introductions and Greetings

Isabella Ward – Honorary Junior Department President

Stacey Mayberry – National Executive Committeeman

Introduction of Convention Appointees

Dolores Chavez, Dept Pres.

Registration – ALA Unit 35
Chairman of Pages – Illiana Solis
Personal Pages – Jennifer Klingaman and Maggie Montijo
Sgt-at-Arms – Illiana Solis and Jacque Solis
Color Bearers – Unit 29 Color Guard
Credentials Committee – June Moyer
Resolution Committee Chairman – Debra Munchbach
Rules Committee Chairman – Debra Munchbach

Roll Call of Dept Officers and Units

Rose Ficklin,
Dept Executive Director
Debra Munchbach, Rules
June Moyer, Credentials

Rules of Convention

Partial Credentials Report

**Nominations for Officers & National Convention Delegates
SAMPLE BALLOTS**

Instructions for Elections of Department Officers,
Delegates and Alternates to National Convention

Debra Munchbach,
Head Teller

Sample Ballots by Roll Call of Units with number of votes announced:

Rose Ficklin, Dept
Executive Director

Nominations for Department Officers 2026-2027
Nominations for Delegates and Alternates for National Convention
August 28, - September 3, 2026, Louisville, KY

Paid and unpaid delegates must attend ALL SESSIONS of National Convention

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10:00 a.m. PROGRAM

CHAIRMAN

Resolutions 1st Reading

Debra Munchbach,

Resolutions Chairman

Americanism

Maggie Montijo

Auxiliary Emergency Fund

Barbara Shields

Cavalcade of Memories

Paula Burgess

Children & Youth

Barbara Whitney

Community Service

Joanie Whitsett

Constitution & Bylaws

Barbara White

Creative Arts

Anita Ritter

Education

Julie Vietri

Announcements

Rose Ficklin,

Dept. Executive Director

11:30 a.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. RECONVENE

**CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER
125 E. COMMONWEALTH AVE**

Call to Order

Dolores Chavez

Roll Call of Units

Rose Ficklin

Credential Report

June Moyer

1:15 p.m. PROGRAM

CHAIRMAN

Girls State

Penny Maklary

Junior Activities

Jacque Solis

Legislative

Kathy Amery

Music

Alma Mattingly

National Security

Stacey Mayberry

Past President's Parley

Patricia Lugo

Public Relations

Shannon Mead

Service to Veterans

Sara Decker

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Lynda Griffin

**Introduction of 2025-2026 District and Unit Presidents
by the 2024-2025 District Presidents**

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Saturday, June 27, 2026

REGISTRATION: 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

**CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER
125 E. COMMONWEALTH AVE**

8:00 a.m. RECONVENE

CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER

Call to Order	Dolores Chavez
Invocation	DeDe Dexter
Roll Call of Units	Rose Ficklin
Credentials Report for Elections	June Moyer
Head Teller	Debra Munchbach
Introduction of Tellers	Debra Munchbach
Distribution of Ballots by Roll Call	Rose Ficklin

Election of 2026-2027 Department Officers
2026 Delegates & Alternates to National Convention

Each candidate is given the opportunity to have a witness present during the ballot counting.

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PROGRAM

CHAIRMAN

Chaplain
Memorial Service for Past Department President's lost in 2025-2026

DeDe Dexter

Finance
Historian
Leadership
Membership
New Units/UD&R
Poppy
Scrapbook

Yolanda Bonilla
Stephanie McMullen
Karen Smith
Marge Christianson
Rose Ficklin
Kat Sticklin
Sandra Solis

Announcements

Rose Ficklin

11:30 a.m. LUNCH

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1:00 p.m.	RECONVENE	CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER
	Call to Order	Dolores Chavez
	Roll Call of Units	Rose Ficklin
	Final Credentials Report	June Moyer
	President's Special Project Hospice	Dawn Davidson
	Executive Directors Report	Rose Ficklin
	President's Report	Dolores Chavez
Announcements		Rose Ficklin

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3:15 p.m.	Installation Practice	
4:30 p.m.	Choir Practice Room TBD	Alma Mattingly
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	President Elect Reception	Room 109

Sunday, June 28, 2026

8:00 a.m.	Joint Memorial Service	Ballroom A,B,C San Marcos Hotel
	The American Legion	Ron DiBiasio, Dept Chaplain
	American Legion Auxiliary	DeDe Dexter, Dept Chaplain
	American Legion Family Choir	Alma Mattingly

9:15 a.m.	RECONVENE	CHANDLER COMMUNITY CENTER 125 E. COMMONWEALTH AVE
	Installation of Officers 2026 -2027	

Break 15 Minutes

Call To Order
Membership and Challenges for 2026-2027

Dolores Chavez
Lynda Griffin

Final Comments
Announcements
Benediction
Retirement of 2025-2026 District Presidents
Retirement of 2025-2026 Department Officers
Retirement of Unit 45 and Department Colors
Adjournment

Dolores Chavez
Rose Ficklin
Stephanie McMullen
Maggie Montijo

Dolores Chavez

HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME!

Immediately following the adjournment of this convention there will be a meeting of the Department Executive Committee. All Department Officers which include the new seated District Presidents and Past Department Presidents are required to attend.

The meeting will be at the Chandler Community Center

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Call to Order

Newly Elected Department President

2026-2027 Department Executive Committee Meeting

Marge Christianson