



**DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
FALL CONFERENCE 2026
DOUBLETREE REID PARK
TUCSON, AZ
BALLROOM D & E**

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Friday, November 6, 2026

11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Registration <i>(bring your membership card)</i>	Grand Ballroom Foyer
12:00 p.m.	ALA AZ Girls State Board of Directors	Salon F & G
1:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	
2:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting	
5:00 p.m.	Sgt at Arms, Pages and Department Color Guard meet with Dept. President & Americanism Chairman	Salon F & G
6:00 p.m.	Joint Opening	Grand Ballroom

“The love of our country is a child’s legacy that must be nurtured.” – James E. Faust

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"Leadership is not about the next election, it's about the next generation." – Simon Sinek

Saturday, November 7, 2026

7:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Registration (<i>bring your membership card</i>)	Grand Ballroom Foyer
7:30 a.m.	Department Officers & Past Department Presidents line up for processional.	Hall D & E
7:45 a.m.	Opening Ceremony Processional	Amber Sanchez, Americanism
Call to Order		Marge Christianson, Dept President
Opening Prayer		Barbara Aubrey, Chaplain
Pledge of Allegiance		Amber Sanchez, Americanism
National Anthem		Alma Mattingly, Music
Preamble		Barbara White, C & B Committee
POW/MIA Chair		Marge Christianson, Dept President
		Lynda Griffin & Stephanie McMullen
Welcome and Purpose		Marge Christianson, Dept President
Response		Lynda Griffin, Dept Vice President
Greetings		Jasmine Lugo, Honorary Junior Dept President Dolores Chavez, NEC Ellen Nathan, Western Division National Vice President
Roll Call of Units/Announcements		Rose Ficklin, Dept Executive Director
Presentation of 2026 National Awards & Convention Report		Dolores Chavez, NEC

"It's our children that will determine what tomorrow looks like. We must provide them the opportunities they deserve." – Laurie Hernandez

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Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see.” – John F. Kennedy

- 9:00 a.m. Breakout Sessions 1**
Membership Begins with Leadership
Membership Processing & New ALAMIS
D & E Ballroom
F & G Salons
- 9:45 a.m. ***** Break*******
- 10:00 a.m. Breakout Session 2**
Mission Program Resources
Membership Processing & New ALAMIS
D & E Ballroom
F & G Salons
- 10:45 a.m. Reconvene**
Membership Eligibility Changes
P.A.W.S.S. Update
D & E Ballroom
Lynda Griffin
Stacey Mayberry
- 11:15 a.m. NEC for the Special Guest Introduction**

National Western Division Vice President

Dolores Chavez, NEC
Ellen Nathan, UT
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. Reconvene**
Juniors
D & E Ballroom
Sara Velasquez
- 1:30 p.m. Breakout Session 3**
Engaging Youth in Patriotism for our Veterans
Reports/Awards/Narratives
D & E Ballroom
F & G Salons
- 2:00 p.m. *****BREAK*******
- 2:15 p.m. Breakout Session 4**
AI: How does this apply to my Unit
ALA AZ Girls State Workshop
D & E Ballroom
F & G Salons

At least 1 representative from each Unit at Girls State please

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“We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.” – Franklin D. Roosevelt

3:00 p.m.	Reconvene Wellcare	D & E Ballroom
3:15 p.m.	Announcements Recessed	Rose Ficklin Marge Christianson
	Choir Practice	Alma Mattingly, Music Chairman
	<i>Immediately after recess</i>	
4:30 p.m.	Reception in Honor of Ellen Nathan NWDVP	Sponsored by Wellcare F & G Salons
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026		
8:00 a.m.	Joint Memorial Service	D & E Ballroom
9:15 a.m.	Reconvene	E Ballroom
	Call To Order	Marge Christianson
	2027-2028 Candidate Announcements	
	Announcements Benediction	Rose Ficklin Barbara Aubrey
	Retirement of District Presidents and Dept Officers	Amber Sanchez
	Retirement of Department Colors	
10:15 a.m.	Adjournment	Marge Christianson

Safe Travels until we meet again!

Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. It has to be fought for and defended by each generation.” Ronald Reagan