

2025 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS • 107th ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

July 9-13, 2025 • Hilton-Washington Dulles • Herndon, VA

Friday July 11, 2025 (Continued)

Convention Committee on Legislation		3:00 PM	Tarara
20 & 4		5:00-6:00 PM	Corcoran
Joint Welcoming Session		6:00-7:00 PM	Potomac
Poker Run	(Admission by \$15 ticket only)	7:00 PM	
	(Tickets \$20 at the door)		
Sons of the American Legion Executive Board		7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Corcoran
Trivia	(Admission by \$15 ticket only)	9:00 PM-12:00 AM	Red Fox

Saturday July 12, 2025

General Session		8:30 AM-12:00 PM	Belmont
Sons of the American Legion Sub-Committee		9:00 AM	Tarara
Commanders' and Adjutants' Club Luncheon		12:00 PM-1:30 PM	Piedmont
Sons of the American Legion Convention		12:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Colvin Run
General Session reconvenes		1:30 PM-5:00 PM	Belmont
Past Department Commander's Reception		6:00 PM-7 PM	Piedmont
Convention Banquet	(Admission by \$60 ticket only)	7:00 PM-9:00 PM	Belmont I & II
Karaoke	(Admission by \$15 ticket only)	9:00 PM-12 AM	Belmont III & IV

Sunday July 13, 2025

New Department Executive Committee	12:00 PM	Belmont III & IV
General Session reconvenes	10:00 AM	Belmont I & II
Joint Religious Service	9:00 AM	Belmont I & II



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6:00 PM-7:00 PM Joint Welcoming Session of the American Legion & Auxiliary **Potomac**

> Call to Order Gene Malinowski, Department Commander Pledge of Allegiance Gene Malinowski, Department Commander

Introduction of Auxiliary Ethel Carson, Department President

Remarks President Carson & Commander Malinowski

Saturday July 12, 2025

8:30 AM **General Session Belmont**

> Call to Order Deloris Todman, Department Vice Commander

Advancement of Colors Guard of Honor, Unit 4, Post 290

Prayer Dennis Madtes, Department Chaplain

Pledge of Allegiance Deloris Todman, Department Vice Commander Mike Kimlick, Department Vice Commander

Preamble to the Constitution of the

American Legion Presentation of Dept. Commander Ron Krauklis, Department Vice Commander

Welcome Keven LeBlanc, Mayor of Herndon

Ron Krauklis, Department Vice Commander Response to Mayor

Brett Reistad, Past National Commander Proclamation of Convention Call

Introduction of Department Officers and Past Gene Malinowski, Dept. Commander

Department Commanders

9:00 AM **Keynote Address**

9:30 AM Reports of Convention Committees:

Americanism

Children & Youth

Constitution & By-Laws

Finance

Legislative

National Security & Foreign Affairs

Resolutions

Veterans' Affairs & Rehabilitation

Convention in recess until 1:30 PM 12:00 PM

General Session reconvenes 1:30PM

> **Credentials Committee Report** Chairman Johnny Baker

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Department Commander Elect Gene Malinowski, Dept. Commander

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Election of Officers 2025-2026: 2:00 PM

Department Sergeant-at-Arms

Department Chaplain

Department Vice Commanders (3)
National Executive Committee

Alternate National Executive Committee

Department Commander

2:45 PM Final 2024-2025 Membership Turn-in

Remarks

Presentation of Membership Awards

Presentation of Awards

Americanism

Children & Youth

Department Service Trophy
Four Chaplains Legion of Honor
Post Commander of the Year

District Commander of the Year

Department Vice Commander of the Year

Final Report, Membership Gene Malinowski, Dept. Commander

Presentation of Gift to Outgoing Commander Sonnie Dickerson, Immediate Past Commander Presentation of Department Commander's Pin Gene Malinowski, Outgoing Dept. Commander

Election of Delegates & Alternates to the

106th Annual National Convention Department Commander Elect

Introduction of Dept Officers &

District Commanders Mark Stein, Dept. Judge Advocate
Obligation of Department Officers Dennis Madtes, Dept. Chaplain

Memorial Service Dept. Commander Elect

2026 Membership Turn-in

Sunday July 13, 2025

9:00 AM Joint Religious Service Belmont I & II

Rev. Dennis W. Madtes, Department Chaplain

Vesta Lane, Dept. Auxiliary Chaplain Robert Wilson, S.A.L. Chaplain

Adjournment

NOTE: The new Dept. Executive Committee will immediately follow Religious Service in Belmont III & IV