

The Legion Bulletin



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2023 Department Convention

The 2023 Department Convention will be held June 8-11 at the North Raleigh Hilton Hotel, Raleigh, NC. Reservations can be made by calling, 1-800-445-8667 or online:

https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?cty hocn=RDUNHHF&groupCode=ALAC&arrivaldate=2023 -06-08&departuredate=2023-06-12&cid=OM

Room rates are \$111 plus tax, single or double. The cutoff for rooms at this rate is May 10, 2023.

Convention Delegate Certification

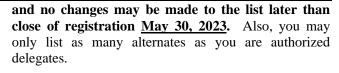
The Department Constitution requires that all Post Officers, Delegates, and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be elected annually at a Post meeting held not more than 45 days prior to the Department Convention and that all Post Officers, Post Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be certified to the Department Headquarters not more than 30 days nor less than 10 days prior to the Department Convention, certification to be made on forms furnished or prescribed by the Department. Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention must be certified to the Department Headquarters not less than 10 days prior to the Department Convention regardless of whether their registration fee is paid in advance or not. In order to vote, every Post in the Department must comply with this requirement and be sure to certify their **Department Convention Delegates and Alternates.**

This form must be completed and received at department headquarters no later than May 30, 2023.

The Department Judge Advocate has ruled that in order for a delegate or alternate to vote at the convention, the person's name must be on the original Certification form submitted to department headquarters, and no changes may be made after May 30, 2023 Also, you may only list as many alternates as you are authorized delegates.

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Sweepstakes Drawing Saturday June 10, 2023



Convention Banquet

There will be a Convention Banquet on Friday evening, June 9, 2023. Entertainment is the National Guard Saxophone Quartet. Tickets are available \$40.00. Menu will be choice of chicken entrée or beef entrée.

Post Officers for 2023-2024

It is extremely important to take the time to fill out the Post Information Form and return it to Department Headquarters. This is how we update our mailing list for monthly mailings, emails, as well as our Post Officers Roster. Pay close attention to your phone numbers, being sure to include your area code. Please provide your email address in legible handwriting. This form also has a section for notifying the Department where the monthly mailing is to be sent, or new this year, on the back, where we can email the mailing. Also remember, the Monthly Mailing is also posted on our Legion website at www.nclegion.org.

Student Trooper Program

The Student Trooper Program will be held at the North Carolina Highway Patrol Training Center in Raleigh the week of <u>July 23-28, 2023</u>. Forty (40) students who have just successfully completed their junior or senior year can be accommodated at the facility, so be sure to get applications in early. The fee is \$200.00. Applications may be obtained by calling Department Headquarters. Deadline for this program is July 10, 2023 or until filled.

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Boys' State Program

The Boys' State application deadline is extended through the end of May, or until full. After this date, please call to be sure there are still openings. Check to see that all applications are completed with the correct information and that a completed medical form is attached. Students just completing their Jr or Sr year will be permitted to attend the program. The fee for 2023 is \$500. The SAMSUNG application is completed on the national website. Once submitted, the delegate needs to print out and bring to Catawba College. They will turn it in at registration. Please do not mail with the applications.

Post Everlasting

It is customary to honor the memory of our departed comrades each year at this time by listing the names of all Legionnaires who have passed away during the FY2023 year in the Convention Memorial Service Program. We will hopefully be able to access a listing from MyLegion. In the meantime, please check to be sure you have marked as deceased post members who have passed away since July 1, 2022.

Legion College

This year's Legion College is returning to the Village Inn, Clemmons, NC. The dates are July 21 and 22, 2023. Room rates are \$89.00 per night plus tax. There will be a buffet banquet on Friday evening. Banquet tickets are \$40.00. Registration form is included with this mailing. For reservations, call 336-766-9121. Be sure to mention you are with the American Legion. A schedule of classes will be available at a later date.

Final District Meetings

Please see enclosed District Meeting Schedule for the date and time of your District's final meeting. It is very important to have a Post representative attend. Election of District Commander and National Convention Delegates will take place at this meeting. All District Commanders and District Vice Commanders must have a copy of their DD-214 on file at Department Headquarters before being installed.

Membership Awards Deadlines

May 17, 2023

New Recruiter of the Year Department Recruiter of the Year

May 17, 2023

Commander's Coin Award

May 31, 2023

Silver and Gold Brigade

National Recruiter of the Year

All forms and manual available on www.nclegion.org or contact lmiller@nclegion.org, 919-832-7506 ext.104.

Legionnaire Insurance Trust

For information about a full range of Insurance products, call **1-800-235-6943**. These include Medicare supplement, Long Term Care, Hospital Income Plan, Cancer Care, Dental Plan, Accident Protection, Travel Accident, Auto and Homeowners, and much more. Be sure that all of your post members have signed up for the **Free** \$5,000.00 accidental death benefit through LIT. Extra forms are available to you at Department Headquarters. Please don't buy any insurance until you have received a quote from LIT. Thanks!

REMINDER: Don't forget, all of your post members are important. Please don't let them forget that. Consider forming a "Contact Committee" or "Go Getter Committee" in your post.

Convention Awards

The following awards are some of the awards that will be selected at the convention:

- Legionnaire of the Year
- Community Service Award
- Service to God and Country
- Children and Youth Narrative
- Children and Youth Service Award
- Post Law and Order Award
- Patriotic School Award
- There are other awards based on the Consolidated Post Reports, so be sure to submit before June 1.

If you would like an application for any of the awards above, please call Department Headquarters and we will get one to you, or access on our website at www.nclegion.org.

National Convention Charlotte

The National Convention will be held in Charlotte this year, August 25-31, 2023. Our hotel will be the Holiday Inn Charlotte City Center. The registration form is included with this mailing. This is an opportunity for legionnaires to attend a national convention in our own state.

Department Convention Banquet

Friday evening, June 9, 2023

Entertainment will be National Guard Saxophone Quartet

Tickets - \$40.00

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