

# 2024 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

**Admission by Registration Badge Only**

*\*\*Schedule subject to change\*\**

## Thursday, July 11, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration and Credentials .....	Waters Edge Area
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Official Department Headquarters Office Legion .....	Arcade
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Post/SAL Officer & Operations Training .....	Dream Makers Theater
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Q &amp; A 2024 National Convention in New Orleans</b> .....	Dream Makers Theater
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Perm. Time & Place/Resolutions Assignment (Full Committee Called).....	Bingo Hall
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Americanism (Full Committee Called).....	Grand Island I
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Children & Youth (Full Committee Called).....	Grand Island II
7:00 p.m.	<b>DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b> .....	Dream Makers Theater

## Friday, July 12, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration and Credentials .....	Waters Edge Area
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Official Department Headquarters Office Legion .....	Arcade

**CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Finance .....	Grand Island I
	Americanism .....	Dream Makers Theater
	VA& R with VA/VS and VE & E .....	Bingo Hall
	Children and Youth .....	Grand Island II
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Rules .....	Grand Island I
	Membership.....	Dream Makers Theater
	Reconnect .....	Bingo Hall
	Credentials.....	Grand Island II
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Legislative.....	Grand Island I
	National Security & Foreign Relations.....	Dream Makers Theater
	Constitution and By-Laws/Internal Affairs .....	Bingo Hall
	Media & Communications .....	Grand Island II
10:00 a.m.	<b>SAL BUDGET COMMITTEE</b> .....	Upper Tahquamenon
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>DISTRICT CAUCUSES</b>	
	1 <sup>st</sup> District .....	Sky Box
	2 <sup>nd</sup> District .....	Woodlands
	3 <sup>rd</sup> District.....	Dream Makers Theater
	4 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Mackinac Island
	5 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Grand Island II
	6 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Dream Makers Theater
	7 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Upper Tahquamenon
	8 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Bingo Hall
	9 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Sugar Island
	10 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Dream Makers Theater
	11 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Maple Island
	12 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Drummond Island
	16 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Grand Island I
	18 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Bingo Hall
	19 <sup>th</sup> District.....	Neebish Island

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<b>3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>ZONE CAUCUSES</b>	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Zone .....	Grand Island II
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Zone .....	Bingo Hall
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Zone .....	Dream Makers Theater
	4 <sup>th</sup> Zone .....	Upper Tahquamenon
	5 <sup>th</sup> Zone .....	Grand Island I

<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>OFFICIAL OPENING – JOINT CONVENTION SESSION.....</b>	<b>Dream Makers Theater</b>
	Advancement of Department Colors	
	Department Commander – Brian Mohlman	
	Ray Carlson, Convention Chairman	
	Greetings, Don Gerrie, Mayor of Sault Ste. Marie	
	Greetings, Austin Lowes, Chairman - Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians	
	Greetings, Past National Commander & Adjutant Robert Spanogle??	
	Special Guest Speaker <b>TBD</b>	
	• Convention Credentials Committee Report	
	• Convention Rules Committee Report	
	Approval of Department Officers’ Reports, as printed in the Michigan Legionnaire	
	Introduction of 2024-2025 SAL Detachment Officers	
	Presentation of Distinguished Person Award by Past Department Commanders	

**CONVENTION SESSION STANDS IN RECESS UNTIL 9:00 AM SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2024**

<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	Distinguished Person Dinner (PDC’s & invited guest).....	Woodlands
<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	Joint Memorial Service Rehearsal.....	Dream Makers Theater & Bingo Hall
	♦ (District Commanders/Zone Commanders)	

## Saturday, July 13, 2024

<b>8:00 a.m. – 12:00</b>	Registration .....	Waters Edge Area
<b>8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.</b>	Official Department Headquarters Office Legion .....	Arcade

<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>SAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.....</b>	<b>Upper Tahquamenon</b>
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CONVENTION SESSION RECONVENES.....</b>	<b>Dream Makers Theater</b>
	Constitution and By-Laws Committee Report	
	Michigan Veteran’s Homes	
	Michigan Veteran Trust Fund & MVAA Director	
	Membership Awards & Department Trophies	
	Convention Committee Reports	
	♦ Americanism ( <i>includes Baseball; Education &amp; Scholarship; American Legion Boys’ State; Law &amp; Order and Scouting</i> )	
	♦ Children & Youth	
	♦ Finance	
	♦ Legislative	
	♦ Media & Communications	
	♦ Membership	
	♦ National Security & Foreign Relations	

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- ♦ Post Development
- ♦ Reconnect
- ♦ Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (includes VA/VS and VE&E)

**CONVENTION SESSION ADJOURNS UNTIL 10:00AM SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024**

**3:00 p.m.**

**American Legion Riders..... Bingo Hall**  
**Wilwin Lodge Board Meeting ..... Grand Island I**  
**Michigan American Legion Foundation Board Meeting .....Grand Island II**  
 \*\*\* or as soon as the Convention is in recess \*\*\*

**4:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.**

**UP Party held at the Sault Ste Marie Post 3 (Shuttle Bus available 3:30pm – 7:30pm)**  
**Sunday, July 14, 2024**

**7:30 a.m.**

**Line Up for Memorial Service ..... Bingo Hall**

**8:00 a.m.**

**Joint Memorial Service .....Dream Makers Theater**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Official Department Headquarters Office Legion ..... Arcade**

**10:00 a.m.**

**CONVENTION SESSION RECONVENES.....Dream Makers Theater**  
 Introduction of 2024-2025 Auxiliary Department President  
 Convention Committee Reports (continued)  
*Any other Business or Reports*  
 ♦ Permanent Time and Place Committee Report on Conventions

**12:00 p.m.**

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF 2024-2025 DEPARTMENT OFFICERS**

*(or earlier if all other business is completed) .....Dream Makers Theater*

- ♦ Department Commander
- ♦ Department 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander
- ♦ Department 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander
- ♦ Department Finance Officer
- ♦ Department Sergeant-at-Arms
- ♦ Department Historian (if needed)
- ♦ Confirmation of Newly Elected Department Zone Commanders
- ♦ Confirmation of Newly Elected District Commanders and Alternate District Commanders
- ♦ Confirmation of Delegates and Alternates to 2024 National Convention
- ♦ Benediction
- ♦ Retirement of Colors

*NOTE: Immediately following the delegation meeting, the initial meeting of the 2024-2025 Department Executive Committee will convene seated in the Convention Hall.*

*NOTE: Immediately following the initial meeting of the D.E.C., delegates and alternates to the 2024 National Convention will meet in front of the stage of the Convention Hall for the purpose of electing a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary and transacting such other business which may come before the delegation.*