



Yeager-Benson  
Memorial Post 199  
Fabulous Fourth District

**Proudly Presents**

*Jean L. Wilson*

Candidate for  
Department 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice  
Commander 2018-2019



Jean believes that once a military serviceman or servicewoman ends their service to our Country, our service begins to ensure that they receive all the benefits that was earned serving us!

Endorsed and Supported by Post 199, Hamilton County Council, Fabulous Fourth District. Past Department Commanders – Bob Ray, Jerry Wilson, Ron Hartman, Lou Dimmerman, Ron Chapman, Jim Morris, Glenn Hickman, Carl Swisher, Daryl Bishop, Dave Hillard, Hank Long, Bob Klostermeir, Richard Zulch, Bob Steele, Ed Anderson, and Dean Scholl.

**PAST & CURRENT OFFICES HELD**

**U. S. Army 1969-1971**

Post Awarded Life Members 28 years  
Adjutant, 1st Vice Commander,  
All Time High Commander (2 Years)  
Current Finance Officer (15 Years)  
Post 199 Legionnaire of the Year  
Gold Brigade Winner (4 Times)  
Recruiter of the Year (2 Times)  
Unit 199 Auxiliary Member of the Year  
Awarded Auxiliary Unit 199 VIM  
8 et 40 Member

Past Hamilton County Offices:  
Adjutant, 2nd Vice Commander, 1st Vice  
Commander and Commander  
Hamilton County Legionnaire of the Year

Past 4th District Adjutant, Finance Officer, 2nd Vice  
Commander, 1st Vice Commander and 4th District  
Big Brown Jug Commander, 2000-2001  
with 100% CPR Reporting

Past Department Assistant Historian  
Past Department Assistant Sgt. At Arms  
Past member of Department Scholarship  
Committee

Department Americanism Committee

Served on Board of Joseph House for Homeless  
Veterans for 10 Years with 2 terms as President  
Hamilton County Veterans Service Commissioner  
Board member of Fisher House  
Appointed by Governor Kasich to Ohio  
Women's Task Force

Am Vets Post 13 Life member  
Harrison Mayor's Fund for needy families serving  
as past treasurer and currently serving third year  
as president

Recognized by the Xi Eta Iota, Chapter of the  
Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Of Harrison as the First  
Lady of Harrison Community Service Award for  
2018

**WHEREAS**, it is one of the responsibilities of the Mayor of the City of Columbus to recognize occasions of outstanding significance; and

**WHEREAS**, the men and women who serve as Legionnaires with the American Legion Department of Ohio have faithfully contributed to the advancement of veteran care, American values, national security, and youth engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, The American Legion represents a proud history reaching back all the way to the battlefields of World War I where war weary veterans began building an organization based on comradeship into the largest wartime veterans service organization; and

**WHEREAS**, we salute those members who tirelessly contribute their energy to build and maintain the strong cultural fabric of our community through volunteerism and advocacy; and

**WHEREAS**, we affirm in the City of Columbus that peace and goodwill can only be achieved in our time through integrity and “our devotion to mutual helpfulness,” and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to herewith recognize the American Legion Department of Ohio for 100 years of service to our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Andrew J. Ginther, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Ohio, do hereby proclaim June 30th, 2018 as:

**AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF OHIO DAY** in Columbus, and urge all members of our community to join in recognition of this significant occasion and the achievements above mentioned.





## STANLEY A. PLEASANT

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The American Legion, Department of Ohio Commander

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Comrades,

Thank you for attending the 100th American Legion Department of Ohio Convention. We appreciate your support, and attendance.

I want you to know how proud I am to be representing you for 2017-2018. The hospitality I have received at all of the posts and events that I have visited has been outstanding. I have met some really good people, legionnaires, auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion (SAL), and legion riders. I have truly enjoyed my year as Commander of the Department of Ohio. I hope that you feel that I served you well. I tried to serve with compassion and sincerity. I appreciate each and every one of you.

My goal was to treat every member of the legion family with the respect and dignity each person deserved.

Thank you to all of you that made contributions to my project this year, VA&R. At this point and time, we may not see the benefits of it; however, I do believe it will be needed in the very near future.

I pray that all of you continue to make the Department of Ohio the best department in the 55 departments of the American Legion.

For God and Country,

STANLEY A. PLEASANT, Commander  
American Legion Department of Ohio



## SHIRLEY MAURER

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The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Ohio President

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GREETINGS and WELCOME – members of the American Legion Family to our 2018 convention in Columbus, Ohio. It was with great pride and it has been an honor to serve you this past year as your Department of Ohio President. It has been a wonderful and exciting year. One that I will never forget.

My theme and special project this year was “Making Our Veteran’s Wishes Come True.” I cannot thank the units enough for having fundraisers for this project so that we could see a veteran’s eyes light up when he or she received their wish. We will find out soon how much was raised to help them. This is the time when we all come together to find out who has won awards and scholarships and congratulate them for doing a job well done. We will hear many stories about our programs and what the units have done. What a better why than to get ideas to use next year.

It has been a great honor to work along side Department Commander Stanley Pleasant and the Sons of the American Legion Detachment Commander Evan Muhlman. Working with these two, you can truly see that WE are a Legion Family. May your further endeavors be rewarding. On behalf of the Department of Ohio American Legion Auxiliary Officers, Department Staff and the Department Executive Board, I truly hope you enjoy your stay in Columbus, Ohio.

Thank you for allowing me to be your Department President for 2017-2018.

Love to All,

Shirley Maurer  
Department President



## DALE ANDERSON, II

Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Ohio Commander

As the newly elected Detachment Commander, I wish to extend a welcome to the members and attendees of the American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, and Sons of The American Legion to this 2018 Department of Ohio Convention.

I look forward to working with the newly elected Department Commander and Auxiliary President. I believe, together, we can work to continue to make a difference and have a successful 2018-2019 year!

In God We Trust,

Dale Anderson, II  
Commander  
Detachment of Ohio



## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

ESTABLISHED IN 1932

The Sons of the American Legion (SAL) is a program of The American Legion that was established in 1932 to assist The American Legion with their programs and activities.

Being a member of the Detachment of Ohio is more than just "belonging" to a club. We take great pride in the work that we do in the areas of Americanism, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, Special Olympics, Membership and last but certainly not least The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. Our success in these areas is a direct reflection of the guidance that is given us by the "Legionnaires" of our Department.

All male descendants, adopted sons and



stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in Service during World I, World War II,

the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf War and the War on Terrorism, during the delimiting periods set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for Membership in the Sons of The American Legion.

Contact the Sons of The American Legion Squadron nearest you to obtain the necessary membership application form.



## THE AMERICAN LEGION · DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

### The American Legion



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To my fellow Legionnaires and Legion Family members in the Department of Ohio:

Many of you have heard me speak about “Family First,” but it is a theme that I see carried out on a daily basis in American Legion posts, units and squadron throughout the country and overseas.

It is American Legion volunteers who last year donated their time serving in VA Medical Centers, clinics, Fisher Houses, Vet Centers and state veterans homes. It is American Legion volunteers who contributed 600,000 hours to the Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service Program and saved the government more than \$14 million. It is American Legion volunteers who conducted blood drives, disaster preparedness education and JROTC training.

We have had enormous legislative success over the last year, and I know that these victories would not have happened without your hard work and advocacy. We now have a modernized veterans appeals process which will greatly reduce the backlog claims. We have greater accountability and the current generation of veterans can now enjoy a better GI Bill benefit, named after Past National Commander Harry W. Colmery.

Membership is the foundation upon which our Four Pillars lie. A strong membership base is needed for everything that we do. We could not raise funds to assist with natural disasters, operate the most patriotic youth programs in the country or advocate for our veterans without our members. Please tell your Legion-eligible family members and friends about the value and importance of our great organization. We need to be vigilant in working to expand benefits for family members who also happen to be caregivers for disabled veterans. We also need to let Congress know that we will oppose any attempt to replace VA with a private sector for-profit system. All elected officials know that numbers matter.

Next year we will celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. It has been truly an amazing century. Congress recognized the significance and power of our Legion Family by passing our Commemorative Coin Act, an honor that is given to only two organizations a year. The American Legion 100th Anniversary Commemorative Coin Act received a record number of sponsors and proceeds from the sale of these collectibles will benefit American Legion programs.

We have many outstanding programs but this year I am asking for your support in raising money to provide training for our outstanding corps of service officers and temporary financial assistance for children in need.

I thank you for your service as military veterans, as Legionnaires and as members of the Legion Family. Best wishes for a productive and enjoyable Department Convention.

For God and Country,

Denise H. Rohan  
National Commander



*Welcome!*



My Fellow Legion Family Members,

On Behalf of the entire Twelfth District Council (Franklin County, Ohio), I want to welcome you to Columbus and the 100<sup>th</sup> American Legion Department of Ohio Convention. Welcome to where we started as a department in the American Legion. We in the Twelfth District hope you enjoy your stay here and that you take in all the wonderful sites and activities in and around Columbus.

We have three posts Southway Post 144, Paschal Post 164 and Don Gentile Post 532, which will be offering meals and activities for you to enjoy as well. The entire Twelfth District stands ready to assist you while you are here for the Department Convention. Again, Welcome and enjoy your stay in Columbus and together let us all make this 100<sup>th</sup> Convention of the American Legion of the Department of Ohio the very best ever.

Warmest regards,

Thomas (Tom) R. Rowe Jr  
Commander  
12 District Council  
American Legion  
Department of Ohio,  
Commander  
Memorial Post 614  
Hilliard, Ohio



## DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

**Department Commander**

Stanley Pleasant  
*Dayton*

**1st Vice Commander**

Robert "Bob" Schmitt  
*Maumee*

**2nd Vice Commander**

Roger Friend  
*Newark*

**Treasurer**

Bill Edwards  
*Port Clinton*

**Chaplain**

Jim Vaughan  
*Tipp City*

**Assistant Chaplain**

Malcolm Glasgow  
*Gahanna*

**Past Department Commander**

Ron "Chapy" Chapman  
*Williamsburg*

**National Executive Committeeman**

Dennis Clausing  
*North Olmsted*

**Alternate National Executive Committeeman**

Robert Klostermeier  
*Toledo*

**Judge Advocate**

Douglas Whitney  
*Ludlow Falls*

**Parliamentarian**

Gary Minadeo  
*Mayfield Heights*

**Historian**

Elizabeth Kendrick-Creech  
*Xenia*

**Assistant Historian**

Virgil Arling  
*Minster*

**Sergeant-At-Arms**

Arnold "AJ" Whatley  
*Centerville*

**Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms**

Robert Weiler  
*Englewood*

Molly Doss

*Monroeville*

Ralph McCoy

*Newark*

Robert Derr

*Cincinnati*

Edwin Long

*St Clairsville*

Tom Leach

*Waterford*





## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED OF OHIO'S CURRENT DISTRICT COMMANDERS  
AND DISTRICT 1ST VICE COMMANDERS.

### FIRST DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Stan Oren

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Dave Paquette

### SECOND DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Kent Long

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Dan Metzger

### THIRD DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Melissa Fowle

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
David Jones

### FOURTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Mike Bender

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Greg Elsbernd

### FIFTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Gilbert Cole

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Lenny White

### SIXTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Charles Armstrong

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Roy Terry

### SEVENTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
James Volgares

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Roger Ward

### EIGHTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
John Hood

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Fred James

### NINTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
William Keller

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Jose Rivera

### TENTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Holly Lewis

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Bradley Teis

### ELEVENTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
George Bradley

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Andrew Matheny

### TWELFTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Thomas Rowe

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
George Mussi

### THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
Stanley Popek

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
John Murphy

### FOURTEENTH DISTRICT

COMMANDER  
John Life

1ST VICE COMMANDER  
Robert Burgess



## A WORD ABOUT LEGIONNAIRE INSURANCE TRUST



*Over Five Decades of Partnership  
for a Healthy America*

The Legionnaire Insurance Trust (LIT) was formed in 1966 with two primary goals: to provide Legion families with low-cost insurance protection, and to provide a source of revenue to participating Legion Departments.

The Trust has been so successful in its over fifty years that today over 500,000 Legionnaires in 50 participating Departments are enrolled in this unique program.

Also, in the same period of time, almost \$1 billion dollars in claim benefits have been paid to Legionnaires and their families through the LIT; and over \$100 million in allocations have been paid to participating Legion Departments. The first Trust insurance plan to be offered was the Hospital Income Protection plan, a program designed to pay fixed dollar amounts for periods of hospital confinement. Over the years, other insurance coverage offered included: Cancer, Accidental Death, Critical Illness, Disability Income, Emergency Assistance, Long Term Care, Medicare Supplement, Discount Cards, Dental, Whole Life, Auto, Homeowners, Identity Theft, and Home Health Care.

Since its creation, AGIA has worked closely with the Trust to develop insurance programs especially designed for Department members and their families. We are proud to serve you through the Trust and invite your inquiries and suggestions on any aspect of our activities.

MORE  
THAN

50  
Years

OF SERVICE  
TO  
THE LEGION  
FAMILY



### **ROBERT E. "BOB" SCHMIDT**

**Candidate for  
Department Commander**



**Post 587  
Toledo, Ohio**





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2018 Dept. Convention!*

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY • JUNE 29, 2018 • HYATT REGENCY

|                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                         |                                                                                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>8:00 am–CLOSE</b>                  | <b>Headquarters Office</b><br>1st Floor<br>Nationwide Blvd                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>5:00 pm–6:00 pm</b>  | <b>Social Hour</b><br>1st Floor<br>McKinley/Hayes Foyer                              |
| <b>10:00 am–6:00 pm</b>               | <b>Registration</b><br>1st Floor<br>Nationwide Foyer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>6:00 pm–9:00 pm</b>  | <b>Credentials</b><br>1st Floor<br>Taft D                                            |
| <b>10:00 am–12:00 pm<br/>MEETINGS</b> | <b>Americanism</b><br>1st Floor<br>Garfield<br><br><b>Child Welfare</b><br>1st Floor<br>Harding<br><br><b>Constitutional Amendments</b><br>1st Floor<br>Harrison<br><br><b>Legislative</b><br>1st Floor<br>Hayes<br><br><b>Permanent Organization</b><br>1st Floor<br>Taft A<br><br><b>Resolutions</b><br>1st Floor<br>Taft C<br><br><b>Rules &amp; Order of Business</b><br>1st Floor<br>Grant<br><br><b>VA &amp; R</b><br>1st Floor<br>Taft B<br><br><b>National Security</b><br>1st Floor<br>McKinley | <b>6:00 pm–10:00 pm</b> | <b>Dept. Commander/<br/>President Reception</b><br>1st Floor<br>McKinley/Hayes Foyer |

CONGRATULATIONS AMERICAN LEGION  
100 YEARS

**Lybarger-Grimm Post #447**



P.O. Box 131, Tontogany, Ohio 43565

ONLY POST IN OHIO  
with

Department Commander  
Arthur Euler  
1969-70

Department S.A.L. Commander  
Walt Chambers Jr.  
1979-80

Department Auxiliary President  
Mary Lou Lehnert  
1980-81

QUOTA POST LAST SIX YEARS



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY • JUNE 30, 2018 • HYATT REGENCY

**8:30 am**  
**30 Mins After COS**

**Registration**  
1st Floor  
Regency Ballroom

**6:00pm–9:00pm**

**Credentials Committee**  
2nd Floor  
Franklin C

**8:30am–11:30am**

**General Session**  
3rd Floor  
Regency Ballroom

**7:15pm–End of Game**

**Clippers Baseball Game**  
Huntington Park  
Neil & Nationwide

**1:00 pm–4:00 pm**

**Gubernatorial  
Townhall / OSACVSC**  
2nd Floor  
Franklin A & B

**8:00pm–Close**

**Patriotic Pops–Symphony**  
Columbus Commons  
160 S. High St.

**1:00 pm–4:00 pm**

**Charities BINGO School**  
2nd Floor  
Franklin D

**3:30 pm–4:30 pm**

**National Appointees  
Meeting**  
2nd Floor  
Franklin C



The Military/Veterans Educational Foundation  
of Central Ohio  
would like to congratulate the  
American Legion Department of Ohio  
on the occasion of their 100<sup>th</sup> Convention

Join us at the Columbus Veterans Day Parade on Friday  
November 9, 2018 and continue to recognize the  
American Legion Centennial.

The Parade will start at Nationwide Blvd and High St. to the new  
National Veterans Memorial and Museum and the theme is  
The American Legion Centennial with the  
Commander of the Department of Ohio as the  
Grand Marshal.



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY • JULY 1, 2018 • HYATT REGENCY

7:30am–8:30am

**Protestant**  
1st Floor  
Taft B

Catholic Service  
1st Floor  
Grant

9:00 am–1:00 pm

**General Session**  
3rd Floor  
Regency Ballroom

1:00pm–2:00pm

**Executive Committee Meeting**  
1st Floor  
Taft A

\*The DEC meeting will immediately follow the road naming ceremony at the corner of Nationwide Blvd. & High Street. We need all DEC members to be on the corner of Nationwide and High Street promptly at 1pm. This ceremony is 15-20 mins with plenty of time to return to the DEC room to open meeting at 1:30pm.



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## DISTRICT CAUCUS INFORMATION

FRIDAY • JUNE 29TH 2018 • 1:00PM – 4:00PM

1st District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Franklin B

6th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Madison

11th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Morrow

2nd District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Franklin C

7th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Delaware B

12th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Knox

3rd District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Franklin D

8th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Delaware C

13th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Delaware D

4th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Delaware A

9th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Fairfield

14th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Clark

5th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Fayette

10th District Caucus  
2nd Floor  
Franklin H



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## 2018 RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

### **Amended – 2017 Department Convention Dayton, Ohio**

1. Robert's Revised Rules of Order, Newly Revised (RONR) shall be the authority of parliamentary procedure, with the following modifications:
2. A delegate desiring to make a motion or address the Convention, shall rise, address the chair as "Commander" and state their name and the name and number of their Post before proceeding.
3. Debate shall be limited to three (3) minutes for each speaker.
4. Debate on any one subject presented to the Convention, shall be limited to 30 minutes, except under such special rules as the Convention shall adopt prior to debate.
5. Only two (2) Delegates from any one Post delegation shall be permitted the floor on any one subject. Where disagreement exists within a delegation, one delegate shall be permitted to speak on each side of the subject, except on a division of the question, when this rule shall be applied separately for each division.
6. The floor shall be permitted but once to any individual delegate on any one subject, except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Convention. Chairpersons of Convention Committees may speak as frequently as may be necessary in connection with the report of their committees. The presiding officer shall not entertain any motion which will curtail further debate without affording the Committee Chairperson an opportunity for rebuttal. On request of a delegate, any Resolution contained in a Committee report shall be considered separately at the conclusion of the vote on the remaining report, and after discussion voted upon at that time.
7. Any Resolutions originating on the floor of the Convention shall be in writing, then automatically and without reading, be referred to the Adjutant or Secretary of the Convention, who will refer them to the appropriate Committee for their action and report thereon prior to the end of this Convention.
8. Decisions on Rules and Debate or Parliamentary Order by the presiding officer may be subject to appeal by any two (2) delegates from two (2) different Districts under a point of order. Such an appeal shall take precedence over any pending question and shall be decided forthwith. An appeal from the decision of the Chair shall be put to the Convention on the question: "Shall the decision be sustained."
9. When the poll of any Post delegation is demanded by a delegate of any other Post, the Convention Secretary shall poll the vote without discussion of the question being voted on. When a poll of the Post is demanded, it must be made immediately upon the announcement of the vote of the delegation.
10. On roll calls, the Post delegation chairperson shall poll their delegation on the floor and announce its vote upon presenting their credentials to the person in charge of microphone.
11. Past Department Commanders shall be entitled to vote, provided they are registered as such.
12. Only delegates or their accredited alternates may be heard or given recognition on any issue or in the nomination of candidates unless he or she has two-thirds (2/3) consent of the delegation present.
13. Delegations may arrive at a vote in such a manner as they choose, but shall announce it in terms of a full vote and not in terms of a fractional part of a vote. The vote of any delegate absent and not represented by an alternate shall be cast by the majority of the delegates present from his or her Post.



14. There shall be no unit rules of voting in this Convention.
15. Voting shall be by acclamation, except when a roll call is demanded by a Delegate of at least three (3) Posts of three (3) separate Districts. Election of Department Officers shall be by roll call, except when a candidate is unopposed, at which time the vote may be by acclamation. All roll call voting will be as follows: the delegate chairperson or designee will approach the closest microphone and cast votes from the microphone. The delegate chairperson or designee should be prepared prior to the calling of their post number to move toward the closest microphone so that their vote can be cast in a timely manner.
16. In the event a Post has not provided the method by which alternates shall be designated to serve in the place of absent delegates, the Chairperson or acting Chairperson of the delegation shall make such designation certified by the Post Commander or District Commander.
17. Prior to the election of Department Officers, the Department Commander shall appoint, subject to approval of the Convention, a chief teller of elections, and such number of tellers as he deems necessary, provided that the total number of tellers so appointed shall be an odd number. In a contested election each candidate going to the ballot shall be entitled to one teller of the candidate's choice if the candidate so elects.
18. Nomination for Department Officers shall be from the floor. Each Post may present as many candidates as it chooses.
19. Nominating speeches for Department Officers shall be limited to five (5) minutes each. Not more than one seconding speech shall be made for any candidate, and said speech limited to two (2) minutes.
20. When more than two (2) candidates are nominated for any office, voting shall continue until one candidate receives the necessary majority of the votes cast. If on any vote taken no candidate receives the necessary majority to elect, a new vote shall be taken for the place to be filled. The candidate receiving the lowest number of votes on the preceding vote shall be disqualified. The vote will begin with the lowest number Post and all following votes thereafter in this Convention and all following conventions will begin with the next sequential Post.
21. The Order of Election of Officers shall be the Department Commander, First Vice Commander, Second Vice Commander, Treasurer. In even years, we will then elect National Executive Committeeperson and Alternate National Executive Committeeperson.
22. Those recognized by the Department Commander shall be entitled to a respectful hearing, and the Chair shall have the authority to clear the gallery or the floor, or have the Sergeant-At-Arms escort from the Convention anyone creating a disturbance or interfering with order of procedure.
23. None of the above rules shall be construed as preventing any member of The American Legion, Department of Ohio from serving on a Convention Committee.
24. The consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting strength of the Convention is necessary for suspension of the standing rules of the Convention.
25. The Department Commander will have the authority to appoint a Parliamentarian to assist the Judge Advocate for this Convention.
26. Any amendment originating on the floor to any resolution shall be presented in writing and transmitted to the presiding officer at the time of the introduction of such amendment. However, in the case where a word is stricken and another inserted, this change can be done by the one making the report, or introducing the Resolution.



## 2018 KEYNOTE SPEAKER



### SHARON L. KENNEDY

JUSTICE  
SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

On Dec. 7, 2012, Sharon L. Kennedy became the 154th justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio and the ninth female justice in the court's history.

The last day of her current term is Dec. 31, 2020.

#### CONTACT:

Justice Sharon L. Kennedy  
Supreme Court of Ohio  
65 South Front Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431  
Tel: 614.387.9000

On Nov. 4, 2014, Justice **Sharon L. Kennedy** was re-elected to a full term on the Supreme Court in a decisive victory, winning all 88 counties and garnering 73 percent of the vote. Justice Kennedy first joined the court in 2012, having been elected to fill an unexpired term.

Prior to her term on the Ohio Supreme Court, Justice Kennedy served at the Butler County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division beginning in 1999. From 2005 until December 2012, Justice Kennedy served as the administrative judge of that division. During her time as administrative judge, she improved the case management system to ensure the timely resolution of cases for families and children. Working with state legislators, she championed a "common sense" family-law initiative to reduce multiple-forum litigation for Butler County families.

When Butler County faced tough economic times, Justice Kennedy organized concerned elected officials in a county-wide Budget Work Group. Seeing the need to bring private-sector financial know-how to the government, she worked to create the Advisory Committee to the Budget Work Group. Justice Kennedy served as the facilitator and led discussions between county officials and private sector leaders to analyze county finances, study and implement cost saving measures, and present business-driven fiscal policy to the county commissioners.

In 1991, after obtaining her law degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Law, Justice Kennedy ran a small business of her own as a solo practitioner. While in private practice, she served the legal needs of families, juveniles, and the less fortunate. As special counsel for Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery, Justice Kennedy fought on behalf of Ohio's taxpayers to collect monies due the State of Ohio. As a part-time magistrate in the Butler County Area Courts, Justice Kennedy presided over a wide array of civil litigation and assisted law enforcement officers and private citizens seeking the issuance of criminal warrants for arrest.

Justice Kennedy began her career in the justice system as a police officer at the Hamilton Police Department. She was assigned to a rotating shift, single-officer road patrol unit working to protect and serve the citizens of the City of Hamilton. From the routine, to the heart-pounding, to the heart-breaking, she has seen it all. During her time as an officer, Justice Kennedy also worked undercover operations, implemented crime prevention programs, and later, as a civil assistant, assisted in drafting police policy and procedure for the Accreditation Program.

Throughout her career, Justice Kennedy has served on numerous boards, developed and facilitated programs to address the needs of young people, and worked with judges across the state. As a dedicated jurist she has received multiple awards of recognition including: Leadership Ohio Community Leadership Award, 2016; The University of Cincinnati College of Law Nicholas Longworth, III Alumni Achievement Award, May 17, 2014; Northwest High School Distinguished Alumnus Award, April 25, 2014; named one of 13 professional women to watch by *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, March 17, 2013; Excellence in Public Service, June 2009; Judge of the Year, 2006; Above the Fold Award, 2002; and the Furtherance of Justice Award, 2001. Justice Kennedy also was featured in *Trends in the Judiciary: Interviews with Judges Across the Globe, Volume II*, published by CRC Press in February 2015.

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## 2018 DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER • RICHARD CORDRAY

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Richard Cordray is a candidate for Governor of Ohio. Most recently he served for six years as the first Director of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. He was appointed to that position by President Barack Obama and confirmed by a bipartisan vote of the Senate. During his tenure, the Consumer Bureau created a consumer response system that gave people a voice when they had problems or concerns and over the next several years more than 1,300,000 people filed complaints and had issues resolved by this means. They also brought enforcement actions that returned more than \$12 billion to 30 million Americans. And, among other things, they adopted new rules to improve the workings of the multi-trillion-dollar mortgage market and prevent irregularities of the kind that had led to the financial crisis of 2008 and the deep recession that followed.

Prior to joining the Consumer Bureau, Rich served as Ohio's Attorney General. In that position, he and his team recovered more than \$2 billion for Ohio's retirees, investors, and business owners; took major steps to help protect its consumers from fraudulent foreclosures and financial predators; and enforced Ohio's civil rights laws and voting rights laws. To recognize his work on behalf of consumers as Attorney General, the Better Business Bureau presented him with an award for promoting an ethical marketplace. When he was a lawyer in private practice, Rich was a recipient of the Humanitarian of the Year Award from the Human Rights Campaign for his legal work on equality for GLBT Ohioans.

Rich Cordray also served as Ohio Treasurer and Franklin County Treasurer, elected positions in which he led state and county banking, investment, debt, and financing activities. He was named the County Leader of the Year nationally by American City & County magazine in 2005, and won NeighborWorks America's Government Service Award as the foremost state leader in foreclosure prevention in 2008. He also has served as an adjunct professor at the Ohio State University College of Law, State Representative for the 33rd Ohio House District, and as Ohio's first Solicitor General. Rich has argued seven cases before the United States Supreme Court, including by special appointment of both the Clinton and Bush Justice Departments. He also did considerable legal work pro bono for several civil rights causes.

Rich is a graduate of Michigan State University's James Madison College, Oxford University (where he received a full Marshall Scholarship from the British government), and the University of Chicago Law School. He was Editor-in-Chief of the University of Chicago Law Review and later clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justices Byron White and Anthony Kennedy.

Rich lives in Grove City, Ohio with his wife Peggy—a Professor at Capital University Law School in Columbus—and twin children Danny and Holly.



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## 2018 DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER • JON HUSTED

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Jon Husted is the 53rd and current Ohio Secretary of State and a candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Ohio in 2018. He is conservative, pro-life, and a lifelong supporter of the 2nd Amendment.

Since becoming Secretary of State, Jon Husted has maintained 40 percent fewer government employees than his predecessor and reduced spending in the office by \$14.5 million. In 2017, he became the only known constitutional officeholder in history to request a 100 percent cut in taxpayer funding, opting to run his office for the remainder of his term without any tax dollars.

As Secretary of State, he has made it his mission to make it both easy to vote and hard to cheat. Since taking office, he has removed over 600,000 deceased voters from the rolls and eliminated 1.7 million duplicate registrations. He is the only known Secretary of State to perform a voter fraud review after every election to hold cheaters accountable and he launched a system to keep non-citizens from voting in the state.

Under his leadership, Ohio also made it easier for service members and military families to cast their ballots – even earning Ohio All-Star State status from the National Association of the United States Army.

Jon Husted was raised in northwest Ohio's Williams County, the oldest of three children. He earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Dayton and was an All-American Defensive Back on the 1989 Division III National Championship football team.

Of all his responsibilities, Jon considers his most important roles to be that of husband to his wife, Tina, and father to Alex, Katie, and Kylie.

Ladies and Gentleman, please welcome the next Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, Jon Husted.



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## THE AMERICAN LEGION • BUCKEYE BOYS STATE

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### #1 IN THE NATION

The American Legion Buckeye Boys State, held in Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, is the largest American Legion Boys State program in the nation with an annual attendance of over 1,200 of the top high school juniors in the state of Ohio.

These 1,200 Participants, the “cream of the crop” of the high school junior class in the state of Ohio represent over 500 high schools, the online school community, and the home schooled community annually. Chartered in 1936 by the national American Legion Headquarters, over 90,000 young men in the state of Ohio have attended American Legion Buckeye Boys State over the past 81 years.

American Legion Buckeye Boys State is always looking for qualified and interested men and women to join the Buckeye Boys State staff.

### NOTABLE ALUMNI OF AMERICAN LEGION BUCKEYE BOYS STATE

- Five (5) NASA Astronauts, including Neil Armstrong, the first person to walk on the moon
- A former Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court
- Two (2) nationally syndicated radio celebrities
- A former Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives
- Three (3) Former United States Congressmen
- The Chief Design Engineer for the original Ford Mustang automobile
- The designer of the fifty star United States flag
- Numerous members of the Ohio House and Senate [21]
- A member of the United States Air Force Demonstration Team, the “Thunderbirds”
- Several members of the United States Secret Service White House Presidential Detail
- The Colonel of the Ohio State Highway Patrol
- A member of the National Football League Hall of Fame
- The quarterback for the 1968 Ohio State University National Champion football team
- For full information on American Legion Buckeye Boys State, go to: [www.ohiobuckeyeboysstate.com](http://www.ohiobuckeyeboysstate.com) and click on “Program Overview”





## VETERANS' TREATMENT COURTS

2018-2019 DEPARTMENT COMMANDER INITIATIVE



The 2018-2019 Department Commander Initiative is Veteran Treatment Courts. The American Legion Department of Ohio has been working diligently with Ohio State Supreme Court Justice, Sharon Kennedy to assist in the creation of a Veteran Treatment Court option for every Veteran who has legal and criminal offenses that arise. You can sign up to be a mentor at Department Convention or at the Headquarters Office and we will pass this information onto Justice Kennedy so she can contact you about training Legionnaires to be mentors within this unique court system.

The VA&R Director/Interim Department Adjutant, Suzette Heller, has been a mentor on the Franklin County Military and Veterans Court Program for the last three years and has watched three graduations occur for veterans who served at least 3 years in the program. The majority of veterans in the court are OEF/OIF and Afghanistan Veterans. Her experience as a mentor on this court has allowed her to give back to female veterans by providing moral support and encouragement. This is done on the days the veteran reports to the judge and through phone calls or brief conversations over coffee.

### QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT A VETERAN TREATMENT COURT:

#### **Q: What is a veterans' court?**

**A:** The first veterans' treatment court was established in 2008 in Buffalo, New York, in order to respond to the unique needs of veterans whose combat-triggered problems, such as mental illness or substance abuse, have led to criminal behavior. The veterans' court is a hybrid between a drug court and a mental health court. It uses a treatment problem-solving model rather than a traditional court model to assist veterans whose problems can be clearly traced to military service. Ohio, whose population of veterans is sixth among the 50 states, now uses veterans' courts to help deserving war veterans who have become criminal defendants.

#### **Q: How does a veterans' court work?**

**A:** Veterans in the criminal justice system are first identified through evidence-based screening and assessments. They may then be referred to the veterans' treatment court by probation officers, public defenders, defense lawyers or judges. Such a veteran defendant also may be referred by a veterans' Justice Outreach Specialist (VJO), whose job is to link veteran defendants with Veterans Affairs services. VJOs have now assisted more than 4,000 veterans in a veterans' treatment court, and another 42,000 in jails.

Veteran defendants who qualify for veterans' court can participate in a court-supervised treatment plan with a court-appointed team of specialists. This team may include court staff, pro bono attorneys, probation officers, health care providers and treatment staff. The team's goal is to help each veteran navigate the system and get necessary help. Veterans' court teams also collaborate with the Veterans Service Commission and the Veterans Affairs office in each county so that veteran defendants can take advantage of the many resources these federal organizations provide. Volunteer veterans also provide assistance, often serving as mentors to veteran defendants throughout the course of treatment. Veteran defendants who have successfully completed their treatment plans and have met certain criteria may avoid jail or prison terms or even have their charges dismissed.

#### **Q: Do veteran defendants get their crimes excused?**

**A:** No. The goal of the veterans' court is not to excuse a veteran defendant's crime, but to address underlying reasons for the crime in ways that are most likely to prevent repeat criminal behavior. Often, veterans' treatment courts have a more



## VETERANS' TREATMENT COURTS

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stringent probationary period than traditional courts. These probationary periods often include random drug and alcohol testing, and veterans who fail to abide by the terms of probation are diverted to a regular court docket.

### Q: Where are Ohio's veterans' treatment courts?

A: There are more than 460 veterans' treatment courts nationwide. Ohio currently has at least 20 veterans' treatment courts and more are being added. Check with your county to see if your judge has started one. Even if your county does not yet have a veterans' court, judges in every Ohio court have access to a veterans' justice outreach specialist and can connect a defendant veteran to federal services.

In addition, Ohio has now passed a law that requires every judge to look at a defendant veteran's military background to consider whether it may be a mitigating factor in sentencing. Although the judge already had the discretion to take military background into account before this law was passed, the new statute helps to raise the court's awareness that military background can be considered.

### Q: Do veterans' treatment courts work?

A: A recent study indicates that they work effectively: recidivism rates are far below the national average of more than 50 percent. In a Cincinnati study, only 10 percent of those referred to veterans' courts were rearrested; 21 percent gained full-time employment, 31 percent moved to stable housing, and 16 percent enrolled in school or training programs. Youngstown reported 0 percent recidivism, and in Stark County only 5 percent were re-arrested on felony charges.

Thank you for supporting this program that transforms lives and mends families. If you would like to support this program through donations you can make a check out to The American Legion Dept. of Ohio with the word "Veterans Treatment Court" in the memo. The proceeds will be used throughout the year in the form of a documented grant to a Legionnaire Mentor at a Veterans Treatment Court in support of camaraderie and positively enhancing the process. The funds will be used to benefit the court process and all the veterans in the court and will not be in any way a private inurement to any individual veteran.



## 2018 MAVS COURT GRADUATION



*From left to right: Karla Jones, Zach Vicha, Mike Brown, Lisa Carlson, Suzette Heller, Judge Ted Barrows, and Bob Schmitt, 1st Vice.*



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## 2018 CONVENTION SINGER • REGINA ANNETTE DUDLEY

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Regina Annette Dudley is a native and life-long resident of Columbus, Ohio. She is the daughter of William Dudley, Dorothy Hill and Otha Hill. Although she has had no formal training, she found that she possessed a “gift of gab” at an early age, which allowed her to communicate to all, therefore she meets no strangers. Educated within the Columbus Public school system, she is a 1978 graduate of Mifflin Sr. High School, from where she accumulated multiple awards and recognitions, including “Who’s Who Among American High School Students”, life membership to “National Honor Society”, “Buckeye Girls State” and “The Society of Distinguished American High School Students”.

Fulfilling a desire to help those within her community, she became a police officer with the Columbus Division of Police in 1984 and has successfully utilized her compassion for others and speaking abilities by serving in multiple assignments and positions throughout her career including Patrol, D.A.R.E., High School Resource Officer, Minority Recruiting, Public Records Officer, Traffic Freeway Unit, and Counter Terrorism Unit of the Homeland Security Section. She has had the privilege to also serve as an interviewer on countless Police applicant boards, instructor in the Teens and Police Service Academy (T.A.P.S.), Awards Committee and invited to participate on Attorney General Mike DeWine’s Committee to Study Training within the state of Ohio (2014). She currently holds the position of coordinator for Central Ohio Crime Stoppers, a non-profit organization, partnered with Columbus Division of Police.

Throughout her life and career, she has participated in various conferences and events as public speaker, panelist and vocalist. She was invited to be co-keynote speaker for the AT&T Universal Secretarial conference (1992); was speaker on the “Crime Bill” by invitation of former U.S. Attorney General, Janet Reno, at Ohio State House Rotunda (1994) and has spoken for several community and civic organizations. As a vocalist she has rendered selections within and for various community events and programs, local and state law enforcement conferences, ceremonies and functions, including the annual Ohio Attorney General’s Law Enforcement Conferences, Police Memorial programs and served as a panelist for law enforcement during the 2016 NAACP State conference.

She has developed a heart for and speaks with committed compassion on topics that have been nurtured by her personnel life and professional experiences. She loves giving inspiring and up lifting messages to those in need, which allows her to speak to a wide target audience on many topics, ranging from low self-esteem to matters of the youth of today; from concerns of the elderly to the abused. She considers using her gifts of [motivational] speaking and singing as honors as well as humbling and memorable experiences. Among many inspiring “sayings”, she counts this as one of her favorites:

*“In the journey of life, we may not have control over situations or events in our lives, but we do have control over how we react to them.....”*



## GENERAL SESSION AGENDA

SATURDAY • JUNE 30, 2018 • HYATT REGENCY

|                                        |                                                                               |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Call To Order</b> .....             | Stanley Pleasant<br><i>Commander</i>                                          |
| <b>Posting Of Colors</b> .....         | Wright Patterson<br><i>Air Force Base Honor Guard</i>                         |
| <b>National Anthem</b> .....           | Assembly                                                                      |
| <b>Pledge Of Allegiance</b> .....      | Assembly                                                                      |
| <b>POW-MIA Chair Recognition</b> ..... | Stanley Pleasant<br><i>Commander</i>                                          |
| <b>Invocation</b> .....                | Jim Vaughan                                                                   |
| <b>Preamble</b> .....                  | Assembly                                                                      |
| <b>Convention Call</b> .....           | Suzette Heller<br><i>Interim Adjutant</i>                                     |
| <b>Reports</b> .....                   | Resolution Committee<br>NEC<br>Convention Corporation<br>Department Treasurer |
| <b>Other Convention Business</b>       |                                                                               |
| <b>Introductions</b> .....             | Candidates for Department Office                                              |
| <b>Announcements</b>                   |                                                                               |
| <b>Benediction</b> .....               | Malcolm Glasglow<br><i>Department of Assistant Champlain</i>                  |
| <b>Salute Colors</b>                   |                                                                               |

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| <b>Call To Order</b> .....                                                   | Stanley Pleasant<br><i>Commander</i>                                                                           |
| <b>Reports</b> .....                                                         | Resolution Committee<br>Credentials Committee<br>Commander's Report                                            |
| <b>Nominations and Elections</b><br>( <i>Order Subject to Change</i> ) ..... |                                                                                                                |
|                                                                              | Department Commander<br>Department 1st Vice Commander<br>Department 2nd Vice Commander<br>Department Treasurer |
| <b>Benediction</b> .....                                                     | Jim Vaughan<br><i>Department Chaplain</i>                                                                      |
| <b>Salute Colors</b>                                                         |                                                                                                                |

**Adjournment of Convention:** Immediately following the adjournment of the Convention, the newly elected 2017-2018 Executive Committee will convene in the Harding Room.



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| <b>Membership Report/Rewards .....</b>             | Department Adjutant's Award                                        | Grand Award                                  |
|                                                    | Department Commander's Award                                       | Eli A. Jensen Award                          |
|                                                    | Department 1st Vice Commander's Award                              | Hugh K. Martin Award                         |
| <b>Gifts For Yanks Awards</b>                      |                                                                    |                                              |
| <b>Special Olympics Awards</b>                     |                                                                    |                                              |
| <b>Judging Award.....</b>                          | Mickeal J. Golato Memorial Award                                   | Law and Order Award                          |
|                                                    | Alice Friedman Award                                               | Ralph J. Doll Environment Conservation Award |
|                                                    | Father John E. Duffy Award                                         | Edward McBane Award                          |
|                                                    | James A. Cunningham Award                                          |                                              |
| <b>Reports .....</b>                               | Child Welfare Committee - Child Welfare Awards                     |                                              |
|                                                    | National Security Committee                                        |                                              |
|                                                    | Veteran's Affairs and Rehabilitation Committee - Al Schaefer Award |                                              |
|                                                    | Constitutional Amendments Committee                                |                                              |
|                                                    | Legislative Committee                                              |                                              |
|                                                    | Americanism Committee                                              |                                              |
| <b>Past Department Commanders Recognized .....</b> | Stanley Pleasant, <i>Commander</i>                                 |                                              |
| <b>Speakers/Greetings.....</b>                     | Sherrod Brown                                                      |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>US Senator</i>                                                  |                                              |
|                                                    | Rob Portman                                                        |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>US Senator</i>                                                  |                                              |
|                                                    | Steve Stivers                                                      |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>US Representative</i>                                           |                                              |
|                                                    | Shirley Maurer                                                     |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Department President American Legion Auxiliary</i>              |                                              |
|                                                    | Dale Anderson, II                                                  |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Detachment Commander Sons of The American Legion</i>            |                                              |
|                                                    | Renee Betterson                                                    |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Oratorical Winner</i>                                           |                                              |
|                                                    | Blaise Tayese                                                      |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Governor of The American Legion Buckeye Boys State</i>          |                                              |
|                                                    | Richard Cordray                                                    |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Democratic Gubernatorial Candidate</i>                          |                                              |
|                                                    | John Husted                                                        |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Republican Gubernatorial Candidate</i>                          |                                              |
|                                                    | Justice Sharon Kennedy                                             |                                              |
|                                                    | <i>Keynote speaker</i>                                             |                                              |
| <b>Reports .....</b>                               | Permanent Organization                                             | • Rules and Order of Business                |
|                                                    | Credentials Committee                                              |                                              |
| <b>Special Introduction &amp; Remarks..</b>        | Educator of the Year                                               | Social Worker of the Year                    |
|                                                    | Law and Order Awards                                               | Legionnaire of the Year                      |
|                                                    | Department VA Award                                                |                                              |



"It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Honorary Past Department Commander and Past Department Adjutant Roger Hight. The American Legion has lost a special person and an icon whose presence is felt in every facet of our organization. Those of us who have been fortunate enough to know and work with Roger have lost a dear friend and Legionnaire. Roger leaves behind a legacy ROGER HIGHT of service and love of both his personal family and his Legion family. His spirit will forever be part of our lives. No words can adequately express our sadness at Roger's death or our gratitude for the time we were able to spend with him. We will honor his memory by dedicating ourselves to continuing the work of The American Legion that he loved so much."

"Honorary Past Department Commander and Past Department Adjutant J.P. "Pat" Hone passed away the morning of Friday March 8, 2018. The American Legion has lost a legend of our organization. Those of us who have been fortunate enough to know and work with Pat have lost a dear friend and Legionnaire. Pat Leaves behind a legacy of service and love of his personal family and his Legion family. His spirit will forever be a part of our lives. No words can express our sadness at Pat's death or our gratitude for the time we were able to spend with him. We will honor his memory by dedicating ourselves to continuing the work of The American Legion that he loved so much."

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## THE AMERICAN LEGION • DEPARTMENT OF OHIO



### 99th DEPARTMENT CONVENTION SCHEDULE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY • DEPARTMENT OF OHIO, INC. Hyatt Regency, Columbus Ohio

Convention Housing & Sessions .....Hyatt Regency Columbus Hotel

REGISTRATION.....Hayes Foyer  
(Thursday, 12:00-8:00 PM and Friday, 8:00 AM-6:00 PM)  
(Saturday, 7:30–9:00 AM)

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS .....Nationwide B Room  
(Thursday, 1:00-6:00 PM and Friday, 8:00 AM-6:00 PM)  
(Saturday, 7:30 AM-9:00 AM)

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 28th, 2018

1:00-6:00 PM Department HQ/Supplies Sales.....Nationwide B Room

12:00-8:00 PM Registration, Packet Assembly .....Hayes Foyer, 1st Floor

12:30 PM Department Finance Committee.....Grant Room, 1st Floor

2:00 PM Department Executive Committee .....Harding Room, 1st Floor

5:30 PM Department Chairmen/Executive Committee Prep Meeting .....Hayes Room, 1st Floor

7:00 PM Department Executive Committee Dinner.....Executive Board, Finance Cmte, & PDPs

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 29th, 2018

8:00 AM-6:00 PM Department HQ/Supplies Sales.....Nationwide B Room

8:00 AM-6:00 PM Registration.....Hayes Foyer, 1st Floor

1:00 PM-6:00 PM Tellers/Credentials.....Champaign Room, 2nd Floor

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM PM PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

**GROUP H** Rene' Reese, Resolutions Chairman Campaign Room, 2nd Floor  
Resolutions

**FINANCE** Pam Jackson, Chairman Clark Room, 2nd Floor  
(For Consultations Only)

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## DISTRICT CAUCUSES 8:30 AM-11:30 AM

### 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

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| District 1 ..... | Knox Room, 2nd Floor       |
| District 2 ..... | Marion Room, 2nd Floor     |
| District 3 ..... | Marrow Room, 2nd Floor     |
| District 4 ..... | Madison Room, 2nd Floor    |
| District 5 ..... | Fayette Room, 2nd Floor    |
| District 6 ..... | Franklin A Room, 2nd Floor |
| District 7 ..... | Franklin B Room, 2nd Floor |
| District 8 ..... | Franklin C Room, 2nd Floor |

### 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

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| District 9 .....  | Franklin A Room, 2nd Floor |
| District 10 ..... | Franklin B Room, 2nd Floor |
| District 11 ..... | Knox Room, 2nd Floor       |
| District 12 ..... | Delaware B, 2nd Floor      |
| District 13 ..... | Delaware C, 2nd Floor      |
| District 14 ..... | Delaware D, 2nd Floor      |

## FRIDAY, JUNE 29th, 2018

### CONVENTION SESSION CONVENES Union Ballrooms 1-4: 1:00 PM

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| PROCESSIONAL.....   | Katie Tucker, Department Secretary   |
| CALL TO ORDER ..... | Shirley Maurer, Department President |

### PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORTS

### CONVENTION REPORTS

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                            |
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| 5:30 PM Candidates Meet & Great .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Hayes Foyer, 1st Floor     |
| 6:00 PM Commander & President Reception.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Mckinley & Hayes 1st Floor |
| Reception includes the "ART FOR THE TROOPS" Patriotic Art Show. Everyone is Welcome to Attend!<br>Cash Bar available. Silent Auction begins at 6:30 PM & Live Auction at 7:30. The American Legion and<br>American Legion Auxiliary invite you to attend this fun evening full of events! |                            |

## SATURDAY, JUNE 30th, 2018

|                                                   |                           |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 7:30-9:00 AM Registration.....                    | Hayes Foyer, 1st Floor    |
| 8:00 AM-5:00 PM Department HQ/Supplies Sales..... | Nationwide B Room         |
| 8:00 AM-12:00 Noon Tellers/Credentials .....      | Champaign Room, 2nd Floor |

### CONVENTION SESSION RECONVENES Union Ballrooms 1-4 – 8:30 AM

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| CALL TO RECONVENE..... | Shirley Maurer, Department President  |
| INVOCATION .....       | Colleen Phillips, Department Chaplain |

### PRE-CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORTS (Cont.)

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| MEMORIAL CEREMONY..... | Colleen Phillips, Chaplain |
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### RECESS: Break for Lunch & Reconvene at 12:30 PM



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NOMINATIONS: (By roll call, the office of President and 1st Vice & after the results, roll call for 2nd Vice Nominations will be submitted. See agenda below.)

### CANDIDATES FOR DEPARTMENT OFFICES

Nominations for Department President • Nominations for Department First Vice President

\*\*\*Nominations for 2nd Vice will be taken after the results of the First Vice President

### RATIFICATION OF DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

CALL TO NATIONAL CONVENTION ..... Katie Tucker, Department Secretary

### RATIFICATION OF DESIGNATED ELECTED DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

### NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF ADDITIONAL DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION BY POLLING OF DISTRICTS

Report of Election Tabulations ..... Alice Teynor, Tellers Chairman

### GROUP H

Resolutions ..... Rene' Reese, Chairman

CONVENTION COMMITTEE RECOGNITION ..... Jeanne Herderick, Convention Chairman

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS ..... Katie Tucker, Department Secretary

INSTALLATION ..... 2018-2019 Department Officers and District Presidents

RETIREMENT OF COLORS ..... Ft. Hayes JROTC  
Thank you to the Ft. Hayes JROTC for serving as the Convention Color guard.

ADJOURNMENT ..... Shirley Maurer, Department President

DEPARTMENT STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING ..... Champaign Room

**SUNDAY, JULY 1st , 2018**

### NO SUNDAY REGISTRATION

8:00 AM-10:00

PM DEPARTMENT HQ/SUPPLIES SALES ..... Nationwide B Room

9:00 AM

Department Executive Committee Meeting & Orientation ..... Knox Room, 2nd Floor