CONVENTION PROGRAM
THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND, INC.
JULY 16, 17, 18, 19, 2024
CONVENTION HALL, OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND
PRESIDING OFFICER, RUTH A. HIGGINS, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

MONDAY JULY 15, 2024
7:30AM Convention Center Set up; Volunteers always accepted
8:00AM Golf Tournament
4:00 PM Southern Maryland Region Fish Fry (Dockside Hall, SW Corner of Convention Center)
   (All welcome; donations appreciated)

TUESDAY, JULY 16
7:30 AM Registration - Convention Hall – Room 213, 2nd Floor
****8:00 AM Legion College – Bayfront Ballroom, 2nd Floor
9:00 AM Legion College – Classes Located as Posted
1:00 PM MyLegion.org Course TBD, 2nd Floor
   Other classes to be announced in May Free State Warrior
***6:30 PM Joint Reception for Opening Session (Light fare; All are invited) (Sponsored by Diamond Games)
8:00 PM Pre-Convention Joint Session by the Convention Corporation, The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, Eight & Forty, Sons of The American Legion – Bayfront Ballroom, 2nd Floor
   Call to Order, Colors, Invocation
   Introduction of Distinguished Guests
   Principal Address
   Benediction - Colors

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17
7:30 AM Registration - Convention Hall – Room 213, 2nd Floor
8:00 AM Business Session, Bayfront Ballroom, 2nd Floor
   Call to Order, Invocation, Advancement of Colors, Roll Call Membership Awards
   National Staff Introductions
   Veteran Employment
   Community Services Programs
   Rules Committee Report
   Expression of Appreciation
   Mayor Richard W. Meehan
   Secretary, Maryland Dept. of Veterans Affairs
   Special Presentations
   Historian Report
   SAL report
   VSO reports
12:30 PM Suicide Prevention and Awareness (Buddy Checks) Presentation
   After Session Past Department Commander's Luncheon (Invited Guests)
***7:00 PM Post Everlasting Ceremony – Bayfront Ballroom, 2nd Floor

THURSDAY, JULY 18
7:30 AM Registration - Convention Hall – Room 213, 2nd Floor
8:00 AM Business Session, Bayfront Ballroom, 2nd Floor
   Call to Order, Invocation, Advancement of Colors, Roll Call
   Time and Place Report
   Resolutions
   Children and Youth Report
   Americanism Report
   Officers Reports
   NAT’L SEC Report
   VA & R Presentation
   After Session Rehabilitation Luncheon (Invited Guests)

FRIDAY, JULY 19
7:30 AM Registration - Convention Hall – Room 213, 2nd Floor
8:00 AM Business Session, Bayfront Ballroom, 2nd Floor
   Call to Order, Invocation, Advancement of Colors, Roll Call
   Session, Call to Order, Invocation, Colors
   Introduction of newly elected Officers of The American Legion Auxiliary
   Election of Officers
   Installment of newly elected Officers After Session First meeting of new Department Executive Committee