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MID WINTER CONFERENCE 2023

**THE AMERICAN LEGION,
DEPARTMENT OF LOUISIANA**

JANUARY 13, 14 & 15, 2023

**Best Western Inn, Suites & Conference Center
Alexandria, LA**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023

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| | | ROOM |
| 9:00 AM | Opening Registration Legion, Auxiliary & SAL..... | TBA |
| 10:00 AM | Commission on Boy's State..... | TBA |
| 11:00 AM | Constitution & By-Laws Committee | TBA |
| 12:00 PM | Lunch | |
| 1:00 PM | Commission on Finance | TBA |
| 2:00 PM | Advisory Committee to Department Commander (All PDC's)..... | Room 140 |
| 3:00 PM | Future Dept. Officer Candidates Training and Information Session (Open to all members)..... | TBA |
| 3:00 PM | Internal Affairs Commission..... | TBA |
| 4:00 PM | Adjutant (Dept., District and Post) Training and Information Session (Open to all members)..... | TBA |
| 5:00 PM | Department Executive Committee..... | TBA |

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

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| 8:30 AM | Registration Legion, Auxiliary & SAL.....Solarium |
| 9:00 AM | Joint Opening Session (Legion, Auxiliary & SAL).....Garden Presentation of Gavel..... Call To Order..... Allen K. Dunn <i>Department Commander</i> Advance of Colors..... Dennis Hart <i>Department Sergeant at Arms</i> Oliver Cook & Jinel Sawyer <i>Department Color Bearers</i> Advance District Colors..... District Commanders District Color Bearers Invocation..... Gerald Theriot <i>Department Chaplain</i> Pledge of Allegiance..... Oliver Moore III <i>Department Vice Commander</i> POW/MIA Memorial Service..... Gerald Theriot <i>Department Chaplain</i> Preamble..... Frank Richard <i>Department Vice Commander</i> |

GREETINGS

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| Introduction of Guest Speaker..... | Charles D. Aucoin <i>National Executive Committeeman</i> |
| Guest Speaker..... | Patricia Harris <i>National Vice Commander</i> |
| American Legion Auxiliary..... | Mary Cauthen <i>National Executive Committeewoman</i> |
| American Legion Auxiliary..... | Joanie Schendel <i>Department President</i> |
| Sons of The American Legion..... | Daniel Maurin <i>Detachment Commander</i> |
| Sons of The American Legion..... | Camille LeJeune <i>Detachment National Executive Committeeman</i> |
| Sons of The American Legion National Guest..... | Ron Roberts <i>National Vice Commander</i> |
| City of Alexandria | Honorable Jeffery W. Hall <i>Mayor</i> |
| City of Pineville | Honorable Rich Dupree <i>Mayor</i> |

Louisiana Military Department.....**MG K Keith Waddell**
Louisiana National Guard

The Auxiliary and SAL members are dismissed for their respective Conferences

Recognition of Past Department Commanders.....**Richard Bell, Sr.**
Jr. Past Department Commander

LDVA.....**Joey Strickland**
Secretary

DAV.....**Belinda Hill**
Vice Commander, Dept. of LA DAV

VFW.....**Don Reber**
Commander

AMVETS.....**Laura McFarlain**
Commander

40&8.....**Michael Peats**
Grand Chef de Gare

RECESS FOR LUNCH

(NOT LATER THAN 11:30 AM)

12:00 Past Department Commanders Luncheon.....Terrance Dining Area

1:00 Baseball Commission.....TBA

1:30 Reconvene General Session.....Garden

Call To Order.....**Allen K. Dunn**
Department Commander

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1:30 PM VETERANS BENEFIT SESSION.....**James “Jim” Jackson**
Chairman

Mr. Fernando Rivera - V.A. Hosp. Dir. New Orleans

Mr. Richard Crockett – V.A. Hosp. Dir. Shreveport

*This is an open meeting for all those interested in Veterans Affairs,
Veterans Rehabilitation Problems and Veterans Legislation*

DSO – Darlene Graves for Service Officers

DEPARTMENT & POST SERVICE OFFICERS INFORMATION SESSION

2:00 PM Contract Signing –Department Convention – June 2023.....Solarium

3:00 PM Past Post Commanders Club.....Bamboo
Keith Fontenot, President

4:00 PM Joint Commission on Children & Youth.....Plantation
Sabrina Jones, Chair

5:00 PM Mike C. Gehr Blue Cap Club Meeting.....Bamboo
Rodney Holliday, President

