

**OFFICIAL PROGRAM**

**FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2024**

**FIRST CONVENTION SESSION – 1:30 P.M.**

**FORMAL OPENING OF THE STATE CONVENTION** – Doanld “Gene” Toohey, State Commander

**ADVANCE THE COLORS** – 2023 Color Guard Champions, Harrisburg Post 472

**INVOCATION** – Cheryl Williams, State Chaplain

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – State Commander Toohey

**POSTING OF THE POW/MIA FLAG** – 2023 Color Guard Champions, Harrisburg Post 472

**PREAMBLE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION CONSTITUTION** – State Commander Toohey

**GREETINGS FROM THE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS**

Greg Abbott, Governor, State of Texas

**GREETINGS FROM THE NATIONAL COMMANDER**

Daniel Seehafer, National Commander, The American Legion

**INTRODUCTIONS** – State Commander Toohey

**SPEAKER**

TBA

**PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL SECURITY AWARDS**

**PRESENTATION OF EMPLOYER AWARDS**

**PRESENTATION OF MEDIA AWARDS**

**SPEAKERS**

Laura Koerner, Chairwomen, Texas Veterans Commission

**GREETINGS**

Holly, Department President, American Legion Auxiliary  
Roy, Detachment Commander, Sons of The American Legion

**SPEAKER**

Donald L. “JR” Hall, Jr., National Commander, Sons of The American Legion

**CALL FOR THE 105<sup>th</sup> STATE CONVENTION** – William West, State Adjutant

**FIRST REPORT OF CREDENTIALS AND RULES COMMITTEE** – John Potts, Chairman

**ANNUAL REPORTS FROM STATE OFFICERS**

State Treasurer – Gary Sanders

State Chaplain – Cheryl Williams

State Historian – Shirley Platt

NECMAN – Kenneth Mueller

**FIRST REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE** – Steve Watkins, Chairman

**ANNUAL REPORT OF STATE COMMANDER** – State Commander Toohey

**LIT DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – LIT Director Bill West

**PRESENTATION OF LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – State Adjutant West

**BENEDICTION** – State Chaplain Williams

**RETIRE THE COLORS** – State Commander Toohey

**RECESS CONVENTION** – State Commander Toohey

**SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2024**

**SECOND CONVENTION SESSION – 9:00 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Donald “Gene” Toohey, State Commander

**ADVANCE THE COLORS** – State Commander Toohey

**INVOCATION** – Cheryl Williams, State Chaplain

**2024 DEPARTMENT YOUTH CHAMPIONS**

Oratorical –

Boys State Governor –

Eagle Scout of the Year –

**SPEAKERS**

Eric Lowenberg, Advocate Health Advisors

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**SECOND REPORT OF CREDENTIALS AND RULES COMMITTEE** – John Potts, Chairman

**FINAL REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE** – Steve Watkins, Chairman

**CALL FOR THE 104<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL CONVENTION** – State Adjutant West

**FIRST REPORT OF NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES COMMITTEE** – Kenneth Mueller, Chairman

**ANNUAL REPORTS FROM COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

Long Range Planning Committee – Paul Goymerac, Chairman

Training Committee – Ray Arreola, Chairman

Board of Trustees – John Hince, Chairman

Finance and Budget Committee – David Paris, Chairman

**PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

Present the “Joe L. Matthews” Oldest Delegate Award –

Present the Youngest Delegate Award –

**REPORT FROM CONVENTION COMMITTEES**

Legislative – Clifton Guillory, Chairman

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation – Richard Britton, Chairman

**PRESENTATION OF VAVS AWARDS**

**ANNUAL REPORT OF NATIONAL CONVENTION CORPORATION** – John Brieden, President

**REPORT FROM CONVENTION COMMITTEES**

National Security – Bobby Baker, Chairman

Americanism – Tom Tvrdik, Chairman

**PRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS**

**REPORT FROM CONVENTION COMMITTEES**

Marketing, Media & Communications – Glen Moody, Chairman

Membership, Organization and Post Activities Committee – Mary Diaz, Chairman

**PRESENTATION OF MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

**PRESENTATION OF TEXALPA AWARDS** – Tamela Jennings-Flynn, President

**REPORT OF STATE HISTORY AND YEARBOOK CONTEST** – Shirley Platt, State Historian

**CANDIDATES ADDRESS CONVENTION** – State Commander Toohey

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – State Adjutant West

**BENEDICTION** – State Chaplain Williams

**RETIRE THE COLORS** – State Commander Toohey

**RECESS THE CONVENTION** – State Commander Toohey

**SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024**

**FINAL CONVENTION SESSION – 9:00 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Donald “Gene” Toohey, State Commander

**ADVANCE THE COLORS** – State Commander Toohey

**INVOCATION** – Cheryl Williams, State Chaplain

**PRESENTATION OF CHAPLAIN OF THE YEAR AWARD** – State Chaplain Williams

**REPORT OF STATE COLOR GUARD CONTEST** – Jimmy Mitchell, Chairman

**FINAL REPORT OF NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES COMMITTEE** – Kenneth Mueller, Chairman

**REMARKS BY OUTGOING STATE COMMANDER** – Gene Toohey, State Commander

**CONFIRMATION OF NEWLY ELECTED DISTRICT/DIVISION OFFICERS**

**PRESENTATIONS TO OUTGOING STATE COMMANDER**

Past State Commander’s Gavel – State Adjutant West

Past State Commander’s Colors –

Past State Commander’s Pin – PNC John Brieden III

Past State Commander’s Service Cap –

**FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS AND RULES COMMITTEE** – John Potts, Chairman

**NOMINATIONS / ELECTION OF 2024 – 2025 STATE OFFICERS**

- State Sergeant at Arms –
- State Historian –
- State Judge Advocate –
- State Treasurer –
- Alternate National Executive Committeeman –
- National Executive Committeeman –
- State Commander –

**OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED STATE OFFICERS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS / OTHER BUSINESS / OTHER DRAWINGS**

**BENEDICTION** – State Chaplain Williams

**RETIREMENT OF POW/MIA FLAG** – 2023 Color Guard Champions – Harrisburg Post 472

**RETIREMENT OF COLORS** – 2023 Color Guard Champions – Harrisburg Post 472

**ADJOURNMENT OF CONVENTION – State Commander Toohey**