



**56<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DETACHMENT CONVENTION  
12 - 14 JULY 2019  
WYNDAM SPRINGFIELD HOTEL  
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

**AGENDA**

**FRIDAY, 12 JULY 2019**

**REGISTRATION**

1:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
Back of Convention Hall  
Harl Ray, Detachment Assistant Adjutant

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION JUDGING**

5:00 P.M.  
Convention Hall  
Harl Ray, Detachment Children & Youth Chairman

**COVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS (*if necessary*)**

5:00 P.M.  
Convention Hall

**DETACHMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

6:00 P.M.  
Convention Hall  
Eugene Gort, Detachment Commander

**FREEDOM FEST**

6:00 P.M. – ???

**SATURDAY, 13 JULY 2019**

**REGISTRATION**

8 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.  
Back of Convention Hall  
Harl Ray, Detachment Assistant Adjutant

**JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE**

8:00 A.M.  
Bank of Springfield Convention Center, Main Hall  
John Nemanich, Detachment Chaplain

**56<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION — SESSION 1 CALL TO ORDER**

30 Minutes AFTER Memorial Service  
Convention Hall  
Eugene Gort, Detachment Commander

SALUTE TO THE COLORS-----Color Guard  
INVOCATION-----John Nemanich, Detachment Chaplain  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-----Phil Stander, Detachment Sr. Vice Commander  
POW/MIA CEREMONY-----Eugene Gort, Detachment Commander / Jeff Haddick, Detachment Sgt-At-Arms  
PREAMBLE-----Kevin O’Connell, 1<sup>st</sup> Division Commander  
CALL TO ANNUAL CONVENTION-----Jeffrey Van Horn, Detachment Adjutant  
ROLL CALL-----Jeffrey Van Horn, Detachment Adjutant

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

RULES & CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS -----TBA, Chairman  
FINANCE REPORT-----Robert L. Tharp, Detachment Finance Officer  
CREDENTIALS-----TBA, Chairman  
AMERICANISM-----TBA, Chairman  
CHILDREN & YOUTH-----TBA, Chairman  
LEGISLATIVE-----TBA, Chairman  
NATIONAL SECURITY-----TBA, Chairman  
POPPY-----TBA, Chairman  
PUBLIC RELATIONS-----TBA, Chairman  
LEADERSHIP & TRAINING-----TBA, Chairman  
VA&R-----TBA, Chairman  
GIFTS TO YANKS PROMOTER-----Matt Christie, Promoter  
RESOULTIONS-----TBA, Chairman

**PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

HISTORY BOOKS----- Phil Shipley, Detachment Historian  
SCHOLARSHIPS-----Harl D. Ray, Children & Youth Chairman  
PRESENTATION OF CHAPLAINS CROSSES-----John Nemanich, Detachment Chaplain  
SQUADRON MEMBERSHIP REPORT and AWARDS-----Phil Stander, Detachment Sr. Vice Commander

Clyde Stillwell Trophy  
Antony Badamo Trophy  
James T. Cummings, Jr. Trophy  
Roy Mitchell Trophy  
# 1 Pin Awards

**SUNDAY, 14 JULY 2019**

**PAST DETACHMENT COMMANDER’S BREAKFAST**

7:00 A.M.  
Wyndham, Springfield  
Paul Hayse, Immediate Past Detachment Commander

**56<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION — SESSION 2 CALL TO ORDER**

9:00 AM  
Convention Hall  
Eugene Gort, Detachment Commander

**LEGION FAMILY GREETINGS**

MICHAEL CARDER-----Department Commander  
ROY WILLIAMS-----Department Sr. Vice Commander  
DEBBI LEWIS-----Department Auxiliary President  
SUE COUGHLIN-----Department 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

**DETACHMENT COMMANDER’S REPORT-----Eugene Gort, Detachment Commander**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Alternate NEC  
NEC  
Detachment Sr. Vice Commander  
Detachment Commander

NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATE NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT-----Thomas E. Cisna, Chairman

**ELECTION OF NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES**

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

**Installing Officer, TBA**

**Installing Chaplain, TBA**

**Installing Sgt-At-Arms, TBA**

DETACHMENT COMMANDER’S PIN PRESENTATION-----Eugene Gort, Retiring Detachment Commander  
PAST DETACHMENT COMMANDER’S PIN PRESENTATION-----Paul Hayse, Past Detachment Commander  
PAST DETACHMENT COMMANDER’S PLAQUE PRESENTATION-----JR Stillwell, Past Detachment Commander  
FOR THE GOOD OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION-----William Flanagan, Detachment Advisor  
BENEDICTION-----John Nemanich, Detachment Chaplain  
RETIRE / SALUTE TO THE COLORS-----Color Guard  
ADJOURNMENT “SINE DIE”-----Eugene Gort, Detachment Commander

**THE ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THIS CONVENTION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS NECESSARY**

The actions of the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Detachment of Illinois are subject to approval of the Department of Illinois “Sons of The American Legion Liaison ( Advisory ) Committee” and by them to the Department Executive Committee.

**NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATION MEETING**

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE DETACHMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.**

**All Elected Delegates of the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual National Sons of The American Legion Convention**

*This meeting is for the purpose to discuss items pertaining to the upcoming National Convention in Minneapolis, MN*

**DETACHMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE DETACHMENT CONVENTION.**

**The newly elected Detachment Commander, Detachment Senior Vice-Commander,**

**Division Commanders, Division Vice-Commanders, District Commanders, District Vice-Commanders,**

**National Executive Committeeman, Alternative National Executive Committeeman and all**

**Past Detachment Commanders**

*This meeting is for the purpose of necessary appointments, announcements and any other business that may be necessary to come before it.*