

# **Call of The American Legion 100th Annual National Convention**

## **CALL**

By the authority of the National Executive Committee, the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention of The American Legion is hereby called to meet in **Minneapolis, Minnesota, Friday, August 24, 2018 to Thursday, August 30, 2018**. The Convention business sessions will be held in the Minneapolis Convention Center, 1301 2nd Avenue, S, Minneapolis, MN 55043. Committee meetings will begin on Friday, August 24, 2018 and will be held at the Convention Center and the Hilton Minneapolis Hotel, 1001 S. Marquette Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55043. The Meeting Matrix can be accessed at [www.legion.org/convention/resources](http://www.legion.org/convention/resources)

## **PURPOSE**

The annual National Convention is the legislative body of The American Legion. The Convention is called for the purpose of setting the programs of The American Legion for the ensuing year; amending the National Constitution and By-Laws, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it. At twelve o'clock (noon) of the final session or at the conclusion of all other business of the National Convention, whichever first occurs, on Thursday, August 30, 2018. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected, these being the National Commander and five National Vice Commanders, in that sequence.

## **HOUSING**

The South Carolina Delegation will be housed at the

**Hilton Minneapolis, 1001 Marquette Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55043**

**A non-refundable deposit of one night's room cost plus 13.4% is tax is required with your reservation, along with an agreement that you will occupy the room for not less than three (3) nights during the peak nights of Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

**The deadline date for reservations is July 17, 2018**

**Those that make their reservations first will receive priority.**

## **ROOM RATES:**

**King or two doubles, \$137.00 plus 13.4 % tax = \$155.35**

**Additional occupant (3 to 4 persons) = \$20.00**

**Rollaway rate per day = \$20.00**

**Self Parking rate per day = \$18.00**

**Valet Parking rate per day = \$27.00**

## PARADE

Sunday, August 26, 2018

See attached Registration form for Shirt Information details. (this is the same shirt as the 2018 Department Convention shirt)

## CAUCUS BREAKFAST

The South Carolina delegation CAUCUS BREAKFAST for all delegates, alternates, SAL members, Auxiliary members, and all guests and spouses will be held on Monday, August 27, 2018. The cost of the breakfast will be \$30.00, and the room assigned to South Carolina will be included in your delegation packets. Please indicate on the pre-registration form if you plan to attend the breakfast and include it with your room deposit.

## NATIONAL COMMANDER'S BANQUET

The National Commander's Dinner will be held on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$48.00 each. Please indicate on the form attached the number of tickets you need. Please include this with your room deposit.

**WE HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF 20 TICKETS AND THEY ARE AVAILABLE**

**ON A FIRST – COME – FIRST - SERVED BASIS.**

If we sell out, you will be put on a waiting list and may have to be seated at a different location from the South Carolina delegation.

## SOUTHERN BLOC BREAKFAST

***THEY ARE AVAILABLE***

***ON A FIRST – COME – FIRST - SERVED BASIS.***

The Southern Bloc Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, August 29, 2018,, details will be in your packet. Cost of this traditional breakfast will be \$36.00 each. This Breakfast is open to anyone that would like to purchase tickets. Please indicate on the registration form the number of tickets you need, this must be included with your registration and room deposit fee.

## FEEES

Everyone housed through The American Legion Department of South Carolina must send a \$25.00 National Convention registration fee. This requirement applies to the ENTIRE Delegation strength, Alternates, Spouses of Delegates and Alternates, all members and guests and SAL members that appear on the Department's room list.

***Auxiliary members serving as Delegates & Alternates must send their registration fee to the Auxiliary Department of SC***