



OFFICIAL CALL OF THE 57th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, DETACHMENT OF WISCONSIN July 17-19, 2026, Appleton, WI

To: Detachment Officers, Past Detachment Commanders, Detachment Commission and Committee Chairmen and Members, SAL District Commanders, Squadron Commanders and Adjutant's, Squadron Advisors and Members.

Pursuant to Article V, of the Detachment Constitution and the Uniform Code of Procedure for Conventions, of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment Commander Allen Watry, hereby calls for the 56th Annual Convention of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin, to be held, Friday, July 17, 2026 through Sunday, July 19, 2026 in the **Hilton Appleton Paper Valley, 333 West College Ave, Appleton, WI**. This Convention will be in accordance with the Uniform Code of Procedure for Detachment Conventions and will be convened at 3:00 PM on Friday, July 17, 2026.

The 57th Annual Detachment Convention shall be convened for the following purposes

- To complete all unfinished business of the Sons of The American Legion for the administrative year 2024–2025.
- To vote on all resolutions properly presented to the Detachment Convention.
- To consider and/or make amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.
- To elect a for a one (1) year term: a Detachment Commander, four (4) Detachment Vice Commanders, a Detachment Chaplain, and two (2) Detachment Sergeants-at-Arm.
- To elect for a two-year (2) term: a National Executive Committeeman and an Alternate National Executive Committeeman
- To elect National Convention Delegates and Alternates
- All Elections will take place on Saturday, July 18, 2026
- To present Detachment Awards to Squadrons and Individuals.
- To meet and socialize with your comrades in the organization and learn more about our programs.

DETACHMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS: The Pre-Convention D.E.C. meeting will be held Friday, July 17, 2026 at 1:00 PM. The Post Convention D.E.C. meeting will be on Sunday, July 19, 2026 at 9:00 AM.

REPRESENTATION: Representation to the Detachment Convention shall be allotted in accordance with the provisions of Article V, Sections 3-4-6-7 of the Detachment Constitution. **Section 3:** In the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin, each Squadron shall be entitled to one (1) delegate for every ten (10) members plus one (1) delegate for any fraction thereof and one (1) alternate delegate for each delegate, based upon the actual membership as of June first (1st) of the year in which the Detachment Convention is held, or ending forty-five (45) days prior to the opening session of the Detachment Convention, whichever is earlier. **Section 4:** Each duly registered delegate shall be entitled to one (1) vote. Alternates for registered delegates shall have all privileges of registered delegates, except that of voting. A registered delegate is one who has received his credentials and has paid such registration fees as may be required. **Section 6:** All Past Detachment Commanders shall be delegates at large to the Detachment Convention, with voting privileges with their Squadrons. All Detachment Officers shall be delegates at large with voting privileges with their respective Squadrons. **Section 7:** Where a District group is organized the Commander shall be a delegate at large with voting privileges with their respective Squadron.

REGISTRATION: All delegates and alternate delegates are required to register with The American Legion Convention Corporation and pay the appropriate fees and receive their credentials from them. Registration form can be found online at www.wisal.org/convention. Delegates must present their credentials to the S.A.L. from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Friday, July 17, 2026 at the convention room and again Saturday, July 18, 2026 from 8:00 AM until 10:30 AM.

DETACHMENT CONVENTION COMMITTEES: The Detachment Convention Committees will meet Friday, July 17, 2026 after the Convention Recess. Times and locations will be announced during the Friday afternoon session.

DETACHMENT CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS: In accordance with the Uniform Code of Procedure for Detachment Conventions and the Detachment Constitution and By-Laws, the Detachment Adjutant shall receive all resolutions no later than forty-five (45) days prior to the opening of the Convention, which is Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

WORKSHOPS: Informational sessions may be held during the convention on Friday and Saturday

OFFICERS & COMMISSION & COMMITTEE APPOINTEES BRIEFING: Newly elected and appointed Detachment Officers and Commission and Committee members are required to attend the training on Sunday following the Post Convention Detachment Executive Committee meeting.