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2022 ANNUAL CONVENTION

July 1st – July 3rd, 2022





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DISTINGUISHED GUEST GREG LANDSMAN

Cincinnati, Ohio City Council Member

Greg Landsman is CEO of the 767 Group, which supports communities in the United States and overseas achieve large-scale community and systemic change, especially on behalf of children and families. Landsman was also elected in 2017 to serve on Cincinnati City Council.

The former Executive Director of the nationally recognized StrivePartnership, Landsman spearheaded the successful Cincinnati Preschool Promise, which will provide two years of quality preschool in Cincinnati. This “first-in-the-nation” investment passed in November 2016 with the largest margin of victory in the history of school levies in Cincinnati.

Landsman also created Every Child Capital, a philanthropic venture fund that hopes to revolutionize philanthropy by investing in high impact programs that are able to attract sustainable public funding. This unique fund now provides a book a month to every economically disadvantaged child in Cincinnati, for the first five years of their lives, and is poised to significantly expand the number of first-time mothers who get the support they need in their child’s first 1,000 days. Landsman currently serves as Senior Advisor to the fund.

In Israel, Landsman provides strategic support to the Tauber/Rashi Rise Together Initiative, a community-driven, city-based collective impact initiative, which is reshaping how two municipalities are investing in their young people, particularly young Ethiopian Jews.

Before joining The StrivePartnership, Landsman ran the Governor’s Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. As Director, Landsman oversaw an annual budget of \$7-12 million, and helped to launch summer food and learning programs throughout the state, new mentoring and fatherhood programs, and established the Ohio Social Entrepreneurship Initiative.

Landsman spent several years on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., before his time in the Governor’s Office. He has extensive national, state, local, and now global experience, and believes strongly in the power of people who come together to accomplish big things.

Landsman earned a bachelor’s degree from Ohio University in 1999 in Economic and Political Science and a master’s in theological studies from Harvard University in 2004.



***Be It Proclaimed:***

Whereas, Jean L. Wilson has been an inspiration and strong supporter of the American Legion Family; and,

Whereas, Jean L. Wilson has been a pillar strength, knowledge, and information during her time in The American Legion, Department of Ohio offices needed to know that we were not alone, and that we indeed had a person working on our behalf, not only caring but reaching out to our veterans; and,

Whereas, Jean L. Wilson has led by example and has shown to all who know her to be a pillar of strength, sound judgment, and reason; and,

Whereas, Jean L. Wilson has been a behind the scenes force in the continuance of the American Legion Programs and her own special project of "Save A Warrior;" and,

Whereas, Jean L. Wilson has always put the well-being of our veterans and their needs before her own, being a true example of leadership and being a credit to the American Legion Posts, Department of Ohio, and the National Organization.

Now, Therefore, I, Aftab Pureval,
Mayor of the City of Cincinnati do hereby proclaim July 1 thru July 3, 2022
as
"Jean L. Wilson Day"

in Cincinnati.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and caused this seal
of the City of Cincinnati to be affixed this
first day of July in the year Two Thousand
and Twenty-two.***

***Aftab Pureval, Mayor
City of Cincinnati***



JEAN L. WILSON

The American Legion, Department of Ohio Commander

Dear American Legion Family,

I have been humbled and proud to serve as your Department Commander for 2021-2022. It has been an opportunity of a lifetime to serve as the Department of Ohio Commander. I have been treated so professionally and warmly by so many.

As I traveled the Department and visited Posts and Districts, I have been proud to be with each of you. The American Legion Family has so many patriotic servants and I never cease to be amazed by the giving hearts of all of you. If you want a job done, you must look no further than all or part of our Family. The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion and American Legion Riders are a force like no other! They will move mountains to get the job done to help a Veteran in need, a child needing assistance, or any other numerous things we do to help others.

I want to thank everyone who has donated to my special project, Save A Warrior (SAW). The donations that have been made will go to help save a life of a fellow Veteran and or 1st Responder right here in Ohio. We all need to help our Veterans and First Responders who are suffering from PTSD and other mental challenges. I am enormously proud of all who donated.

I hope everyone will enjoy the Department Convention and leave knowing how much your membership means to our organization.

I know that the Department officers that will be elected at the convention will do an excellent job leading our Department of Ohio to new levels but remember that they need your help!

Remember "Together We Are Better!" "No Veteran Left Behind"

For God and Country,

Jean Wilson, Commander
American Legion Department of Ohio





COLLEEN K. PHILLIPS

The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Ohio President

Welcome from the Department of Ohio American Legion Auxiliary to all of the American Legion Family, visitors and friends. It has been a tremendous Honor to serve you this past year as the Department American Legion Auxiliary President alongside Commander Jean Wilson, Detachment Commander Doug Hancock, Honorary Junior Auxiliary President Evelyn Phillips and all the Officers of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion and Legion Riders.



We are proud of the work our ALA Ohio Units have continued to do for our Veterans, Active-Duty Military, our youth, and our communities. The Junior President's Project helped to make several hundred bags with Blankets, Socks and necessities distributed to VA Hospital residents and several shelters. They also made bags for Military Children and teenagers as well as a few diaper bags for Pregnant military and Veteran families.

A BIG Thank you to the Units, Districts and Posts that invited me to events during my year. It was great to get out and meet new members and reconnect with friends that I had not seen in a while.

Our State is full of dedicated American Legion Auxiliary Members. Special thanks to all the Past Department Presidents They continue to do so much for our Department.

Perhaps you will pick up a few ideas at this convention for the next year and have some fun while we are here in Cincinnati. There is so much to do in the area, please take some time to visit some of the local restaurants and attractions.

The Election of Officers will be happening, I wish them all Good Luck and a Successful year in Office.

On behalf of the Department of Ohio American Legion Auxiliary Officers, Staff and Executive Board, please enjoy yourself.



ALA ANGELS SERVING OTHERS
(American Legion Auxiliary)
Colleen Thank You ALA Angels,

-Colleen



DENNIS K. ALBRIGHT

Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Ohio Commander

Detachment Commander, Dennis K. Albright is a 42-year Member of Joseph W. Hoffman Squadron 757. He gained eligibility through his Grandfather Glenn Albright who served in the Army WWII and Father Gary Albright who served in the Army during Vietnam and was a Life Member of Post 757.

Dennis has held all Squadron level Offices, several District Offices, for the Detachment Homeland Security, Special Olympics, Chaplain, Second Vice Commander, and currently your First Vice Commander.

He has also volunteered at the Squadron level since the age of nine and served as VAVS Representative/Deputy Rep for 10 years at the Chillicothe VA Campus.

Dennis has been a Nationally Certified Pharmacy Technician for 12 years and currently employed with OhioHealth as an Acute Pharmacy Technician for the last 5 years. He is currently at the Circleville Berger Campus.

As the Sons of The American Legion Commander, I'm looking forward to serving the Legion Family with the newly elected Legion Commander and the Auxiliary President.

For God and Country,

Dennis K Albright,
Commander
Detachment of Ohio



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

ESTABLISHED IN 1932

The Sons of the American Legion (SAL) is a program of The American Legion that was established in 1932 to assist The American Legion with their programs and activities. Being a member of the Detachment of Ohio is more than just "belonging" to a club. We take great pride in the work that we do in the areas of Americanism, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, Special Olympics, Membership and last but certainly not least The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. Our success in these areas is a direct reflection of the guidance that is given us by the "Legionnaires" of our Department. All male descendants, adopted sons

and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in Service during World I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf War and the War on Terrorism, during the delimiting periods set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for Membership in the Sons of The American Legion.

Contact the Sons of The American Legion Squadron nearest you to obtain the necessary membership application form.



PAUL E. DILLARD

National Commander of The American Legion

To my fellow Legionnaires in Ohio,

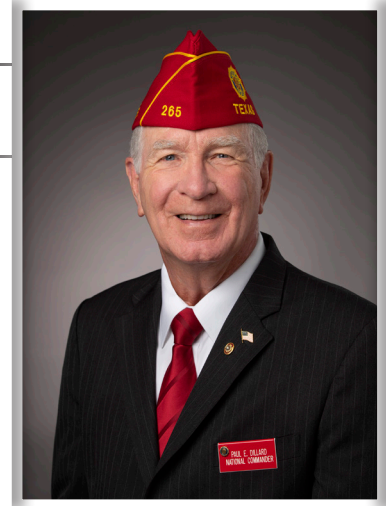
Earlier this year, I had the honor of visiting the Department of Illinois and participating in the annual American Legion Pilgrimage to the tomb of President Abraham Lincoln. I reflected on the promise that Lincoln made during his second inaugural address: "To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and for his orphan..." In many ways, caring for veterans and their families describes the mission of The American Legion. I believe that we have no greater calling than to create an environment where fewer widows, widowers and orphans are made. We can certainly help this effort by preventing veterans from taking their own lives.

Buddy checks will not prevent every veteran suicide, but each life that is saved is an accomplishment like no other. The American Legion should be a community sanctuary for every veteran in crisis and all who have experienced the horrors of war.

We also need to support those who served our nation, along with their families in need. My chosen program for this year is our Veterans & Children Foundation, an outstanding American Legion charity which provides temporary financial assistance to families and training for our service officers.

America needs and deserves a strong American Legion. Our strength comes from our membership. A department convention is the perfect opportunity to discuss ideas pertaining to growth and renewal. Through my department visits, I have witnessed the energy and enthusiasm that exists at many of our American Legion posts. Let's spread that spirit throughout the entire organization. As I announced during the NEC meetings last fall, any department that achieves 103 percent of its membership goal and 90-percent retention for 2022 will receive \$18.50 for every member over that 103 percent. For purposes of this incentive program, we will continue to receive transmittals from 2022 until October 1. But it's important to send those 2022 transmittals as soon as you can to your department so they can be sent to national headquarters.

I thank you for your service to America and The American Legion. Best wishes for a productive and enjoyable convention.



No Veteran Left Behind,

Paul E. Dillard

National Commander



STEVEN N. ERVIN

Department of Ohio, 4th District Commander

Welcome!

My Fellow Legion Family Members,

On behalf on the Fabulous Fourth District, WELCOME to Cincinnati and the American Legion Department of Ohio 103rd Department Convention.

Enjoy your time in Cincinnati, there are great restaurants and places to visit. Most of all, please participate in your American Legion Convention committee meetings and your District Caucus.

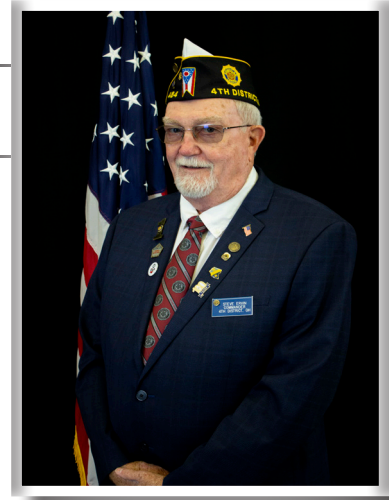
Lets continue working together to make American Legion strong now and in the future.

"For God and Country"

Steven N. Ervin

American Legion Department of Ohio

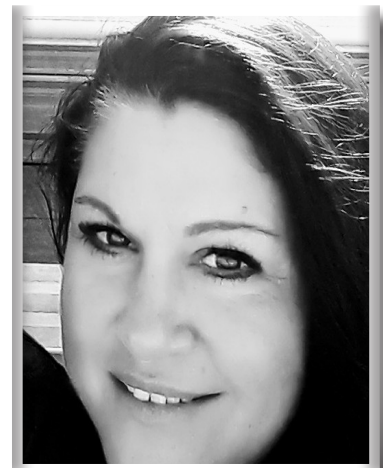
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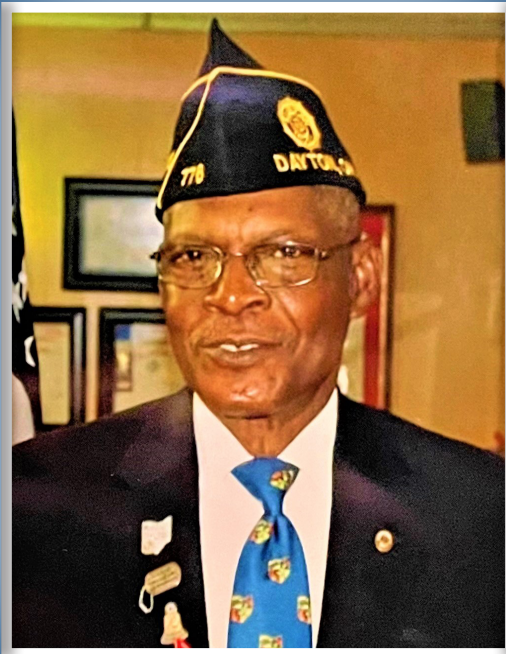


2022 CONVENTION SINGER • STEPHANIE WILLIFORD

Stephanie Williford is a lifelong resident of Williamsburg, Ohio where she resides with her husband, Mike. They have two awesome adult children, Pearce and Lily. Stephanie has had the honor of singing patriotic medleys and the National Anthem for multiple organizations in Clermont and Brown counties for the past 20+ years.

Stephanie is always thankful for the opportunity to give back to those who have given so much to allow her and her family the freedoms they enjoy.





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General Daniel "Chappie" James Post 776 and
The Thundering Third District

PROUDLY PRESENTS

ARNOLD "AJ"
WHATLEY

Candidate for Department
2nd Vice Commander 2022

Eligibility

Arnold Served 22 ½ years of Active Duty
in the United States Air Force (USAF)

PAST & CURRENT OFFICES

National American Legion Appointment
Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R)

- National Cemetery Committee 2018 -Present

Department of Ohio American Legion

- Internal Commission Member -2021
- Sgt at Arms -2017 - 2018
- Assistant Sgt at Arms-2016

District Positions/Accomplishments

- 3rd District Commander-2014-2015
- 1st Vice Commander -2013
- 2nd Vice Commander -2012
- Finance Officer-2011
- Resolution -2016 -Present
- Past Commander Committee -2016 -Present

Post Positions/Accomplishments

- Commander Post 776 - 2008-2010
(Major Accomplishments as Commander)
 - » \$21,000 donation towards Gifts for Yanks Program
 - » 20 Candidates to Boys State
 - » 100% Membership Quota Met
- 1st Vice Commander - 2007
- 3 Year Trustee -2001, 2004, 2018

- 2 Year Trustee -2002, 2005, 2019
- 1 Year Trustee -2003, 2006, Present
- Needy Family Committee Member 2011 -Present
- PUFL

Other Affiliations

- Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge State of Ohio

Edward Dugger, Jr Military Lodge #123 Worshipful Master

- Past Master 32° Degree
- Miami Consistory #26

Worshipful Master of the Rose Corix

- Order of the Eastern Star (OES), Prince Hall Affiliated (PHA), Inc.

Past Patron - 2015-2017

- Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Akbar Temple #41, Springfield, Ohio, Noble

Arnold is endorsed and sponsored by Past Department Commanders:

- Stanley Pleasant
- Henry Long
- Robert Steele
- David Hilliard





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THANK YOU FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AND FIELD OFFICES!

Best Wishes for a Successful Convention!
Please visit us for fellowship

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THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

Department Commander

Jean Wilson
Harrison

1st Vice Commander

Bradley Teis
North Canton

2nd Vice Commander

Charles Stennis
Painesville

Treasurer

Robert Wilson
Springdale

Chaplain

Al Buxton
Cincinnati

Assistant Chaplain

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Elmore

Past Department Commander

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Newark

National Executive Committeeman

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Toledo

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Streetsboro

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Robert Ray
Milford

Parliamentarian

Ronald Hartman
Amelia

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Al Beyer
Bellville

Assistant Historian

Ralph Jackson
Lawrenceburg, IN

Sergeant-At-Arms

Craig Whitham
Harrison

Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms

Frank Adley
Ashtabula

Richard Donovan
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Batavia

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Kettering

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Jason Rue
Dupont





EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED OF OHIO'S CURRENT DISTRICT COMMANDERS
AND DISTRICT 1ST VICE COMMANDERS

COMMANDER Frank 'Joe' Navarre	<u>FIRST DISTRICT</u>	1ST VICE COMMANDER Kevin Motter
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Rules & Order of Business Amended – 2021 Department Convention Independence, Ohio

1. Robert's Revised Rules of Order, Newly Revised (RONR) shall be the authority of parliamentary procedure, with the following modifications:
2. A delegate desiring to make a motion or address the Convention, shall rise, address the chair as "Commander" and state their name and the name and number of their Post before proceeding.
3. Debate shall be limited to three (3) minutes for each speaker.
4. Debate on any one subject presented to the Convention, shall be limited to 30 minutes, except under such special rules as the Convention shall adopt prior to debate.
5. Only two (2) Delegates from any one Post delegation shall be permitted the floor on any one subject. Where disagreement exists within a delegation, one delegate shall be permitted to speak on each side of the subject, except on a division of the question, when this rule shall be applied separately for each division.
6. The floor shall be permitted but once to any individual delegate on any one subject, except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Convention. Chairpersons of Convention Committees may speak as frequently as may be necessary in connection with the report of their committees. The presiding officer shall not entertain any motion which will curtail further debate without affording the Committee Chairperson an opportunity for rebuttal. On request of a delegate, any Resolution contained in a Committee report shall be considered separately at the conclusion of the vote on the remaining report, and after discussion voted upon at that time.
7. Any Resolutions originating on the floor of the Convention shall be in writing, then automatically and without reading, be referred to the Adjutant or Secretary of the Convention, who will refer them to the appropriate Committee for their action and report thereon prior to the end of this Convention.
8. Decisions on Rules and Debate or Parliamentary Order by the presiding officer may be subject to appeal by any two (2) delegates from two (2) different Districts under a point of order. Such an appeal shall take precedence over any pending question and shall be decided forthwith. An appeal from the decision of the Chair shall be put to the Convention on the question: "Shall the decision be sustained."
9. When the poll of any Post delegation is demanded by a delegate of any other Post, the Convention Secretary shall poll the vote without discussion of the question being voted on. When a poll of the Post is demanded, it must be made immediately upon the announcement of the vote of the delegation.
10. On roll calls, the Post delegation chairperson shall poll their delegation on the floor and announce its vote upon presenting their credentials to the person in charge of microphone.
11. Past Department Commanders shall be entitled to vote, provided they are registered as such.
12. Only delegates or their accredited alternates may be heard or given recognition on any issue or in the nomination of candidates unless he or she has two-thirds (2/3) consent of the delegation present.
13. Delegations may arrive at a vote in such a manner as they choose but shall announce it in terms of a full vote and not in terms of a fractional part of a vote. The vote of any delegate absent and not represented by an alternate shall be cast by the majority of the delegates present from his or her Post.



14. There shall be no unit rules of voting in this Convention.

15. Voting shall be by acclamation, except when a roll call or standing count is directed by the Commander or demanded by a Delegate of at least three (3) Posts of three (3) separate Districts. Election of Department Officers shall be by roll call, except when a candidate is unopposed, at which time the vote may be by acclamation. All roll call voting will be as follows: the delegate chairperson or designee will approach the closest microphone and cast votes from the microphone. The delegate chairperson or designee should be prepared prior to the calling of their post number to move toward the closest microphone so that their vote can be cast in a timely manner. All standing count votes will be by District with the District Commander, assisted by the 1st and 2nd Vice Commanders, polling the vote from each Post delegation chairperson. The District Commander will announce the poll to the assembly by Post from the microphone when called upon by the Commander. The registration desk will be closed at least 30 minutes prior to an expected standing count to allow the Credentials Committee to update the delegate strength for the determination of majority and 2/3 of the delegate strength for the standing count.

16. In the event a Post has not provided the method by which alternates shall be designated to serve in the place of absent delegates, the Chairperson or acting Chairperson of the delegation shall make such designation certified by the Post Commander or District Commander.

17. Prior to the election of Department Officers, the Department Commander shall appoint, subject to approval of the Convention, a chief teller of elections, and such number of tellers as the Department Commander deems necessary, provided that the total number of tellers so appointed shall be an odd number. In a contested election each candidate going to the ballot shall be entitled to one teller of the candidate's choice if the candidate so elects.

18. Nomination for Department Officers shall be from the floor. Each Post may present as many candidates as it chooses.

19. Nominating speeches for Department Officers shall be limited to five (5) minutes each. Not more than one seconding speech shall be made for any candidate, and said speech limited to two (2) minutes.

20. When more than two (2) candidates are nominated for any office, voting shall continue until one candidate receives the necessary majority of the votes cast. If on any vote taken no candidate receives the necessary majority to elect, a new vote shall be taken for the place to be filled. The candidate receiving the lowest number of votes on the preceding vote shall be disqualified. All roll call votes for officers or otherwise will begin with the next sequential Post where the last roll call vote ended. The 2019 Convention's last roll call vote ended with Post 194. The first roll call vote of the 2021 Convention will begin with Post 196.

21. The Order of Election of Officers shall be the Department Commander, First Vice Commander, Second Vice Commander, Treasurer. In even years, we will then elect National Executive Committee person and Alternate National Executive Committee person.

22. Those recognized by the Department Commander shall be entitled to a respectful hearing, and the Chair shall have the authority to clear the gallery or the floor or have the Sergeant-At-Arms escort from the Convention anyone creating a disturbance or interfering with order of procedure.

23. None of the above rules shall be construed as preventing any member of The American Legion, Department of Ohio from serving on a Convention Committee.

24. The consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting strength of the Convention is necessary for suspension of the standing rules of the Convention.



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25. The Department Commander will have the authority to appoint a Parliamentarian to assist the Judge Advocate for this Convention.

26. Any amendment originating on the floor to any resolution shall be presented in writing and transmitted to the presiding officer at the time of the introduction of such amendment. However, in the case where a word is stricken and another inserted, this change can be done by the one making the report or introducing the Resolution.

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BUCYRUS, OH**

**AMERICAN LEGION
KETTERING POST 598
KETTERING, OH**

**AMERICAN LEGION
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TOLEDO, OH**

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ELYRIA POST 12
ELYRIA, OH**



DISTINGUISHED GUEST • VINCENT JAMES TROIOLA

Leading Candidate for 2022-2023 National Commander
Past Department of New York Commander and Past National
Vice Commander

From School To Navy To Starting A Family And Career

Vincent James "Jim" Troiola, the leading candidate for National Commander of The American Legion for 2022-2023 was born in Jamaica, New York and graduated from High School in 1968. The following year he joined the United States Navy. Jim served 1970-1971 aboard the USS Nitro, an auxiliary ammunition ship with the Sixth Fleet. After his time aboard the Nitro, he went on to the Naval Reserves until 1974 when he was honorably discharged as a 3rd class petty officer.

Jim and his wife Saveria have been married for over 46 years. They have two daughters, Laura and Jeanette, one son-in-law, Michael, and three grandchildren, Alexander, Abigail and Natalia. (Three generations of Auxiliary members plus a SAL grandson.)

Jim spent his entire working career in the Automotive Service industry where he began as a Parts Manager at a local Chevrolet Dealer and went on to serve in many capacities of management. At the time of his retirement in February 2017, he was Director of Service and Parts at a New York Metro Mercedes Benz dealership. After a brief time at home, Jim began an entirely new career as a school bus driver for the Falmouth School District and also works part-time as a motorcoach operator.



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DISTINGUISHED GUEST • STEVE CHABOT

U.S. Congressman
U.S. House of Representatives for Ohio's 1st District
2011-present

Early life, education, and pre-political career

Steven Joseph Chabot was born in 1953 in Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Gerard Joseph and Doris Leona (née Tilley) Chabot; paternally, he is of French-Canadian descent. He graduated from La Salle High School in Cincinnati in 1971, and then from the College of William and Mary in 1975, earning a Bachelor of Arts in physical education. He went on to obtain a Juris Doctor degree from Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law in 1978. He worked as an elementary school teacher in 1975-76 while taking law classes at night. Chabot also taught political science at the University of Cincinnati and chaired the Boy Scouts of Cincinnati.

As a practicing attorney from 1978 to 1994, Chabot handled domestic disputes and the drafting of wills as a sole practitioner. He operated out of a small law office in Westwood.

Early political career

Chabot ran unsuccessfully for the Cincinnati City Council as an independent candidate in 1979 and as a Republican in 1983. He won a seat in 1985 as a Republican and was reelected for the next four years. In 1988, he ran for the U.S. House of Representatives against seven-term incumbent Democrat Tom Luken, who defeated him, 56-44%. In 1990 he was appointed a Commissioner of Hamilton County, Ohio, and was elected later that year and again in 1992, holding that office until 1994.

Elections

In 1994, Chabot ran for the U.S. House again and defeated Democratic incumbent David S. Mann of Ohio's 1st congressional district, 56%-44%. In 1996, he defeated Democrat Mark Longabaugh, a member of the Cincinnati City Council, 54%-43%. In 1998, he defeated Cincinnati Mayor Roxanne Qualls, 53% to 47%. In the series of debates during that campaign, Qualls criticized Chabot for not funneling enough federal spending to his home district. Chabot countered that he would not support "wasteful or unnecessary" federal programs. In 2000, he defeated City Councilman John Cranley 53-44%. In 2002, he defeated Greg Harris with 65% of the vote. In 2004, he defeated Harris again, with 60% of the vote.

Political positions

During the presidency of Donald Trump, Chabot voted in line with Trump's stated position 93.1% of the time. As of March 2022, Chabot had voted in line with Joe Biden's stated position 14.5% of the time.

Other

In 1999, Chabot was one of the managers appointed to conduct the impeachment proceedings of President Bill Clinton.

On August 22, 2011, Chabot asked Cincinnati police to confiscate cameras being used by private citizens to record a town-hall meeting, even as media television cameras recorded the incident. YouTube videos of the incident provided wide awareness of it, and the participating police officer was later disciplined.

In 2002, Chabot advocated teaching intelligent design alongside the theory of evolution by natural selection in Ohio high schools.

Chabot has called for ending logging subsidies in the Tongass National Forest, and promoted relations with Taiwan. In 2002, he helped spearhead the local campaign against building a light rail system in Hamilton County.

As of 2016, Chabot had traveled on congressional fact-finding missions to 46 countries at a cost of \$200,000.

Personal life

Chabot lives with his wife Donna in Westwood. They have two children and a grandson.





DISTINGUISHED GUEST • JUSTICE SHARON L. KENNEDY

Dedicated Public Servant

In November 2020, Justice Sharon L. Kennedy was re-elected for a second time to a full term on the Supreme Court. Justice Kennedy first joined the court in 2012, having been elected to fill an unexpired term. She was elected to her first full term in November 2014.

Prior to her term on the Ohio Supreme Court, Justice Kennedy served at the Butler County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division, beginning in 1999. From 2005 until December 2012, she served as the administrative judge of the division.

After obtaining her law degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in 1991, Justice Kennedy ran a small business of her own as a solo practitioner. While in private practice she served the legal needs of families, juveniles, and the less fortunate. She also worked on behalf of Ohio's taxpayers to collect monies due the State of Ohio as special counsel to Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery and served as a part-time magistrate in the Butler County Area Courts. As a magistrate, she heard a wide array of civil litigation and assisted law enforcement officers and private citizens seeking criminal-arrest warrants.

Justice Kennedy began her career in the justice system as a police officer at the Hamilton Police Department. She was assigned to a single-officer road patrol unit working to protect and serve the citizens of the City of Hamilton. From the routine to the heart-pounding, to the heart-breaking she has seen it all. During her time as an officer she also worked undercover operations, implemented crime prevention programs, and later, as a civil assistant, assisted in drafting police policy and procedure for the Accreditation Program.

Beyond the Bench of the Supreme Court of Ohio

Justice Kennedy has dedicated herself to the initiative "Lean Forward: Advancing the Treatment of Veterans Across Ohio" and its annual summit. Through that work she has educated sheriffs, judges, magistrates, and probation and parole officers about the treatment resources available to justice-involved veterans. She also maintains an active speaking schedule, talking to students and civic organizations about our tripartite system of government and the Ohio judicial system and how it affects our daily lives. She gives audiences a behind-the-scenes look at the Ohio Supreme Court and discusses the common misperceptions of the Right of Free Speech. Justice Kennedy encourages young people to chase their American Dream by sharing her journey from police officer to justice of the supreme court.

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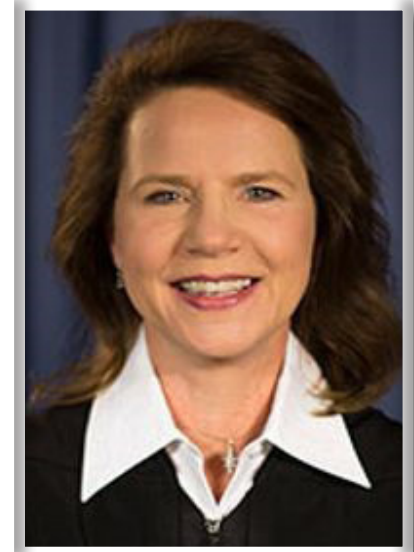
While in private practice Justice Kennedy partnered with the Butler County Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division, to create and implement life-skills classes for juveniles to break the cycle of recidivism.

During her time as administrative judge, she worked to implement a program to break down barriers to employment with the help of Butler County Jobs and Family Services. She improved the case management system of the court to ensure the timely resolution of cases for families and children and worked with state legislators to champion a "common sense" family law initiative to resolve an access-to-justice problem for families.

When Butler County faced tough economic times, Justice Kennedy organized concerned elected officials in a county-wide Budget Work Group and created the Advisory Committee to the Budget Work Group to bring private sector know-how to government spending. Serving as the facilitator, she led discussions between county officials and private sector leaders to analyze county finances, study and implement cost saving measures, and present business-driven fiscal policy to the county commissioners.

Lifetime of Achievement

Throughout her career, Justice Kennedy has served on numerous boards, developed and facilitated programs to address the needs of young people, and worked with judges across the state. As a dedicated jurist, she has received multiple awards of recognition, including: the 2021 Freedom Award from the American Nationalities Movement; the Capital University Law School 2019 Esther Bocker Award; the AMVETS Department of Ohio 2018 Past Department Commanders' Civil Servant of the Year Award; the 2018 National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Silver Good Citizenship Medal; 2016 Leadership Ohio Community Leadership Award; the 2014 University of Cincinnati College of Law Nicholas Longworth, III Alumni Achievement Award; 2014 Northwest High School Distinguished Alumnus Award; "Named One of 13 Professional Women to Watch" by *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, March 17, 2013; 2009 Excellence in Public Service; 2006 Judge of the Year; 2002 Above the Fold Award; and the 2001 Furtherance of Justice Award. Justice Kennedy was also featured in *Trends in the Judiciary: Interviews with Judges Across the Globe, Volume II*, published by CRC Press in February 2015.





DISTINGUISHED GUEST • CHRISTOPHER P. Z. STANLEY

AFMC Senior Master Sergeant (Retired)

Senior Master Sergeant Christopher P. Z. Stanley retired as the First Sergeant for the 74th Medical Operations Squadron, 74th Medical Group, Aeronautical Systems Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is 63 years old. Sergeant Stanley was born in Kirkwood, Missouri, on 6 February 1959. He attended St. Petersburg High School in St. Petersburg, Florida, graduating in June 1977.

Sergeant Stanley entered the Air Force through the Delayed Enlisted Program on 28 April 1977, entering active duty on 28 October 1977. Following basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas, and technical training at Keesler AFB, Mississippi, he reported to the 437th Air Base Group at Charleston Air Force Base, South Carolina, in February 1978 as a Personal Affairs specialist. In July 1981, he was selected to serve at the Air Force Casualty Matters Branch at Headquarters, Air Force Military Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, Texas. In September 1982, he moved to the 12th Air Base Group to serve as the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge (NCOIC) of the Personal Affairs Office. In January 1986, he was reassigned to the 51st Combat Support Group at Osan AB, Republic of Korea, again as the NCOIC of Personal Affairs. In September 1988, he was handpicked to become the Superintendent of Correctional Custody at Osan. While at Osan, he also served an additional duty as the NCOIC of the Base Honor Guard from September 1986 to December 1989. In January 1990, he reported to the 31st Combat Support Group at Homestead AFB, Florida, again as the NCOIC of Personal Affairs. Due to Hurricane Andrew in August 1992, he was reassigned to the 88th Air Base Wing, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, initially serving as the Chief of the Career Enhancements Element in the Military Personnel Flight. In April 1995, he was handpicked to be the Assistant to the Command Chief Master Sergeant, Aeronautical Systems Center, serving as the office manager. He retrained into the First Sergeant career field on 1 June 1996 and assumed duties as the First Sergeant for the 88th Communications Group. He served as the First Sergeant for the 74th Medical Support Squadron from February 1998 to July 1999 and as the First Sergeant for the 74th Medical Operations Squadron from July 1999 until his retirement on 1 October 2001. As a first sergeant, he was responsible for the health, morale, welfare, readiness and discipline, and in his last position, was responsible for over 550 enlisted personnel and 450 officers in the largest medical squadron in the Air Force.

Sergeant Stanley was promoted to Technical Sergeant through the Stripes for Exceptional Performers (an on-the-spot promotion) by the 12th Air Base Wing Commander program on 1 January 1984. During his career, he was also selected as the 437th Military Airlift Wing Airman of the Quarter; the 12th Air Base Wing NCO of the Year; 31st Tactical Fighter Wing Senior NCO of the Quarter; and as the First Sergeant of the Year for both Wright-Patterson AFB and Aeronautical Systems Center. He was also nominated for Personnel Manager of the Year seven times. He was named the 1991 Member of the Year for Air Force Sergeant Association (AFSA) Chapter 555 at Homestead; the 1995 and 1997 Member of the Year for AFSA Chapter 751 at Wright-Patterson; the 1995 and 1997 Division Seven (Ohio, Michigan and Indiana) Member of the Year; the 1995 AFSA International Member of the Year; and the 1997 AFSA International Member of the Year runner-up. In addition, he received the 1995 and 2002 Division Seven President's award; the 1996 Division Seven Earl L. Lehman Memorial Award (the Division's highest award); and received the Chapter 751 President's Award in 1998.

He was highly decorated, including the Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, and the Air Force Achievement Medal with six oak leaf clusters.

Sergeant Stanley completed the NCO Orientation Course, the USAF Supervisors Course, the NCO Leadership School (where he was a distinguished graduate), the NCO Academy and the Senior NCO Academy (by correspondence). Sergeant Stanley received a Community College of the Air Force Associates degree in Personnel and Administration.

Throughout his career, he was actively involved in supporting enlisted personnel. He was secretary for the NCO PME Graduates Association at Randolph; a Trustee for the AFSA Chapter at Osan; Vice President and subsequently President for the AFSA Chapter at Homestead; Treasurer (for one year), President (for three years) and Senior Advisor (for two years) for the AFSA Chapter at Wright-Patterson; the AFSA Division Seven Vice President for four years and the Trustee for Ohio for AFSA Division Seven (for two years). In addition, he served as the AFSA International Trustee for Active Duty Affairs for three years. He chaired the AFSA International Membership Committee and the AFSA International Legislative Committee where he was responsible for developing the AFSA Legislative Platform. He was the first-ever, and only, president of the Homestead Top Three Association and served as the treasurer for the Wright-Patt Top Three Association for three years. He also published a newsletter for the employees of the City of Fairborn for two years. He was a member of the Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. executive board for five years and the Veterans





(cont.) • CHRISTOPHER P. Z. STANLEY

Affairs Volunteer Service advisory board at the Dayton VA Medical Center for four years as well as being involved with the Wright-Patt Young Heroes Association. As President, he led AFSA Chapter 751 to the AFSA Chapter of the Year (runner-up), AFSA Legislative Achievement Award, AFSA Newsletter of the Year award and the Wright-Patterson AFB Angel Award in 1996, as well as garnering the AFSA Newsletter Award in 1994 and 1995 and AFSA International Division Newsletter of the Year award in 1997. He served as, and continues to serve as the Master of Ceremonies for numerous events on Wright-Patterson AFB, including as the emcee for all Air Force Marathon activities every year since 1999.

Sergeant Stanley and his wife, Debra, have four children; Laura who was an Air Force Staff Sergeant and firefighter at Hurlburt AFB, Florida, is married to Senior Master Sergeant Latricia Munday and resides with their three sons in Colorado Springs, Colorado; Bryan who is a County information technology specialist and resides with his fiancé and their three sons in New Braunfels, Texas; Joshua who graduated from Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas with a dual degree in missions and youth ministry and subsequently from the University of North Carolina (UNC) as a RN and is now the Nurse Manager in the UNC Medical Center Bone Marrow Transplant Unit and is married to Emily and lives with their six daughters in Fuquay Varina, North Carolina; and Courtney who graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in elementary education, subsequently received her Master's Degree and is married to Jason and lives with their three sons and one daughter in Schertz, Texas. Chris and Deb are grandparents to nine grandsons and seven granddaughters.

Upon his retirement from the Air Force in 2001, he was hired as the Operations Manager and Human Resources Director for a small, woman-owned corporation. After a year, he went to the base on contract as an Executive Assistant for a GS-15 in the Materiel Systems Group. He moved to L3 Titan in September 2003 and subsequently to Quantech Services, Inc. where served as the Keystone Decision Support System Business Manager, an information technology program in the Air Force Program Executive Office, Enterprise Information Systems, Financial Division. He was selected as the Quantech corporate-wide individual Employee of the Year for 2009. In November 2010, he moved to a new position with Badger Technical Services as a Program Manager in the Air Force Uniform Office, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, where he supervised a staff of eleven. In May 2013, he moved back into the information technology world and back to Quantech, working as the Task Lead and as a Program Manager in the Defense Enterprise Accounting and Management System (DEAMS), the largest enterprise resource program in the Air Force. He received the Quantech corporate-wide Community Service Award in 2015. He resigned from that position on 28 October 2016.

Since his retirement from active duty, he served in a part-time position as the Executive Director of the Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. (www.fnhi.org), the 501(c)3 non-profit established solely for the purpose of raising the funds to reimburse the Air Force one hundred percent of the day-to-day operational and support costs of the two Wright-Patterson AFB Fisher Houses (Ronald McDonald-type compassionate care facilities operating on the base). He has raised more than \$9 million in this capacity for operational support, plus \$1.575 million for the Dayton VA Medical Center Fisher House and an additional \$1.2 million for the construction of a new Fisher House at Wright-Patterson AFB (which opened in April 2011). He assumed the position full-time on 1 November 2016, due to the expanding responsibilities with the Dayton VA Medical Center Fisher House (which opened in October 2018).

Chris previously served as the Personnel Elder at Kirkmont Presbyterian Church in Beavercreek, Ohio for six years and is currently serving a second three-year term as an Elder. He is a member of the Air Force Sergeants Association, Air Force Association, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, AMVETS, Disabled American Veterans, The Enlisted Association and the National Association for Uniformed Services. In October 2019, he served as an escort for Honor Flight Dayton, escorting two Vietnam veterans to Washington DC, fulfilling one of his "bucket list" items.

He was selected as the Air Force Association Wright Memorial Chapter 212 Enlisted Award winner for 2015; was selected as a Dayton Business Journal "Veteran of Influence" in November 2017 and received the prestigious "Winkler/Martin Award" from the Miami Valley Military Affairs Association in November 2018.





DISTINGUISHED GUEST • MICHAEL FERRITER

Lieutenant General
U.S. Army, Retired
President & CEO, National Veterans Memorial and Museum

Executive Profile

Lieutenant General Ferriter, U.S. Army (Retired), is the founding President and CEO of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum (NVMM). He is an inspiring speaker with extensive experience in leading organizations through crisis, successful transformations, and leading startups. He has spoken on the TEDx stage and to a diverse spectrum of audiences, from C-Suite executives to high school students.

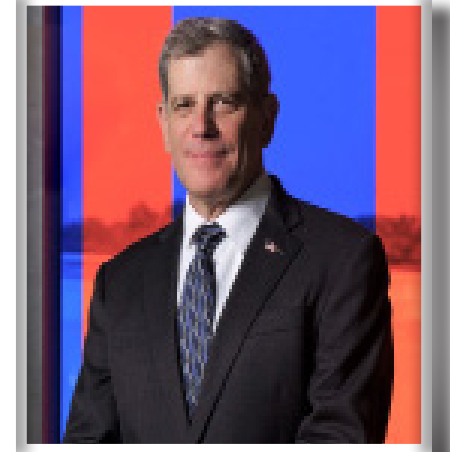
The nationally designated NVMM honors all Veterans from all eras of service. As a new start-up, he was the first employee hired and built his team opening the Museum in October 2018. When the pandemic hit, 85% of American museums closed, but he led his team through the crisis and pivoted to create virtual and online experiences and programs. Through his transformational leadership, millions of Americans were reached and thousands of lives impacted.

Before coming to Columbus, Ohio, he successfully supported Veterans and their families, underserved groups, students, and business leaders with his consulting firm, the Ferriter Group LLC. He has dedicated his civilian career to helping organizations and associations, and remains committed and passionate about serving Veterans, military families, and families of the Fallen.

He served 35 years in the U.S. Army commanding Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and International Forces at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels. He completed three combat deployments in Iraq as a general officer and one in Somalia with Task Force Ranger. He parachuted with Paratroopers and Rangers more than 200 times and served as a lead military advisor to the Iraqi government from 2008-2010.

In his last role with the U.S. Army, Lt. Gen. Ferriter led 75 Army installations around the world, comprised of a 75,000 person workforce, while managing a \$12 billion budget. Through his strategic leadership, he successfully cut costs saving nearly \$3 billion through business transformation and a focus on customer service.

Mike and his wife, Margie, have four awesome children who are invested in military and public service to our country. Throughout his military career, he received numerous honors and distinctions for his service.



Professional Experience

2018 - Present
President & CEO
National Veterans Memorial & Museum

2014 - Present
President & CEO
The Ferriter Group, LLC

U.S. Army Experience

2011-2014
Commanding General
Installation Management Command
Assistant Chief of Staff
Installation Management

2011
Deputy Commanding General for Advising and Training
U.S. Forces, Iraq

2009-2010
Commanding General
U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence Fort Benning, Georgia

2008-2009
Dep. Commanding General for Operations
Multi-National Corps Iraq

1979-2008
Airborne, Ranger Infantry Leader
U.S. Army

Education

The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy,
Tufts University
Senior National Defense Fellow
Central Michigan University
MS, Business Administration
The Citadel
BS, Business Administration

Membership

- U.S. Army Ranger Hall of Fame, *2021 Inductee*
- Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame, *2021 Inductee*
- Association of the United States Army, *Lifetime Member*
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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12:00 pm–6:00 pm	Membership Table 4th Floor Registration
3:00 pm–5:00 pm	DEC Meeting Rookwood Room
6:30 pm–7:15 pm	DEC Banquet Happy Hour (By Invitation Only) Mezzanine
7:30 pm–10:00 pm	DEC Banquet (By Invitation Only) Continental Room

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY • JULY 1ST 2022 • HILTON NETHERLAND PLAZA

8:00 am–6:00 pm	Headquarters Office Salon M	12:00 pm–2:00 pm MEETINGS (<i>cont.</i>)	Rules & Order of Business Salon G
9:00 am–6:00 pm	Distinguished Guests Check in Boardroom 1	↓	VA&R Caprice 3
9:00 am–6:00 pm	Emblem Sales Salon H		National Security Salon I
10:00 am–6:00 pm	Registration Pavillion Foyer	2:00 pm–2:30 pm	Sgt-At-Arms/ Special Sgt-At-Arms Mtg.
10:00 am–6:00 pm	Membership Table Pavillion Foyer (next to registration tables)	6:00 pm–9:00 pm	Credentials Salon I
9:00 am–6:00 pm	Sponsor/Vendor Check in Rookwood	6:00 pm–end of session	Opening Session Pavillion Caprice Ballroom
10:00 am–6:00 pm	DSO Table Pavillion Foyer	8:00 pm–12:00 am	Candidate Hospitality Mayflower Room 1 Mayflower Room 2 Mayflower Room 3
12:00 pm–2:00 pm CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS	Americanism Salon B		
↓	Children & Youth Salon C		
	Constitution and By-Law Amendments Salon F		
	Legislative Caprice 2		
	Permanent Organization Salon D		
	Resolutions Salon E		





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DISTRICT CAUCUS INFORMATION

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1st District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Salon B

2nd District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Salon B

3rd District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Salon C

4th District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Salon C

5th District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Salon F

6th District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Salon F

7th District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Salon D

8th District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Salon D

9th District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Salon E

10th District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Salon E

11th District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Salon G

12th District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Salon G

13th District Caucus

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Caprice 3

14th District Caucus

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Caprice 3

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY • JULY 2ND 2022 • HILTON NETHERLAND PLAZA

8:00 am–6:00 pm	Distinguished Guests Check in Boardroom 1	10:00 am–6:00 pm	Membership Table Pavillion Foyer (next to registration tables)
9:00 am–6:00 pm	Sponsor/Vendor Check in Rookwood	10:00 am–12:00 pm	Charities Class Rosewood Room
9:00 am–5:00 pm	Emblem Sales Salon H	10:00 am– 30 min. prior to close of session	Registration 4th Floor Registration
9:00 am–11:00 am	Buckeye American Legion College 1 Salon C	1:00 pm–4:00 pm	General Session Pavillion & Caprice 1
9:00 am–11:00 am	Buckeye American Legion College 2 Salon D	4:30 pm–5:30 pm	National Appointees Meeting Pavillion & Caprice 1
9:00 am–11:00 am	Buckeye American Legion College 3 Salon E	4:30 pm–7:30 pm	Credentials Salon I
10:00 am–6:00 pm	DSO Table Pavillion Foyer	8:00 pm–12:00 am	Candidate Hospitality Mayflower Room 1 Mayflower Room 2 Mayflower Room 3

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY • JULY 3RD 2022 • HILTON NETHERLAND PLAZA

8:00 am–1:00 pm	Headquarters Office Salon M
8:00 am–9:00 am	Distinguished Guests Check in Boardroom 1
8:00 am–8:30 am	Catholic Service Rosewood Room
8:00 am–8:30 am	Protestant Service Caprice 1
8:30 am–1:00 pm	Emblem Sales Salon H
9:00 am–1:00 pm	General Session Pavillion & Caprice 1
2:00 pm–3:00 pm	Executive Committee Meeting Rookwood Room



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GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENTION AGENDA

FRIDAY • JULY 1ST 2022 • HILTON NETHERLAND PLAZA

6:00 PM – Session Opening

- ◇ Posting of National Flag - Color Guard of Post 199
- ◇ National Anthem - Stephanie Williford
- ◇ Invocation - Al Buxton, Department Chaplain
- ◇ POW/MIA Empty Chair Recognition – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander
 - ~ Place Cover on Empty Chair - N. Craig Whitham, Department Sergeant-At-Arms
- ◇ Pledge of Allegiance – Brad Teis, First Vice Commander
- ◇ Preamble – Charles Stennis, Second Vice Commander
- ◇ Convention Call – Eric J. Hall, Department Adjutant

6:35 PM – American Legion Family Greetings – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

- ◇ Auxiliary President – Colleen Phillips & Officers
- ◇ Sons of American Legion Detachment Commander – Dennis Albright

7:00 PM – Distinguished Guest Greetings – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

- ◇ Leading Candidate for National Commander – James Troiola
- ◇ City Council Member – Greg Landsman, Proclamation
- ◇ Judge Sharon Kennedy
- ◇ General Ferriter
- ◇ Mike Blackwell, Buckeye American Legion College
- ◇ SAL National Vice Commander, Jeff Vrabel Sr.
- ◇ National Vice Commander, Jerry Wilson

7:15 PM – Introduction of Candidates – Eric J. Hall, Department Adjutant

- ◇ Department Commander – Brad Teis
- ◇ Department 1st Vice Commander – Charles Stennis
- ◇ Department Treasurer - Harold Savage
- ◇ Candidates for Department 2nd Vice Commander:
 - ~ AJ Whatley
 - ~ Jason Rue
- ◇ National Executive Committeeman – Steven Masowick
- ◇ Alternate National Executive Committeeman – Ron Chapman

8:00 PM – Announcements – Eric J. Hall, Department Adjutant

9:00 PM – Closing Comments

- ◇ Announcements – Adjutant Eric J. Hall
- ◇ Convention Sponsor Recognition and Vendors – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander
- ◇ Prayer – Ron Distel, Assistant Chaplain
- ◇ Bell & Gavel – RECESS



GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENTION AGENDA

SATURDAY • JULY 2ND 2022 • HILTON NETHERLAND PLAZA

1:00 PM – Session Continued

- ◇ Salute the Colors - Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander
- ◇ Prayer – Al Buxton, Department Chaplain
- ◇ Remarks – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander
- ◇ Credentials Report – Mel Baher, Credentials Chairman

1:15 PM – Multimedia ‘Past Department Commanders’ Presentation

1:30 PM – Distinguished Guest Greetings & Check Presentation

- ◇ Ron Chapman, Buckeye Boys State
- ◇ Mike Ayers, Legionnaire Insurance Trust
- ◇ Check presentation to SAW - Allan Shropshire, Former President of the Batavia Rotary International with Harry Snyder, Current President of the Batavia Rotary International
- ◇ Largest District SAW Donation Contribution Award
- ◇ Jake Clark, SAW Founder
- ◇ Christopher P. Z. Stanley, Fisher House Dayton

2:15 PM – Awards

◇ Membership Awards:

- ~ Department Adjutant Award
- ~ Department Commander Award
- ~ Department 1st Vice Commander Award
- ~ Department 2nd Vice Commander Award
- ~ Grand Award
- ~ Eli K. Jensen Award
- ~ Big One Pin Awards
 - » Small Category
 - » Medium Category
 - » Large Category
- ~ Anytime Post Awards
- ~ Gold Brigade Award
- ~ Silver Brigade Award
- ~ Recruiter of the Year
- ~ National Achievement Award
 - » Race To The Top
- ~ District Commander Quota Award
- ~ Post Quota Awards

◇ Gifts For Yanks Awards – Darell Bishop, PDC

- ~ Largest Contribution by Post
- ~ Largest Contribution District



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- ~ Largest % of goal Post
- ~ Largest % of goal District
- ~ Honorable Mention of Posts that Donated \$5,000 or more
- ◇ **Post Convention Awards** – Charles Stennis, Department 2nd Vice Commander
 - ~ Miceal J. Golato
 - ~ Edward McBane
 - ~ Alice Friedman & Alice Friedman Community Service
 - ~ Reverend Father John E. Duffy
 - ~ James Cunningham
 - ~ Law and Order
 - ~ Ralph Doll
- ◇ **Of The Year Awards** – Charles Stennis, Department 2nd Vice Commander
 - ~ Educator of the Year Award
 - ~ Legislator of the Year
 - ~ Legionnaire of the Year
 - ~ Law Officer of the Year
 - ~ Firefighter of the Year
 - ~ Civilian Lifesaver of the Year
- ◇ **Buckeye American Legion College Graduates** – Holly Lewis

4:10 PM – Convention Committee Reports & Minutes

- ◇ Permanent Organization - Donald Feltz, Chairman
- ◇ Rules & Order of Business - Gary Cox, Chairman
- ◇ Children & Youth - Andy Atkins, Chairman
- ◇ National Security - Al Buxton, Chairman
- ◇ VA&R – Darell Bishop, Chairman
- ◇ Constitution and By-Laws Amendments - Arden Craun, Chairman
- ◇ Legislative – Ken LaVoy, Chairman
- ◇ Americanism - Richard Hoop, Chairman
- ◇ Resolutions - Joyce Hannum, Chairman

5:00 PM – Department Officer & National Executive Committeeman Reports

- ◇ Department Commander – Jean L. Wilson
- ◇ Department First Vice Commander – Brad Teis
- ◇ Department Second Vice Commander – Charles Stennis
- ◇ Department Treasurer – Robert Wilson
- ◇ Department Judge Advocate – Bob Ray
- ◇ Department Chaplain – Al Buxton
- ◇ Department Historian – Al Beyer
- ◇ Department Adjutant – Eric Hall



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- ◇ NECMAN – Robert Klostermeier
- ◇ Alternate NECMAN – Steve Masowick

6:00 PM – District Officer Ratifications - Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

- ◇ The chair Recognizes Adjutant Hall for Reading the names and Post Affiliations of the newly elected District Commanders, First Vice Commanders, and Second Vice Commanders

6:10 PM – Motion to ratify the newly elected – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

6:15 PM – Announcements – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

6:30 PM – Benediction – Ron Distel, Department Assistant Chaplain

6:35 PM - Recess – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

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9:00 AM – Session Continued

- ◇ Salute the Colors - Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander
- ◇ Prayer – Al Buxton, Department Chaplain

9:15 AM – Introduction of Guests - Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

- ◇ Congressman Chabot

9:30 AM - Opening Comments - Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

9:45 AM - Final Reports – Eric Hall, Department Adjutant

10:00 AM - Final Remarks – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

10:15 AM - Final Credentials Report – Mel Baher, Credentials Chairman

10:20 AM - Motion to accept Credentials Committee Report – Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

10:25 AM – Reading of the rules for the elections of officers - Eric Hall, Department Adjutant

- ◇ Nominations and Elections Rules – Eric Hall, Department Adjutant
- ◇ Reporting of Tellers, Tabulators, Chief Judge – Eric Hall, Department Adjutant
- ◇ Demonstrations & Elections
- ~ Department Commander



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- ~ Department 1st Vice Commander
- ~ Department 2nd Vice Commander
- ~ Department Treasurer
- ◇ National and Elections: National Executive Committeeman
 - ~ National Executive Committeeman
 - ~ Alternate National Executive Committeeman

11:30 AM – Installation of Department Officers - Jean L. Wilson, Department Commander

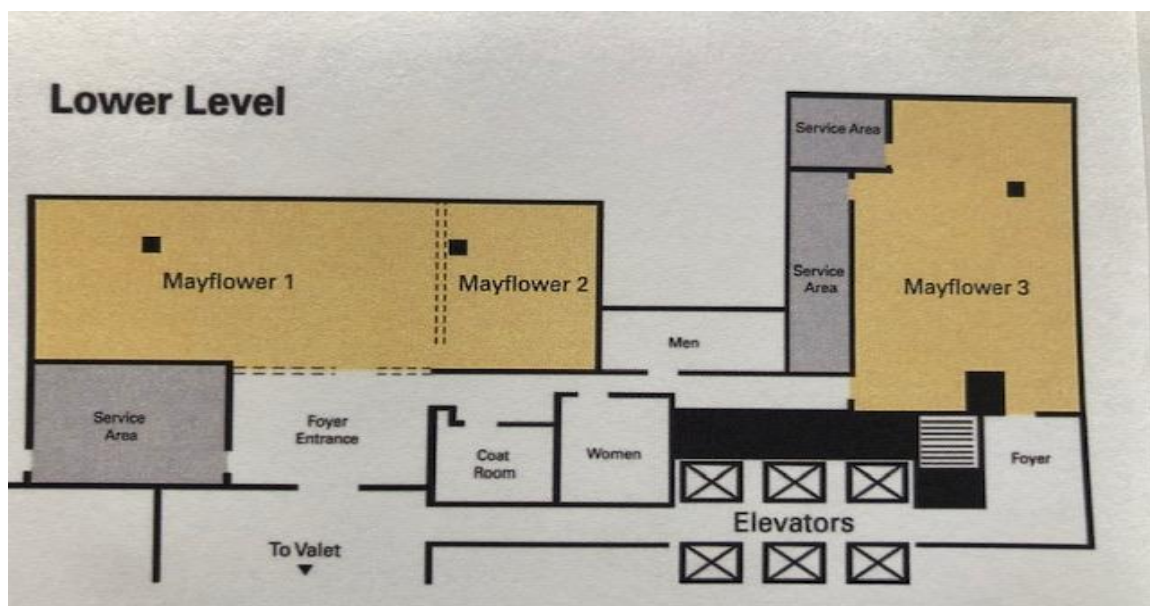
- ◇ Installation of Department Officers

12:30 PM – Final Drawings & Closing of Convention

- ◇ Recruiter Card Drawing – Jean L. Wilson, Brad Teis, and Charles Stennis
- ◇ Charities sweepstakes Drawing – Jean L. Wilson, Past Department Commander
 - ~ Drawing – Glen Hickman, Jim Morris, Art Lustig, Jerry Wilson, and Roger Friend
- ◇ Announcements – Jean Wilson, PDC
- ◇ Invocation- Jean Wilson, PDC
 - ~ Final Benediction – Ron Distel, Assistant Chaplain
- ◇ Closing- Jean Wilson, PDC
 - ~ Retirement of Colors
- ◇ Closing- Final Rap of Gavel – Jean L. Wilson, Past Department Commander

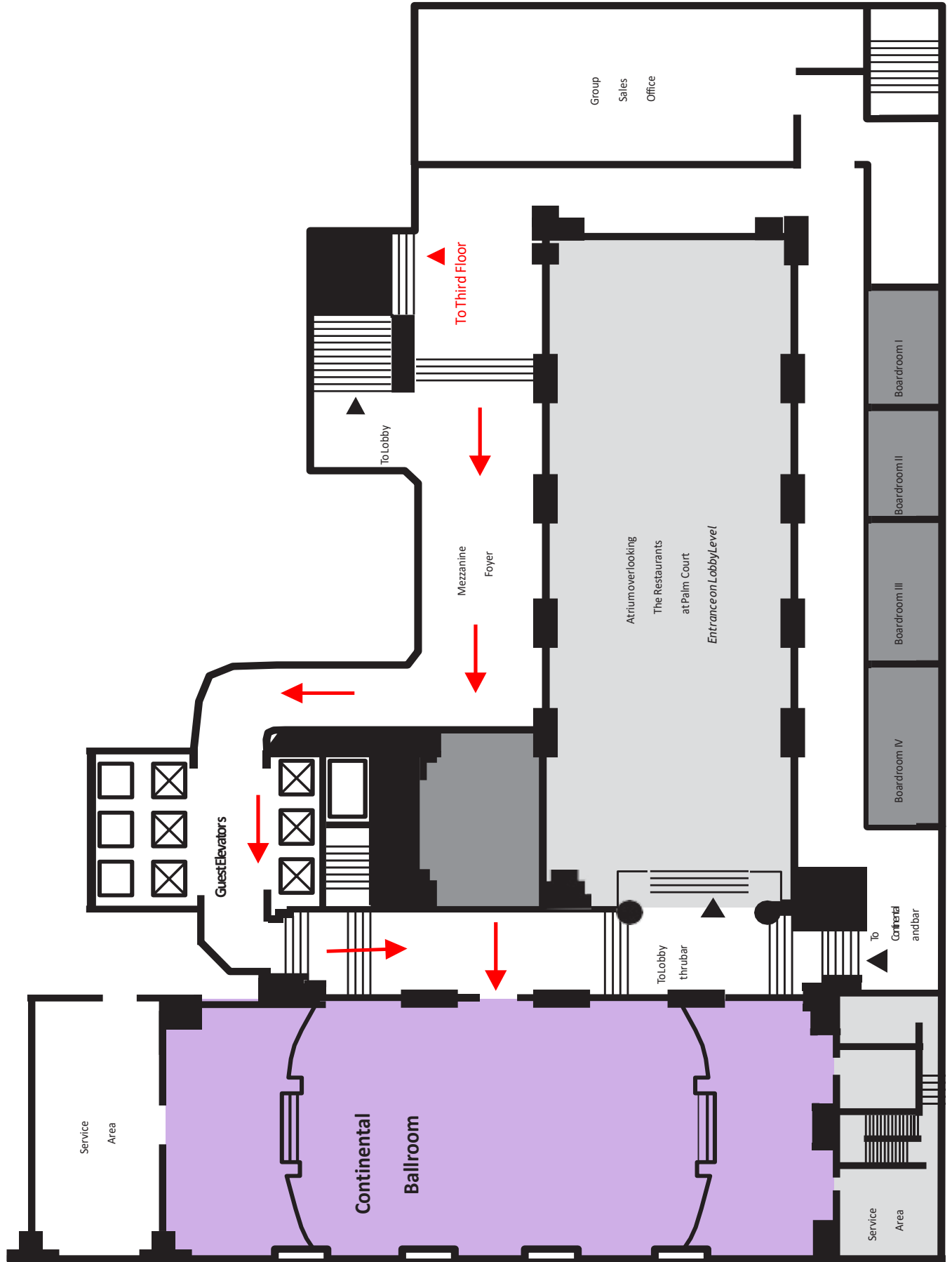
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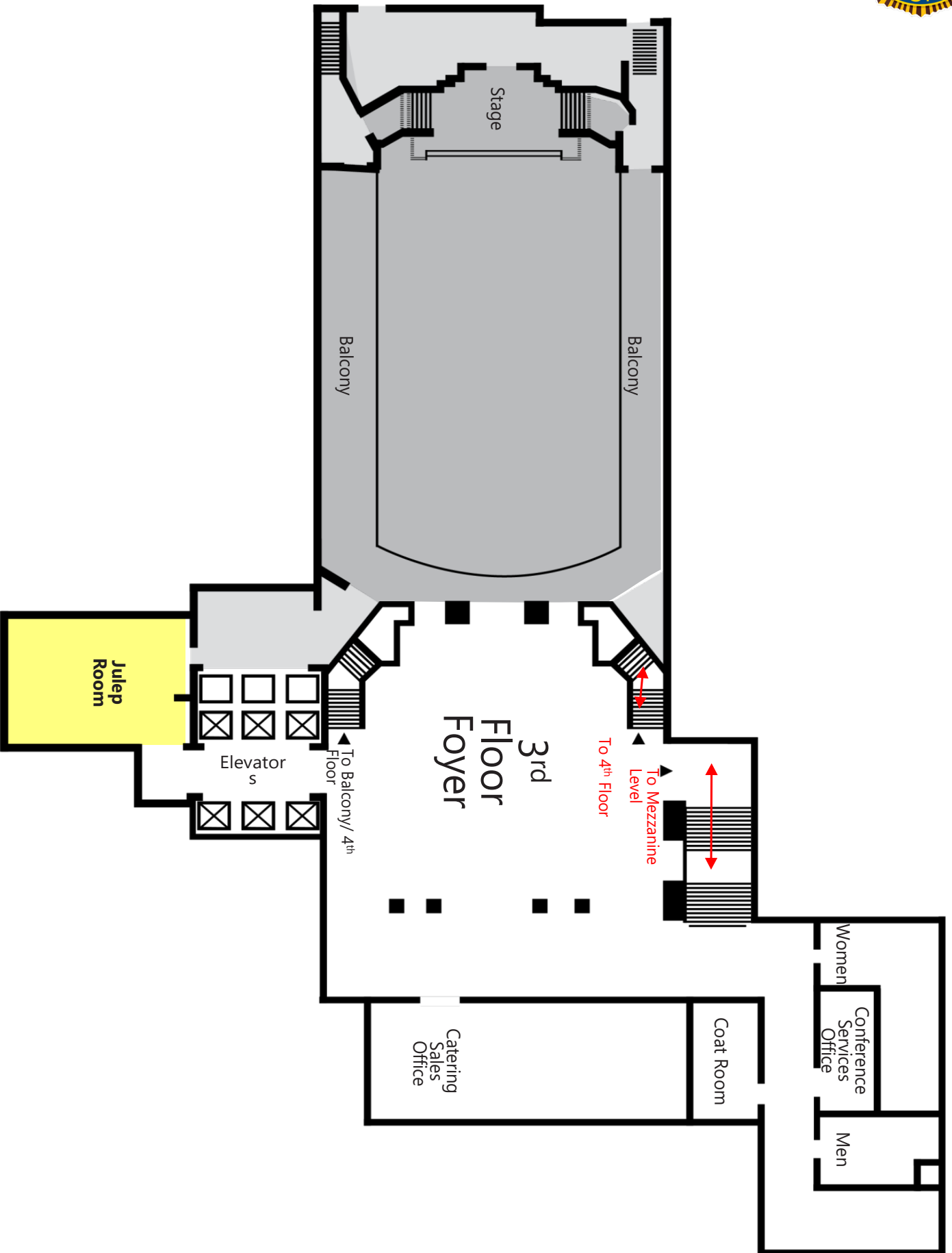
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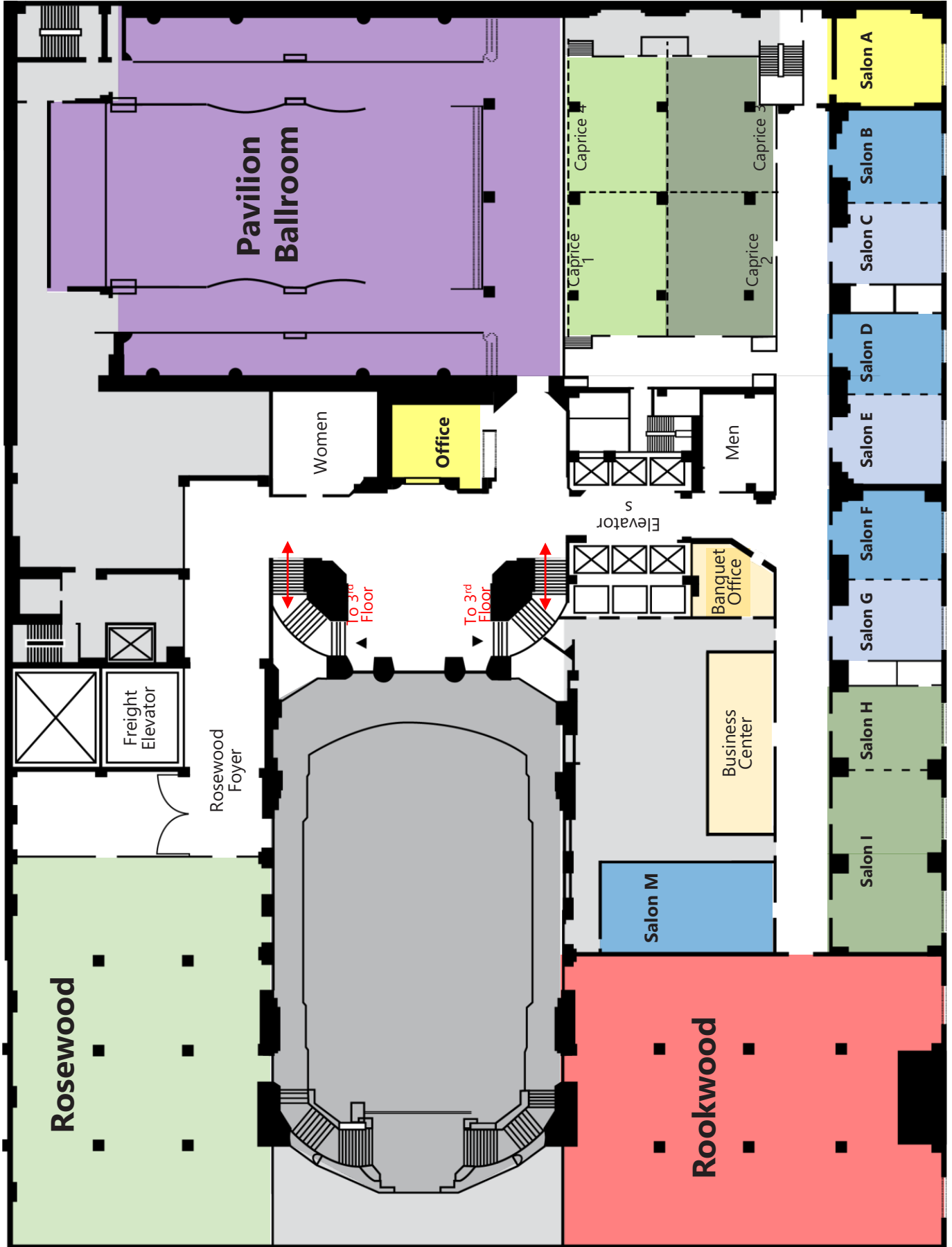
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Past Offices Held

Department of Ohio Treasurer
Department of Ohio Asst. Chaplain
Children & Youth Committee
Religious Emphasis Committee

9th District Commander
9th District Adjutant

Lake County Commander

Brakeman-King Post 336

Commander
(2009-2018)

MBA...Business Administration
BA...Accounting

“When you support
one of us
you support
All of us”



CHARLES STENNIS

Candidate for 1st Vice Commander
Department of Ohio



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Welcome!

**The American Legion
Department of Ohio Charities, Inc.**

Welcomes You to Cincinnati!

**Glenn Hickman, President
Art Lustig, Secretary
Jim Morris, Treasurer
Roger Friend, Trustee
Jerry Wilson, Trustee**



Jason E. Rue

Candidate for Department Of Ohio 2nd Vice Commander 2022-2023

Department of Ohio Great First District, Putnam/Hancock County Council, and Winnow-Arn Post 541, proudly presents Jason E. Rue as a candidate for Department of Ohio 2nd Vice Commander.

Jason earned his eligibility for the American Legion by serving 6 years in the United States Marine Corps Reserves and retiring out of the Ohio Army National Guard. His service in the National Guard included a tour in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Jason believes we need to get the younger veterans more involved in the American Legion. We need to gear more events and meetings toward the families of these Veterans. This will help grow membership.

Jason earned his B.S. in Sport Marketing and Management and has his Master's in Business Administration through his GI Bill and the Ohio National Guard Scholarship, while serving as President of the Student Veterans of America (SVA) at the University of Northwestern Ohio.

Jason is endorsed and sponsored by Past National Vice Commanders Jim Morris and Glenn Hickman and Past Department Commanders Robert Klostermeier, Robert Schmitt, Richard Zulch, Michael Morman, Steve Masowick, Ronald Chapman, Darrell Bishop, Robert Ray, and Lou Dimmerman.



Accomplishments:

- Married 3 years to Mindi, ALA District President
- 1 son, Tyler, a veteran and American Legion member
- District Commander 2019-2021
- PUFL Membership
- SAL membership Post 541

- Charter ALR member Post 541
- National Security Council
- BALC Graduate

Current Positions:

- National Americanism Committee
- Department Bowling Commissioner
- Post 541

1st Vice Commander

- Adjutant Putnam/Hancock County Council

Other Organizations:

- VFW Post 3740 Quartermaster
- DAV Chapter 77 Judge Advocate

Transforming Leadership





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Canton Post 44 and The Great Tenth District

PROUDLY PRESENTS

BRADLEY A. TEIS

★ **Candidate for Commander Department of Ohio 2022-2023** ★



Brad believes that We Can Grow OH-IO and get back to a position of strength. His can-do attitude, knowledge of the American Legion, and his business acumen has been a tremendous asset to the Department of Ohio American Legion. Brad has devoted himself to helping all Veterans.

Brad is also endorsed and sponsored by Past Department Commanders:

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| ★ David Hilliard | ★ Lou Dimmerman |
| ★ Jim Morris | ★ Robert Klostermeier |
| ★ Jerry Wilson | ★ Ron Chapman |
| ★ Ron Hartman | ★ Richard Zulch |
| ★ Darell Bishop | ★ Steve Masowick |
| ★ Robert Ray | ★ Jim Campbell |

PAST & CURRENT OFFICES HELD

*2021-2022 Department 1st Vice Commander
2019-2021 Department 2nd Vice Commander
Served in the U.S. Navy, Army & The Army National Guard*

Post Positions / Accomplishments

- ★ Commander Canton Post 44 2015 - 2019
- ★ Post Awarded PUFL Membership
- ★ Served as Post 2nd Vice, 1st Vice, Interim Finance Officer, Interim Adjutant and Membership Chairman
- ★ 100% Post Commander 2017, 2018 & 2019
- ★ 2018 Department Commander's Award Winner
- ★ SAL Squadron 44 Member
- ★ Serves on Post 44 Honor Guard

District Positions/Accomplishments

- ★ 10th District Commander 2018-2019
- ★ 100% Quota as District 2nd Vice, 1st Vice & Commander 2017, 2018 & 2019
- ★ 2018 Department Adjutant's Award Winner
- ★ Small "1" & Big "1" Pin Winner
- ★ 2017 & 2018 National Race to the Top District Officer
- ★ 2019 National Race to the Top Runner-Up as District Commander
- ★ President 10th District Past Commanders Association
- ★ Serves on the 10th District Task Force & Advisory Committee
- ★ District Special Olympics Chair
- ★ District DMS / 888 Chair

Community Positions/Accomplishments

- ★ Member Greater Canton Veterans Council
- ★ Served on the Board for Homes For Heroes
- ★ VA Volunteer
- ★ Co-Founder Aultman Woodlawn Compassionate Care Honor Team

Other Veteran Groups

- ★ Commissioner to Ohio Buckeye Boys State
- ★ Commissioner to Ohio American Legion Bowling Commission
- ★ 10th District Chairman to Ohio American Legion Baseball
- ★ National Appointee to the Americanism Council
- ★ Member VFW & Amvets

We Can Grow OH-IO

"1" VETERAN AT A TIME

