



59th Annual Detachment Convention Call

The 59th Annual Convention of the Detachment of Ohio of the Sons of The American will be hosted by District 11 and Squadron 389 on Friday-Sunday, May 19-21, 2023.

The Convention Meeting site is: Wingate by Wyndham Hotel
700 Pike St., Marietta, OH 45750
(740) 374-8190
Reservations Contact: Michael Burrell

***Note:** The hotel has undergone a branding change in December 2022 to the Wingate. This has had the effect of making the previous brand (Quality Inn Event and Conference Center) appear permanently closed, while the Wingate name may not yet appear in Internet searches. To minimize issues, please call the hotel directly at the number above and ask for our reservations contact, Michael Burrell.*

Hotel Reservations – Deadline: Friday, May 5, 2023 through the Hotel

Those desiring housing reservations **must contact the hotel directly** and mention they are with the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Ohio Convention in order to receive the agreed-upon rates of \$90.00-\$139.00 (plus tax) per night, depending on the room type. A credit card will be required to complete the reservation.

All housing reservations must be made with the hotel by Friday, May 5, 2023 since the room block must be released prior to the Convention.

The hotel will handle reservation requests on a first-come, first-served basis.
Please make sure you receive a confirmation number for your reservation.

Should you need to cancel your reservation, you must contact the hotel directly as well.
Make sure to get a confirmation number for your cancellation.

Do not confuse your Hotel Reservation with your Delegate Registration!

Delegate Registrations – Deadline: Friday, May 5, 2023, at Detachment HQ

All registrations for Convention Delegates, Alternates, and Advisors **MUST** be received at Detachment Headquarters by **May 5, 2023**. *There will be no Convention registrations accepted after this date, nor will any be taken at the Convention except for Guests/Visitors.* All registrations must be on the proper form and the registration fee is **\$5.00** per person, to be included with the registration form.

Registration of attendees will be held Friday, May 19th between 7:00 and 8:00 pm and Saturday morning, May 20th between 8:00 and 9:00 am. Each attendee must register individually at the designated registration table. **This will also be the time to make any changes (i.e., Alternate becomes a Delegate) or to register any last-minute Guests.**



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Program

There will be a meeting of the Detachment Executive Committee at 6:30 pm Friday evening to conclude any outstanding business for the administrative year and discuss any general convention and activities information for the weekend.

The opening session of the Convention will be called to order on Friday, May 19th at 8:00 pm and will include Greetings from several state and district officers, the Introduction of Guests, and the assignment of delegates to serve on the various Detachment Convention committees.

The business session on Saturday will begin at 9:00 am and will include committee reports, award presentations, and voting on any proposed resolutions.

The Sunday session will begin at 9:00 am and will be devoted to the election of officers and any other outstanding business. Prior to the Sunday morning session, a Memorial Service will be held commencing at 8:00 am.

PLEASE NOTE: *Our Dress Code will again be enforced this year. Legion-casual attire is acceptable for the Friday and Saturday sessions. At the Sunday session you are required to wear a coat, dress pants, shirt, and tie. All Detachment Officers are expected to wear a coat and tie at all sessions. Detachment Commission and Committee Chairmen are expected to wear a coat and tie when delivering their reports.*

Activities

See the enclosed forms for additional information.

A WORD OF CAUTION: *The hotel facilities are for registered hotel guests ONLY and neither the hotels nor the Ohio American Legion will accept responsibility for the personal safety/well-being of the registered guests attending the Convention.*



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