



DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

107th Annual State Convention Program

Jeff's Catering & Event Center, Brewer, Maine | June 12 – 13, 2026

Friday, June 12, 2026

- Resolutions Committee (9 a.m.) ... Jeff's Catering & Event Center, Brewer
Open Hearing, Committee Chairman, Lloyd Woods
New Officer Training (9-11 a.m.) ... Department Judge Advocate, Julie Flynn

First Session

Friday, June 12, 2026

- Call to Order (12:00 p.m. noon)..... Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Opening Ceremonies..... Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Presentation of Colors..... Department Sgt.-at-Arms, Drew Goodridge
Invocation ..... Department Chaplain, Sheryl Moore
Pledge of Allegiance ..... ALL
Preamble ..... ALL
Report of the Committee on ..... Department Judge Advocate, Julie Flynn
Permanent Rules and Organization
Welcome ..... Past National Commander, Anthony "Tony" Jordan
Greetings ..... Brewer City Mayor, Eric Glidden
NEC Report..... Nat'l Executive Committeeman, Lloyd Woods
Legislative Update ..... Chairman, Richard Flynn
Maine Blind Camp Update ..... Chairman, Brian Knowlton
History Awards ..... Department Historian, Tommy Somerville
Greetings ..... Wreaths Across America Director, Amber Caron
Department Finance Update..... Department Finance Officer, Mary "Tally" T. Brown
Children & Youth/Daniel E. Lambert Scholarships ..... Department Americanism Officer, Maureen Malley
Past Cmdr's Club (James V. Day Scholarship) ..... Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Oratorical Update..... Oratorical Committee Chairperson, Maureen Malley
Women Veterans Advisory Committee Update..... Women Veterans Advisory Chair, Patricia "Tricia" Thurston
Meet the Candidates..... Selected Legionnaires
Nomination of Dept. Officers ..... Selected Legionnaires
Announcements..... Department Adjutant, Jason Hall
3:00 p.m. Recess
5:30 p.m. Membership Appreciation Banquet..... Jeff's Catering & Event Center, Brewer
Registered ticket holders only.

Lunch will be available for purchase on both days, Friday & Saturday, at Jeff's Catering

\*\*Reminder: Voting will be on Saturday, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.\*\*

## Second Session

### Saturday, June 13, 2026

Call to Order (9:00 a.m.).....	Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Presentation of Colors .....	Department Sgt.-at-Arms, Drew Goodridge
Humanitarian/Humanitarian Citizen Awards .....	Humanitarian Chair, Patricia “Tricia” Thurston
Public Service Awards .....	Law & Order Chairman, Kirk Thurston
Border Patrol Award .....	National Executive Committeeman, Lloyd Woods
Dirigo State Update .....	Chairperson, Julie Flynn
Introduction of Past Dept. Cmdrs. & Past .....	Past Department Commander, Patricia “Tricia” Thurston
Legionnaires of the Year	
Legionnaire of the Year Award .....	Past Department Commander, Patricia “Tricia” Thurston
Greetings .....	U.S. Senator, Susan Collins
Service Office Update/Award .....	Department Service Officer, Carl Curtis
4 <sup>th</sup> Estate Award .....	Department Adjutant, Jason Hall
Junior Shooting Sports Program Update .....	Committee Member, David Watson
Greetings .....	U.S. Congresswoman, Chellie Pingree
Americanism Awards/Educator of the Year. ....	Dept. Americanism Officer, Maureen Malley
	& Dept. Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Eagle Scout of the Year Award.....	Eagle Scout Chairman, Peter Duston &
	Dept. Americanism Officer, Maureen Malley
American Legion Be the One Update .....	Dept. Judge Advocate, Julie Flynn
Greetings .....	U.S. Congressman, Jared Golden
Greetings .....	U.S. Senator, Angus King
Adjutant of the Year Award .....	Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Greetings.....	Maine Veterans Homes, CEO Brad Klawitter
Auxiliary, SAL & Legion Riders (Awards) .....	Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Greetings .....	SAL Detachment Commander, Steve Doyle
Greetings .....	The Legion Riders Director, Thomas Kuespert
Greetings .....	Auxiliary President, Linda Jack
Legion Baseball Update .....	Director, Scott Bishop
<b>12:00 p.m. Lunch</b>	
Roger’s Rangers & Tony’s Tigers Awards .....	PNC, Anthony “Tony” Jordan, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander, Joseph
	Michaud & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander, Ryan Coffin
Membership Awards .....	Dept. Vice Commanders Joseph Michaud and Ryan Coffin
Report on Credentials Committee .....	Credentials Chairman, Brian Knowlton
Report on Committee Resolutions .....	Committee Chairman, Lloyd Woods
Embers Paws of Hope Update.....	Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie and Timothy
	Nickels, Embers Paws of Hope
Ceremony Honoring Outgoing Dept. Cmdr. ....	Department Adjutant, Jason Hall
Response.....	Department Commander, Leroy McKenzie
Sweepstakes Drawing.....	
Memorial Service – Post Everlasting .....	Dept. Sgt.-at-Arms, Drew Goodridge and
	Dept. Chaplain, Sheryl Moore
Announcements .....	Dept. Adjutant, Jason Hall
Benediction .....	Dept. Chaplain, Sheryl Moore
Retirement of Colors .....	Dept. Sgt.-at-Arms, Drew Goodridge
Adjournment.....	(Sine Die)
<b>3:00 p.m. State Convention Installation for.....</b>	Jeff’s Catering & Event Center, Brewer
Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL Officers	

### Sunday, June 14, 2026

9:00 a.m. Department Executive Committee ..... Jeff’s Catering & Event Center, Brewer