

## Department of Alaska



### 97th Annual Convention

#### Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

4:30 - 9:00 p.m.	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	<b>Post #35</b>
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	<b>FINGER FOOD</b>	<b>Post #35</b>
5:00 p.m... - ???	<b>NO HOST COCKTAILS</b>	<b>Post #35</b>

Open house for Department Commander Scott Kline  
Department President Sharon Cherrette  
Detachment Commander Mike Jimerson  
Junior Auxiliary Honorary President, Tina Cruz  
National Commander Dale Barnett  
National Auxiliary President Sharon Conaster  
SAL National Commander Kevin Collier

5:00 p.m.	<b>ALR E-BOARD</b> Post 35
6:00 p.m.	ALR General Membership Meeting

#### Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016

7:00 – 8:45 a.m.	<b>BREAKFAST</b>
7:00 – 9:00 a.m.	<b>REGISTRATION CONTINUES AT POST 35</b>
8:00 a.m.	<b>DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
	***Sign up for All Male Auxiliary Luncheon ***
9:00 a.m.	<b>OFFICIAL COMBINED OPENING CEREMONIES</b>

Call to order, Department Commander Scott Kline

Posting of the Colors – Colony High School ROTC

National Anthem, Jennifer Mendez

Invocation, Department Chaplain

POW/MIA Ceremony, Department Sergeant-at-Arms

Pledge of Allegiance, Department First Vice Commander

Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion, Department  
Second Vice Commander

**INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS –  
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN JIM PISA**

The American Legion National Commander, Dale Barnett

American Legion Auxiliary President, Sharon Conaster

Sons of the American Legion National Commander, Kevin Collier

The American Legion Auxiliary National Executive  
Committeewoman, Beverly Eads

The American Legion Auxiliary Alternate National Executive  
Committeewoman, Sue Diaz

Sons of The American Legion National Executive Committeeman,  
Howard Furhworth

Sons of The American Legion Nat'l Alt/NEC, John Whitlock

**WELCOMING ADDRESSES & INTRODUCTION OF  
OFFICERS**

The American Legion Department Commander, Scott Kline

American Legion Auxiliary Department President, Sharon  
Cherrette

Sons of The American Legion Detachment Commander, Mike  
Jimerson

The American Legion Department of Alaska ALR Director, Mark Berg

American Legion Junior Auxiliary Honorary President, Tina Cruz

The American Legion Post #35 Commander, Jim Petito

American Legion Unit 35 President, Jane Larson

Sons of the American Legion Squadron #35 Commander, Bernie House

Local/State Dignitaries (Welcome Addresses)\_\_\_\_\_

10:45 a.m.

**RECESS**

American Legion Auxiliary adjourns to the Menard Center

Sons of The American Legion adjourns to the AMVETS Post 9

American Legion Junior Auxiliary adjourns to the Menard Center

11:00 a.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER SCOTT KLINE  
OFFICIALLY CONVENES THE 97TH ANNUAL  
DEPARTMENT CONVENTION**

Confirmation of Convention Quorum, Credentials  
Chairman

Call to Convention and Announcements, Department  
Adjutant Gene Franks

Committee Chairman Appointments, Department  
Commander Scott Kline

11:45 a.m.

**RECESS FOR AMERICANISM LUNCHEON**

Noon

**AMERICANISM LUNCHEON**

Master of Ceremonies: Department 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice,  
Kirk Waldhaus

Invocation: American Legion Department Auxiliary  
Chaplain, Jane Larson

Guest Speaker: National American Legion Auxiliary  
President, Sharon Conaster

1:30 p.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RECONVENES  
CONVENTION**

Committee meetings and reports

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

**NATIONAL HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE ORG.**

Committee meetings and reports

4:30 p.m.

**RECESS**

4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**OPEN HOUSE FOR DELEGATES**

6:30 p.m.

**AWARDS BANQUET**

Master of Ceremonies: Department Commander,  
Scott Kline

Invocation: Department Chaplain, Clare Sullivan

Legion Awards Presentation: Department Adjutant,  
Gene Franks

Auxiliary Awards Presentation: Department President,  
Sharon Cherrette

Sons of the American Legion Awards: Detachment  
Commander, Mike Jimerson & Detachment Adjutant,  
Kevin Collier

8:30 – 12:00

**AFTER DINNER ENTERTAINMENT**

**Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**

7:00 – 8:45 a.m.

**BREAKFAST**

9:00 a.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RECONVENES  
CONVENTION**

Committee meetings and reports

11:15 a.m.

**RECESS FOR POST EVERLASTING SET UP**

11:30 a.m.

**COMBINED MEMORIAL SERVICE – POST  
EVERLASTING**

Department Commander Scott Kline, Department Adjutant  
Gene Franks, Department Chaplain Clare Sullivan &  
Department Sergeant-at-Arms Nate Carter

Department Auxiliary President, Sharon Cherrette &  
Chaplain, Jane Larson

Detachment Commander, Mike Jimerson & Detachment  
Adjutant, Kevin Collier

Noon

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH LUNCHEON**

Master of Ceremonies: Children and Youth Chairman,  
Terry Huisman

Invocation: Auxiliary Department Chaplain, Jane Larson

Guest Speaker: National SAL Commander, Kevin Collier

1:30 p.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RECONVENES  
CONVENTION**

Committee meetings and reports

4:00

**RECESS**

4:30 – 6:30

**OPEN HOUSE FOR DELEGATES**

7:00 p.m.

**COMMANDER'S BANQUET**

Master of ceremonies: NEC Jim Pisa

Invocation: Department Chaplain, Clare Sullivan

Guest Speaker: National American Legion Commander,  
Dale Barnett

9:00 p.m.

**AFTER DINNER ENTERTAINMENT**

**Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**

7:00 – 8:45 a.m.

**BREAKFAST**

9:00 a.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RECONVENES  
CONVENTION**

Committee meetings and Reports

11:30 a.m.

**RECESS**

Noon

**ALL MALE AUXILIARY LUNCHEON**

1:30 p.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RECONVENES  
CONVENTION**

Committee meetings and reports

Elections of American Legion Department Officers

3:00 p.m.

NEC Jim Pisa: appointment of Nat'l Conv. Delegates and  
Alternates

2016 – 2017 Committee Chairmen Appointments by newly  
elected Department Commander

4:00 p.m.

**RECESS**

6:00 p.m.

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RECONVENES  
CONVENTION**

Installation of Officers for 2016-2017:

American Legion Auxiliary, Honorary Junior  
Auxiliary Department Officers

Sons of The American Legion, Detachment Officers

The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of  
Alaska Officers

The American Legion Riders, Department of  
Alaska Officers

The American Legion, Department of Alaska  
Officers

6:45 p.m.                                   **RECESS BY NEWLY INSTALLED DEPARTMENT  
COMMANDER**

7:00 p.m.                                   **COMMANDER'S AND PRESIDENT'S BANQUET**

Master of Ceremonies, NEC Jim Pisa

Invocation, Newly Installed Department Chaplain

9:00 p.m.                                   **RECONVENE**

**RETIREMENT OF COLORS**

**OFFICIAL CLOSING OF THE 97th ANNUAL  
DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA CONVENTION BY  
NEWLY INSTALLED 2016–2017 COMMANDER  
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS**

Department Commander, Scott Kline

Department President, Sharon Cherrette

Detachment Commander, Mike Jimerson

Honorary Junior Auxiliary Department President,  
Tina Cruz

**AFTER DINNER ENTERTAINMENT**

**Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

8:00 a.m. - Noon

No host breakfast at Post #35 Hosted by ALR Chapter 35