

Department of Illinois
106th Annual State Convention

Tentative Agenda (May be subject to change.)

BOS Convention Center
1 Convention Center Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701

June 05-08, 2025

Thursday, June 05, 2025

Dress Code for Training & Council Meeting will be Coat & Tie

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	District Commander-Elect Training <i>BOS B7</i>
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Membership Luncheon <i>*Invite Only</i> <i>BOS B2</i>
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Scholar's App Training <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	VFW Registration <i>BOS B11A-D</i>
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	VFW Sales <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Exhibitor/Vender Booths <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Silent Auction <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Poppy Displays <i>BOS B4</i>
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Committee Meetings <i>BOS B7</i>
2:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Breakout Sessions <i>BOS B 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, BOS 11C-D</i>
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Final 2024-25 Council Meeting <i>BOS B7</i>
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Memorial Service <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
TBD	Hospitality Room <i>PAL Freeport & Governor Yates</i>

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Friday, June 06, 2025

Dress Code for Business Session will be Coat & Tie

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Joint Opening Ceremony Includes Guest Speakers & Special Presentations <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	VFW Registration <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Exhibitor/Vendor Booths <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	VFW Sales <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Silent Auction <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Poppy Displays <i>BOS B4</i>
12:00 PM - 1:15 PM	Past Dist. Commander's Assoc. Luncheon <i>BOS B-2</i>
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Rules of the Convention, Credentials, Legislative. Includes Guest Speakers & Program Reports <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	1st Nominations for 2025-26 State Officers <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
2:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Breakout Sessions <i>BOS B 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, BOS 11C-D</i>
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Patriotic Rally <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
TBD	Hospitality Room <i>PAL Freeport & Governor Yates</i>

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Saturday, June 07, 2025

Dress Code for Business Session will be Coat & Tie

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Prayer Breakfast <i>BOS B2</i>
8:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Guests from Veteran's Groups <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	VFW Registration <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Exhibitor/Vendor Booths <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	VFW Sales <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Silent Auction <i>BOS B11A-B</i>
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Poppy Displays <i>BOS B4</i>
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM	Buddy Poppy Report, Ntl. Home Report, Silver March & Other Program Reports <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
12:30 PM - 3:00 PM	By-Laws & Resolutions, Credentials, Convention Raffle, 2nd Nominations, & Elections <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Joint Installation of 2025-26 State Officers <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Commander & President's Reception <i>BOS B11C-D</i>
TBD	Hospitality Room <i>PAL Freeport & Governor Yates</i>

Sunday, June 08, 2025

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Council of Administration Meeting <i>PAL Governor Bond</i>
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BREAKOUT SESSIONS – FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025

Time	Session	Room	Instructor
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Post Service Officer Training	B3	Sean Conner
9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Quartermaster Training	B1	Jimmie Waters
	Adjutant Training	B8	Glen Goodrich
	Commander Training	B6	Todd Latham
	All-State	B2	Steve Eller
9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Audits	B1	Jimmie Waters
	Dashboard	B8	Glen Goodrich
	Trustee Training	B6	Bobby Welch
	Community Service	B2	Steve Eller
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Inspections Women Veterans	B1 B2	Cathy Stubbs Nekohl Johnson
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Scholar's App	B1	Dave Darte & David Long
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Post Service Officer Training	B3	Sean Conner
1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Quartermaster Training	B1	Jimmie Waters
	Adjutant Training	B8	Glen Goodrich
	Commander Training	B6	Todd Latham
	Road Home & SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Programs	B2	Mathius Carter & Josh Daren
1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Audits	B1	Jimmie Waters
	Dashboard	B8	Glen Goodrich
	Trustee Training	B6	Bobby Welch
	Newspaper Article Submission	B2	Brett Nila
2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Inspections	B1	Cathy Stubbs

VFW State Convention Transportation Needs

This will be a continual loop from the Crowne only to the BOS.

Friday, June 6, 2025

7am – 11:30am	One Motor Coach Bus
1pm-5pm	One 35 passenger Shuttle
6pm-10pm	One Motor Coach Bus

Saturday, June 7, 2025

7am-10am	One Motor Coach Bus
12pm-5pm	One 35 passenger Shuttle
5pm-11pm	One Motor Coach Bus