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# **Kearney to Host 100<sup>th</sup> Annual American Legion Department Convention**

Lincoln (June 14, 2018) – The American Legion will be conducting their 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention with the American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion, and American Legion Riders at the Ramada Inn located at 301 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in Kearney.

A joint session will be held on Friday, June 22 with greetings from Governor Pete Ricketts as well as a memorial service. Saturday will have greetings from Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs Director John Hilgert, presentations of awards, and greetings from the Department's youth champions. The election and installation of officers will be held Sunday morning.

In addition, booths and displays will be set up in the hall and American Legion Family members will be available to answer questions.

The public is invited to stop by the Convention Center and learn more information about The American Legion and the opportunities that it offers. Sessions will be conducted Friday, June 22 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Saturday, June 23 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and Sunday, June 24 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Since its inception in 1919, The American Legion has been a key advocate for veterans' benefits, patriotic American values, instilling values in young people through numerous programs, and a strong nation defense with focus on quality-of-life issues for those serving in today's armed forces.

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