



American GI Forum

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American GI Forum of the United States 62nd National Convention: July 21 – 24, 2010

Tentative Agenda

(Subject to Change - Revised 6/17/2010 @ 8:25 p.m.)

National Convention to be held at Imperial Palace Hotel

Tuesday, July 20, 2010

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Early Registration (*3rd Floor*)

Wednesday, July 21, 2010

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration (*3rd Floor*)

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Hispanic Education Foundation (HEF) Board Meeting
(*Pearl Room - 4th Floor*) – *Barbara Olivas, National Director*

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 P.M. Appeals Hearing (Executive and National Board)
(*Royal Hall A – 3rd Floor*)

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Exhibitors Set-up (*Royal Hall A – 3rd Floor*)

Thursday, July 22, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Exhibits Open

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. General Session (*Royal Hall A - 3rd Floor*)
Prayer - *Jose Olivas, State Commander,*
Kansas American GI Forum

Pledge – *Greg Nichols, National Sergeant-at-Arms*

Welcome

Francisco Ivarra, National Commander,
American GI Forum of the United States

Tony Gladney, Vice President,
National Diversity Relations, Harrah's Entertainment

Reading of Conference Rules, *Francisco Alvarez,*
National Parliamentarian

Committee Assignments

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10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Workshop Session (*Royal Hall A*)
Ismael (Milo) Garcia, Team Leader
Department of Veterans Affairs - Santa Fe Vet Center
Topic: Vet Center Outreach and Services for Hispanic Veterans

Michelle Stratton, Deputy Small Business,
United States Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District
Topic: Understanding the Federal Government Process

10:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.

National Veteran's Outreach Program (NVOP) Board Meeting
(*Flamingo Hotel*) - Carlos Martinez, President

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Women's Luncheon (*Pacific Room – 6th Floor*)

Keynote Speaker:

Ms. Lucy Flores, Latino Strategies

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

General Session/Reconvenes
Business

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Women's Breakout Session (*Pearl Room – 4th Floor*)
Youth Breakout Session (*Sampan B – 4th Floor*)
Forum /Veterans Breakout Session (*Koko Room – 4th Floor*)

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Founder's Reception (Pacific Room)

Friday, July 23, 2010

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Exhibits Open

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

General Session (*Royal Hall A*)

Reports:

- 2009 National Conference
- Midyear Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- National Chairwoman
- National Youth Chair
- Civil Rights
- State Commanders

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12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Youth Leadership Luncheon (*Pacific Room – 6th Floor*)
Librado Herrera, National Youth Chair

Keynote Speaker

Jose L. Melendrez, MSW, University of Nevada at Las Vegas,
Office of the Vice President for Diversity & Inclusion

Youth Pageant Scholarship Competition

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

General Session Reconvenes (*Royal Hall A*)

Reports:

- Credentials
- Resolutions
- Nominations

Saturday, July 24, 2010

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Mass (*Royal Hall A*)

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

General Session Reconvenes (*Royal Hall A*)

- Old/New Business
- Final Credential and Nominations Reports

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

General Session Reconvenes (*Royal Hall A*)

- Selection of Midyear/National Conference Sites
- Election of National Officers

5:00 p.m.

Adjournment (*Conference Closes*)

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Commander's Banquet (*Royal Hall A*)

Joedis Avila, MillerCoors, Multi Cultural
Relations Hispanic Market

Alfonso R. Batres, PhD, MSSW
Chief Readjustment Counseling Officer,
Veterans Health Administration

Keynote Speaker

Colonel Joey Strickland (U.S. Army RET),
Director, Arizona Department of Veterans Affairs

Installation of National Officers