



**The American Legion  
Department of Colorado  
2026 Mid-Year Conference Agenda  
January 23-24, 2026  
American Legion Posts #38 - 209, Colorado  
Springs, Colorado**

**Friday January 23, 2026**

4pm DEC meeting Post #209

6pm Dinner at Post #209

**Saturday, January 24, 2026 Post #38**

**9:00am Joint Opening Ceremony-**

Commander- Mike Crow

ALA President – Shellie McLatchie

SAL Commander- Rob Barry

ALR State Chairman – Steve Hayes

Call for Advancement of Colors- American Legion Post ???

Invocation - Chaplain Pastor Stan Hamamoto

Pledge Allegiance – ALR Steeve Hayes

POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony – Sgt at Arms – Jon Anders

Preamble – Department Sr. Vice Commander Sarah Tobin

Military Child Table – ALA Jr Auxiliary

**9:10am Introduction of American Legion Officers- Commander Mike Crow**

Sr. Vice Commander- Sarah Tobin,

Jr. Vice Commander- Tina Kyprios, Michael Bosshardt, George Horgan,  
George Apadoca, Anthony Koch, Adam Valdez,

Finance Officer- Mark Kilstrom

(Asst. Finance) Mike Gott

Chaplain- Pastor Stan Hamamoto

Sgt-At-Arms-Jon Anders;

NEC- Tom Florez:

ANEC- Greg Jackson,

**Introduction of Dept. Staff**

National Staffer: Jim Talaska

Dept. Service Officer Will Davis

DSO Admin Joan St. Marie

**Introduction of Past Department Commanders - Commander Crow**

Introduction of ALA Officers – President Shellie McLatchie

Introduction of SAL Officers – SAL Commander Rob Barry

Introduction of ALR Officers – ALR State Chairman Steve Hayes

**9:20am** Introductions of **guests/greetings**- Commander Crow

**9:45am** Resolutions training by PDC Ralph Bozella

**11:00am** **Discussion of items from the DEC meeting**

The ALA will be excused to go to Post #209 to commence at 10:30hrs

**12:00pm NOON Lunch: Taco Bar at Post #38 \$10.00 per person please RSVP to: John C Langlely clangley30@yahoo.com (903)292-9341**

**PDCC's meeting and lunch at Post #38**

**1:30pm American Legion Programs Committee Reports**

Americanism;

Baseball – Dave Baker

Boy Scouts- Steve Hayes;

Boys State- **Deb Davis or Norm Steen**

Children and Youth – Tina Kyprios

Community Service - ;

Legion Riders - Steve Hayes;

Legislative - Jim Stanko;

National Security –

Oratorical – Tina Kyprios;

POW/MIA - .

**2:00pm LEO/FF award presentation**

**4:20pm Benediction- Department Chaplain**

**4:30am Adjourn**

**6:00pm Dinner at Post #209**

**7:00pm-9:00pm Hospitality Room**

**Notes:**

Meal pre-purchase for 2026 Department of Colorado Mid-Year convention Meals served at Neal Thomas Jr. Centennial Post 209, 3613 Jeannine Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80917. There are three meals that can be purchased at Post 209 during Mid-Year: - Friday January 23rd, 6pm: Spaghetti, Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo, Garlic Bread, Salad, Dessert: \$10 - Saturday January 24th 12pm: Build your own deli style sub sandwiches, chips, soup, lemonade, iced tea, coffee: \$10 - Saturday January 24th 6pm: Chicken Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, white gravy, veggies, rolls, salad, dessert, lemonade, iced tea, coffee: \$15 Register and pre-pay at this link:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/2026-department-of-colorado-mid-year-meals-post--209> To pre-pay, select your desired meals, then process payment for total in the form. Additional notes: - - To RSVP and pay on site instead of pre-pay, email Jackie Bowen at jackiebowen2005@yahoo.com or contact by phone text to 901-481-0673. Include your name, Post/unit/squadron, email or phone, "mid-year meal" and 23 Jan dinner, 24 Jan lunch, and/or 24 Jan dinner in your RSVP. DO NOT submit an RSVP if you pre-pay. Pre-Pay and RSVPs must be received NO LATER THAN Noon 21 January. - - - Walk-in's can only be served after Pre-Pay and RSVPs have been served and only if food is still available. Max capacity each meal is 150 people. The pre-pay option for each meal will be taken down once it reaches the limit. Pre-Pay will receive an email ticket for the meal. Print the tickets and bring the ticket with you when you arrive for each meal.

**NOTE: The TAL/SAL lunch will be at Post #38 on Saturday at noon please RSVP to:**

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**The DEC meeting will take place on January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2026 at 16:00 hrs at Post #209 and will recess and reconvene after the adjournment of the Mid-Year Conference and proceed until all business is concluded.**

**The addresses to the Hotel and Posts are as follows:**

Neal Thomas Jr. Centennial Post 209, 3613 Jeannine Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80917. **Phone:** [\(719\) 599-8624](tel:7195998624)

American Legion Post 38 **6685 Southmoor Dr, Fountain, CO 80817**  
**Phone:** [\(719\) 392-9901](tel:7193929901)

Tru by Hilton Colorado Springs Airport **Address:** 2845 Zeppelin Rd Suite B, Colorado Springs, CO 80916. If you call the hotel and ask for the Legion rate it will be at \$80.00 for a normal room and \$90.00 for a suite.

**Phone:** [\(719\) 418-0000](tel:7194180000)

