

**TODAY'S SCHEDULE OVERVIEW**

Party, party, party!  
 ALA National President  
 Guest Speakers  
 Elections

# FEDERALIST

VS



# NATIONALIST



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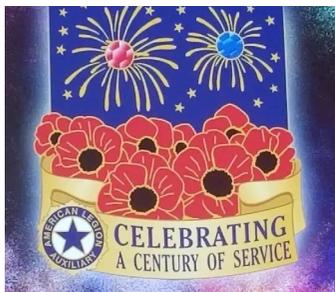
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# WELCOME ALA NATIONAL PRESIDENT NICOLE CLAPP!



Nicole Clapp of Gladbrook, Iowa, became the national president of the American Legion Auxiliary in 2019. She has traveled throughout the United States supporting veterans, military, and their families and spreading the message of *service not self* to members. When addressing the 2021 ALA Girls Nation Senators, President Clapp shared stories of how adaptive equipment has allowed so many veterans to be successful both in life and in adaptive sport. Following her presentation she answered questions from the ALA Girls Nation senators, while distributing her pin and an her pen.



## 2021 ALA GIRLS NATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

### FEDERALIST

### NATIONALIST

<b>Platform</b>	Senator Parra, IL	<b>Platform</b>	Senator Palko, NM
<b>Convention</b>	Senator Rankin, PA	<b>Convention</b>	Senator Kim, NV
<b>Campaign</b>	Senator Scharoun, NV	<b>Campaign</b>	Senator Green, MO
<b>Election</b>	Senator Pham, GA	<b>Election</b>	Senator Branch, MI
<b>Rules/ Credentials</b>	Senator Dong, HI	<b>Rules/ Credentials</b>	Senator Li, WA

The ALA Girls Nation Senate has six senate committees. The committee chairmen are selected by the members of each committee. The chairman appoints a secretary, conducts the committee hearing, and reports the committee action during senate session.

## WORKING HARD AS SENATORS

Senate meetings and party conventions filled our schedule with a lot of elections, discussions, and hard work. It is always great to watch the senators get more comfortable in the meetings. They are quickly taking risks, running for positions, and debating with each other about the issues.

### NATIONALIST



**Senator Favors, IN**  
Majority Party  
Floor Leader

### FEDERALIST



**Senator Streit, CA**  
Minority Party  
Floor Leader

ALA Girls Nation floor leaders act as spokespersons for their parties in routine business, such as morning hour, legislative business, and recess or adjournments. They lead party consensus on the Senate floor along with the party whips.



**Senator Madinasab, TX**  
Majority Party  
Whip



**Senator de la Paz, OR**  
Minority Party  
Whip

The primary responsibility of the ALA Girls Nation Whip involves encouraging party fidelity in voting and keeping track of party sentiment on issues.



**Senator Berger, ND**  
Keynote Speaker



**Senator Chaman, CO**  
Keynote Speaker

The ALA Girls Nation keynote speaker is enthusiastic, interesting, and determined to get her party candidates elected. She will give two short introductory speeches at the party rally and will introduce the presidential and vice presidential candidates.

## DID YOU KNOW?

All of the senator headshots and ALA Girls Nation Times from this year's ALA Girls Nation can be found on our 2021 ALA Girls Nation Flickr account.

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### ALA Girls Nation Pledge

*For God and Country, I promise to give unselfish and constructive cooperation, to share with others the benefits of my experience as a senator of ALA Girls Nation, to participate in the government of my country, state and nation upon reaching my majority, and above all, to constantly exemplify the highest type of Americanism.*



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## WELCOME TO THESE SPECIAL GUESTS!

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Today's guest speakers participated in a panel discussion about adaptive sport. The panel discussion was lead by Dawna Callahan. Dawna has been involved with adaptive sport professionally for more than 20 years. Most recently she founded, All In Sport Consulting, a national adaptive sport consulting group. Prior to starting her own business, Dawna was the Director of Programs with the Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF). Globally, CAF provides access to sport opportunities for people with physical disabilities. Within the United States Olympic Committee, Paralympic Division, Dawna held positions as the Manager of Sport Outreach and Development and Manager, Paralympic Military Program.

The panel also consisted of Patty Collins who is a 24 year Army veteran who now serves as a leadership consultant, motivational speaker, and coach. He has experience in a multitude of areas from information technology, knowledge management, strategic leadership, and organizational change. A pioneer in her field, she was one of a small number of women to serve in Special Operations and was the first woman in the DOD to complete the Military Free Fall Jumpmaster Course. She rehabilitated from a lower leg amputation following a bicycle accident while continuing to serve in her unit of assignment, returning to running and parachuting within 6 months of her surgery. She remained an active duty service member for another 9 years, deploying to Afghanistan and commanding a tactical communications Battalion as an amputee with no physical limitations. Upon her retirement from service, Patty was a member of the 2016 US Paralympic Team representing the U.S. in the sport of triathlon in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Rounding out the panel was Colonel (Retired) David M. Rozell. He is an inspiration and icon among military amputees over the last eighteen years, and recently completed over twenty-six years of honorable service. David served primarily as an Armor/Cavalry Officer in the U.S. Army. David has served in leadership positions from tank platoon leader to combined arms battalion command, where he served as the battalion commander of 1-72 Armor Battalion in the Republic of Korea. David has had numerous assignments around the globe, with four years of service in Korea, three deployments to Iraq, and one year in Afghanistan. His battalion command and last three combat deployments were as a Military Amputee. He lost his right leg below the knee to a land-mine in Iraq in June of 2003, during his first deployment.

