

**AMERICAN
LEGION**
AUXILIARY
GIRLS NATION



2023
CAPTURING THE
MOMENTS



DAY ONE
JULY 22

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Arrivals
- Orientation
- Opening Convocation



Let the adventure begin!

The excitement was visible on the senators' faces as they arrived on campus. They are ready for a full week of senate work, mixed in with fun that will lead to life-long friendships. During orientation, they were able to get to know each other while making cards for veterans.



Did you know?

ALA Girls Nation was founded in 1947!

During that year:

- President Truman was in office.
- More than 1-million veterans enrolled in college through the G.I. Bill. (A bill made possible by efforts from The American Legion and fully supported by the ALA.)





Opening Convocation: July 22, 2023

The senators are now official! They took the Senate Oath during Opening Convocation.

The Nats erupted in excitement when they learned they are the majority party by 51% to 49%.

Convocation concluded with the annual poppy ceremony. Senators learned about the importance of the poppy and the ALA. Then each senator put poppies on a wreath that will be placed at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

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