



## TODAY'S SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

Arlington Cemetary

Guest Speakers

Senate



## SENATE SESSIONS BEGIN!

The first Senate session kicked off today. The senators quickly got to work within their political parties and elected a party chairman, a senate secretary, and the president pro tem.



President  
Pro Tem  
Senator Bowron  
Alabama

### DID YOU KNOW?

The ALA Girls nation president pro tem presides over the senate immediately following her election until a vice president is elected.



Senate  
Secretary  
Senator Yang  
New Jersey

### DID YOU KNOW?

The ALA Girls Nation senate secretary must keep senate roll in order as well as submitted bills, resolutions, and act as timekeeper.



Nationalist  
Party Chairman  
Senator Boggs  
Florida



Federalist  
Party Chairman  
Senator Hobbs  
Texas

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### DID YOU KNOW?

At ALA Girls Nation, party chairmen are responsible for running the rest of the caucus, party conventions, and the rally. The party chairperson is the most important position in the party organization.

## ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

The ALA Girls Nation senators had the opportunity to visit Arlington National Cemetery. The visit included a narrated tour, participation in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and visits to some of the more iconic stops during a walking tour.



## GREETINGS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

The National Commander of the American Legion James W. "Bill" Oxford brought greetings via zoom to the 2021 ALA Girls Nation senators. His message was grounded in the quote "Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country." He challenged every senator to contribute in some way to their communities, much like the mission of both The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary.



## GUEST SPEAKER: KATIE BRITT

Katie Britt is an ALA Alabama Girls State alumna who has been involved in government and politics ever since her involvement with ALA Girls State. She has held various roles throughout her career which include serving as the Chief of Staff for Alabama Senator Richard Shelby. She provided an inspirational and motivational speech to the ALA Girls Nation senators. Katie reminded them to set the bar high for themselves and know that if they work hard and show up everyday for themselves and others, they will be able to achieve their goals in life.



## ALA GIRLS NATION PATRIOTIC SERVICE

While visiting Arlington National Cemetery the ALA Girls Nation senators held a patriotic service at the James Tanner Amphitheater. This location is referred to as the "Old Amphitheater," and was the site of the first Memorial Day ceremony held at Arlington Cemetery on May 30, 1868. Today the senators shared poems, sang songs, and celebrated in this beautiful venue.



## SENATE IS IN SESSION!



**Chaplin:**  
**Senator Ransom**  
**Oklahoma**



**Senate Reporter:**  
**Avery Wright**  
**Nebraska**



**Sergeant-At-Arms:**  
**Senator Shelsta**  
**South Dakota**



**Assistant**  
**Sergeant-At-Arms:**  
**Senator Holmes**  
**Maryland**



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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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