Department of Maryland

Marine Corps League

Marine Corps League Auxiliary

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2024 Convention

Ocean City, Maryland 9th – 10th – 11th May 2024

This Convention packet including individual forms that you can type into are available on the Department website.

www.deptofmdmcl.org

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TO ALL DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND MARINE CORPS LEAGUER & AUXILIARY MEMBERS

The 2024 Marine Corps League Statewide Convention will be sponsored by the Department of Maryland and the Department of Maryland Auxiliary on May 9th, 10th, 11th, at the Grand Hotel and Spa in Ocean City, Maryland.

This is a great opportunity for all Marine Corps League & Auxiliary members in the State of Maryland to be a part of the workings and policy decisions of your organization, as well as share in the camaraderie of time spent with other members throughout the state. We haven't even mentioned having a great time in Ocean City and on the boardwalk, along with all the great restaurants and shops.

The details pertaining to hotel registration, guest registration, banquet registration, League and Auxiliary meetings, Devil Dogs Growl and hospitality room will be found in the pages in this presentation. It is vitally important that you review this information and return the registration paperwork as soon as possible to indicate your preferences to the Convention Committee. Please note that the prices for rooms at the hotel are significantly reduced, and that these prices are in effect for the entire week preceding the Convention. This makes it possible for you to enjoy many days at the beach at a great savings to you and your family, should you choose to make a mini-vacation of this event.

Delegate, Alternate and Associate Member registration will be done through the Detachments. Non-Delegates and guests will fill out and mail their forms as indicated.

The Committee has tried to make it convenient for you to register and attend this Convention. This packet of information should include everything you need to get registered at the hotel, register for the convention and register for the banquet. We have decided to have a buffet style dinner at the banquet on Saturday evening, and it is very important that you send in the banquet registration form from this packet so we will have an accurate head count to give the hotel.

The Raffle this year will be as follows: the cost of the tickets will be \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. There will be three winners - 1 \$500; 1 \$300; 1 \$100. Each Detachment Senior Vice Commandant has been given 100 tickets each to sell. There will be an Early Bird drawing for \$250 at the March Department meeting in 2024. The Department also has extra tickets. The drawing will be at the Convention on Saturday evening. Anyone can purchase the raffle tickets and YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN. Please show your support by buying your share of raffle tickets. Contact your Detachment Sr Vice Commandant to purchase Raffle Tickets. Make your check payable to "Department of MD MCL". You may also contact the Convention Chairman Tony Rust for additional information.

We also need your help and support in obtaining advertisers for the convention book. Please review the information pertaining to the convention book ads. You are encouraged to contact businesses in your area and sell patron ads for \$5.00 each. We ask that each Detachment, Auxiliary Unit, and MODD Pound place an ad in the Convention Book, also that any of you who own or operate your own business, consider supporting this effort with your own advertisement. Each Detachment has the information on how this will be a mini-fund raiser for them by selling ads. Remember, only you can help make this Convention a success by selling ads. Do your share!!

The Convention Committee looks forward to seeing each of you at this year's Department of Maryland, Marine Corps League Convention in Ocean City, Maryland and we appreciate your support.

Tony Rust

Convention Chairman 45795 Stoney Run Drive Great Mills, MD 20634 Phone: 240-538-1588 Email: sluf@outlook.com



Marine Corps League & Auxiliary Department of Maryland

2024 CONVENTION AGENDA*

Thursday, May 9 th 2024	
Registration (Hospitality Suite 827 or Starboard Ball Room)	1700-2200

Friday, May 10th 2024

Continental Breakfast	(Hospitality Suite 827)	0700-0830
Registration (Hospitality S	Suite 827)	0730-0830
Department & Auxiliary J	oint Opening Meeting	0900-1200
Lunch Break/Free Time (Hospitality Suite 827)	1200-1330
Devil Dogs initiation (Indo	oor Pool) & Growl (Mtg Room)	1330-1600
Registration (Hospitality S	Suite 827)	1700-2000

Saturday. May 11th 2024

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Continental Breakfast (Hospitality Room)	0700-0830
Registration (Hospitality Room)	0730-0830
Department Business Meeting/Officer Nominations	0900-1200
(Grand Ball Room)	
Auxiliary Business Meeting/Officer Nominations	0900-1200
(Adjacent to Grand Ball Room	
Lunch Break/Free Time (Hospitality Suite 827)	1200-1330
Business Meetings/Election & Install Officers (Grand Ball Room)	1330-1500
Hospitality Room (Closed During Banquet)	1700-2200
Banquet Cocktail Hour (Grand Ball Room)	1800-1900
Dinner Banquet & Program (Grand Ball Room)	1900-2200

Guest Speaker

Department Commandant Awards MODD Dog of the Year Award

Department Marine of the Year Award

Raffle Drawings

Hospitality room opens immediately after banquet concludes TBD-2300

^{*}Agenda is subject to change at any time.

Hotel and Banquet Information

HOTEL: Grand Hotel and Spa 2100 North Baltimore Ave Ocean City, MD 21842



2024 Convention

Phone: (410) 289-6191 or (800) 447-6779

Website: www.grandhoteloceancity.com

The Grand Hotel and Spa has set aside a block of rooms for the Marine Corps League Department Convention. Each individual will be responsible for making their own reservation with the Hotel NLT 9 April 2024. Callers should identify themselves as being part of the Department of Maryland Marine Corps League to receive the group rate. Rates are as follows:

Room Type	Thursday 5/9/2024	Friday 5/10/2024	Saturday 5/11/2024
City View Guest Room	\$80	\$165	\$165
Ocean View Guest Room	\$90	\$175	\$175
Direct Oceanfront Guest Room	\$110	\$215	\$215

- Arrangements can be made for luggage storage beyond 11:00 AM.
- Parking: Free parking is provided in the adjacent garage.
- Other Amenities: Weight room, spa, and heated indoor pool.
- Individuals are responsible for making their own hotel reservations.
- <u>Reservations must be made by Tuesday 3 April 2024</u> to get the reduced Convention rate. Any requests after this date
 will be subject to room rate and availability. Please identify yourself as being with the Marine Corps League Convention.
 HURRY! Rooms are on a first-come, first -served basis.

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BANQUET: Saturday, May 11th 2024

Cost: \$60.00 per person

Buffet Menu: Menu TBD until we get closer to the event Dress Attire: Formal (preferred) or MCL Red Blazer

Please complete the **Banquet Registration Form** for all persons attending the Banquet.

Reservation Deadline: Friday April 19, 2024

DEADLINE DATES FOR YOUR ACTION:

Hotel Reservations: 9 April
Advertising / Patron Ads: 19 April

Delegate / Alternate / Associate Pre-Registration: 19 April (through Detachment or Unit only)

Non-Delegate / Guest Pre-Registration: 19 April
Banquet Reservations: 19 April

If you have any questions concerning hotel reservations, registration, banquet reservations or anything else pertaining to the 2024 Department Convention, please feel free to contact me by phone or email. Semper Fi, Tony Rust - 2024 Convention Chairman

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Advertising Book Form 2024 Convention

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Email all ads for 2024 Convention Book to PDD Tony Rust at sluf@outlook.com

<u>Mail all Ad Checks to</u>: Your Local Detachment Paymaster, who will then forward to Department Paymaster Laurie Blair. Remember, your Detachment earns a 25% commission for all ads sold in excess of \$300.00. The local Detachment Paymaster should deduct the 25% commission after the initial \$300.00 has been forwarded.

This form may be reproduced as needed.

DEADLINE: 19 April 2024

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Banquet Registration Form

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16800 Blake Rd, Hagerstown, MD 21740

Email: Paymasterantietam@gmail.com

Banquet seating will be assigned at random. Be sure to specify if there are attendees with whom you would like to be seated. No banquet reservations will be accepted after the deadline.

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Guest Registration Form

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ALL <u>Delegates</u>, <u>Alternates</u> and <u>Associate Members</u> SHALL be registered by their <u>Detachment or Auxiliary Unit</u>. The Detachment or Unit should pay for your

** Use this Form if you have not been registered by your Detachment or Unit.

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This pre-registration form will make your check-in a lot quicker. Children must be registered to have access to the hospitality room. - **Please complete and mail early**.