# **Department of Maryland**

## **Marine Corps League**

## **Marine Corps League Auxiliary**

and

# **Military Order of the Devil Dogs**

**Military Order of the Devil Dog Fleas** 







# **2025 Convention**

# **Ocean City, Maryland**

8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> - 10th May 2025

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

# www.deptofmdmcl.org



#### TO ALL DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND MARINE CORPS LEAGUER & AUXILIARY MEMBERS

The 2025 Marine Corps League Statewide Convention will be sponsored by the Department of Maryland and the Department of Maryland Auxiliary on May 8th, 9th, 10th, 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. 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 Rob Heilig 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.

#### **Rob Heilig**

Convention Chairman 186 Tender Foot Rd Oakland, MD 21550 Phone: 301-616-5698 Email: robheilig1@yahoo.com



# **2025 CONVENTION AGENDA\***

Thursday, May 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	
Registration (Hospitality Suite 827 or Starboard Ball Room)	1700-2200
Friday, May 9th, 2025	
Continental Breakfast (Hospitality Suite 827)	0700-0830
Registration (Hospitality Suite 827)	0730-0830
Department & Auxiliary Joint Opening Meeting	0900-1200
Lunch Break/Free Time (Hospitality Suite 827)	1200-1300
Devil Dogs initiation (Indoor Pool) & Growl (Mtg Room)	1300-1600
Registration (Hospitality Suite 827)	1700-2000
Saturday, May 10th 2025	
Continental Breakfast (Hospitality Room)	0700-0830
Registration (Hospitality Room)	0730-0830

Department Business Meeting/Officer Nominations (Grand	l Ball Room) 0900-1200
Auxiliary Business Meeting/Officer Nominations (Adjacent	to Grand Ball Room 0900-1200
Lunch Break/Free Time (Hospitality Suite 827)	1200-1330
Business Meetings/Election & Install Officers (Grand Ball F	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
Will Include:	
Guest Speaker	
Department Commandant Awards	
MOOD Dog of the Year Award	
Department Marine of the Year Award	
Raffle Drawings	

#### Hospitality room opens immediately after banquet

TBD-2300

\* Agenda is subject to change at any time.

# Hotel and Banquet Information

# 2025 Convention

#### HOTEL: Grand Hotel and Spa 2100 North Baltimore Ave

Ocean City, MD 21842

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 5/8/2025	Friday 5/10/2024	Saturday 5/11/2024
City View Guest Room	\$84	\$173	\$173
Ocean View Guest Room	\$94	\$183	\$183
Direct Oceanfront Guest Room	\$115	\$225	\$225

#### \*\*Advance Deposit \$99

- 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 8 April 2025</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.

#### BANQUET: Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2025

Cost: \$60.00 per person

 

 Buffet Menu:
 Bacon Wrapped BBQ Pork Loin or Pineapple Salsa Chicken

 Dress Attire:
 Informal, Hawaiian Luau, no shorts

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

Reservation Deadline: Friday April 18, 2025

#### **DEADLINE DATES FOR YOUR ACTION:**

Hotel Reservations:	8 April
Advertising / Patron Ads:	18 April
Delegate / Alternate / Associate Pre-Registration:	18 April (through Detachment or Unit
Non-Delegate / Guest Pre-Registration:	only) 18 April
Banquet Reservations:	18 April

If you have any questions concerning hotel reservations, registration, banquet reservations or anything else pertaining to the 2025 Department Convention, please feel free to contact me by phone or email. Semper Fi, Rob Heilig 2025 Convention Chairman

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Mail to: Department Paymaster: Laurie Blair

16800 Blake Rd, Hagerstown, MD 21740 Phone 301-730-3242

#### 2025 Department Convention Delegate Registration Form - MCL

- In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article One, Section 105 (b): Detachment Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be determined on the basis of said Detachment's membership on record at Department Headquarters as of March 31 immediately preceding the Department Convention. The delegate voting strength of each Detachment shall be as follow: for the first ten (10) Regular members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate; for each additional full block of ten (10) Regular members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate; for a partial number of ten (10) Regular members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate. However, no Delegate strength of a Detachment shall be computed by including Associate members or Honorary Members in such Detachment's total membership
- 2. Registration Fees have been set at twenty dollars (\$20) per Delegate or Alternate.
- Enclosed is a check #\_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ made <u>payable to Dept of MD MCL</u> to cover the registration fees of the Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention. (Use addition sheets if necessary)

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Print Name

Detachment Commandant

**Detachment Paymaster** 

Sign Name

Sign Name

Date

Date



Form must be mailed & postmarked no later than 18 April 2024

Marine Corps League - Department of Maryland



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Unit # \_\_\_

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#### 2025 Department Convention Delegate Registration Form - MCL Auxiliary

- 4. Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be determined on the basis of Unit membership strength reported to and on record with National Headquarters as of 31 March preceding the Department Convention. The Delegate voting strength of each Unit shall be as follows: For the first **fifteen (15) Regular members**, **one (1) Delegate** and **one (1) Alternate**; for each additional full block of fifteen (15) Regular Members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate; for a partial number of fifteen (15) members, one (1) Delegate and one (1) Alternate; for a partial number of fifteen (15) members, one (1) Alternate. Only members in good standing are eligible for election as a Delegate or Alternate (based on membership as of March 31). PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY or TYPE.
- 5. Registration Fees have been set at **twenty dollars (\$20)** per Delegate or Alternate.
- 6. Enclosed is a check #\_\_\_\_in the amount of \$ made <u>payable to **Dept of MD MCL**</u> to cover the registration fees of the Delegates and Alternate to the Department Convention. (Use addition sheets if necessary)

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Form must be mailed and postmarked no later than 18 April 2025 Auxiliary –Department of Maryland





### Advertising Book Form

Date:

Full Page Half Page Quarter Page **Business Card** Patron Ads

(7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches X 10 inches)  $(7 \frac{1}{2} \text{ inches X 5 inches})$ (3 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches X 5 inches) (2 inches X 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches)

x \$100.00	=		
x \$50.00	=		
x \$25.00	=		
<b>X</b> \$10.00	=		
Use total from patron worksheet			

Total Amount Enclosed

#### **Checks Payable to: YOUR LOCAL DETACHMENT**

Please print or type copy (or send us one of your previous ads). All Ads should be CAMERA READY. The correct size will reduce the cost of printing.

Name / Business / Detachment / Unit:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_

City:\_\_\_\_\_Email: \_\_\_\_Email: \_\_\_\_

Phone:

I hereby authorize you to publish our/my advertisement in your publication in the page size designated herein as per copy and/or instructions provided.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Detachment or Unit Point of Contact:

Name/Phone/Email

Email all ads for 2025 Convention Book to Rob Heilig at robheilig1@vahoo.com

Mail all Ad Checks to: 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: 18 April 2025

(Ads will not be considered submitted until payment is received.) No refunds.

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# Department of Maryland 2025 Convention



# **Banquet Registration Form**

Name	
Detachment	
Name	
Detachment	

Number of Banquet Attendees: Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_x \$60.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$

Please indicate any seating preferences: \_\_\_\_

#### DEADLINE: Friday - 18 April 2025 (Postmarked no later than) Checks Payable to: DEPT OF MD - MCL

Mail to: Department Paymaster Laurie Blair Phone: 301-730-3242 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.

Please complete and mail early



# **Advertising Book PATRON FORM 2025 Convention**

Date:

Name(s):	Each Name listed is \$5.00	Name(s):	Each Name listed is \$5.00
1		16	
2		17	
3		18	
4		19	
5		20	
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8		23	
9		24	
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11		26	
12		27	
13		28	
14		29	
15		30	

#### **PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE** \$5 per name

# of Names

#### Checks Payable to: **YOUR LOCAL DETACHMENT**

Email all ads for 2025 Convention Book to Rob Heilig at robheilig1@yahoo.com

X

Detachment or Unit Point of Contact:

Name/Phone/Email

# **DEADLINE: 18 APRIL 2025**

Ads will not be considered until payment is received. No refunds.

# Department of Maryland 2025 Convention



# **Guest Registration Form**

Name	
Detachment	
Guest of	
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Guest of	
Number of Guest Attendees: (Includes Children)	X \$20.00 = \$
	Total Amount Enclosed \$

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

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

DEADLINE: Fednesday – 18 April, 2025 (Postmarked no later than)

#### Checks Payable to: DEPT OF MD - MCL

Mail to: Department Paymaster Laurie Blair 16800 Blake Road, Hagerstown, MD 21740 Phone: 301-730-3242 Email: Paymasterantietam@gmail.com

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.

THIS FORM MAY BE REPRODUCED AS NEEDED