

80th FRA and 78th Auxiliary of the FRA East Coast Regional Convention



Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, VA 23185



September 10 – 12, 2024 Newsletter # 4





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Hosted by FRA East Coast Ad-Hoc Committee FRA Chairman, PRPEC Paul Phelps Auxiliary of the FRA Co-Chairman PNP Christina Murray

Shipmates and Auxiliary Members,

Make reservations for the 80th FRA and 78th Auxiliary of the FRA East Coast Regional Convention, September 10–12, 2024. As you represent your Branch and Unit, we hope that you will come early to visit the historic attractions in Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown and discover one of America's favorite family destinations, where historical attractions, museums, and the cultural arts combine with theme parks, restaurants, and shopping.

The convention hotel is Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, VA 23185. Self-parking is complimentary. This is a pet friendly hotel (with an additional fee). Handicap rooms are available. Call (757) 220-2250 for reservations and mention "**Fleet Reserve Association**" to receive the \$99.00 Convention room rate, which is only available for September 7-15, 2024. The rate will include a Complimentary Hot Breakfast Buffet with no meat. A maximum of two breakfast buffet vouchers, per night, will be provided at check in. (1 person = 1 voucher per night, 2 people = 2 vouchers per night, 3 or more people = 2 vouchers per night) **(Cutoff has been extended to August 16, 2024!!)**

Scooter Rental is available from Williamsburg Mobility at the rate of \$50.00 per day, Free Delivery and Pickup, and 10% Senior Discount. Rent 5 days, get the 6th day free, and still get the 10% Senior discount. To reserve a scooter, contact Williamsburg Mobility via phone, (757) 561-5262 or email www.williamsburgmobility.com.

Vendor Tables are available for rental during the convention. Please refer to the attached information. For additional information, contact LAFRA PRTEC Margaret Phelps at (757) 636-9715 or crochetingmom56@gmail.com

Special Menus have been prepared for the FRA and Auxiliary's Gray Hat Luncheons. New this year gray Hat Luncheon is open to everyone (no need to leave the hotel for lunch), and the Banquet. Order forms are attached for submission.

Complimentary movies are shown nightly in the Hotel Lobby. All of this is only possible with your Journal Booster Rolls and Ads. Flier attached.

FRA's East Coast Region President, Robert Oliveira and Auxiliary of the FRA East Coast Region President Loretta Jorden will preside over the convention business meetings.





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The Convention's Hospitality Room will remain open for social activities and a complimentary Papa John's Pizza Night will be held September 10 at 6 p.m. As always, the Pass the Ace game will always be available. New players are always welcome to join the fun. The hospitality room will be available to purchase refreshments during the Welcome Aboard Party and the Banquet.

Come ready to have fun at the Welcome Aboard party. With the 100th Anniversary of FRA happening in November, let's have a "Tailgate Party' to get ready for the big event. Wear your favorite team colors/jersey (Any sport). This will be held Wednesday, September 11, 2024. LAFRA PNP Christina Murray will host this casual fun-filled evening with DJ PRPEC Chris Murray providing music that is sure to keep you entertained.

To conclude the convention festivities, the mock Installation Ceremony for the incoming FRA and Auxiliary of the FRA Regional Presidents 2024-2025, will be held followed by the Convention's Banquet with music to be determined. Make reservations for an enjoyable Evening.

Branch and Unit Officers are encouraged to attend the convention and distribute convention newsletters or information to the membership via email or phone. Please encourage your members to attend the convention. We look forward to seeing you at the 2024 East Coast Regional Convention.

Yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service

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Tentative Schedule of Events

| Monday September 9, 2024 | | |
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| Convention Setup Committee | 0800 | New Market |
| Hospitality Room | | Williamsburg Room |
| Vendor Tables | | New Market Hall |
| Tuesday September 10, 2024 | | |
| Hot breakfast buffet with voucher | 0700 | |
| Hospitality Room Opens | 1200- 2200 | Williamsburg Room |
| Registration | 1200- 1600 | New Market Foyer |
| Complimentary Papa John's Pizza Party | 1800 | Williamsburg Room |
| Complimentary Movie Nightly | | Hotel Lobby |
| Wednesday September 11, 2024 | | |
| Hot breakfast buffet with voucher | 0700 | |
| Registration | 0900 - 1600 | New Market Foyer |
| Hospitality Room | 0900 - 1100 | Williamsburg Room |
| Auxiliary Committee Meetings | 0900 | New Market A |
| Memorial Service Rehearsal | 1115 | New Market B & C |
| Opening Ceremonies | 1300 | New Market B & C |
| Hospitality Room | 1530 | Williamsburg Room |
| Foxy Ladies Club | 1600 | Board Room |
| FRA Committee Meeting | 1530 | New Market A (as needed) |
| Welcome Aboard Party | 1900 | New Market Hall |
| Complimentary Movie Nightly | 1000 | Hotel Lobby |
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| Thursday September 12, 2024 | | |
| Hot breakfast buffet with voucher | 0700 | |
| Registration | 0800-1600 | New Market Foyer |
| FRA Business Session | 0900-1600 | New Market B & C |
| Auxiliary Business Session | 0900 | New Market A |
| FRA Gray Hat Luncheon | 1130 | Petersburg Room A & B |
| Auxiliary Gray Hat Luncheon | 1130 | Petersburg Room A & B |
| FRA Business Session | 1300 | New Market B & C |
| Auxiliary Business Session | 1300 | New Market A |
| Martini Club 15 min after FRA Meeting | СОВ | Board Room |
| Banquet, Mock Installation | 1800 | New Market Hall |
| Entertainment | 1900-2200 | New Market Hall |
| Hospitality Room | 4000 | Williamsburg Room |
| Vendor Break down 15 min after FRA Meeting Complimentary Movie Nightly | 1800 | New Market Hall Hotel Lobby |
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| Friday September 13, 2024 | 0700 | |
| Hot breakfast buffet with voucher | 0700 | New Market Hell |
| Meeting Rooms Break Down | | New Market Hall New Market Hall |
| Hospitality Room Break Down | | |
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| Welcome Aboard Part | y (Light Hors d | 'Oeurves) | | X \$15.00 e X \$25 cour | | |
| FRA Gray Hat Lunche Sliced Smoked Turkey an Appropriate Condiments Mixed Greens Salad with Dessert Coffee, Iced Tea or Wate | d Ham with Assor with Lettuce Toma Assorted Dressing | ted Breads to and Slice | | _ X \$30.00 | Total | |
| Auxiliary of the FRA G Open to all: Sliced Smok Appropriate Condiments Mixed Greens Salad with Dessert Coffee, Iced Tea or Wate | ed Turkey and Ha with Lettuce Toma Assorted Dressing | m with Asso to and Slice | rted Brea | | Total | |
| Banquet (Buffet) | | | | _ X \$50.00 | Total | |
| Grilled Chicken Garlic Mashed House Salad Chocolate Cake Coffee, Iced Tea | Potatoes | Sease | | eef Burgundy ed Vegetable ad Butter | | |
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| Comple | ted Form and Pay Prices for me | | | | it 16, 2024 | |
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Vendor Tables

The Convention Committee will provide vendor tables for a minimal fee of \$25.00. This fee is to offset the costs associated with the convention.

For additional information, contact Margaret Phelps (757) 636-9715 or crochetingmom56@gmail.com.

Please provide the following information before August 16, 2024.

Name (Branch/Unit): _____ Number of Tables: _____

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Contact Person: _____ Contact Number: _____

Make checks payable to: FRA 2024 East Coast Regional Convention

Mail check and completed form to: **Margaret Phelps** 1009 Elysian Place, APT 343 Chesapeake VA 23320

Directions by Automobile

From the North - Traveling on I-95 SOUTH toward Richmond. Take exit 84-A on the left to merge on I-295 SOUTH (Toward Rocky Mount NC/Richmond Intl. Airport). Take exit 28-A to merge on to I-64 EAST (Toward Norfolk/Virginia Beach).

From the East (Including Williamsburg/Newport News Intl. And Norfolk Intl. Airports) - Traveling on I-64 West to Exit 242A to Route 199. Drive 1.5 miles; take exit for Route 60 East/West Busch Gardens/Williamsburg. At bottom of exit ramp, turn left on Route 60 West. Fort Magruder Hotel will be found one mile on left.

From the West (Including Richmond Intl. Airport) - Traveling on I-64 EAST toward Norfolk/Virginia Beach, take the Williamsburg exit 242A, to VA-199 West/Humelsine Pkwy. West. Remain on VA-199 for approximately one mile then take the exit on to Route 60 West (Busch Gardens/Williamsburg). At the bottom of the exit turn left on to Route 60. Fort Magruder Hotel will be found one mile on the left.



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80th FRA and 78th Auxiliary of the FRA East Coast Regional Convention Journal



To place an advertisement in the Fleet Reserve Association 2024 East Coast Regional Convention Journal, please send the Ad to Journal Chairman, Christina Murray, 512 Hyde Park Rd Norfolk VA 23503, along with a check payable to: "FRA 2024 East Coast Regional Convention". Please email digital file to christinamurray.lafra@gmail.com. An EIN is available upon request. Must be received by August 16, 2024

| 1. Full Color back page | \$200.00 Sold |
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| 2. Full Color back inside page | \$175.00 |
| 3. Full Color front inside page | \$175.00 |
| 4. Full Color page | \$150.00 |
| 5. Full page black and white | \$100.00 |
| 6. One Half page | \$ 75.00 |
| 7. One Quarter page | \$ 50.00 |
| 8. Business Card | \$ 25.00 PRPEC Business card \$20 |
| 9. Booster Name | \$ 1.00 |
| 10. Patron Name | \$ 3.00 |
| 11. Life Member | \$ 2.50 |
| 12. Memorial Name Only | \$ 1.00 |

All Ads must be in one of the following formats for best results.

- 1. Word.doc with Write up and Names
- 2. PDF Pictures

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- 3. JPEG Pictures
- 4. PNG Pictures

Please direct questions to Christina Murray 757-439-6135.

| Branch, Unit, or Business: | |
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| Point of Contact Name: | Phone: |
| Email: | |
| Size of Ad Requested: | |
| Payment: \$ | |
| Payable to: FRA 2024 East Coast Regional Convention | |
| <u>Mailed to:</u> Christina Murray 512 Hyde Park Rd Norfolk VA 23503 | |

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| | e cost of hosting the convention, the convention committee is offering the the FRA and Auxiliary an opportunity to be a Patron or a Booster | | | |
| Patron Roll | A donation of \$3.00 per person; | | | |
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| Booster Roll | Minimum donation of \$ 1.00 per person | | | |
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| Life Member | A donation of \$2.50 per person | | | |
| Memoriam | A donation of \$1.00 | | | |
| Make Checks P | Payable to: FRA 2024 East Coast Regional Convention <u>Mailed to:</u> | | | |
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