



82nd FRA and 80<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary of the FRA  
East Coast Regional Convention  
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Shipmates and Auxiliary Members,

East Coast Region Red Hats and Gray Hats are hosting the 82nd East Coast Regional Convention July 23-26, 2026. The convention hotel is Hilton Garden Inn Richmond Innsbrook located at 4050 Cox Rd, Glen Allen, VA 23060. Call (804) 521-2900 for reservations. Use Group code "FRA" or the following link:

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The Cut-Off date for the convention rate of \$119.00 is Wednesday July 1, 2026. We look forward to seeing you and hope you will arrive early or extend your stay and enjoy Richmond.

Around Innsbrook, VA, you can enjoy outdoor activities like walking paved trails around its lakes (like the Lake Rooty Trail), attending outdoor concerts at Innsbrook After Hours, shopping, dining at numerous restaurants, and exploring nearby Richmond for museums, breweries, and historic sites.

EC Region President Fleet Reserve Association, Valerie Toulotte and EC Region President Auxiliary of the FRA Virginia Jorden, will preside over the convention business meetings.

The 2026 East Coast Regional Convention 1st Newsletter will be distributed following the EC Mid-Year Meeting. This newsletter will include all necessary forms for those wishing to support the convention with a Journal AD, Patron List, Booster Roll or Memoriam List, etc. The newsletter will also be distributed via email for members not in attendance.

Shipmate/Auxiliary Red and Gray Hats are working hard to plan an entertaining and convenient convention so members may greet old friends and meet new friends while attending the 2026 East Coast Regional Convention.

Branch and Unit Officers are encouraged to attend the convention and distribute convention newsletters or information to the membership via email or phone. We look forward to seeing you at the 2026 East Coast Regional Convention. Yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service

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