

72nd FRA and FRA Auxiliary East Coast Regional Convention 2nd Newsletter

FRA Branch and Units East Coast Region 72nd FRA and LAFRA East Coast Regional Convention February 2016

Shipmates and Auxiliary Members,

A Special Committee appointed at the 2014 EC Regional Convention is hosting the 72nd FRA and FRA Auxiliary East Coast Regional Conventions August 25-28, 2016. Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, in historic Williamsburg, VA, is the convention hotel. The rooms and suites have been recently renovated and include free internet access, refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, hair dryer and toiletries. The hotel has an outdoor pool and an indoor pool, 24 hour business center, restaurant, bar/lounge, arcade/game room/ self parking is complimentary. This is a pet friendly hotel (with an additional fee). Eight Handicap rooms are available. Call 757 220 2250 for reservations and mention the FRA to receive the \$85 Convention room rate. The special rate is available three days before and three days after the convention. The Cut-Off date for the convention rate of \$85 is August 4, 2016. We look forward to seeing you and hope you will arrive early or extend your stay and enjoy Colonial Williamsburg, Busch Gardens, Water Country USA, the area's popular outlet shopping centers and historic Jamestown and Yorktown.

A 25% discount Breakfast Buffet voucher will be extended to each adult occupying the sleeping room upon check-in. Lunch Specials will be available during the convention.

Scooter Rental is available from Williamsburg Mobility at the rate of \$45 per day, Free Delivery and Pickup, and 10% Senior Discount. To reserve a scooter, contact Williamsburg Mobility via phone, 757-561-5262 or email <u>www.williamsburgmobility.com</u>.

Plan to attend the Welcome Aboard Party Friday, August 26. This years' theme will be "Mardis Gras". More information will be provided as plans develop for a fun filled evening.

To conclude the convention festivities, the mock Installation Ceremony for the incoming FRA/FRA Auxiliary's Regional Presidents 2016-2017 will be held followed by the Banquet with, music for dancing.

To offset the expenses of the convention two 50/50 raffles will be held . You should have received, 6 for \$5 and \$25 raffle tickets, with the 1st Newsletter package in July. Additional tickets can be requested. The size of the prizes will depend on the participation. Tickets and checks made payable to the "EC Regional Convention Committee 2016", may be returned to Convention Secretary Paul Phelps, 2300 Locks Landing, Chesapeake, VA 23323 or delivered when you attend the convention. Tickets will be available for purchase during the convention.

Enclosed is the tentative Schedule of Events. Forms are provided for those wishing to support the convention with a Journal Ad, Patron List, Booster Roll, or Memoriam List.

Special Menu's and Meal have been planned for the FRA and Auxiliary Luncheons and the Banquet. Order Form's are included.

Vendor Tables are available for rental during the convention. Please refer to the attached information.

If you experience any problems or require additional information, please contact me. We are looking forward to seeing you at the 2016 East Coast Regional Convention August 25-28, 2016.

Ralph Holcombe, PRPEC, Convention Chairman 4911 Fennell Court Suffolk, VA 23435 757 484 7403 prp.inc2@verizon.net

2016 East Coast Region Convention Journal

Each Fleet Reserve Association Branch and Unit is encouraged to participate in the 2016 East Coast Regional Convention Journal.

All checks and ad copy must be received by June 15, 2016 to guarantee placement in the journal.

1. Full Color back page	\$175.00
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
5. One Half page	\$ 75.00
6. One Quarter page	\$ 50.00
7. Business Card	\$ 25.00
8. Booster Name	\$.50
9. Patron Name	\$ 3.00
10. Life Member	\$ 2.50

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

1. PNG----pictures 2. JPEG-- pictures 3. PDF--- pictures 4. Word—Write up & Names Questions should be directed to S.D. Martin, (757) 675 0699, <u>sdmartin@cox.net</u>

To place an ad in the Fleet Reserve Association 2016 East Coast Regional Convention Journal please forward your information as outlined below and photo ready ad via email attachment to sdmartin@cox.net Ads must be accompanied by a check payable to: "EC Regional Convention Committee 2016" received no later than June 15, 2016

Branch, Unit or Business_____

Point of Contact name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Size of ad requested: _____

Payment: \$_____

Make checks Payable to: "EC Regional Convention Committee 2016"

Mail list and Checks to:

S.D. Martin EC Regional Convention Committee 2016 Journal Chairman 533 Summer Lane Virginia Beach, VA 23454 To defray the cost of hosting the convention, the convention committee is offering the members of the FRA and Auxiliary an opportunity to be a Patron or a Booster

Patron Roll	A donation of \$3.00 per person;	
Booster Roll	Minimum donation of \$.50 per person	
Life Member	A donation of \$2.50 per person	
Memoriam	A donation of \$2.50	
Make checks Payable to:	"EC Regional Convention Committee 2016"	
Mail list and Checks To:	S.D. Martin EC Regional Convention Committee 2016 Journal Chairman 533 Summer Lane Virginia Beach, VA 23454	

Meal Order Form

FRA Regional President's Luncheon Closed Sliced Roast Beef with Cheddar on White or Wheat Bread Appropriate Condiments with Lettuce Tomato and Sliced Potato Salad Dessert Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Iced Tea, Hot Tea or Water		Total				
FRA Auxiliary Regional President's Luncheon Closed Chicken Salad Served On a Bed of Lettuce Potato Salad, Tomatoes and Sliced Cucumber Hot Rolls and Butter Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Iced Tea, Hot Tea or Water Desserts	X \$25	Total				
Banquet	X \$38	Total				
Mixed Green Salad served with Raspberry Vinaigrette Dro Select Breast of Chicken Roast Beef and Gravy Mashed Red Skin Potatoes Southern Style Green Beans Hot Rolls and Butter Desserts Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Iced Tea, Hot Tea or Water Total	essing 					
NAMEBranch/Unit	Phone Number					
Special Dietary Request Must Be Submitted in Advance Please make Checks Payable in the amount of \$to: "EC Regional Convention Committee 2016" Mail check and completed form to:						
Paul Phelps 2300 Locks Landir Chesapeake, VA 233 757 635 5883 <u>paulphelps@cox.m</u> Completed Form and Payment Must Be F Prices for meals include taxes a	323 <u>et</u> Received By July 20, 2016					

Vendor and Information Tables

The Convention Committee will provide vendor tables for Branch and Units for a minimal fee of \$25. This fee is to offset cost associated with the convention. Please provide the following information before June 4, 2016.

Name (Branch/Unit)	Number of Tables
Contact Person	Contact Number

Please make Checks Payable in the amount of \$ to:

"EC Regional Convention Committee 2016"

Mail check and completed form by July 20, 2016 to: Paul Phelps 2300 Locks Landing Chesapeake, VA 23323 757 635 5883 paulphelps@cox.net

Directions by Automobile

<u>From the North</u> - 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).

<u>From the East (Including Williamsburg/Newport News Intl. And Norfolk Intl. Airports)</u> - 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.



72th FRA/FRA Auxiliary East Coast Regional Convention August 25-28, 2016

Hosted by FRA and FRA Auxiliary 2016 Special Convention Committee

FRA Chairman Ralph Holcombe, PRPEC (757) 484 7403 FRA Auxiliary Co-Chairman Jackie Scarbro PRPEC (757) 482 2209

Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center 6945 Pocahontas Trail Williamsburg, VA 23185 757 220 2250 or www.fortmagruderhotel.com Mention Fleet Reserve Association for special rate Room Rates \$85.00 plus tax per night Deadline for Reservations at Discount Rate August 4, 2016 1st Newsletter Tentative Schedule of Events

Thursday August 25, 2016	Hospitality Room Opens (1200- till)	Kearny's Room
	Registration (1200-1600)	Amphitheater Foyer
	Free Pizza Party (1800)	Kearny's Room
Friday August 26, 2016	Registration (0900 – 1200)	Amphitheater Foyer
	Hospitality Room (0900 - 1100)	Kearney's Room
	Auxiliary Committee Meetings (0900)	Lee's Room
	Memorial Service Rehearsal (1115)	Grant's Room
	Opening Ceremonies (1300)	Grant's & Jackson's
	Hospitality Room (1530)	Kearny's Room
	Foxy Ladies Club (1600)	Board Room
	FRA Committee Meeting (1530)	Lee's Room (as needed)
	Welcome Aboard Party (1900)	New Market Hall
Saturday August 27, 2016	FRA Business Session (0900)	Grant and Jackson's
	Auxiliary Business Session (0900)	Lee's Room
	FRA Gray Hat Luncheon (1130)	Dining Room Annex
	Auxiliary Gray Hat Luncheon (1130)	Stewart's Room
	FRA Business Session (1300)	Grant and Jackson's
	Auxiliary Business Session (1300)	Lee's Room
	Martini Club (15 min after COB)	Board Room
	Banquet, Mock Installation (1800)	New Market Hall
	Entertainment (1900- 2200)	
	Hospitality Room	Kearny's Room