

Marine Corps League Auxiliary

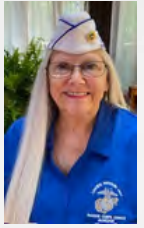


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National President - Dotty Sanning



Happy New Year, Auxiliary Members!

As we welcome **2026**, the Marine Corps League Auxiliary begins this new chapter with renewed purpose, pride, and commitment to serving our Marines, veterans, families, and communities. January is often a time of reflection and fresh resolve, and our Auxiliary continues to embody the spirit of **Honor, Courage, and Commitment** in everything we do.

Looking Back with Gratitude

During the holiday season, many Units came together to support Toys for Tots drives, visit veterans in long-term care facilities, and assist families in need. Your generosity and devotion made a meaningful impact and reminded us of the strength of our Auxiliary sisterhood. Thank you to all who volunteered time, resources, compassion, and heart.

Looking Ahead with Purpose

The coming months bring new opportunities to continue our mission. January encourages us to set **budgets and goals** - both individually and as a Unit or Department. Consider planning outreach events, membership drives, fundraisers, or collaborative programs with your local Detachment. Even the smallest efforts help ensure our Marines and their families feel supported year-round.

Membership & Engagement

A new year is the perfect moment to reconnect with members who may have stepped back, welcome new faces, or invite friends and family to join. The success of our Auxiliary depends on shared involvement. If you know someone who lives by our values and wants to make a difference, encourage them to become a part of our Auxiliary family.

Caring for Our Own

Winter months can be challenging for many. Let's continue checking in on our elderly members, veterans, and caregivers. A phone call, card, or visit can lift spirits and remind others that no one in our Marine Corps family stands alone.

On a personal note, I cannot express enough gratitude to every prayer warrior who prayed for me, prayed with me, or sent me a card. You are extraordinary women, and your support means more than words can say.

Semper Fi Spirit

As we begin **2026**, let us carry forward the values that unite us: devotion to our mission, love for our country, and steadfast support for our Marines. May this year bring strength, unity, and continued service.

Thank you for all you do.

Dotty Sanning

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MIDWINTER CONFERENCE 2026 REMINDER

Don't forget our upcoming Midwinter Conference Feb. 26 -28, 2026, at the Sheraton Pentagon City, Arlington, VA. If you are planning to attend, please make your reservation as soon as possible so we can provide accurate attendance numbers to both our Registration Committee and the Marine Corps League. Please remember, the MCL relies on our participation to help meet their contractual obligations with the hotel.

The deadline to register for the **conference, banquet, and hotel** is **January 30**. Registration is available on the **MCL website (MCLeaguelibrary.org)**.

Once again, the MCL has arranged a bus trip to the National Museum of the Marine Corps on Thursday afternoon, Feb 26. If you have ever wanted to visit this remarkable museum, I strongly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. The **\$40 ticket** includes round-trip bus transportation. There are several dining options inside the museum, and the Chapel is truly a must-see. We may not return to this area for quite some time, so please consider taking advantage of this chance to see, hear, and experience the history of the Marine Corps through the ages. Additional details are available on the MCL website.

Because the museum trip is scheduled for Thursday, we will need to **adjust our Pre-Conference Board of Trustees meeting to a Zoom meeting the Saturday before, February 21**. A preliminary agenda is included in this Newsletter. If you would like an item added to the agenda, please email it to me so it can be included. As always, agendas are subject to change. Please remember that this is a **Board of Trustees Meeting**, and all questions or comments from the floor must be directed through your Division Vice President.

Dotty Sanning

National President, MCLA



Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and are excited for what the New Year will bring.

As we approach our Mid-Winter Conference, I am closing out the membership reports for distribution. All transmittals received through December 31, 2025, will be included in that report.

Here's wishing that the New Year brings you joy, love, peace, and happiness.



Ramona Smith
National Secretary

Countdown to Mid-Winter

Time is running out, but there is still time to make your reservation and register for the Mid-Winter Conference.

- **Hotel Reservation Deadline: 30 January 2026**
- **Conference and Banquet Registration Deadline: 30 January 2026**

Reports for the Agenda

As in past years, anyone on the agenda who will be providing a report is asked to submit their report to National Headquarter no later than 5 February 2026. This will allow me to coordinate all reports and email them out by 19 February, giving everyone the opportunity to review them, print them, or save them to their electronic devices before the conference.

In addition, all individuals providing reports are requested to bring 15 copies of their report to place on the table at the conference. Please note that Headquarters will not be printing reports.

Thank you for your cooperation and I look forward to seeing everyone at Mid-Winter.

Greetings from your newest member of the Board of Trustees as National Judge Advocate (JA). I was appointed on 12 December to fill the vacancy. I would like to thank the members of the BOT for their vote of confidence in my ability to do the important job of trust and leadership. My wish is not to disappoint them.

There are a few things I would like to remind all our Judge Advocates (Unit, Department, and National):

First and foremost, we are the legal counsel. We may not have a degree in Juris Prudence, but our job is to interpret the Bylaws and advise, counsel, and render opinions of questions of law and procedures to the President (again, at which ever level we are at). If there is a problem or a question regarding an issue that you need advice and/or an opinion on, please use the chain of command. This means you can contact your counterpart at a higher level.

Another primary purpose of the Judge Advocate is to keep the Unit, Department, and even National on solid legal footing, and to ensure that the Marine Corps League Auxiliary Bylaws, state laws, and IRS tax codes are consistently followed.

In my prior roles as a Judge Advocate in a Unit, the MCL Department, and Detachment,, maintaining a logbook (record) of questions, issues, opinions, and rulings kept me informed about all actions presented to me. This assisted me many times dealing with time-sensitive issues. I would recommend each of you also keep a record.

Please be patient with me as I learn all my responsibilities as your National Judge Advocate. I plan to be at Mid-Winter next month - please come by and introduce yourself.

At this time, for the February issue, I plan to address some characteristics and traits that we as members should look for as we prepare for the next election. Some of these could be applied to other positions as well.

One last thing, if you plan on proposing a Bylaw change or Administrative Procedure change it must be submitted to Headquarters by 1 April 2026.

Take care and hope to see you next month or at National in August!

Janice Hartley



FROM THE DESK OF THE

CENTRAL DIVISION

VICE PRESIDENT

Greetings to all Auxiliary Members,

It's the beginning of a new year. It's time to reboot, restart and refresh!

As stated in our last Newsletter, every Unit and Department should be operating in the same fiscal year. The fiscal year for the National Marine Corps League Auxiliary is for the period of July 1st to June 30th. Also, your 990-N filing is due every year by November 15th. (The 15th day of the 5th month after the close of the fiscal year). Don't forget to keep a copy of the email acceptance receipt that you receive from the IRS for your Unit and print copies and send copies to your Department Treasurer, Division Vice President and National Headquarters. Make sure it is accepted.

Now is a great time for all Units and Departments to look at the newest updates to our National bylaws that are on the National website. As always, if anyone has any questions or concerns, please reach out to me.

Let us all strive and work together to help and assist those around us to reach new goals and move our organization forward. Let us start the year with a positive attitude and remove all negativity. In quoting one of our Marine slogans, we need to "Adapt, Improvise and Overcome"! We all need to be more accountable to our leadership, and our leadership needs to be held accountable to the members. With the help, support, and cooperation of each of us we can accomplish great things in the year ahead. I look forward to serving to the best of my ability. Please email or call if I can be of help in any way.

Merry Christmas & Semper Fidelis,

Patti Morgan

Central Division Vice President

Operation Little Angel

PNP Barb Nobile, Darlene MacCubbin,
Tracey Killinger, Teena Foster, Janet Anders



LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR WITH OPERATION LITTLE ANGEL!

LINK FOR CURRENT WISH LIST:

<https://www.stanns.org/donate/wishlist>

I spoke recently with Anastasia from St. Ann's in Maryland, the children, youth and family center that we have served in the past in the DC area. We will again shower them with our gifts this Midwinter. The gals will be on hand during the weekend to speak to us and receive the gifts.

They praised us for all the autism items we sent last year and are well stocked in that area for now.

I would remind members we DO NOT give the home checks. If your unit brings a check, it should be made out to MCLA HQ with OLA in the memo area. It will be given to Ramona and sent back to HQ and put in our account. You may send that check to Ramona early and she will let me know. As always, they love the gift cards so they may purchase items as needed. But the list is very detailed, and I am sure there are items we can find for them that fits our Unit budgets.

The home thanks us for our generous contributions stating they are vital in supporting the mission and providing essential services to mothers, youth, and children of St. Ann's Center. They sincerely appreciate our giving spirit in helping meet the needs of their residents.

We will have lovely items on the raffle table and encourage you to stop by. Remember, this is the only way we raise funds other than your donations. In this time of severe need, we thank you in advance for what you do locally for children and families.

Have a blessed Holiday season.



Registration Committee - Registration Recycle Event

Do you have extra lanyards laying around collecting more each year? How about the plastic sleeves used to place credentials inside? Are you looking to do a declutter?

Registration will have a box set up at Mid-Winter and National, to collect lanyards and credential sleeves to recycle and reuse in the future. They will be laundered and disinfected after each collection.

I look forward to serving as Registration Chair and seeing everyone at Mid-Winter and National.

Semper Fi,

NeTasha Loyd
Registration Chair



JUST A QUICK VOTE

On December 8th 2025, I asked for a vote from the Board of Trustees to appoint Janice Hartley as the National Judge Advocate, following the removal of Donna Rae Smith. Here are the results from the vote:



VOTE	YES	NO
Mary Brief, Senior Vice	✓	
Darlene MacCubbin, Jr. Vice	✓	
Linda Chamberlain, Jr. PNP	✓	
Patti Morgan, Central Div.	✓	
Jan Crowe, MW Div.	✓	
Karen Mastriania, NE Div.	✓	
Evelyn Joppa, PNP, NW Div	✓	
Dale Wingert, Rocky Mtn Div.	N/A	
Rebecca Marcel, SE Div.	✓	
Antonia Hurtado, S Div.	✓	
Shannon Lopez, SW Div.	✓	
Dotty Sanning		Requested Vote

UNIFORM COMMITTEE



Greetings Auxiliary Sisters!

There have been exciting celestial special events in the last months, such as Super Moons in both October and November and the Northern Lights dipping down far into the states where they are not usually seen. In southwestern New Jersey, where I live, dense cloud cover obscured my chance at witnessing the Aurora Borealis. I hope some of you were luckier than I was.

In our Auxiliary life, there are special events where we would like to represent the MCLA in the best possible way. That is where our Uniform and Regalia Code is our guide.

Besides the suit, everything else is available from our Ships Store.

Cover, blouse, tie, sleeve patches and all accessories (buttons, ribbon badge, sunbursts etc.) can be bought from our Ships Store.

Our suit is modeled after the woman's Air Force Uniform jacket, slacks and skirt. If you know someone with joint base privileges, you may be able to purchase the suit at the Base Exchange.

Otherwise, if you are shopping for a navy-blue suit, use the uniform code as your guide. (Enclosure #20)

Our Ships Store order form and Enclosures can be found on the nationalmcla.org website.

If you have any questions or suggestions, I can always be reached at susannemiller@comcast.net.

Hoping the coming holiday season finds you happy and well.

Semper Fidelis!

Susanne Miller

National Uniform Chairperson



INSPIRATION



Members of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary proudly participated in the 2026 Wreaths Across America ceremony. With reverence and gratitude, Auxiliary members placed wreaths at the graves of our Nation's veterans, ensuring their service and sacrifice are never forgotten. Each wreath represents a promise - to remember the fallen, honor those who serve, and teach future generations the value of freedom. Through this solemn act of remembrance, the Marine Corps League Auxiliary continues its enduring commitment to honoring America's heroes and preserving their legacy.



MCLA Pappy Boyington Unit Member, Helen Nelson, kneels at the grave of a veteran in the Coeur d'Alene Memorial Gardens as she lays a wreath. The Veteran Robert J. Gordon, Helen's brother was only 19 years old when killed in the line of duty.



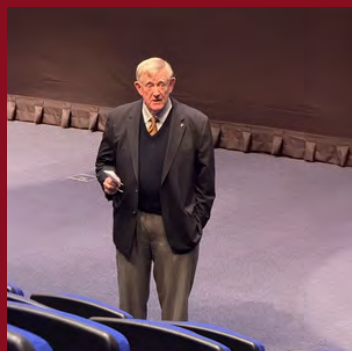
Arlington National Cemetery

2025 Tree of Lights Tree Lighting Ceremony

Presented by the United States Marines Youth Foundation, Inc.



*Life Member Yvonne Pisani
from Lancaster County*





All Divisions Unit Members Jr Vice Joanne Bryan, President PNP Linda Chamberlain and Secretary/Treasurer Diane Napoli Paul paid a surprise visit and dropped off a gift for our Adopted Veteran USMC Sgt. Leona A. at the Delaware Valley Veteran's Home on Tuesday December 17th. Leona is 93 years young and a delightful woman.

Programs of Pride

Merry Christmas from Shawnee Unit Christmas party after a very busy Toys for Tots season!



Happy Birthday to our Fabulous Members with January Birthdays!

- 1-Jan – Connie Lauber
- 2-Jan – Brenda Kovach
- 2-Jan – Kay Kishbaugh
- 2-Jan – Shirley Solgot
- 4-Jan – Lisa Delk
- 5-Jan – Bonnie Haney
- 5-Jan – Kim Townsend
- 6-Jan – Marci Horan
- 6-Jan – Ruth A. Hunter
- 7-Jan – Kristie Dupey
- 7-Jan – Ella Hansen
- 7-Jan – Karen Neary
- 7-Jan – Barbara Shearer
- 10-Jan – Jennifer Lendt
- 11-Jan – Holly Caruso
- 12-Jan – Aspen Hayes
- 12-Jan – Joyce Kemp
- 15-Jan – Judy Williamson
- 16-Jan – Leeann Bower
- 16-Jan – Christina Kealey
- 17-Jan – Sheila Montis
- 17-Jan – Heather Neuhalfen
- 17-Jan – Deborah J. Ryan
- 18-Jan – Mary Kay Knight
- 18-Jan – Patricia Rueppel
- 19-Jan – Barbi Hellman
- 20-Jan – Jacynta Jackson
- 22-Jan – Justine DeLuccio
- 22-Jan – Cindy Vicknair
- 25-Jan – Janet Anders
- 26-Jan – Rebecca Marcel
- 26-Jan – Audrey Patterson
- 27-Jan – Estella Alaniz
- 28-Jan – Diane Ditto
- 28-Jan – Elizabeth Hayes
- 29-Jan – Eileen Bargerhuff
- 29-Jan – Janet Misak
- 29-Jan – Susanne Miller
- 30-Jan – Betty Hauck
- 31-Jan – Loretta Morton

We love recognizing our member's birthdays and would never intentionally leave out a celebration! Please make sure your member profile in the MCLA database has your birthday listed by ensuring membership transmittal forms accurately include the birthdate of each member or by sending an email to MCLAHQ@nationalmcla.org with the information.

2026 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE

Sheraton Pentagon City

900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204

Phone: 703-521-1900 (Hotel)

or 800-325-3535 Reference National Marine
Corps League



2/26/2026 – 2/28/2026
(check-in 2/25, check out 3/1)

Hotel Rate: \$131 per night plus tax)

Reservation Deadline: January 30, 2026

Parking: On-site garage parking is \$10 per day,
Free shuttle to/from Reagan Airport (DCA)

Cancellation Policy: Any cancellations after
February 10, 2026, will forfeit the one-night deposit.

Other: Complimentary WIFI is included.

The hotel overlooks Arlington National Cemetery and is adjacent to Henderson Hall and the Fort Myer Exchange. The hotel has 4 double ADA rooms with 1 with a roll-in shower, and 10 King ADA with 3 with roll-in-showers. If ADA room is needed, call the reservation number.



MCLA National Mid-Winter Pre-Conference Board Meeting

ZOOM Meeting, Saturday, February 21, 2026

(time TBD)

Call to Order – Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices

Opening Prayer – Chaplain

Welcome/Thanks

Fill Vacant Chairs: New England Division, Mideast Division

Individual Introductions, First Time Attendees

Business:

- Agenda Updates/Changes
- Office Updates, Ships Store, Auditor/Tax Preparer
- Website
- Facebook
- Other Concerns

Morgan Stanley Report

Secretary's self-performance review, since 2025 National Convention

Remarks:

- National President Dotty Sanning
- National Senior Vice President Mary Brief
- National Junior Vice President Darlene MacCubbin
- National Judge Advocate Janice Hartley
- Division Vice Presidents
- Junior Past President Linda Chamberlain
- Other Past National Presidents
- Operation Little Angel

Announcements:

National Museum of the Marine Corps Trip 1200-1700

Joint Hospitality Room Thursday evening 1900-2200, Concourse 1 & 2

Breakfast with the President Friday morning Concourse 1 & 2 (probably to the side)

President's Council lunch meeting Friday

Agenda Subject to Change



MCLA MID-WINTER STAFF CONFERENCE AGENDA

February 26 – 28, 2026

TBD Sheraton Pentagon City

Thursday, February 26, 2026

The National Museum of the Marine Corps trip
Ship Store Opens

Friday, February 27, 2025

Auxiliary Staff Pictures 0800 – Location TBD

Joint Opening 0900 – Commonwealth Ballroom, Div Vice Presidents sit in front of room

Joint Memorial Service 1000 All are encouraged to stay

Chapel of Four Chaplains 1100 All are encouraged to stay

Auxiliary Call to Order immediately following Chapel of Four Chaplains Program

1130 – 1330 Lunch on your Own

1200 – 1330 President's Council Workshop, National Senior Vice President Mary Brief

Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

Call to Order & Opening (immediately following **Chapel of Four Chaplains Program)**

- Opening Prayer & Draping of Charter
- Pledge to the Flag
- Purpose – Sr. Vice President Mary Brief
- Eligibility – Jr. Vice President Darlene MacCubbin
- Introduction of Guests, Past National Presidents, first-time attendees, Nat Exec Secretary
- Fill Vacant Chairs
- Roll Call of Officers
- Members waiting for admittance
- Approval of the 2025 National Convention Proceedings as distributed
- Reading of 2025 Post Convention Minutes as distributed
- Reading of minutes from Pre-Board Conference meeting of February 21, 2026
- Report of Elected Officers
 1. President Dotty Sanning
 2. Sr. Vice President Mary Brief
 3. Jr. Vice President Darlene MacCubbin
 4. Judge Advocate Janice Hartley
 5. Jr. Past President Linda Chamberlain
 6. Division Vice Presidents
- Reading of Communications
- Chief of Staff – PNP Gerri Tuohy
- National Comptroller – PNP Linda Chamberlain
- Chaplain's Report – Mitzy Abeyta
- Membership Report – Junior Vice President Darlene MacCubbin
- Ship Store Report – Crystal Powers/Ramona Smith

Presidents Breakfast 0730 tomorrow morning

Agenda Subject to Change



MCLA MID-WINTER STAFF CONFERENCE AGENDA

February 26 – 28, 2026

TBD Sheraton Pentagon City

0900 Saturday, March 1, 2025

1130 – 1330 Lunch on your own

1200 - 1330 Div Vice Pres Workshop, National Junior Vice President Darlene MacCubbin

0900 - Call to Order

- Opening Prayer & Draping of Charter
- Pledge to the Flag
- Roll Call of Officers
- Reading and Approval of Minutes from Friday's Meeting
- Reports of Appointed Staff & Committees
 1. Budget/Allowance – PNP Gerri Tuohy
 2. EIN/Insurance – Sarah Covert
 3. VAVS Representative – PNP Evelyn Joppa
 4. MCLA Headquarters Project – Darlene MacCubbin
 5. Girl Scouts – Angie Pitts
 6. Memorial Fund – Jan Crowe
 7. Operation Little Angel – PNP Barbara Nobile/Tracey Killinger (tbd for Recipient)
 8. Convention Liaison – PNP Linda Chamberlain
 9. Chapel of Four Chaplains – PNP Barb Nobile/Sydney Minchin
 10. Any other committee chairs wishing to report, Big Flea, National Regent...
- Report from Friday's President Council Workshop
- Report from Saturday's Division Vice President Workshop

Unfinished Business

New Business

Good of the Order

- Attendance of our National Secretary at the National Convention in August

Announcements:

1800 Social Adjustment, Reception, Banquet, Commonwealth Ballroom

Adjournment:

The Following MCL Officers have been invited to speak at our meeting as their schedule permits

- MCL Commandant TJ Morgan
- Chief Devil Dog Joe D'Angelo
- MCL Chief Operating Officer Robert Borka



MID-WINTER NATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, February 26, 2026

Event Time	Event	Location
0700 - 0900	Breakfast (included)	Concourse 1 & 2
0700 - 0800	MCL Budget Committee Meeting	Mezzanine 1
0800 - 1100	MCLA Board Meeting	Mezzanine 3
0800 - 1100	MCL Board of Trustees Meeting	Arlington 15th
0800 - 1600	MCL Ships Store / Registration	Cavalier B & C
0800 - 1600	MCLA Ships Store	Stars 16th
0800 - 1600	M.O.D.D. Dog House	Pentagon 15th
0800 - 1600	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Cavalier A
0830 - 1000	MCL Foundation Meeting	Mezzanine 2
1200 - 1700	National Museum of the Marine Corps Trip (tickets needed to pay for bus)	
1300 - 1600	M.O.D.D. Growl Room	Arlington 15th
1800 - 1900	Department Commandant's Council (R. Miller)	Commonwealth Ballroom
1800 - 1930	M.O.D.D. PCDD Society Growl	Mezzanine 1
1900 - 2200	Joint Hospitality Room (Cash Bar)	Concourse 1 & 2

Friday, February 27, 2026

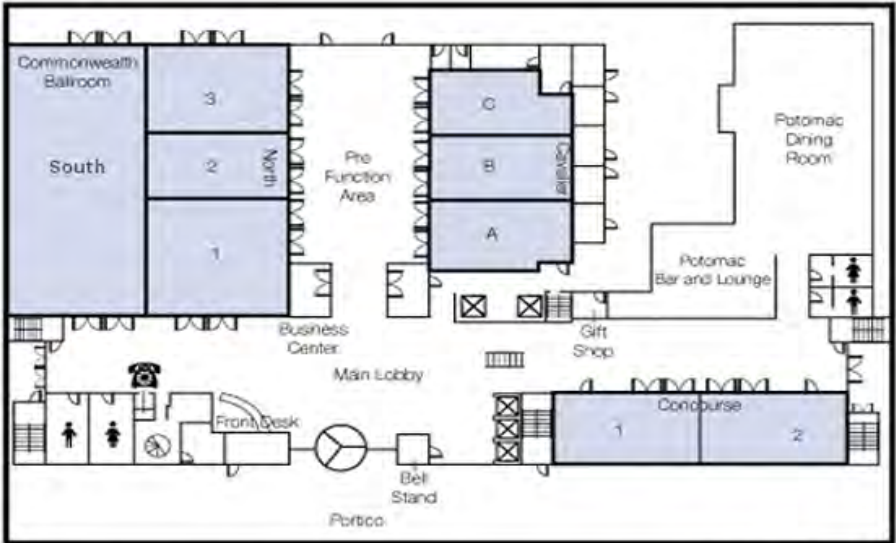
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0700 - 0900	Breakfast (included)	Concourse 1 & 2
0700 - 0800	Past National Commandant's Council	Executive Boardroom
0800 - 1700	M.O.D.D. Registration (Dog House)	Pentagon/Arlington 15th
0800 - 1700	MCL Ships Store / Registration	Cavalier B & C
0800 - 1700	MCLA Ships Store	Stars
0800 - 1700	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Cavalier A
0900 - 1100	Joint Opening Session (MCL & MCLA)	Commonwealth Ballroom
	Escorting of Organizational Heads & Distinguished Guests	Sergeant At Arms
	Presentation of the Colors	TBD
	Lead the Pledge of Allegiance	Sergeant At Arms
	National Anthem	TBD
	Retire the Colors	TBD
	Chaplain - Open the Bible & Offer the Prayer	Howard Schaeffer
	Welcome	Don Garland
1000 - 1045	Joint Memorial Service (MCL & MCLA)	MCL & MCLA Chaplains
1045 - 1110	Chapel of Four Chaplains (MCL & MCLA)	Kathleen Potthoff & Kathy Sheppard
1110 - 1120	Break	
1120	MCLA General Session	Galaxy Ballroom 16th
1120 - 1130	National Judge Advocate	
1130 - 1140	National Junior Vice	
1140 - 1150	National Senior Vice	
1150 - 1200	National Commandant	
1200 - 1300	Break for Lunch (Pay at the door)	Concourse 1 & 2
1300 - 1700	MCLA Business Session	Galaxy Ballroom 16th
1300 - 1700	MCL Business Session	Commonwealth Ballroom
1300 - 1310	Veteran Services Update - CDCE & VSO	Philip Du
1310 - 1320	Budget Midyear Report	Bob Ziltz
1320 - 1350	Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) Updates	TBD
1350 - 1400	MCL Foundation	Howard Schaeffer
1400 - 1430	Columbia Lighthouse Project	Doc Kelly Posner
1400 - 1530	MODD Kennel Staff Growl	Mezzanine 3
1430 - 1440	Convention Update - Convention Committee	Jim Ransom
1440 - 1500	Public Relations Committee	John Taylor
1500 - 1600	National Convention Committee Meeting	Mezzanine 1
Consider taking the free shuttle to airport, purchase metro tickets and take the metro to sites in DC		
1530-1700	MODD Kennel Financial Committee Growl	Mezzanine 3
1600 - 1800	VSO Continuing Education (CE) credit class	Commonwealth Ballroom
1830 - 1930	VSO Social	Mezzanine 1
2000	M.O.D.D. Mini-Growl	Commonwealth Ballroom

Saturday, February 28, 2026

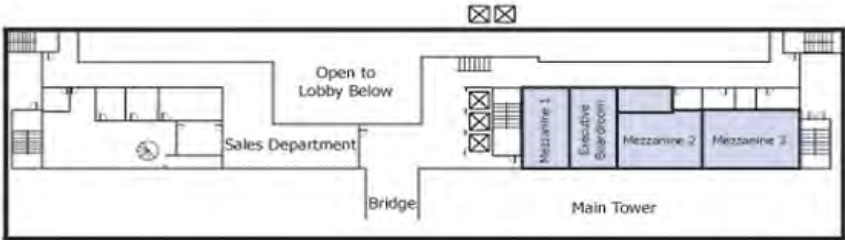
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0900 - 1200	MCLA Business Session	Galaxy Ballroom 16th
0900 - 1200	MCL Business Session	Commonwealth Ballroom
0905 - 0925	MCL Youth Physical Fitness Program	Sean Patton
0925 - 0945	National Cemetery Administration (NCA) Pre-Need	Larry Provost
0945 - 1000	Break	
1000 - 1015	Marksmanship Awards	Committee
1015 - 1030	Americanism Awards	Committee
1030 - 1040	Events Support - Mobile App	Rob Brooks
1100 - 1130	988 VA National Call Center	TBD
1130 - 1200	Communications Directorate HQMC - America 250	TBD
1200 - 1300	Break for Lunch (Pay at the door)	Concourse 1 & 2
1300 - 1600	MCLA Business Session continues	Galaxy Ballroom 16th
1300 - 1600	MCL Business Session continues	Commonwealth Ballroom
1300 - 1310	Hotel and staff recognition	
1310 - 1320	MCL Scholarships	Joe Hughes
1320 - 1350	Marine for Life	David Ossian
1350 - 1410	Young Marines Update	Bill Davis
1410 - 1430	Toys for Tots Update	LtGen Laster/David Cooper
1430	Announcements, Adjourn Meeting	National Commandant
1800 - 1830	Social Adjustment (Cash Bar)	Pre Function Area
1830 - 2200	Reception & Banquet - (National Anthem, Anchors Away, & Marines' Hymn). Invited Guest of Honor TBD	Commonwealth Ballroom

Changes to times and room locations will be posted on the electronic boards at Registration Desks

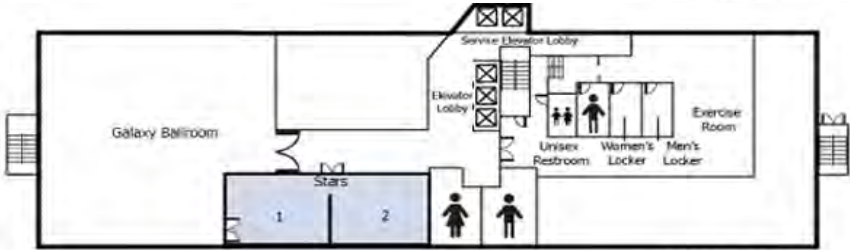
Sheraton Pentagon City Maps



FIRST FLOOR LOBBY



MEZZANINE LEVEL



SIXTEENTH FLOOR



Chaplain's Corner

As we enter the New Year, 2026, I would like to say how lucky I have been to be in contact with so many wonderful ladies. It is so amazing that we, as individuals, may not practice our faith in the same way. But, when called upon for prayer, needing cards sent, or reaching out to those in need we bond together with great strength to answer the request. As a result of all your efforts, I received a card from PNC Paul Hastings thanking the auxiliary for all the prayers, well wishes all cards he received. He said they were "Truly appreciated and very helpful." He could not believe how many cards he received.

Precious Memories

Margo A Reed, member at large, passed away November 25, 2025. Cards may be sent to: Robert C Reed III, 54 Saint Luke Dr., St. Peters, MO 63376

Rest in peace precious soul!

Melody Krakow, member at large, lost her husband Jeff. He was the Assistant Central Division Assistant Vice Commandant. Cards may be sent to: Melody Krakow, N4252 Oakgrove Dr., Columbus, WI 53925

Christina Kealey, All Div. Unit, lost her mother-in-law. Please send cards to: Christine and Chad Kealey, 164 Upland Ave., Horsham, PA 19044-2713

Bernice Wirgau, All Div. Unit, fell and broke her hip. Please send cards to: Bernice Wirgau, 5121 Leeward Rd., Bensalem, PA 19020-4050

Lorraine Zizzo, All Div. Unit, lost her husband Mikes' Aunt. Cards may be sent to: Lorraine Zizzo, 217 Leeward Rd., Bensalem, PA 19067-5715

Marci Horan lost her uncle who was 100 ½ years old. Cards may be sent to: Marci Horan, 526 Ravine St., Langhorne, PA 19047-3146

Thank you, Ladies, for all the prayers, cards and good work you continue to do for others. A simple gesture means a lot to those who receive them.

Happy New Year and Blessings to you all.

Mitzy Abeyta, Chaplain

ELECTED OFFICERS

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