





Newsletter #2 – May 19, 2017

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION VENUE

Hunt Valley Inn officially rebranded and changed their name from Hunt Valley Inn, a Wyndham Grand Hotel to **Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley**, Marriott International, in Cockeysville (otherwise known as Hunt Valley), Maryland. For more information visit the Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley website at: <u>http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/bwidh-delta-hotels-baltimore-hunt-valley/</u>.

The Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley Reservation can be made by calling or going online: Hotel Number: (410) 785-7000, or

Central Reservation Number: 1-888-236-2427

Mention the "FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION ROOM BLOCK" to get a special group rate of \$99 per night, plus tax, last date to book at the discounted rate is by 8/17/17.

Online Reservation Link: <u>http://tinyurl.com/2017fra-lafra-nat-conv</u>

If you are experiencing issues with reservations, contact Branch 4 and Unit 4 Officers listed in the back. Also for more information, visit the FRA Branch 4 website and follow the link to the 2017 National Convention at <u>www.frabranch4.org</u>.

HOTEL HAS PLENTY OF FREE PARKING SPACES.

AIRPORT SHUTTLE & TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

1) SIGNATURE SEDAN (Fair-sharing) website: info@signaturesedan.com

Sedan	Suburban	Van	Bus
(3 Pax) \$75	(5-6 Pax) \$85	(10 Pax) \$120 /One Way	(30 Pax) \$115/hr

Contact Eddie at (443) 838-8465 or Dispatch (443) 798-1800

Arriving passengers will be met at BWI, Arrival Door #8 and #9 by Greeters w/FRA Logo sign.





2) The hotel does not provide free shuttle to/from the BWI International Airport. A Light Rail Train (<u>https://mta.maryland.gov/light-rail</u>) runs from the BWI Airport to a Shopping Center a block away from the Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley. The hotel only provides free shuttle within 3 miles radius, contact the Hotel at (410) 785-7000 for pick up from the Shopping Center.

HOSPITAL website: www.lifebridgehealth.org/Sinai/Sinai1.aspx

Sinai Hospital is an American private hospital based in Baltimore, Maryland, that was founded in 1866 as the Hebrew Hospital and Asylum. Since 1998, Sinai Hospital has been a part of the LifeBridge Health system. It is now a Jewish-sponsored ANCC Magnet and teaching hospital that provides care for patients in the greater Baltimore City, Baltimore County and surrounding communities. It has 504 beds and is a Level II Trauma Center.

Address: 2401 W Belvedere Ave, Baltimore, MD 21215 Phone: (410) 601-9000

MOBILITY EQUIPMENT website: www.lenoxmedicalsupply.com

Wheelchair and scooter rentals are available from **ScooterPlus Rentals**, a division of Lenox Medical Supply. The store will deliver the wheelchair/scooter to the hotel and is giving a 10% discount to active military and veterans. Use Promo Code "MILITARY' to get the discount. To reserve wheelchair/scooter, <u>call 1-866-474-4356</u> and ask for "Tonna" (this is the Sales Representative's first name). You may also visit their website: <u>www.lenoxmedicalsupply.com</u>. Follow the link to "Rental" which will take you to the home page of the "ScooterPlus Rentals".

OXYGEN BOTTLES AND OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLIES website: www.austinpharm.com

Oxygen bottles and other medical supplies are available at the **Austin Pharmacy & Medical Supplies**. The pharmacy is located at 10757 York Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030. It is 1.8 miles away from Hunt Valley Inn. Their phone number is (410) 773-0300.

<u>RENTAL TUXEDO</u> website: <u>www.tuxedohouse.com</u>

Rental tuxedo will be available from Tuxedo House. The store point of contact is Scott Furman, the owner. Their phone number is (410) 252-6220. Measurement/fitting/pickup schedule will be published a month before the convention. A store representative will come to the hotel to do the measurements. Tuxedo return will be at the hotel. Address: 2135-37 Greenspring Drive, Timonium, Maryland 21093.

BREAKFAST/LUNCHEONS

The All-American Breakfast buffet is available, cost is \$18 inclusive of service charge and tax, daily. The combined FRA PNC and LA FRA PNC Breakfast is on Thursday, Sep 21st, cost is \$24 inclusive of service charge and tax. All Luncheon scheduled meals cost is \$33 inclusive of service charge and tax. The LA FRA PNP Luncheon, cost is \$33 inclusive of service charge and tax. Confirm all meal



orders and choices on the Golf, Meals & Tours Reservation Form, attached. For more information contact Cris Dixon at (817) 239-6556, cristina.dixon@live.com.

WELCOME ABOARD PARTY

The "Welcome Aboard Party" will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 1900 at the Valley Ballroom. The theme of the event is the '50s, '60s & '70s. Members of our Entertainment Committee is putting together a show that promises to amuse and entertain you. However, we need your help to ensure that you will have a pleasant and entertaining evening. Admission to the "Welcome Aboard Party" is <u>free</u>. All guests must register and confirm to attend for meal count. Please be sure to complete the Reservation Form attached and return it to Branch 4 and Unit 4. Only those pre-registered will receive a meal ticket upon arrival.

BANQUET AND GRAND BALL

Banquet and Grand Ball will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 1930 at the Valley Ballroom. Schedules/activities for this event will be coordinated with the National Presidents. Our Entertainment Committee has planned for a brief entertainment for your evening pleasure. Cost is \$50 per guest. Please sign up on the attached Registration Form.

TOURS AND OTHER EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

*** DISCLAIMER: SCHEDULE AND/OR PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE***

A. WHITE HOUSE TOUR website: <u>https://www.whitehouse.gov/participate/tours-and-events</u> A Group tour could not be arranged due to security measures. Appointments must be made individually through elected government officials/representatives. If shipmate(s)/auxiliary members and families are successful in securing an appointment, please let us know so we may attempt to secure transportation. Please note, any appointments should be made prior to/or after the National Convention, Sep 17th to 19th or Sep 24th to Sep 26th.

B. MEDIEVAL TIMES DINNER & TOURNAMENT website: <u>www.medievaltimes.com</u> This is a two-hour tournament show and four-course Medieval Feast. It is a live horse show in an enclosed, air-conditioned arena. The discounted admission price of \$42 includes free Royalty Upgrades. The arena is located at **7000 Arundel Mills Circle, Hanover, MD 21076** in the vicinity of

Maryland Live! Casino and the Arundel Mills Outlet Mall. For more information call <u>1-888-935-6878</u>. Sign up on the attached Registration Form.

C. FT MCHENRY NAT'L MONUMENT https://www.nps.gov/fomc/planyourvisit/basicinfo.htm

Fort McHenry in Baltimore, MD is a historical American star-shaped coastal fort best known for its role in the War of 1812, when it successfully defended Baltimore Harbor from an attack by the British

navy. It is also known as the Birthplace of the American National Anthem. The Fort McHenry Guard performs drill, musket and artillery demonstrations. General admission fee is \$10. But, we are awaiting response to our request for fee waiver. The Fort is located at 2400 East Fort Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21230. For more information you may call (410) 962-4290. Sign up on the attached Registration form.

D. MGM CASINO NATIONAL HARBOR website: www.mgmnationalharbor.com

The newest and the biggest casino in Maryland. It is about 7 miles away from downtown Washington, DC and a block away from Tanger Outlet. The MGM Casino is 70 miles away from Hunt Valley Inn. The address is 7100 Oxon Hill Road, Oxon Hill, MD 20745; the phone number is (844) 346-4664. Due to travel distance, we require max participation, prior to the National Convention in order to secure transportation. Sign up on the attached Registration form is required.

E. HORSESHOE CASINO website: www.caesars.com/horseshoe-baltimore/casino.

Horseshoe casino is one of the six casinos in Maryland. It is located in downtown Baltimore, Maryland in close proximity to the Orioles Park at Camden Yards. The address is 1525 Russell Street, Baltimore, MD 21230; the telephone number is <u>(844) 777-SHOE</u>. Sign up on the attached Registration form is required.

F. MARYLAND LIVE! CASINO website: www.marylandlivecasino.com

This casino is located in close proximity to the Medieval Times and the Arundel Mills Outlet. It is 32 miles away from Hunt Valley Inn. The address is 7002 Arundel Mills Cir #7777, Hanover, MD 21076; the phone number is <u>(855) 5MD LIVE</u> or <u>443-842-7000</u>. Sign up on the attached Registration form is required.

G. BALTIMORE ORIOLES GAMES

Following are the Orioles home games during the convention time frame. All games start at 7:05 PM.

TuesdaySept. 19vsBoston Red SoxThursdaySept. 21vsTampa Bay RaysFridaySept. 22vsTampa Bay Rays

H. GOLF TOURNEY

There are several Golf Courses within close proximity. Sign up on the attached Registration form to determine interest and associated costs.



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CONVENTION TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY/EVENT	ROOM
SUNDAY:	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
9/17/17		5	
MONDAY:	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
9/18/17	0800-1300	Golf Tourney/Outing	TBD
TUESDAY:	All Day	Constitution & Bylaws	Salon C
9/19/17	All Day	Finance & Budget	Salon D
	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
	0800-1700	Meeting # 1: Breakout	TBD
	0800-1700	Meeting # 2: Breakout	TBD
	1000-1200	Meeting # 3: Breakout	TBD
	1000-1730	Pre-Board: FRA NBOD	Maryland 4
	1300-1600	Pre-Board: LA FRA NBOD	Maryland 1/2
	1300-1700	Meeting # 4: FRA PRP	Salon E
	1300-1700	Meeting # 5: LA FRA PRP	Salon F
	1730	Joint Opening Rehearsal	Valley Ballroom
WEDNESDAY:	All Day	Constitution & Bylaws	Salon C
9/20/17	All Day	Finance & Budget	Salon D
	All Day	WORKSHOP	Salon A
	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
	0800-2300	Exhibit Setup	Hunt Valley Foyer
	0800-1700	Meeting # 1: Breakout	TBD
	0800-1700	Meeting # 2: Breakout	TBD
	0800-1130	Joint Opening Ceremony	Valley Ballroom
		PNP Photo Ops	
	1100-1300	Luncheon 1: FRA PNP	Salon E
	1100-1300	Luncheon 2: LA FRA PNP	Salon F
	1100-1300	Luncheon 3: FRA RP/RPE/RVP	TBD
	1100-1300	Lunch 4: LA FRA RP/RPE/RVP	TBD
	1300-1600	FRA Business Meeting # 1	Hunt Ballroom
	1300-1600	LA FRA Business Meeting # 1	Maryland 1/2/3
	1900-2400	Welcome Aboard Party	Valley Ballroom
THURSDAY:	All Day	Constitution & Bylaws	Salon C
9/21/17	All Day	Finance & Budget	Salon D
	All Day	WORKSHOP	Salon A
	0745-0830	Breakfast 1: FRA PNC	Salon E

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THURSDAY:	0745-0830	Breakfast 2: LA FRA PNC	Salon F
9/21/17	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
	0800-2300	Exhibit Setup	Hunt Valley Foyer
	0800-1700	Meeting # 1: Breakout	Chase Room (Tentative)
	0800-1700	Meeting # 2: Breakout	Derby Room (Tentative)
	0815-0900	Legislative Services Committee	Salon A
	0830-1130	LA FRA Business Meeting # 2	Maryland 1/2/3
	0900-1100	Committee Meetings (various)	Salons C/D/E/F & Hunt
	1130-1300	Luncheon 1: FRA PRP	Salon A
	1130-1300	Luncheon 2: LA FRA PRP	Salon E/F
	1300-1700	FRA Business Meeting # 2	Hunt Ballroom
	1300-1600	LA FRA Committee Judging	Maryland 1/2/3
FRIDAY:	All Day	Constitution & Bylaws	Salon C
9/22/17	All Day	Finance & Budget	Salon D
	All Day	WORKSHOP	Salon A
	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
	0800-2300	Exhibit Setup	Hunt Valley Foyer
	0800-1700	Meeting # 1: Breakout	Salon E
	0800-1700	Meeting # 2: Breakout	Salon F
	0800-1700	FRA Business Meeting # 3&4	Hunt Ballroom
	0830-1700	LA FRA Business Meeting # 3&4	Maryland 1/2/3
	1130-1300	Luncheon 1: LA FRA NP	Maryland 4
SATURDAY:	All Day	WORKSHOP	Salon A
9/23/17	0800-2300	Registration	MD Coatcheck
	0800-1700	Meeting # 1: Breakout	Salon E
	0800-1700	Meeting # 2: Breakout	Salon F
	0800-1600	FRA Business Meeting #5 & 6	Hunt Ballroom
	0830-1600	LA FRA Business Meeting #5 & 6	Maryland 1/2/3
	1000-1200	Rehearsal FRA/LAFRA (Install)	TBD
	1630-1730	Photo Ops FRA/LAFRA Officers	TBD
	1300-1800	Installation of Officers	Hunt Valley Ballroom
	1830-1930	Banquet Reception	TBD
	1930-2400	Banquet	Valley Ballroom
SUNDAY:	0800-1200	Post Board: FRA NBOD	Maryland 4
9/24/17	0800-1200	Post Board: LA FRA NBOD	Maryland 1/2



GOLF, MEALS & TOURS RESERVATION FORM (1 of 2)

EVENT

DAY	DATE	TIME	<u>MENU</u>	<u>COUNT</u>	PRICE	TOTAL
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Wed	09/20/17	0745	Buffet		x \$24.00	=
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FRA PRP Bre	akfast (Closed)					
Thurs	09/21/17	0745	Buffet		x \$24.00	=
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Thurs	09/21/17	0745	Buffet		x \$24.00	=
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Fri	09/22/17	1130	Baked Chicken w/Marsala Saud	ce	x \$42.00	=
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Wed	09/20/17	1830	Surprise Menu		x \$00.00	=
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BANQUET (C	09/23/17	1930	Chicken and Fish		x \$50.00	=
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GOLF, MEALS & TOURS RESERVATION FORM (2 of 2)

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	Thursday Sep	ot. 21 vs	Tampa Bay Rays		x S	\$00.00* =		
	Friday Ser	ot. 22 v	s Tampa Bay Rays		x	\$00.00* =		
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PATRON & BOOSTER ROLLS

To defray the cost of hosting the convention, the convention committee is offering the members of the FRA and Auxiliary FRA an opportunity to be a Patron or a Booster.

Patron Roll

A donation of \$3.00 per person

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Life Member

A donation of \$2.50 per person

Memoriam	A donation o	of \$2.50	

Please make checks payable to:

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FRA Branch 4/LA FRA Unit 4, P.O. Box 371, Oxon Hill, MD 20750

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MEALS - FRA NATIONAL CONVENTION 2017

Lunch 1:

Baked Chicken with Marsala Sauce Mixed Field Green Salad with cucumbers, carrots and tomatoes, sides of croutons and 2 choice of dressings Baked Ziti with Marinara and Parmesan Cheese -OR- Cheese Tortellini with Primavera Sauce Seasonal Vegetables Warm Rolls and Butter Chef Choice of Dessert Fresh Brewed Iced Tea with Lemon and Iced Water Regular/Decaf Coffee and Assorted Teas

Lunch 2

Build Your Own Taco Bar Grilled Chicken strips and ground beef Mixed Green Salad with (with 2 dressings) Black Bean and Corn Salad Warm Flour Tortillas White Rice Toppings: Mild and Hot Salsa, sides of tomatoes, cilantro, romaine chopped, red onion finely diced, grated cheese and sour cream Chef choiceof dessert Coffe, hot tea and iced tea and water

Lunch 3

Assorted Sandwhiches Soup of the Day Traditional Casear Salad with Parmesan Cheese and Croutons- Caesar Dressing Chips Whole fruit Assorted cookies or Brownies Coffee, tea, iced tea and water

Saturday Night Plated Dinner

Herb Roasted Chicken Breast <u>and</u> Baked Tilapia Mixed Green Salad with cucumbers, tomatoes, croutons (2 sides of dressing) Chef's choice of Vegetable Chef's choice of starch Warm rolls and Butter Chef choice of Dessert Iced Tea with Lemon Regular Coffee and Decaffeinated and Assorted

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