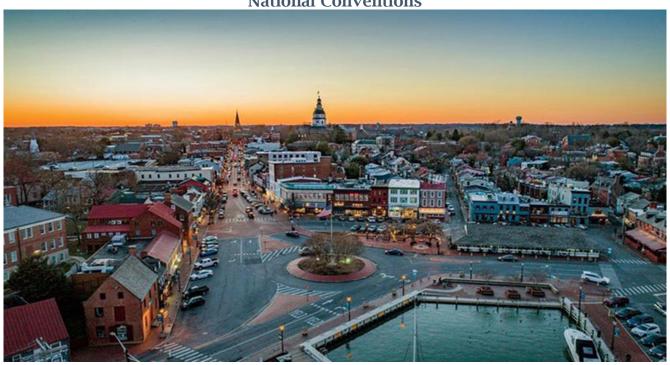






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 $96^{\text{\tiny TH}}$ Fleet Reserve Association and $91^{\text{\tiny ST}}$ Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association National Conventions



Newsletter #1 - 15 January 2024

At the 94th FRA National Convention approved the Centennial Committee to host (along with the National Headquarters) the 2024 Convention to coincide with the Centennial Celebration.

The Centennial Committee requested NHQ to solicit proposals in the DMV area and selected the DoubleTree by Hilton, Annapolis as the location. A resolution was sent to the National Board of Directors and approved as NBR 10-23 on 23 January 2023.

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CENTENNIAL and 2024 CONVENTION DATES

CENTENNIAL DATE:

November 11, 2024 - Arlington Cemetery and Reception to follow at Patton Hall. **CONVENTION DATES:**

November 12-15. 2024 – Detailed daily information to come later.

POST CONVENTION DATE:

November 16, 2024 – Post-Board Meetings of the FRA and the Auxiliary of the FRA

Centennial events will follow in next newsletter.

Double Tree by Hilton Annapolis 210 Holiday Court, Annapolis MD 21401 1-410-224-3150

The Double Tree offers a free shuttle within five miles, including to Westfield Annapolis Mall, restaurants around Annapolis Town Centre, Branch 024, and the US Naval Academy. Enjoy free parking and dining at our on-site restaurant, Ports of Call. You will be welcomed with a fresh DoubleTree Chocolate Chip Cookie.

- There are NO microwaves in the individual rooms.
- Microwaves are in the passageways near the ice machines.
- There is a restaurant on the property serving breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- If you want a fridge, you need to reserve a room with the fridge included. See directions below.
- If you want a room other than the standard king/double queen room, you need to call directly to reserve.

NOTE - THERE IS NO HOTEL SHUTTLE SERVICE TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT



Guest Room Booking

The Hilton attendee website is now live and you can reserve a room by using the following unique attendee website below. The reservation cut-off date is October 9, 2024.

IF YOU REQUIRE AN ADA ROOM, PLEASE CONTACT Kim Afolabi at FRA National Headquarters either by email or phone kima@fra.org, 1-800-372-1924, ext 127 (or 703-683-1400). PLEASE REMEMBER – if Kim does not answer, you need to LEAVE A MESSAGE!

Let's get started - copy/paste this link to the URL:

https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/anpdtdt-90d-bcdab4c5-7f18-47ce-9b69-435dc9ec0f80/

When you open the website, this is the page you will see. You need to select "Book a Room."

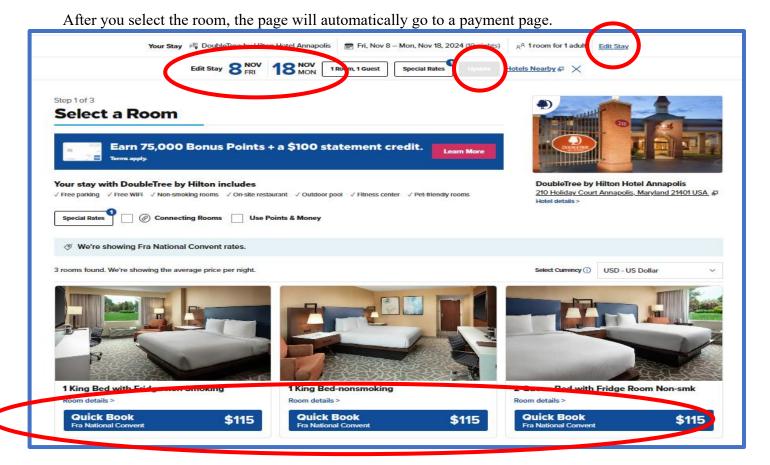
Book a Room

FRA National Convention Hello there! We're glad you can join us for FRA National Convention. We have a room block reserved at DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Annapolis for November 8, 2024 through November 18, 2024. Booking your room is simple, just select "Book a Room" to receive your group's preferred rate. We're looking forward to seeing you in November! We hope you enjoy your stay and your group's event! **Book Your Room** Event dates: November 8, 2024 - November 18, 2024 Book by: October 10, 2024 DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel **Rooms & Rates** Annapolis 2 Queen Bed with Fridge Room Non-smk - \$115.00 210 Holiday Court. Annapolis, MD 21401 1 King Bed with Fridge-non Smoking - \$115.00 1 King Bed-nonsmoking - \$115.00



There are four steps you need to do on this page. As you see, the dates of 8 Nov to 18 Nov are already selected.

- 1. You need edit the dates you are staying. Select "Edit Stay."
- 2. Click in the area of the dates. A calendar will pop up and you select the dates you want to reserve a room. Select how many rooms you are reserving and how many people in the room(s).
- **3.** BE SURE TO CLICK THE "UPDATE" BUTTON.
- **4.** Go down to the bottom of page and select the room "Quick Book." Again, if you want a room with a fridge, be sure to select the room with a fridge.



AIRPORT INFORMATION

THE CLOSEST AIRPORT IS BALTIMORE/WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL (BWI). All the big airlines fly in and out of BWI. For those of you who like to travel via train there is an AMTRAK Station at BWI!!

Car rentals are available as well as taxis, Uber, and Lyft. The taxi stands are located just outside of the baggage claim area on the Lower Level of the BWI Marshall Airport terminal near doors 5 and 13. Uber and Lyft pick up and drop off passengers at the terminal curbs on the Upper Level/Departures.

You can get more information about the airport at https://bwiairport.com.