

Fall Conference 2019



**The James M. Slay Detachment
Requests your attendance October 11–12, 2019
Wives are encouraged to attend!**

At the Hyatt House West, Short Pump
11800 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23233

Cost for a hotel room is \$94 per night with MCL card or valid active or retired military ID. Make reservations yourself, **using Code: G-USMC**, by calling the hotel directly at 1-804-360-7021 + 3 once connected for Special Requests or problems registering ask to speak with Ray Smith, Director of Sales

OR

You can follow this link

<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/hotel/virginia/hyatt-house-richmond-west/ricxr>

Cost for Conference itself is only \$10.00 per person (seriously!)
At this conference the Slay Detachment will NOT conduct an auction, and it will NOT host a Hospitality Suite, but you may “entertain” in your rooms.

Make check for \$10 per person payable to
“James M. Slay Detachment, MCL”
and mail it to:
Paymaster, James M. Slay Detachment #329, MCL
P.O. Box 4561, Glen Allen, VA 23056-4561

Any Questions, contact:
Fred Marotta, Paymaster Detachment #329
Paymaster329@gmail.com or 1-804-572-7180



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Marine Corps League*

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DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA FALL CONFERENCE OUTLINE OF EVENTS

LOCATION: HYATT HOUSE WEST (SHORT PUMP), 11800 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23233
Gov't Rate of \$94.00 plus local and state taxes, MUST SHOW MCL card or valid active or retired military ID. Upgrade at time of reservation will be based on \$94.00 plus upcharge.

Make Reservations NOT LATER THAN 13 SEPTEMBER 2019

Organization- Marine Corps League
Reservation code is **G-USMC**
Phone #: 804-360-7021 + 3 once connected
Check-in: 1500
Check-out 1200

EVENT SCHEDULE

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~~**1800-1930:** Hotel will set up a Cash Bar in our dining room.~~

~~**1900-2000:** Catered Buffet Dinner by "King's Korner" for attendees and special guests:-
Menu- Pecan salad, Homemade Meatloaf, Carved Pork Loin, Grilled Chicken Breast, "Real"
Mashed Potatoes, Southern Style Green Beans Assorted cookies and brownies, Sweet and
Un-sweet Tea, Lemonade and Iced water.~~

~~**2100:** close of night's event-~~ **The Catered Buffet dinner has now been cancelled. See
notice of cancellation email dated 9/18/2019 on page 3 hereof.**

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0700-1000 FREE HOTEL BREAKFAST BUFFET WITH MADE TO ORDER OMELETS

0900- 0915 Welcome greeting by Honored Guest(s)

0915-1100 Department of Virginia Fall Conference meeting in classroom

1100-1300: Lunch offsite on your own.

1300-1430: Devil Dog Growl.

From: Mark Moore <commandant329@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 1:43 PM
To: Mark Moore <commandant329@outlook.com>
Subject: Department of Virginia Banquet Cancellation

Marines,

The Department Conference is scheduled on October 11-12. The Slay Detachment was tasked with putting it together. The Financial Fire Team, along with the officers of the detachment planned a banquet for Friday evening. Many countless hours were spent in an attempt to ensure the banquet would be different this year. Unfortunately, there has been little to no response. Currently, we have 9 confirmed attendees for the banquet, most being from the Slay Detachment. We had planned on 50 attendees for the evening dinner, however, it seems we will not meet that projected number.

This morning, the Detachment Paymaster and I spoke and, after careful consideration, I am afraid we will have to cancel the banquet. In addition, I have also contacted the Department Commandant with my concerns. Furthermore, numerous emails and reminders have been sent out to the detachments letting everyone know about this conference. With the approaching deadlines, we have no other choice but to cancel the banquet at this time. This is very disheartening and something I do not want to do but with only 9 attendees, we cannot justify spending detachment funds.

Those who are coming from out of town can still check in to the hotel Friday evening. There are plenty of restaurants within walking distance to get lunch and dinner. Our conference will proceed as planned on Saturday October 12th. We will provide refreshments (coffee, juice, and pastries). Dr. Bruce Heilman, our quest speaker, will also be in attendance. If you have never heard Dr. Heilman speak I assure you his speech is something you do not want to miss. The schedule for the conference has not changed and the Devil Dog Growl will go on after lunch.

Fred Marotta (Detachment Paymaster) will refund the \$10 registration fee to those who have already paid. If anyone has any questions, please email me or Fred Marotta (Paymaster) and we will be glad to answer them. I was really hoping for better attendance. For those that planned on coming to the banquet, I do apologize.

Semper Fi,

Mark Moore
Commandant
James M. Slay Detachment
Marine Corps League