





First Newsletter

The Silver Dollar Branch 192 and the Minden Unit 137 cordially invite the Shipmates, Auxiliary Members and their families of the West Coast Region to attend the 61st West Coast Regional Convention to be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday 17-19 August 2017 at the Gold Dust West (GDW) Hotel/Casino, 2171 E. Williams Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

The Gold Dust West is well known to the WCR Convention Delegates and their families for its many amenities like the large bowling alley with its snack bar and lounge, it's newly remodeled first class and comfortable rooms, its hospitality, two dining room facilities, the Grille to serve your dinning needs 24hrs. a day and the Ole Ole Restaurant and Cantina, a full size swimming pool, spa, exercise room, sports book and plus Nevada style gaming.

Hotel accommodations and rate quotes will be honored for early check in and extended stay over nights. With a large Good Sam RV Park for back in or pull thru RV's at \$29 a night plus tax.

Deluxe King or Double Queen rooms \$80 plus tax
Superior King or "S" Double Queen \$85 plus tax
King Jr. or Double Queen Suite rooms \$90 plus tax
King Jr. or Double Queen Spa rooms \$105 plus tax

There are a limited number of handicap accessible rooms available for those who have mobile aids. Early registration is requested for those delegates or spouses. Hotel Reservations may be made by calling toll free (877) 519-5567, locally (775) 885-9000 then dial 1 and ask for West Coast Regional room block. The block of rooms has been reserved for the convention from Wednesday thru Sunday. The rooms will only be held until 12 July 2017, this hotel fills up fast, rooms and rates can not be guaranteed after that date. To go on line and reserve your room go to (www.gdwcasino.com) click on Carson City, click on hotel reservations, enter your stay request and use the group code: "frawcr817".

Bowling Tournament:

This year's bowling tournament will be hosted once again by Jim and Trijlia Laird (Br./Unit 137) who will set the bowlers up on their lanes, keep track of the scores and announce the winners at the Convention banquet. Early registration with the shoe size needed will ensure your spot in this fun and highly competitive tournament as past delegates can tell you. If you don't preregister and change your mind at the convention to get in on this evening of great entertainment (watching each other bowl is the entertainment) it will cost you \$15.00 at the door. There is a snack shop and the Ten Pin Lounge is a full bar inside the bowling center. If you're not a bowler, well, fans are welcome and encouraged as there is plenty of seating available for those who want to watch.

Regional Convention drawing:

Tickets for the Regional Convention drawing will be handed out at the close of the mid-year convention and will be available until the drawing held after the banquet on Saturday night the 19th of August. The tickets are \$1.00 each or a book of 6 tickets for five dollars. The winning prizes will be \$100.00 for third place, \$200.00 for second place and 1st place will get \$300.00 in cash.

Video Slot Tournament: There will be a video slot tournament hosted by GDW and Br. 192 in the main Casino area on Friday starting at about 0900. You must be signed up to play (it's free).

Menus for the Convention Buffet meals: TBA

Friday Lunch Menu:

Saturday (closed) Breakfast Menu:

Saturday soup and salad Lunch Menu:

<u>Saturday Banquet Dinner Menu</u>:

<u>WCR Beer Club</u>: Will hold their annual meeting and election of officers on Friday in the Juniper Room between 1700 and 1900, new members are always welcome.

Travel Directions to Convention:

There are no commercial trains or airports in Carson, all travel there is by car or bus. From the south and west, highways 395N, 50E, and 207E will meet in Carson; from the north it's 20 minutes via highway 580S from Reno to Carson and from the east highway 50W all meet at the off ramp to the Gold Dust West Casino and hotel.

You're Plan of the Day, journal ads, bowling reservation and meal reservations are included with this mail out. *Make sure that all journal ads, booster rolls, bowling tournament requests, and meal requests are completed and mailed back to us before the due dates.

Your Convention Coordinators are:

FRA PRPWC Patrick LeClaire, Branch 192, (775) 423-4168, (patch72@yahoo.com)

LAFRA Unit President Brenda Horton, Unit 137, (775) 883-6708,

(bmhorton@charter.net)

61st WEST COAST REGIONAL CONVENTION

17-19 August 2017

Plan of the Day

Thursday, 17 Aug:	
1500-2200	Hospitality Room Open- Juniper Room
1600-1900	Early Registration- Juniper Room hallway
Friday, 18 Aug:	
0900-1030	Mid Registration Period- Juniper Room hallway
0900-1030	Video Tournament-Main Casino area, it's free, tickets at registration
1100-1300	Buffet Lunch- Juniper Room and Courtyard area
1445	Assembly Call
1500-1700	Joint Opening Ceremony- Pinion/Sage Rooms
1700-1900	WCR Beer Club Meeting- Juniper Room
1700-1900	LAFRA Wine Club Meeting- TBA
1900-2200	WCR Bowling Tournament- Gold Dust West Bowling Center
1900-2200	Hospitality Room Open- Juniper Room
Saturday, 19 Aug:	
0700-0900	Past Regional President's Breakfast- Juniper Room (closed)
0700-0830	Final Registration- Juniper Room hallway
0900-1600	FRA/LAFRA Conventions- Pinion and Sage Rooms
1100-1300	Buffet Lunch- Juniper Room and Courtyard area
1745	No Host Cocktails- Pinion-Sage Rooms
1815	FRA/ LAFRA Installations of Officers- Pinion/Sage Rooms
1930-2030	Western Buffet Dinner- Pinion/Sage Rooms
2030-2300	Hospitality Room Open- Juniper Room

West Coast Regional Convention Meal and Bowling Reservations Gold Dust West, Carson City, Nevada 2017

Friday, 18 August	Lunch Buffet in the Juniper Room (open)
1100-1300	Number attending X \$00 =
Friday, 18 August	WCR Bowling Tournament in the GDW Bowling Center Fee will include 2 games of bowling, shoes and the Trophies
1900-2200	Number attending X \$00 = Shoe sizes (m) (w)
Saturday, 19 August	Breakfast Served in the Juniper Room (closed) FRA/ LAFRA Past Regional Presidents Breakfast
0700-0900	Number attending X \$00 =
Saturday, 19 August	Lunch Buffet in the Juniper Room (open)
1100-1300	Number attending X \$00 =
Saturday, 19 August	FRA/LAFRA Inaugural Banquet Dinner in the Pinion/Sage Rooms
1930-2030	Number attending X \$00 =

Total Payment Enclosed	\$	
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Make checks payable to: FRA 61st WCR Convention

Name	BR/	Unit	Phone #	

Mail completed form and check to: Patrick LeClaire, PRPWC, Convention Chairman

620 W. B Street Fallon, Nv. 89406

Form and payment must be received by 7 August 2017

CONVENTION JOURNAL & BOOSTER ROLL ADVERTISING

We are soliciting advertisements for the West Coast Region Convention Journal and Booster Roll Advertising. The prices are:

FULL PAGE	$(4-1/2 \times 7-1/2")$	\$50.00
HALF PAGE	(4-1/2 x 3-1/4")	\$30.00
QUARTER PAGE	$(4-1/2 \times 2")$	\$15.00
BUSINESS CARDS		\$10.00

Primary means of Ad submission will be electronic. E-mail your photos or booster roll names to the e-mail address listed below. All ads being mailed should be black on white paper. The "journal" will be a quality publication. All Branches and Units, not represented by a delegate, will receive a copy of the Convention Journal.

Names for the Convention Journal Booster Roll pages must be **typed** or **computer** copy. Traditionally, "Booster Roll" names have been printed in the convention journal on a donation basis, and will continue to be on a donation basis for this journal.

The DEADLINE for submission of copy for the Journal is: 31 July 2017

Attached is our A Journal.	d or Booster Roll I	isting for the 2017 West (Coast Region Convention	
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Mail to:		VPWCR, Journal Editor		
	61 st WC Region	onal Convention		
	722 Timothy V	Way		
	Fallon, NV 89	406		
Ad Submission:	frabranch192@	yahoo.com		

(775) 217-0855

Questions please call: