



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

Event Time	Event	Location
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
2000	M.O.D.D. Mini-Growl	Commonwealth Ballroom

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Event Time	Event	Location
0700 - 0900	Breakfast (included)	Concourse 1 & 2
0800 - 1200	M.O.D.D. Registration (Dog House)	Pentagon 15th
0800 - 1200	MCL Ships Store/Registration	Cavalier B & C
0800 - 1200	MCLA Ships Store	Stars 16th
0800 - 1200	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Cavalier A
0900 - 1200	MCLA Business Session	Galaxy Ballroom 16th
0900 - 1200	MCL Business Session	Commonwealth Ballroom
0905 - 0915	MCL Youth Physical Fitness Program	Sean Patton
0915 - 0945	National Cemetery Administration (NCA) Pre-Need	TBD
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