



**MID-WINTER NATIONAL CONFERENCE
SCHEDULE**

Thursday, February 26, 2026

Event Time	Event	Location
0700 - 0900	Breakfast (included)	Galaxy Ballroom
0700 - 0800	MCL Budget Committee Meeting	Mezzanine 2
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	Mezzanine 1
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 - 1430	M.O.D.D. PCDD Society Growl	Arlington 15th
1800 - 1900	Department Commandant's Council (R. Miller)	Commonwealth Ballroom
1900 - 2200	Joint Hospitality Room (Cash Bar)	Concourse 1 & 2

Friday, February 27, 2026

Event Time	Event	Location
0700 - 0900	Breakfast (included)	Galaxy Ballroom
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	Mezzanine 1
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	Concourse 1 & 2
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)	Galaxy Ballroom
1300 - 1700	MCLA Business Session	Concourse 1 & 2
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	Ms. Margrita Devlin
1350 - 1400	MCL Foundation	Howard Schaeffer
1300 - 1500	MODD Kennel Staff Growl	Arlington 15th
1400 - 1430	Columbia Lighthouse Project	Doc Kelly Posner
1430 - 1440	Convention Update - Convention Committee	Jim Ransom
1440 - 1500	Public Relations Committee	John Taylor
1500 - 1600	National Convention Committee Meeting	Mezzanine 2
Consider taking the free shuttle to airport, purchase metro tickets and take the metro to sites in DC		
1530-1700	MODD Kennel Financial Committee / Bylaws Committee	Arlington 15th
1600 - 1800	VSO Training	Commonwealth Ballroom
1830 - 1930	VSO Social	Mezzanine 2
2000	M.O.D.D. Mini-Growl	Commonwealth Ballroom

Saturday, February 28, 2026

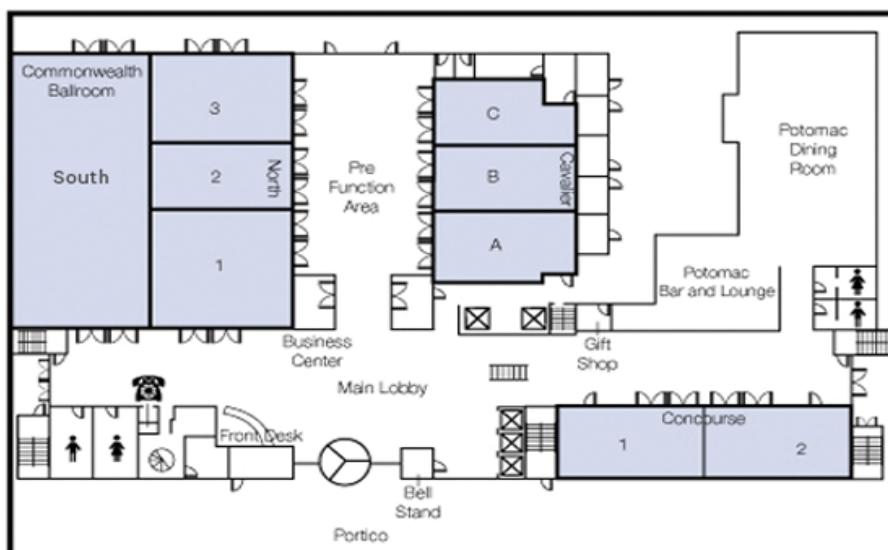
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0800 - 1200	MCLA Ships Store	Mezzanine 1
0800 - 1200	M.O.D.D. Kennel Quartermaster	Cavalier A
0900 - 1200	MCLA Business Session	Concourse 1 & 2
0900 - 1200	MCL Business Session	Commonwealth Ballroom
0905 - 0925	MCL Youth Physical Fitness Program	Sean Patton
0925 - 0945	National Cemetery Administration (NCA) Pre-Need	Larry Provost
0945 - 1000	Break	
1000 - 1015	Marksmanship Awards	Committee
1015 - 1030	Americanism Awards	Committee
1030 - 1040	Events Support - Mobile App	Rob Brooks
1100 - 1130	Veterans Health Administration	TBD
1130 - 1200	Communications Directorate HQMC - America 250	TBD
1200 - 1300	Break for Lunch (Pay at the door)	Galaxy Ballroom
1300 - 1600	MCLA Business Session continues	Concourse 1 & 2
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 - 1420	Toys for Tots Update	LtGen Laster/David Cooper
1420 - 1430	MCA Presentation	LtGen Chiarotti
	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

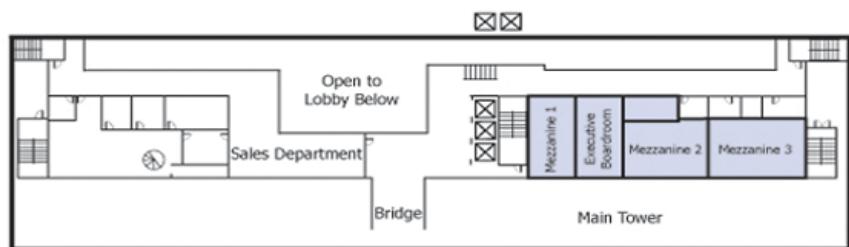
Sunday, March 1, 2026

Event Time	Event	Location
0600 - 0700	Breakfast (included)	Galaxy Ballroom
0800 - 1200	Check-out on your own	

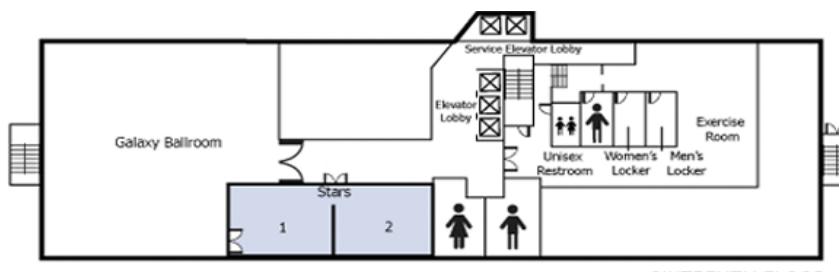
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