

# FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION 97/92 NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

## **3-8 NOVEMBER 2025**

— NEWSLETTER #2 —

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The 97th FRA and the 92nd Auxiliary, FRA National Conventions will be held 3 to 8 November 2025 at the Oasis Hotel and Conference Center, 2546 N. Glenstone Ave. Springfield, Missouri; phone 417-866-5253. Be sure to mention Fleet Reserve Association or booking ID #328595 (cutoff date for reservations is 8 October).

The Hotel is located seven miles from Springfield/Branson Regional Airport and 45 miles from Branson. The Flagship store for Bass Pro Shops is located in Springfield and a Buc-ee's is located five miles east off I-44.

Room rates are \$119 per night; more for suites. Room block is 171 based on activity at the Hoover, Alabama National Convention. If required, overflow hotels are nearby. If you require a scooter to get around, be sure to request a room on the ground floor.

Rooms come with complimentary hot breakfast. ALL ROOMS have WALK-IN SHOWERS & RAISED TOILETS. Fully handicapped rooms are limited.

Transportation to and from the Airport is included; YOU MUST CALL the HOTEL and GIVE THEM DETAILS of YOUR ARRIVAL!

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

**Sun. 2 Nov.** Afternoon — Hospitality Room opens; Sahara Rooms A & B

#### Mon. 3 Nov.

**0700** FRA PRP BoD Breakfast Hotel Restaurant; grab your breakfast in the Atrium and proceed to the special area set up in the restaurant

**0830** Registration — Convention Center lobby area

1300 FRA Pre-Convention BoD Meeting; Maui Ballroom

1300 Auxiliary Pre-Convention BoD Meeting; Fiji

Ballroom

1300 Other Meetings / as necessary

Tue. 4 Nov.

**0930** Joint Opening Ceremonies; Grand Ballroom

**1200** FRA & Auxiliary PNP Lunches

FRA & Auxiliary RP, RPE & RVP Lunches

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Workshops as scheduled by NHQ; Kalahari Meeting Room

1315 First FRA Business Session; Coco/Maui Ballrooms

1315 First Auxiliary Business Session; Fiji Ballroom

1900 Welcome Aboard

Theme is DOWN HOME! Bib overalls, bandannas, straw hats; pinafores & bonnets, etc. Find grandma's old trunk and dig out some of her flower-sack dresses your mom used to wear. Western wear is acceptable ... if you wear a jacket or vest with fringe, try not to look like a buffer at the car wash.

#### Wed. 5 Nov.

**0700** FRA PRP Breakfast; Poolside

**0830** Registration — Convention Center lobby area

**0830** Auxiliary 2nd Business session; Fiji Ballroom

**0900** FRA Committee Meetings . . .

Legislative
 Bylaws
 Membership & Retention
 Budget & Finance
 Future Planning
 Kalahari Room
 Sonoran Room
 Arabian Room
 Poolside

spaces to be determined

1200	PRP Auxiliary Lunch; Poolside	
1300	FRA 2nd Business Session;	
1315	Auxiliary Committee Meetings	
Workshops as scheduled by NHQ; Kalahari Meeting Room Tours (work in progress)		
Thurs. 6 Nov.		
0830	Registration — Convention Center lobby area	
0830	FRA & Auxiliary 3rd Business Sessions	
1200	Auxiliary NP Lunch	
1315	FRA & Auxiliary 4th Business Sessions	

Workshops as scheduled by NHQ; Kalahari Meeting Room Tours ( TBD )

#### Fri. 7 Nov.

0830	FRA & Auxiliary 5th Business Sessions
	(if required)

- 1300 FRA & Auxiliary Installation Rehearsal, Photos Grand Ballroom
- 1730 Installation; Grand Ballroom
- 1830 Banquet; Coco/Maui Ballrooms

#### Sat. 8 Nov.

**0830** FRA & Auxiliary Post-Convention NBOD Meetings; *same space as Pre-Board meetings* 

The above schedule and room assignments are subject to adjustments.

As of this publication, Tuxedo rentals are \$125 and scooters run \$175 per week.

#### **BEAUTY SALON**

Going to need a hairdresser?
Contact Shipmate Belinda BROWN
207-522-3941 • <a href="mailto:bmb0325@yahoo.com">bmb0325@yahoo.com</a>

You will be shuttled to and from your appointment

#### JOURNAL & BOOSTER ROLL

#### Journal ads will run as follows:

- Outside back cover .....\$250
- Inside front & back ......\$225 (includes color)
- Full page ......\$150
- Half page .....\$80
- Quarter page .....\$45
- Eighth page .....\$25
- Business cards .....\$25

[ add \$5 for color except business cards ]

#### **Booster Roll**: Whatever.

Email ads (PDF format) and Booster names to the Treasurer at tonyroe58@gmail.com.

## Make checks payable to

FRA CONVENTION

#### **Send payments to**

97th FRA Nat'l Convention 310 SW 24th Terrace Oak Grove, MO 64075

#### **Direct questions to**

Norm COMBS PRPNC 816-847-6562/816-490-5304

#### MEALS MENU — 97TH/92ND FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

#### MONDAY, 3 NOVEMBER @ 0730 — FRA PRP BoD Breakfast (CLOSED)

Grab breakfast from the buffet in the Atrium, proceed to designated seating area in the hotel restaurant. No additional charge.

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# TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — FRA PNP; Auxiliary PNP; RP/RPE/RVP FRA; RP/RPE/RVP Auxiliary Luncheons (CLOSED)

<u>Choice of:</u> • SEARED BONELESS SKINLESS CHICKEN BREAST (6 oz.)\* W/Hawaiian Glaze Sauce

• ROASTED PORK LOIN (6 oz.)\* Blackberry and Bourbon Barbecue Sauce

<u>Plus</u>: Signature Side Salad; Chef's Starch & Vegetable; Chef's Dessert; Warm Rolls with Butter;

Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee & Iced Tea

#### WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — FRA PRP Breakfast (CLOSED).

Snag your vittles from the Hotel Buffet and proceed down the ramp to the Atrium Poolside.

There will be a nominal set up fee..

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### WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — Auxiliary PRP Luncheon (CLOSED)

Choice of:
 CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD Marinated Chicken Breast, Crispy Romaine Lettuce, Garlic Croutons,
 Parmesan Cheese, and Grape Tomatoes with a Creamy Caesar Dressing

 COBB SALAD GF Mixed Field Greens topped with Crisp Bacon, Diced Grilled Chicken, Hard Boiled Egg, Bleu Cheese Crumbles, and Diced Tomato, served with Buttermilk Ranch Dressing

Plus: Warm Rolls & Butter; Chef's Dessert; Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaf Coffee & Iced Tea

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#### THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — NP Auxiliary Luncheon (OPEN)

Choice of: 
• BISTRO BEEF MEDALLIONS (8 oz.) w/Mushroom and Bacon Ragout Sauce

PAN SEARED SALMON FILET (6 oz.) w/Creamy Lemon and Dill Sauce

<u>Plus</u>: Garden Salad with Fresh Tomato, Carrot and Cucumber;\* Chef's Starch & Vegetable;

Chef's Dessert; Warm Rolls & Butter; Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaf Coffee & Iced Tea

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#### FRIDAY, 7 NOVEMBER @ 1900 — Banquet (OPEN)

<u>Choice of:</u> • KANSAS CITY STRIP STEAK (10 oz.) w/Mushroom and Bacon Ragout Sauce

PAN SEARED SALMON FILET (6 oz.) w/Creamy Lemon and Dill Sauce

• AIRLINE CHICKEN BREAST (8 oz.) w/Sun Dried Tomato Cream Sauce

<u>Plus</u>: Garden Salad with Fresh Tomato, Carrot and Cucumber\* Chef's Starch & Vegetable;

Chef's Dessert; Warm Rolls with Butter; Freshly Brewed Regular & Decaf Coffee & Iced Tea

A meal reservation form is available on the next page. An online form is also available at **fra161.org**.

Make all checks payable to **FRA Convention**.

## MEALS FORM — 97TH/92ND FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

MAIL TO: TONY CHAMPAGNE, FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, 310 SW 24TH TERRACE, OAK GROVE, MO 64075

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NAME	BRANCH/UNIT	
EMAIL	PHONE	
TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — PNP FRA Luncheon	(CLOSED)	
	@ \$27/ea.       T0	OTAL Ś
Roasted Pork Loin	@ \$27/ea. TO	OTAL \$
TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — PNP Auxiliary Lunch		
Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast	@ \$27/ea. TO	OTAL \$
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Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast	@ \$27/ea. TO	OTAL \$ OTAL \$
Roasted Pork Loin	@ \$27/ea.      T0	OTAL \$
TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER @ 1800 — Welcome Aboard (OF		
	@ \$15/ea.	OTAL \$
WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER @ 0700 — PRP FRA Breakf		
	@ \$10/ea.	OTAL \$
WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — PRP Auxiliary Lu	` ,	
Chicken Caesar Salad		OTAL \$
• Cobb Salad <b>GF</b>	@ \$24/ea.       T0 	OTAL \$
THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — NP Auxiliary Lunch	,	
Bistro Beef Medallions	@ \$33/ea.      T0	OTAL \$ OTAL \$
Pan Seared Salmon Filet	@ \$33/ea.       T0 	OTAL \$
WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER @ 1200 — PRP Auxiliary Lu	` ,	
Kansas City Strip Steak	@ \$55/ea.      T0	OTAL \$
Pan Seared Salmon Filet	@ \$55/ea.      T0	DTAL \$
Airline Chicken Breast	@ \$55/ea.       T0 	OTAL \$
GRAND TOTAL		\$

BANQUET TABLES WILL BE ASSIGNED — SEATING FOR EIGHT (NINTH OR TENTH MAY BE ADDED) ... IF YOU WISH TO SIT WITH SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS LIST THEM BELOW:

# TOURS FORM — 97TH/92ND FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

MAIL TO: TONY CHAMPAGNE, FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, 310 SW 24TH TERRACE, OAK GROVE, MO 64075

NAME	BRANCH/UNIT
EMAIL	PHONE
MONDAY, 3 NOVEMBER @ Evening — An "Elvis" Tribute	· ·
	@ \$##/ea. TOTAL \$
WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER @ Evening — Clay Cooper	
	@ \$##/ea. TOTAL \$
THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER @ Evening — Branson Show	(in progress)
FRIDAY, 7 NOVEMBER @ Afternoon — National Wonders	s of Wildlife Museum & Bass Pro Flagship
	@ \$##/ea. TOTAL \$
TOTALS	Tickets \$

# SOUVENIRS FORM — 97TH/92ND FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

MAIL TO: TONY CHAMPAGNE, FRA/AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, 310 SW 24TH TERRACE, OAK GROVE, MO 64075

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NAME		BRANCH/UNIT		
EMAIL		PHONE		
OUA	ARTER-ZIP PULLOVER (w/Convention Logo)			
			TOTAL \$	
POL	O SHIRT (w/Convention Logo)			
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ITEN	M #3			
		@ \$##/ea. 	TOTAL \$	
ITEN	M #4			
			TOTAL \$	
TOT	CALS	Tickets	\$	

# **JOURNAL ADS**

#### EMAIL ADS TO: TONY CHAMPAGNE — tonyroe58@gmail.com

Outside Back Cover	\$250
Inside Front Cover	\$225
Inside Back	\$225
Page Facing Inside Back Cover	\$200
Full Page	\$150
Half Page	\$ 80
Quarter Page	\$ 45
Eighth Page & Business Cards	\$ 25
Add extra \$5 for color except Business Cards	\$ 5
TOTAL	\$