

# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

## DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

January 1, 2019

From: Department Commandant  
To: Department of South Carolina Detachment Commandants  
Subject: 2019 Convention Information Package  
Enclosures: 1) 2019 Convention Schedule of Events  
2) Convention Pre-Registration and Banquet Reservation Form  
3) Convention Journal Ad Information

1 The Crowne Plaza Hotel in North Charleston, South Carolina, will be the site of the 2019 Department Convention June 6-9, 2019. The Convention schedule is enclosure (1). A detailed agenda will appear in the Convention Journal. The Crowne Plaza Hotel is located at 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd, North Charleston, SC. The room rate at the Crowne Plaza is \$134 (1 person) or \$138 (2 people) per night plus tax (currently 14%). This rate will be honored three days before and after the Convention dates. Reservations may be made by calling 843-744-4422. If you prefer, you may use the group-specific link of:

[MCL 25th Annual Department Convention and Training  
https://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=CP&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=CHSSC&PMID=99801505&GPC=MCL&viewfullsite=true](https://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=CP&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=CHSSC&PMID=99801505&GPC=MCL&viewfullsite=true)

Cut-off date is May 6, after which the special rate or availability will not be guaranteed. Check in time is 1500, check out time is 1200. All Convention activities take place at the Crowne Plaza (lodging, meetings, banquet and hospitality room.) The hotel offers a full array of services to include restaurant, indoor swimming pool, exercise facility, etc. Activity, entertainment, dining and sightseeing information is readily available in the hotel lobby. Bags may be stored prior to check in and after check out. The Hotel does provide a free shuttle service to Tanger Outlet. Another shuttle can be taken from Tanger Outlet to downtown Charleston for a cost of \$3.00 one way.

- 2 A Pre-Registration form is provided in enclosure (2). You have the opportunity to choose a Friday night event of either a River Dogs baseball game with a cookout of hamburgers and hotdogs, or a dinner cruise on the Spirit of Carolina in Charleston Harbor.
- 3 Information concerning purchasing Convention Journal ads is contained in enclosure (3). Each Detachment is requested to donate \$100 to the Low County Detachment to help defray the cost of the convention.
- 4 Delegate forms will be distributed at a later date as Delegates will not be determined until after the National Detachment Listing dated March of 2019 is distributed.
- 4 Refer questions concerning the 2019 Department Convention to John Tharp at email [tharpj@sc.rr.com](mailto:tharpj@sc.rr.com) or phone 843-709-8520 or 843-821-8134.

Jim Stone  
Commandant,  
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Marine Corps League

**PLANNED EVENTS SCHEDULED  
DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
2019 CONVENTION**

(Detailed agenda will be in the Convention Journal)

Thursday, June 6, 2019

1500 – 1900 Registration at Crowne Plaza Lobby  
1500 – 2200 Hospitality Room open  
1500 Dinner on your own  
1800 – 2000 Commandants Council

Friday, June 7, 2019

0700 – 0800 Breakfast  
0800 – 0830 Colors Ceremony and Memorial Service  
0800 – 0900 Late Registration in hotel lobby  
0900 – 1130 Business Meeting  
1130 – 1300 Lunch on your own/Hospitality Room open  
1300 – 1500 Pack Growl  
1500 – 2200 Hospitality Room open  
1800 – 2200 Cookout at Charleston River Dogs baseball game  
Dinner Cruise around Charleston Harbor

Saturday, June 8, 2019

0700 – 0830 Breakfast  
0900 – 1130 Business Meetings  
0900 - 1000 Ladies Tea  
1130 – 1300 Lunch on your own/Hospitality Room open  
1300 – 1600 Business Meeting (as required)  
1600 – 1800 Free time/Hospitality Room open  
1800 – 1900 Cocktail Hour (Cash Bar)  
1900 – 2200 Banquet and Awards Presentation

Sunday, June 9, 2019

0700 – 0900 Breakfast  
0900 Depart -- Have a safe trip home

2019 DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE CONVENTION  
Pre-Registration  
(Please print clearly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Detachment Name \_\_\_\_\_ Detachment # \_\_\_\_\_

**THURSDAY NIGHT WELCOME RECEPTION**

Number of persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY NIGHT OUTING OPTIONS**

(Transportation to Ballgame/Cruise is on your own. Driving directions will be provided.)

**Cookout/Ballgame:** Friday, June 7, 2019, 1800 Joe Riley Stadium, Charleston River Dogs Baseball Game. First come, first served. First pitch at 1905 (7:05 pm). Ashley View Pub opens at 6:00 for cookout.

Number of persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Charleston Dinner Cruise:** Friday, June 7, 2019. Dinner Cruise on the Spirit of Carolina. Boarding time is 1830 (6:30 pm)

Number of persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BANQUET**

**Entrees:** Two Choices (circle #1 or #2 for each attendee)

1. Chicken Breast Panzanella with Sherry Vinaigrette
2. Blue Crab Topped East Coast Flounder with Lemon Butter Cream Sauce

Number Persons attending Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**GAIL HOPKINS MEMORIAL TEA**

(All spouses & guests invited.)

Number persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x free = **\$0.00**

Total Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: **Low County Detachment #803**

Please send registration forms and check to:

**Helen Breen**  
**404 Mountain Laurel Circle**  
**Goose Creek, SC 29445**  
**hbreen1227@gmail.com**

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
2019 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION  
HOSTED BY THE LOW COUNTRY DETACHMENT #803, CHARLESTON**

**From: Department Commandant**  
**To: Detachment Commandants**  
**Subject: 2019 Department Convention Journal Ad**

A Convention Journal serves multiple purposes. It provides a venue for the Department to inform attendees of specific schedule of events, the agenda for the scheduled business meetings, travel instructions, where necessary, and information on various speakers. The Journal also provides funds to the host detachment to cover expenses not covered by registration.

It is requested that each detachment make a \$100 contribution to the host detachment. A second \$100 will provide the Detachment with an ad in the Journal.

Ads purchased by individuals and businesses will gladly be accepted for inclusion in the Convention Journal. Ads are tax deductible. The bottom of this form can be used as a receipt.

Request all ads be submitted in a print-ready condition. If this is not possible, arrangements can be made to accommodate ad purchasers. Please mail donations and copy of ad to: Helen Breen, 404 Mountain Laurel Circle, Goose Creek, SC 29445.

Ad Purchaser's  
Name/Company/Detachment: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Sale: \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Sales Person: \_\_\_\_\_

_____ Full Page Ad @ \$100 (8 1/2" X 11")	_____ Half Page Ad @ \$50 (5 1/2" X 8 1/2")
_____ 1/4 Page Ad @ \$25 (4 1/2" X 2 3/4")	_____ Business Card Ad @ \$10

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**TAX DEDUCTIBLE RECEIPT.** Marine Corps League, Department of South Carolina, Convention Journal Ad.

_____ Full Page Ad @ \$100 (8 1/2" X 11")	_____ Half Page Ad @ \$50 (5 1/2" X 8 1/2")	_____
_____ 1/4 Page Ad @ \$25 (4 1/2" X 2 3/4")	_____ Calling Card Ad @ \$10	_____



## Charleston RiverDogs

The **Charleston RiverDogs** are a [minor league baseball](#) team based in [Charleston, South Carolina](#). The team plays in the Class Single-A [South Atlantic League](#) and are an affiliate of the [New York Yankees](#). Their home stadium is at [Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Park](#). The majority owner is [Marvin Goldklang](#) who also owns a stake in three other minor league baseball teams throughout the country ([Fort Myers Miracle](#), [Hudson Valley Renegades](#), and [St. Paul Saints](#)). The name originates from an urban legend that sailors in Charleston would notice large rats on the banks of the nearby Cooper and Ashley rivers, and would call them "river dogs", and was chosen in a name-the-team contest held at local [Piggly Wiggly](#) outlets in 1994.<sup>[1]</sup>



# SpiritLine Dinner Cruises

## SPIRIT OF CAROLINA

Built and designed to comfortably accommodate large groups for dining, the Spirit of Carolina hosts our dining cruises and is also available for chartered events. With two large enclosed air-conditioned dining decks and an open-air observation deck this boat



## ADDITIONAL DINNER CRUISE INFORMATION

- Dress code is "Resort Casual"
- Parking at Patriots Point requires a \$5 fee, payable in cash only
- Cash bar available onboard
- No shots offered at any of the bars
- All major credit cards are accepted
- Please note that all dinner cruises are Non-Smoking cruises

## This is Waterfront Dining!

SpiritLine Cruises offers the only true waterfront dining experience in Charleston. Aboard the Spirit of Carolina, you and your guests will enjoy a three or four course dinner, made to order from local seasonal ingredients. As you dine on a delicious multi-course plated dinner, the Spirit of Carolina will cruise through the beautiful Charleston Harbor, past Fort Sumter, along the Battery and beneath the Ravenel Bridge. See for yourself why others are raving about the dinner cruise. Pair that with live music, amazing Charleston harbor sunset views, full service bars, add a special [cruise enhancement](#) and you have the makings for an unforgettable evening on the water.

## DINNER CRUISE DETAILS

- 3 or 4 course dinner made to order on board
- 2 & 1/2 hour cruise time (7:00pm until 9:30pm).
- Boarding begins at 6:30pm
- Captain Seating is our normal arrangement, 4 to 6 per table
- Private tables for 2 available
- [Live music nightly](#)
- Full bar service available
- Dining decks are climate controlled
- [Enhance your Dinner Cruise](#) with flowers, sparkling wine & more

## PHOTO GALLERY



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