



FAQ & Fact Sheet for 2023 – JUNE UPDATE (For Convention)

This June FAQ Fact Sheet has been updated to establish revised guidance to all NMPMA Members who intend to be at the National 2023 Convention and Montford Marine Day Activities. **You are strongly encouraged to read this document and check with your Regional Vice Presidents routinely for “Updates and Situational Awareness”.**

Where & When is the Convention being held

- This year’s 58th National Convention is being held at Jacksonville NC. August 23rd – 27th 2023 - Travel / Departure dates (23rd/27th)
- **Volunteers are needed for MPM Day Ceremony (Read below)**

Sequence of Events

- **National Convention & Activites**
- **Montford Point Marine Day**
- **CGM Ceremonies**
- **Montford Point Chapel Re-dedication**

What is included in the Cost

- To ensure we are meeting our **contractual obligation** for 2023 - Early Bird In-Person Convention package is \$395.
- This flat-rate all-inclusive pricing is payable by **July 14th, 2023**. **All Payments will be via AMS.**
 - For members this pricing includes Registration Fees and all ticketed evening-based events.
- **Member Guest – Caretaker**. Member Guest / Caretaker attendee must be directly tied to the Association Member so as to allow for Ala Carte Event Pricing.
 - There are a fixed number of Event Tickets that will be made available for this purpose only for a targeted period of time. Once tickets are exhausted or date cut-off has passed Event Pricing will be instituted. The member has the responsibility to ensure the Caretaker / Guest is registered through AMS to take advantage of ticket pricing and payment.
 - ***If you miss the Early-bird (Cut-off date) Rate the price immediately goes to \$490.***

Reminder Your Critical deadline dates;

- **July 14th** - All Early Bird packages must be received and paid in full (160 paid package minimum is required to breakeven)
 - All **rates after July 14th deadline** will be adjusted and increased (to \$495 rate to address balance of Event Package obligations).
 - “Ala-Carte” Tickets for Caretaker / Non member Guest attendees are limited. Once they have exceeded that cap then the full package rate will apply.

Hotel Information and Hotel Cost

If you intend stay at a hotel during these events you are required to adhere to the following;

Hotel 1 – is now full.

Hotel 2 - The Fairfield Marriott is being used for the overflow. You can book directly at Fairfield 121 Circuit Lane, Jacksonville, NC 28546 Tel (910) 938-4499. Priority for room reservations are 1st come 1st Serve. The Rate at this Hotel 2 is \$139 Per night. If you have any difficulty the **Host Chapter POC – A. Herring 910-554-0246.**

The cutoff for any additional CGM recipients at MPM Day was May 1st

We are no longer accepting any additional names for the MPM Day Ceremony as we are at capacity.

Chapter Presidents/Regional VP’s – It is your responsibility to ensure all COS and Medals tied to your referral are forwarded to Chapter 10. You must Contact Chapter 10 ASAP to close the loop.



Sequence Of Activities

National Convention

- **August 23rd – 27th** (with the 23rd and 27th as Travel days)
- **Wednesday Aug 23rd** Presidents Welcome Reception at the Camp Lejeune Chapter 10 Building, located at 148 Brynn Marr Road, Jacksonville, NC
- **Thursday Aug 24th Opening Session**
 - **Queens Coronation / Raffle Drawing**
- **Friday Aug 25th**
 - 8AM CGM Ceremony Events
 - 11AM MP Chapel dedication
 - 1PM Resume Convention Session
 - Host Chapter Night Event
- **Saturday Aug 26th** Resume Sessions
 - Convention Gala & Awards Banquet

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED IN ADVANCE OF MPM DAY

Montford Point Marines Day and Congressional Gold Medal (CGM) Ceremony:

The Ceremony will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, August 25, 2023, at the Montford Point Marine Memorial, located in the Lejeune Memorial Gardens, Jacksonville, NC.

By Name Ceremony Volunteers are needed as escorts; Check-in's; Seating Ushers etc. Please contact Mr. Adam Herring or Houston Shinal by August 12, 2023, via phone at (910) 554-0246 or by e-mail at adamherring@ymail.com.

Attire for the event is: Military, Uniform of the Day; Civilian, or MP Uniform Attire for Members

For the Chapel Ceremony @ 11AM ;

A Base Pass is required for anyone who does not have current base access to MCB Camp Lejeune / Camp Johnson.

Key Notes:

Please use <https://www.1.mcieast.usmc.mil/IARA/> (All guests 18 years old and older will need a pass even if they are a passenger). If the driver is driving a rental just put "RENTAL" in the vehicle section.

The guest will go to the link and choose the event "Montford Point Marines Weekend" which will give access to Camp Lejeune and Camp Johnson from Aug 23 - Aug 26. Then the site will link them to put in their PII. The information will come back to the sponsor to approve in the system. Cutoff Date is July 30th 2023. Guests that do not get their information in before the cutoff date will need to come to the visitor center with the sponsor to receive a pass.

This same guidance applies if your visiting the Montford Point Museum on Base; Camp Johnson after the ceremony above.

Anyone that does not have current base access will need to apply. Every guest applying should be prepared to supply one of the following approved identification:

Real ID Driver's License,
Birth Certificate,
Social Security Card, or PassPort.

Transportation & Special Needs Accommodations

- NMPMA members who may have **Special Accommodations** or Medications needs, prior to departure should ensure that they have enough on hand. Please ensure that you have your required Medication List (paper or electronic) available should the situation arise.
- As in the past you are responsible for monitoring these updates for information related to Transportation To / From the Airport.