#### OFFICIAL CONVENTION CALL

The 43rd Biennial Convention of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts, AFL-CIO will be held at the MGM Springfield, One MGM Way Springfield, MA 01103.

#### **CONVENTION DATES:**

June 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 2019

#### **REGISTRATION FEE FOR DELEGATES:**

\$200.00 per delegate.

Late Registration fee of \$225.00 per delegate for credentials postmarked after April 10, 2019, & may result in Delegate's name being omitted from the Convention Delegate list.

 Locals registered, with all financial obligations fulfilled for seating at the Convention by the May 2019 Monthly Meeting, will receive 1 entry into a raffle for a \$250 Gift Certificate to MGM Springfield.

The winning entry will be pulled at the close of business at the May 2019 Monthly Meeting.

#### ONLINE DELEGATE REGISTRATION:

Registration will be completed by each Local President (or his designee) through the PFFM Membership Database.

- · Local Presidents (or designee) will login to the PFFM Member Database.
- Follow the online directions to select delegates from your list of members.
- · Click "Confirm Choices".
- Enter your desired email.
- Delegate List, Hotel reservation information, and a link to the Memoriam Worksheet will be emailed to you. *Credentials can be picked up upon arrival at the Convention.*

#### **ALTERNATE DELEGATE CREDENTIALS:**

Those Locals who choose to register Alternate Delegates must do so on the Membership Database, and also must make a request in writing to the PFFM Secretary-Treasurer Billy Cabral at Billy@PFFM.org.

#### **REPRESENTATION:**

Delegate Representation, in accordance with the Constitution & By-Laws Article VIII Section 4, is based on the Local's annual average membership (Jan-Dec 2018):

1 - 100 Members - 6 Delegates 101- 200 Members - 8 Delegates 201- 300 Members - 10 Delegates 301+ Members - 12 Delegates

No local shall be represented by more than twelve (12) delegates.

#### FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS PRIOR TO CONVENTION:

In accordance with the Constitution & By-Laws, Article VIII Section 6:

"Any Local union entitled to representation at the Biennial, or Legislative Conventions, must have all of their outstanding financial obligations paid in full prior to said convention, and their Per Capita and PAC payments, up to and including the May invoice for the current fiscal year paid in full, before they will be permitted to be seated."

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#### **CONVENTION CHECK-IN:**

- Locals must bring a copy of the email confirmation.
- Registration will be open:

Sunday - June 9, 2019, from Approx. 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Monday - June 10, 2019, from Approx. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday - June 11, 2019, from Approx. 9:00 am - 10:00 am

## **CONVENTION MEMORIAM:**

A Memoriam page will be included in the Delegate Convention Materials.

- Locals are asked to please complete the Memoriam Worksheet which can be found on the Convention Web Site, or by clicking the link in the Convention confirmation email.
- The names of the Local's members who have passed away since the 2017 Biennial Convention.
- Please return the Memoriam Worksheet to Michael Papagni, PFFM Information Officer, as soon as possible to ensure inclusion in the Convention materials. (No later than April 10th)

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

Locals should submit resolutions for the 2019 Biennial Convention of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts no later than April 10, 2019.

- Resolutions post marked after April 10, 2019, will be considered LATE FILED.
- Late File resolutions will require a 90% vote of the delegates for acceptance into the 2019 Convention.
- All Resolutions must be typewritten, and signed by the Member, an officer of the Local, and an officer
  of the PFFM, or by a Registered Delegate at the 2019 Convention.

#### **CONVENTION COMMITTEES:**

Delegates who wish to be considered to serve on a Convention Committee:

- Must request consideration by email to their respective DVP.
- Delegates must include the following:
- Name
- Local Name & Number
- IAFF Number
- Desired Committee

Please Note: Delegates assigned to Committees may be required to meet and conduct business at least once prior to the start of the Convention as well as the morning of Monday June 10, 2019.

# **OPENING CEREMONY:**

The Opening Ceremony of the 43rd Biennial Convention of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts will begin promptly at 12:00 noon on Monday, June 10, 2019.

## START OF CONVENTION BUSINESS:

The 43rd Biennial Convention of the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts will be called to order at 1:30 pm, on Monday, June 10, 2019.

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## **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

The Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts as well as the Host Local, Springfield IAFF Local 648, will be hosting a number of special events. *More information will be released as it becomes available.* 

## **HOTEL RESERVATIONS:**

Rates are available until May 10th or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first

MGM Springfield: \$189 per night

Hilton Garden Inn: \$169 per night

Sheraton Springfield Monarch Place: \$159 per night

La Quinta Inn & Suites Springfield: \$92 per night

# If you have questions about registration please contact:

Michael Papagni Information Officer 617.523.4506. IO@pffm.org

## If you have billing questions or questions about payment options please contact:

Billy Cabral Bob Kilduff

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