Rear Admiral Reginald Rowan Belknap, USN
Commander-in-Chief
October 15, 1947 to October 9, 1951
By Douglas Reed Niermeyer, Former Commander-in-Chief
Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States

He served as Commander-in-Chief of MOLLUS from 1947-1951.
Reginald became a naval cadet on 5 Sept. 1887 and graduated from the United States Naval Academy on 5 June 1891 (BS by retroactive Act of Congress in 1937). He served on the USS Chicago, Squadron of Evolution and was commissioned ensign on 1 July 1893.
Reginald served on the USS Baltimore to Asiatic Station, with her marines in the USS Monocacy in Tientsin, USS Yorktown, Naval War College, USS Newport, flag secretary at the Naval Base at Key West May-Aug 1898 in the Spanish-American War and USS Badger with the Samoan High Commission.
He was promoted Lieutenant Junior Grade 3 March 1899, Lieutenant 2 July 1899, serving in the Chinese Boxer Campaign, and the Philippine Insurrection, USS Ranger, flag secretary to the Commander-in-Chief of the Asiatic Station in Brooklyn, Bureau of the Navigation of the Navy Department 1902-04, battleship USS Maine, Lieutenant-Commander 8 July 1905, Navigator of the battleship USS Kearsarge and Executive Officer in 1906.
Reginald was Naval Attaché in Berlin 1907-10, Naval Attaché in Rome & Vienna 1908-09, Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Navigation 1912-13, Observer in Germany Aug-Oct 1914, Served with Plans Section, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations 1917, and was the senior officer at the Santiago de Cuba

MOLLUS Celebrates Lincoln’s Birthday in Washington, D.C.
11-12 February 2006
Join your fellow MOLLUS and DOLLUS members in Washington, DC for the annual celebration of Abraham Lincoln’s birthday on February 11-12. The warm hospitality of good friends will more than offset a cold winter’s day in our nation’s capitol.
The price is right at the Channel Inn with a special room rate of $115 a night. Make your reservations before January 9 at (800) 368-5668 to get this exceptional rate. Let the Channel Inn know that your MOLLUS confirmation number is 47856. Reserve early, as a block of only 20 rooms has been set aside for our group. If you miss this opportunity at the Channel Inn, you can try the Holiday Inn Central at (800) 248-0016 or Lincoln Suites at (800) 424-2970.
The highlights is the Lincoln Memorial Ceremony on Sunday, February 12. The celebration begins at 11:15 a.m. with a musical prelude by the Military Service band. A number of dignitaries, along with hereditary and patriotic societies, will participate in the laying of memorial wreaths. The sponsoring organization for the Sunday ceremonies and lunch is the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee, which is chaired by MOLLUS member Peter Arrott Dixon, former Commander of the Washington, DC Commandery.
Message from the Commander-in-Chief

Remarks at the 120th Congress of The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States

President Abraham Lincoln stood on the battlefield at Gettysburg in 1863 and dedicated a new national cemetery. He pledged this country to “the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion – that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain.” Seventeen months later Lincoln would be assassinated.

Samuel B. W. Mitchell, T. Elwood Zell and Peter D. Keyser would meet here in Philadelphia in 1865 to form the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, an organization that would be dedicated to continuing this task. One hundred and forty years later we meet here again in Philadelphia as the successors to those founders.

Why? Why do we continue this organization begun by our ancestors? They formed the Loyal Legion for fraternal purposes as well as to encourage the unity of the Republic. But why do we continue the task that President Lincoln and the founders of the Loyal Legion set out? There may be as many reasons as there are members, but I think there are three reasons that we share. The first is to honor our forefathers and their service to the Union. The second is to foster the equality and freedom for which they fought. The third is to affirm the importance of the unity of this nation.

If these are reasons why we devote ourselves to this organization, then we need to ask how to accomplish this task. We need to examine both how to engage new members as well as how to recruit them and how the Commander-in-Chief can assist both large and small commanderies. We need to know how the history of our Order can guide us into the future just as the lessons of unity from the Civil War provide guidance in a day and age of conflict, maybe no longer of northern versus southern states, but maybe of red states versus blue states.

Much is made in the media these days of the Pledge of Allegiance and the change fifty years ago so it reads “one nation under God.” If your only source of information is newspapers or television, this change to the Pledge would seem to have sprung out of nowhere. As those of us with a connection to the Civil War know, President Lincoln dedicated us at Gettysburg to the great task remaining, “that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom.” An understanding of our own history is invaluable to understanding our current world.

It is the duty of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion to continue our ancestors’ commitments to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice in ending slavery and ensuring the unity of our nation. We need to remind our fellow citizens that this nation, born in the 1700s, forged by fire in the 1800s, requires continual dedication in this new century to the great task of our predecessors.

I look forward to working with you during the next two years and providing resources to our commanderies to accomplish the task dedicated to us by President Lincoln and the founders of the Loyal Legion.

Commander-in-Chief
Benjamin C. Frick
MOLLUS Honored in New Worldwide Publication
MOLLUS has been included in Burke’s Peerage and Gentry: World Orders of Knighthood and Merit, ISBN: 0-9711966-7-2, to be published in January 2006. The book is a compendium of the history and details of the extant Orders of Knighthood and Merit of the world. The Society of the Cincinnati and MOLLUS are the only organizations included from the America. For more details and information on reserving a copy we have added a link at the bottom of our National Website Index Site or you can go to: http://www.burkes-peerage.net/sites/common/sitepages/wkindex.asp

Welcome New Companions

The following Companions have joined the Military Order of the Loyal Legion since August 2005. The Commander-in-Chief extends congratulations and a warm welcome to each one.

Jeffry C. Burden, Chancellor-in-Chief

Companions

Insignia # Commandery

Hereditary Companions
Seward Russell Osborne, Jr 22419 Michigan
Keith Drew Ashley 22420 Ohio
James Lynn Veach 22421 Rhode Island
Bradley Alan Tilton 22422 Ohio
William Naylor McDonald 22423 Connecticut
Frederick Douglas Hardy 22424 Virginia

Associate Companions
Anthony J. Waskie, Jr. A197 Pennsylvania
Dean Joseph Collins A198 Wisconsin
Michael Alan Schwartz A199 Pennsylvania
Jacob Morrison Atwood A200 Massachusetts
Mitchell Grant Davenport A201 Missouri
Alejandro Manuel De Quesada A202 Missouri

Hereditary Membership Program

This continuous program is in effect each fiscal year, October 1 through September 30. Each Companion who recruits a minimum of three (3) new Hereditary Companions each fiscal year will be awarded a "Lincoln MOLLUS Certificate of Appreciation" along with a "Lincoln Membership Medal of Honor" presented by our Commander-in-Chief. These awards will be presented at our annual National Congress, the Lincoln Memorial Ceremony in Washington, D.C. and at the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield, IL. For those Companions physically unable to attend one of these events alternate arrangements can be made but we encourage everyone to try to attend at least one of these three major yearly events. Membership, new and current, is the lifeblood of our historic Military Order and will ensure that our noble Order will endure for countless generations to come.
Insurrection in 1917. He was promoted Commander, U.S. Mine Squadron, North Sea 1918, had invented and patented collapsible anti-submarine net, and trained and commanded the US Marine Squadron laying 56,500 mines in the North Sea Jun-Oct 1918. He was Director of Strategy, Naval War College 1921-23 and at various times the Commanding Officer of the USS San Francisco, USS Delaware, USS Colorado, and Commander of the Naval Training Station, Hampton Roads.

Admiral Henry Thomas Mayo stated in 1925: “The Navy and our country owe to Captain Belknap a debt which can hardly be over-estimated; for it was the knowledge and experience acquired and the doctrine and methods established in the Mine Force under command of Commander Belknap that enabled the Navy to, first, fit out improvised by very efficient minelaying vessels and, second, to operate them under war conditions in a manner which brought commendation from all.”

Reginald was a naval aide to President Theodore Roosevelt during his career, in which he was put in charge of the American organizations building dwellings for 16,000 homeless from the Messina earthquake. Also, he served as Special Ambassador at the funeral of Edward VII in 1910. Admiral Belknap was a recipient of the Distinguished Service Medal for his services in World War I. He was promoted Rear Admiral by special act of Congress and retired as such on March 3, 1927.

Admiral Belknap was a member of other military societies, in addition to his MOLLUS membership, including the Officer Order of Leopold (Belgium), Officer Legion of Honor 1929-1950. He was manager of the Episcopalian General Convention in 1934; President of the American Church Union 1937 and delegate to the Episcopal General Convention 1937-1949. He was Chairman of the Army Day Committee in New York City from 1934-1946, Chairman of the Executive Committee and Treasurer of Bundles for America, Chairman of the Executive Committee of Layman’s National Committee 1945-1950, Trustee of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine 1941-1953 and Trustee of Leake and Watts Children’s Home. Belknap was a member of a number of clubs, including yacht, Military-Naval, Century, church (New York), Army and Navy (Washington) and Union. He was Vice President of the Aerospace Club of New England.

Reginald married Julia Pomeroy Averill (b. 2 July 1875; d. 13 Apr. 1971 Saddle River, N. J.) on 3 Mar. 1900 had seven children. Reginald died on March 30, 1959 in Field Elders, Connecticut and is buried with his wife in Section 3, Site 1519-B of Arlington National Cemetery. His father is buried nearby. The rear of Reginald’s stone is etched in memory of Robert Belknap Mack, Lieutenant Commander, United States Navy, who was lost at sea 24 Sept. 1957. He was RADM Reginald Belknap’s grandson, son of RADM Andrew Robert Mack. Had Robert lived, he may have well have become a fourth generation RADM himself.

Sources:
1) MOLLUS Records
3) Arlington National Cemetery, Rear Admiral Reginald Rowan Belknap (http://www.arlingtoncemetery.net/rrbelknap.htm)
The 120th Congress and Annual Meeting of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion in the City of Brotherly Love, October 14-16, 2005

Karl F. Schaeffer
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

It is always a pleasure to return to Philadelphia, where I was born, raised, educated and married in my first twenty-seven years on mother earth. During this period, I was inducted into the United States Army at the Schuylkill Arsenal and served my two years, including a tour of 16 months in Korea with the 24th Infantry Division.

My “Philly Story” was capped off in 1994 at one of my SUVCW meetings in Alliance, Ohio, when the McClellan Camp Commander, Jason Hurd Moore, told me about MOLLUS. He informed me that this Military Order was founded by three Union Officers in Philadelphia, in honor of Abraham Lincoln after he was assassinated on April 15, 1865. I was told then to contact Gordon R. Bury and the rest of the story is still in motion.

Registration and Tour of the Union League

The arrival time for our 120th Congress at the Union League on Friday, October 14 was scheduled for mid-afternoon, with registration at the Samson Street lobby entrance. A Union League staff member gave us a private tour of the facility at 4:00 p.m., which lasted an hour. The historic Union League was founded in 1862 and has been a meeting place for MOLLUS for 140 years. This private institution is a patriotic society, formed to support our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln, and his policies during the Civil War. The Union League is one of the oldest and most respected institutions in our country, with a vast collection of Civil War artifacts. It is located in the heart of downtown Philadelphia just two blocks south of William Penn’s statue, standing atop Philadelphia’s City Hall at Broad and Market Streets.

Reception at the Union League

Our traditional Friday night reception was held in the McMichael Room at the Union League. We had several tables of hors d’oeuvres, beer, wine and other beverages that were ample in lieu of a formal dinner. Our Companions and the Dames thoroughly enjoyed conversations with old friends and getting to know new friends. Finally, it was time for all of us to retire to our rooms which were very elegant and pleasurable.

Annual Meetings of Companions and Dames

Saturday morning, October 15 began with a sumptuous continental breakfast for all in the Marble Room. Afterwards Mollus Companions met in the Lincoln Memorial Room. The Dames meeting started later.

Douglas Reed Niermeyer, our 55th Commander-in-Chief, called the 120th Annual Meeting of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion to order at 8:00 a.m. A roll call of officers and commanderies was taken after the opening formalities. The meeting of Companions was then completed after Chaplain-in-Chief, Rev. Dr. Christopher Agnew, read the
necrology of our departed Companions.

Commander-in-Chief Niermeyer passed the MOLLUS gavel to newly elected 56th Commander-in-Chief, Benjamin Charles Frick of the Pennsylvania Commandery.

Dames Meeting

The Dames meeting started promptly at 9:30 a.m. with the following in attendance: Viola Bement, Beatrice Child, Betsy Hammer, Yolanda Hartnett, Nancy Kane, Mary Lee, Marion Martini, Rosemary Schaeffer, Nancy Seidlarz, Kathleen Watson, Vernoica Victor and guest Carol Sullivan. After a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, the Principals and Objects of the Order were read. The minutes of the October 2004 meeting and Treasurer’s report were read and approved. A memorial service (necrology) was performed at the conclusion of the meeting.

Reception and Dinner - Saturday Evening, October 15

Companions, Dames and guests assembled at 6:15 p.m. in the Fell Room at the Union League for a pre-dinner reception, after a busy and dashingly day. Companions dressed formally with a black or white tie or in a military uniform with Orders and Decorations, and the Dames dressed smartly for this special occasion. We adjourned to the McMichael Room after the reception for our 7:15 p.m. dinner. The Chaplain-in-Chief, Rev. Dr. Christopher Mack Agnew, gave the invocation followed by glasses raised in our traditional toasts to the President of the United States, President Abraham Lincoln, our Loyal Legion, the Armed Forces and to the Dames of the Loyal Legion.

Hereditary Membership Program Awards for 2004 and 2005

When dinner ended, the Commander-in-Chief recognized a number of dedicated Companions for their achievements. The following Companions were awarded the Lincoln Membership Medal of Honor and Lincoln MOLLUS Certificate of Appreciation for recruiting a minimum of three (3) or more new Hereditary Companions during fiscal year from October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005:

2004 Honorees
- Joseph T. Coleman (PA) 4
- Keith G. Harrison (MI) 4
- Gordon R. Bury (OH) 3

2005 Honorees
- Joseph T. Coleman (PA) 5
- Karl F. Schaeffer (OH) 3
- Doug Richardson (VA) 3
- Jeffry C. Burden (VA) 3

Joint Luncheon - Saturday, October 15

Companions and Dames held a joint luncheon at the historic Philadelphia Club, located a few blocks from the Union League at 1301 Walnut Street. The founding of the Philadelphia Club dates back to the Civil War era. The food was delicious and the atmosphere was very spirited.

There was a tour of our Civil War and Underground Railroad Museum from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Museum visitors were transported from the Philadelphia Club to and from the museum at 1805 Pine Street and then back to the Union League.
Companions Gordon R. Bury (OH) and Douglas J. Richardson (VA) were unable to attend the Congress. Their awards have been forwarded to them.

2005 Daugherty/Thompson Award
(Commandery with largest total increase in new Hereditary membership)
Pennsylvania Commandery

Outgoing 55th Commander-in-Chief Douglas Reed Niermeyer presents the 2005 Daugherty/Thomson award to Pennsylvania Commander Richard Dana Smith, Sr.

After the Saturday evening formal reception, dinner, toasts, various awards, change of command and our 56th Commander-in-Chief Benjamin Charles Frick’s remarks, all present were pleased to hear guest speaker Roger Arthur. His presentation on Abraham Lincoln’s Legacy was researched from many documents and Lincoln biographies which answered a major question, “Why is Abraham Lincoln America’s Greatest President?” Mr. Arthur’s presentation brought to close a very productive 120th National Congress in the City of Brotherly Love, where the MOLLUS mystique began 140 years ago.

2005 Hayes Cup Award
Joseph T. Coleman (PA) - 5 new family members

2005 Grant Cup Award
Rhode Island Commandery

Outgoing 55th Commander-in-Chief Douglas Reed Niermeyer presents hereditary membership program awards for 2005 to Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Karl F. Schaeffer for recruiting 3 new hereditary companions.

Outgoing 55th Commander-in-Chief Douglas Reed Niermeyer presents the 2005 Grant Cup award to Rhode Island Commander Gregg Anthony Mierka

Outgoing 55th Commander-in-Chief Douglas Reed Niermeyer presents the hereditary membership program award for 2005 to Chancellor-in-Chief Jeffry C. Burden for 3 new hereditary companions.

UNION BLUE
by Robert Girard Carroon
UNION BLUE: The History of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion may be ordered through MOLLUS Merchandise from Adam P. Flint, 604 West Schuykill Road, #312, Pottstown, PA 19465. The numbered edition for MOLLUS Companions signed by Past Commander-in-Chief Robert Girard Carroon is available at $30.00 a copy, postpaid.

Please make checks out to The Memorial Fund of MOLLUS.
The Kentucky Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) held a monument dedication service on Sunday, September 18, at the Grapevine Christian Church in Mercer County, Kentucky.

The service was attended by over 100 spectators. Downey gave the opening remarks and read the Roll of Honor of the soldiers. The pastor of the church, Brother Claude Waldridge, spoke as well as the local state legislators and county officials. The rifle salute was given by A Company, 1st Capital Guards Regiment of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. A cannon salute by Kentucky SUVCW Brother Tracy Lucas and crew of his piece followed.

The congregation of the church and family members were very appreciative of the Commandery’s efforts. The Lexington, Kentucky ABC affiliate TV station reported the service on both of that evening’s broadcasts.

**District of Columbia Commandery**

The Annual Meeting of the District of Columbia Commandery was held on December 2, 2005 at the Channel Inn in Washington, DC. Members of the Dames of the Loyal Legion as well as spouses and guests joined the Companions for a reception and luncheon. Commander Jerry Zillion presided over the Annual Meeting, which followed the luncheon. The slate of officers for the new 2006-2008 term was announced and the following members were elected: George Eulas Walton (Commander), John Dickinson Moore (Senior Vice Commander), Col. Eric Armando Rojo (Junior Vice Commander), John Dickinson Moore (Recorder), Ralph Reese Miller (Treasurer) and Lt. Col. Charles Sherman Loucks (Registrar). Proposed plans for the upcoming Lincoln Birthday events in February 2006 were discussed and details regarding these activities appear elsewhere in this issue.

The DC Commandery was honored by having Past Chancellor-in-Chief and Past Commander Peter Arrott Dixon awarded the rank of Chevalier, Ordre National du Merit by the President of France. This award was presented at a reception held at the French Ambassador’s residence in Washington, DC on May 31, 2005. Officiating at this ceremony was the French Ambassador Jean David Levite and General Jean-Pierre Kelche, Grand Chancellor, Legion of Honor. Also honored at this ceremony was General Michael Mosley, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force.

**Massachusetts Commandery**

The fall meeting of the Massachusetts Commandery was held on November 5, 2005 at the Wellesley College Club. The members who attended were Companions Warren Wells, Bradford Blaser, John Taft, Bayard Lincoln, Frederick Stevens, John Abbott, Frederick Lincoln and David Whitemore. The guests present were Mrs. Blaser; Jacob Atwood and the speaker David Smith. Companion Stevens reported on the 120th National
Congress of MOLLUS that was held in Philadelphia on October 14-16, 2005. The Commandery has 60 members, with one new member added (Arthur Chatfield) and one deceased (Otis Oakman) during the year.

Our guest speaker, David Smith, is president of the Civil War Round Table of Boston. He spoke on the history of the development of our Constitution and its relationship to the problems which were resolved at great cost during the Civil War.

Companion Frederic Lincoln spoke on the project to repair a Civil War soldier statue in Brockton. A motion to donate $1,000 in support of the project was adopted. The Board of Officers voted to accept Jacob Atwood as an Associate Member.

Virginia Commandery

Virginia Companion James Hill Lyon, a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel, is now in Iraq as a civilian employee supervising construction of the Baghdad Police College. He arrived in November and has been hard at work despite impediments such as suicide bombers (one alert so far) and the hijacking of 13 transformers bound for his site (negotiations are underway). Jim says, “My job site is semi-secure. I was the only person willing to venture to this place… I enjoy my work immensely and I feel that in some small way I am contributing to making this a better place…” Most of my professionals are Shia and all the workers are. They are outside the insurgency and are victimized more than we are by al-Qaeda.” Companion Lyon’s son is currently in Afghanistan as a staff sergeant with an Army airborne unit.

Wisconsin Commandery

The Wisconsin Commandery held its annual meeting again in the beautiful Women’s Club in downtown Milwaukee on December 2, 2005. After an elegant luncheon and a short business meeting, Commander Thomas P. Curtis introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Tom Staats, who gave a fascinating talk on the uniforms and arms of the Union Army. Mr. Staats is a reenactor of Civil War battles and has a wide range of the uniforms and equipment found in the North at that time. It was most instructive to look at, hear about and be able to touch actual items used by the Federal forces in the 1861-1865 periods.

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**Necrology**

**In Honor and in Memory of our Fellow Companions**

“Lest We Forget”

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**Remembering “MOLLUS” In Your Will**

After you provide for your family and other matters, would you consider including a memorial gift in your will to our hallowed Order? Your gift to the Loyal Legion Memorial Fund, which is tax deductible, would be used to support the preservation of battlefields, monuments and programs that serve to memorialize the Civil War. In this way you would be perpetuating the memory of your Civil War ancestors and fellow companions.
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Announcement Lincoln Birthday Activities
Washington, DC - 11-12 February 2006

Lincoln Birthday Activities/Lunch
Saturday, 11 February 2006 – Channel Inn
650 Water Street SW, Washington, DC
10:30 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting
11:30 Social (cash bar)
Noon Lunch
MOLLUS/DOLLUS Members & Guests
1:00 p.m. MOLLUS/DOLLUS Business Meeting
(= Channel Inn)
Cost: $22/person
Program: MOLLUS

Lincoln Birthday Dinner
Saturday, 11 February 2006 – Army & Navy Club
Farragut Square, 901 17th Street, NW Washington, DC
7:00 p.m. Reception (cash bar)
8:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies
(U.S. Armed Forces Color Guard)
8:15 p.m. Formal Dinner (with wine for toasts)
Place: Army and Navy Club
2nd Floor Ballroom
(valet parking $6)
Program: Companion Thomas L. Vince
Historian, Writer and Civil War Speaker
Topic: Lincoln and John Brown
Attire: Black/White tie or uniform with decorations and orders for gentlemen
Evening wear for ladies
Cost: $75/person

The 84th Annual Lincoln Memorial Ceremony
Sunday, 12 February 2006
11:15 a.m. Arrive at Lincoln Memorial
11:45 a.m. Lincoln Ceremonies begin
(wear warm clothing)
Program: Honoring President Abraham Lincoln
Music prelude by a military service band
Joint services color and honor guard
(3rd Regiment, Old Guard)
Gettysburg Address
General Michael Moseley, USAF Chief of Staff
Placing of wreaths
Fred Drum Hunt Award
Presented by Benjamin C. Frick
MOLLUS Commander-in-Chief
Assisted by Gordon R. Bury
Past MOLLUS Commander-in-Chief

RESERVATION: Lincoln Birthday Activities
Saturday, 11 February 2006
Make check (by no later than 5 February 2006) payable to
MOLLUS DC
Send to George E. Walton, 7618 Winterberry Place, Bethesda, MD 2081

Lunch (Channel Inn) No.____ x $22 = $_____
Dinner (Army & Navy Club) No.____ x $75 = $_____
Total $_____

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Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee Luncheon
Sunday, 12 February 2006 – Channel Inn
650 Water Street SW, Washington, DC
1:00 p.m. Social (cash bar)
1:30 p.m. Lunch
Program: The Lincoln Collection
Order of Masons
Southern District Lodge, Washington D.C
Cost: $22/person
Guest Parking: Three hours free in Channel Inn Underground Garage
### NOTICE

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