

**Centennial Legion of Historic Military Commands
88th Annual Meeting
October 24 – 27**

Preview & Highlights

Thursday, October 24. Arrival & registration.

- Arrive at your leisure. The Crowne Plaza (Warwick) offers shuttle bus service from T.F. Green Airport. For those who are driving, the hotel offers free parking.
- Registration and hospitality suite open at 4 p.m.

Friday, October 25. Annual Business Meeting, Spouse/Guest trip to Newport, Dinner and tour at Varnum Memorial Armory

- Annual Business Meeting at Crowne Plaza Hotel, including lunch **OR**
- Spouse/Guest trip to Newport, includes sightseeing and a tour of one of Newport's gilded-age mansions. (Same time as Annual Business Meeting.) Afternoon is free to explore on your own* or enjoy the hotel amenities (pool, fitness center)
- Casual dinner in downtown East Greenwich at the Varnum Armory,
- Museum tours at the Museum of Military History; located in the Varnum Armory. The James Mitchell Varnum House Museum and Kentish Guards Armory, all located within easy walking distance of each other, will be open as well.
- Hospitality Suite at hotel open afterwards.

Saturday, October 26. Ceremony and State House tour, Formal Dinner at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet

- Ceremony on the grounds of the Rhode Island State House in Providence (uniformed event), special tour of the State House, including a rare glimpse of Rhode Island's Royal Charter, granted in 1663 by King Charles II, which allowed the colony to govern itself and guaranteed freedom of religion.
- Afternoon: free to explore on your own*
- In the evening, the Centennial Legion Annual Meeting formal dinner at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet will also celebrate the 250th anniversary of two Rhode Island Historic Militia units: the Pawtuxet Rangers and the Kentish Guards. The Pawtuxet Ranger's armory will be open for a short reception prior to the dinner.

Sunday, October 27. Goodbye and departure.

- A list of area churches is available for those who wish to attend services
- The Crowne Plaza provides shuttle service to T.F. Green International Airport.

*There's plenty to do within easy driving distance of the Crowne Plaza. Explore nearby historic villages like East Greenwich, Wickford, and Pawtuxet. Visit downtown Providence and the historic East Side, home to Brown University and RISD. Explore the Rhode Island coast or visit local craft breweries. We'll provide you with more area information. If you have time, plan to come early (or stay longer)!