

Are you ready for a **SNEAK PEAK** of Events planned for the 103rd MPO Convention?

The convention committee is finalizing the schedule of events for the weekend and wanted to give all of you a little peak at the events happening over the weekend.

FRIDAY

- Again this year we will have the Friday Welcome Reception before the Friday Night Dance in the beautiful historic West Concourse Area and the Pearl Room. Join us from 6pm -7:30pm for complimentary desserts, pick up your ticket packages and purchase items from our saleroom merchandise and books. A lot of our merchandise sold out last year, so we will restock. Come by and listen to the fabulous Chris Bajmakovich who will play and sing a medley of American music. We will also have a cash bar available during the welcome reception for you to purchase before the dance. So come and mingle with those that arrive early!
- Our Friday Night Dance will be from 8pm to 11pm with music again by the talented Chris Bajmakovich who will play our favorite Macedonian dances and get us energized for the evening and the weekend. The Zelnick again this year will be made by the hotel chef at the Amway and supplied him with the same recipe as last year. Don't forget about those raffle baskets as last year we had 25 baskets donated and we raised \$550!

SATURDAY / SUNDAY

- Saturday morning we will have the Delegate Breakfast and Delegate Meeting.
- We have few changes this year to the Saturday and Sunday Night Dances:
 - The dances will be from 8:00pm to midnight – Due to hotel rules. This year we will have the OffBeats play on Saturday the Skimo's Band on Sunday. How fabulous is that to have two great Bands that will get us dancing the night away, so get your comfortable shoes ready to step it up! During their breaks we have our favorite DJ Jeff Mentzer play a medley of American music for all groups young and old.
 - The Pizza Parties will change this year as they will be served during the Saturday and Sunday Dances by The Kitchen a Wolfgang Puck restaurant. On Saturday the pizza will be served at 11pm and on Sunday the pizza will be served at 10pm, just outside of the Ballroom. How easy is it to grab your complimentary pizza slice and bring it back to the ballroom and continue dancing!
 - Don't forget those Songfests as the time has changed to Midnight to 2:00am. Come and join the talented group as they sing our favorite Macedonian songs.
- Sunday late morning and early afternoon we have two great Workshops:
 - At 11:30am the Pirin Chapter, along with Ivan Ivanov of the Cincinnati chapter, and MACEDONIAN TRIBUNE editor Boyan Lazarevski will give us a great presentation on Todor Alexsandrov – MPO's Forefather – A True Visionary, Life Story and Documents!
 - At 1:00pm White Mountain Foods from Austin Texas will present the History of Bulgarian Yogurt and how it captured our Nations taste buds! Daniel Maldonado from White Mountain Foods will be the presenter along with Stoyan Dechev from the Pirin Chapter. They are bringing samples for us to taste!
- Don't forget the traditional Sunday Grand Banquet at 6pm and we are still in the planning stages of the entertainment- more to come soon!

So keep a look out for the final convention schedule in the Tribune, Facebook and Instagram! In the meantime order your weekend ticket packages to get a great discount by June 20th to save big! Don't forget to sponsor an event and make your hotel reservations! It is so important that we make this convention a success to ensure the future of our organization.



MPO 2024 Convention Sponsorship Opportunities

Every year MPO members and supporters are encouraged to sponsor a convention event. The annual convention is MPO's Largest Fundraiser which allows us to keep our organization running for the future generations. Our goal is to make the MPO 2024 Convention in Downtown Grand Rapids, Michigan the best and most memorable event.

You can make your donation by going on to our MPO website at:

www.macedonian.org

Click on "Convention" on the black tool bar, click on "Sponsorship Opportunities" and choose an option. You can also call our MPO office at **260-422-5900** and our MPO office manager will process your request.

We have the following events available to Sponsor:

\$3,000 Donation
\$2,000 Donation
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\$1,000 Donation
\$500 Donation
\$500 Donation
\$300 Donation
\$300 Donation
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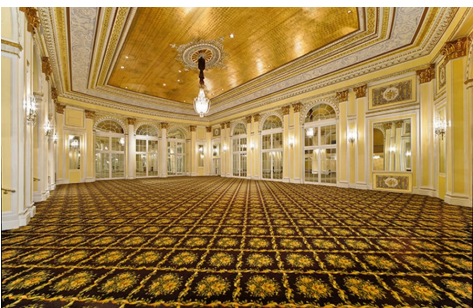
Sunday Grand Banquet
Sunday Night Dance
Saturday Night Dance
Friday Night Dance
Friday Night Welcome Reception
Grand Banquet Entertainment
Pizza Parties
Songfests
Cultural Workshop
Convention Donation

When you sponsor an event you have to opportunity to designate in "Memory Of/Honor Of" someone special like a family member or friend and your generous donation will be acknowledged in the next issue of the MACE-

MONIAN TRIBUNE. If you sponsor an event or do a convention donation of \$300 or more **by August 9th**, your name will also be noted on our **SPONSORSHIP BOARD** that will be displayed at the convention.

Please note that we accept multiple sponsors for each sponsorship event.

YOUR SUPPORT IS MUCH APPRECIATED!



Pantlind Room: for MPO 2024 Banquet



Emerald Room: for MPO 2024 Delegates Meeting, Workshop, and Songfests



Pearl Room: for MPO Salesroom Area



Ambassador Ballroom: for Dances