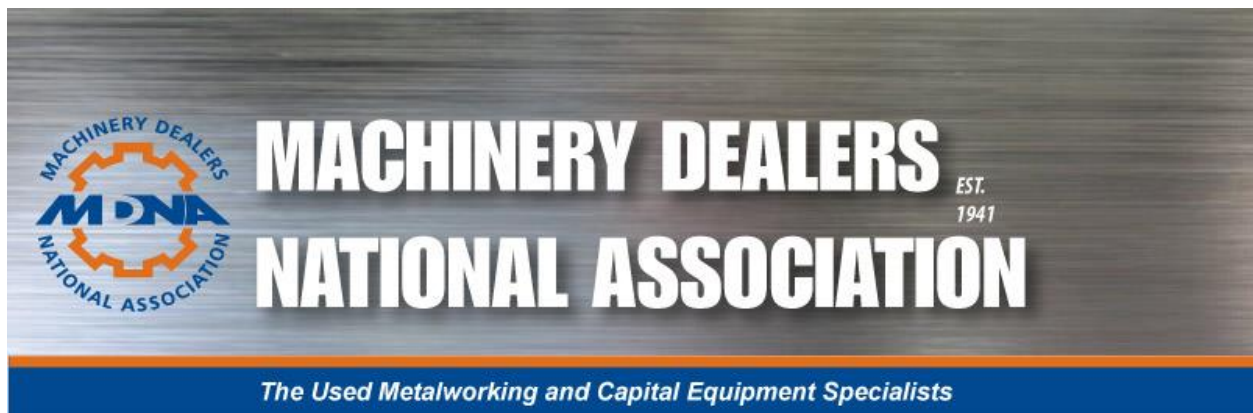




FROM: John Conroy, Convention Committee Chairman

Dear MDNA Convention Attendees and Members:

MDNA is 80 years old this year, and we will be celebrating our birthday in just one month during our Convention at the beautiful Waldorf Astoria La Quinta Resort in Palm Springs, Ca. On behalf of our Convention Committee, we are very excited about what we have planned for you in the wide-open spaces of the Coachella Valley just in the shadows of the scenic Santa Rosa Mountain range. We are going to have a great attendance including many who haven't been to Convention in years. The purpose of this letter is to give you the latest on what we have planned for fun, programming and Covid preparations.



We chose to return to the La Quinta Resort and Spa because it is so wide open with individual casitas, over 40 swimming pools, no elevators and lots of fresh air. To maximize these features, we are having all of our evening functions outside and on property. No buses this year. For the first time in 78 Conventions, we are holding our Saturday night gala outdoors. We are still having the special Presidential Banquet and the ADLSF Raffle. The evening's dress will be cocktail attire for warm weather. Jackets for men are optional and the ladies can dazzle in their summer finery.

This Convention is all about networking and fun. Pickle Ball Tournament II (a crowd favorite last time) will kick things off. A Welcome Reception and Dinner on the lawn Thursday night and a Poolside Reception and Dinner at the main pool Friday night round out the evening functions.

We have been very impressed with La Quinta's Covid protocols. They have thought of everything. Most people will check in at the front desk as usual, but the hotel offers remote check-in where you can go directly to your room. Ask the hotel for specifics on setting that up ahead of time. There is no Valet parking, so no stranger will drive your car. You can park your car right next to your room. Shuttle service is still available all day. Daily maid service is now optional. For those who don't want maid service you don't need to do anything. For those who

do want maid service either daily or on alternate days, just let them know at the front desk upon arrival.

The hotel does not require proof of vaccination. However, we encourage you to bring your vaccination card if you have one as these rules might change. Also, there are many restaurants and bars off property that do require proof of vaccination or a negative covid shot within 72 hours for admittance. As of this moment masks are not required on property but encouraged, especially indoors in a conference room or while entering the restaurants. Food stations at functions will be manned by gloved and masked hotel staff who will assist guests with buffet food service, ensuring guests the safest environment at all times. Cleaning of rooms between guests is intense. Golf carts are back to two players to a cart, but if you prefer to have your own cart you can arrange that with the Pro Shop on a cart available basis. There is no longer a shuttle bus to the PGA West courses.

Last year when indoor dining was prohibited, La Quinta took advantage of their year-round beautiful weather to increase the outside seating capacity of their restaurants. Now even though indoor dining is fine, that additional outdoor seating has remained in place, so there is ample seating outdoors. They have also rebuilt much of the shopping area for a new look since we were there last.

There are still a few of you who have booked your rooms but have not yet registered for the Convention. Please do so today to help us to plan the golf outing, order the right amount of food, etc. We need to do that a month out, which is now. So, let's get ready to have fun, do some networking, make new friends, and get back to life albeit with a few necessary health and safety guidelines.

See you in a month!

Your Convention Committee:

*John and Kristine Conroy*

*Jack and Glenda Boecher*

*Troy and Helen Clark*

*John and Siobhan Greene*

*Mark Robinson*