

48th Annual Maronite Convention

July 6-10 2011 | Philadelphia PA

Join us in Philadelphia this July to celebrate Independence Day, the birth of our nation and the freedom we have to enjoy our Maronite faith and heritage. Philadelphia is a vibrant city with an exciting blend of old and new. Visit the historic sites, check out the world renowned museums, and dine in the trendiest restaurants in the country. The convention theme this year is **“Identity and Evangelization in the Spirit of Saint Maron”** and our workshops will feature some of the most influential names in religious, and cultural life. Youth and Young adults can choose from numerous activities designed to showcase the city, strengthen your faith, and foster your friendships. The evening galas will offer fine dining accompanied by music and dancing provided by some of the most iconic Lebanese performers. Come early and enjoy the city of brotherly love and then give us five days to inspire and entertain you!

EVENTS

Evening Entertainment/Gala

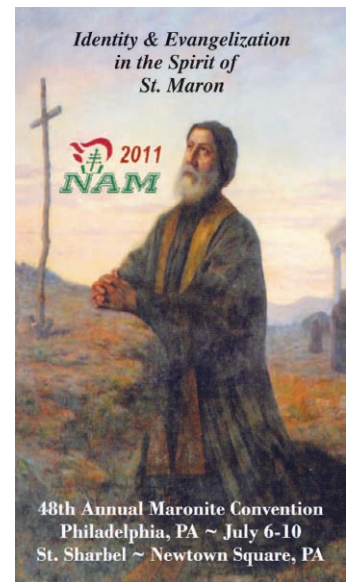
- Wednesday July 6th Dinner Under the Stars DJ Dance Music
- Thursday July 7th Concert Recital with Evangelical Singer Joumana Mdarwar
- Friday July 8th Silent Auction; Middle Eastern Cuisine; Yousef Chamoun and Band
- Saturday July 9th Grand Banquet; Raffle; Lebanese Superstar Tony Kiwan
- Sunday July 10th Brunch

Young Adults (18-35) and Young Professionals (21-40)

- Wednesday July 6th Young Adult Meet and Greet
- Thursday July 7th Flavors of Philadelphia Tour
Theology on Tap Vango Lounge and Skybar
*Valid ID required for drink specials
- Friday July 8th Spirit of Philadelphia Lunch Cruise Penn's Landing
Bridging the US to Lebanon through higher education by Notre Dame University
- Saturday July 9th Ale and Arts Tour
Philadelphia Art Museum

Youth Organization (Age 12-17)

- Thursday July 7th Luau Party at the Pool
- Friday July 8th Historic Area Walking Tour
- Saturday July 9th The Franklin Institute & Rocky Statue at the steps of the Art Museum



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WORKSHOPS

Making a difference in the Global Maronite Church “Commission on Lebanon”

Panelist: Jacque Kallasy, & Neemat Frem

General Assembly Guest Speaker: Rev. Simone Faddoul from Caritas

- “Back to the Roots - by USEK “Kaslik”
- Discovering Our “Faith of the Mountain”
- Lebanese Language in the 21st Century
- Saints of Lebanon and Our Pursuit of Another Canonization:
The Massabki Brothers, Archbishop Samir Nassar (Maronite Bishop of Damascus)
- Maronite Liturgical Music
- Bridging the U.S. and Lebanon Through Higher Education - by NDU “Louaize”
- The importance of Vocations

Hotel Information

Sheraton Philadelphia City Center Hotel

201 North 17th Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

Phone: 800.325.3535

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\$119 per night single/double/triple/quad*

Rates apply for July 4 weekend

Ask for NAM Convention

- One night will be billed to your credit card as soon as you make your reservation
- Hotel reservations are separate of NAM convention registration;

Please contact the hotel directly to make a reservation by June 13th, 2011

Parking - Self-Parking

\$10 day with in/out privileges for hotel guests with valid convention badge

Visit the NAM convention at:

- www.namnews.org
- saintsharbel.org
- advertise your business in our Ad book
- donate items to the silent auction
- purchase raffle tickets for exciting prizes

Philadelphia Local Attractions

Discount tickets will be available for many attractions and restaurants:

Atlantic City

The Constitution Center

The Franklin Institute

The Liberty Bell

The Philadelphia Museum of Art

The Philadelphia Zoo



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