Western Ontario District Meeting
March 10, 2024.

USPS 09 Spring Conference is taking place at the Sheraton Detroit Novi Hotel, 2111 Haggerty Rd., Novi, Michigan at the new date of Friday April 12th to Sunday April 14th . The hotel's special rate is US$119.00 per night plus state and local taxes with reservations no later than March 22, 2024.
D/C Al Schwaller got back to me with the information clarifying that the hotel will not allow outside food or drinks to come into the conference but that the hotel will supply the food and a cash bar for the Friday night hospitality with District 9 paying the food bill. The hotel is providing the food trays to be sponsored by D9. D9 is supplying two trays and is asking squadrons to donate a tray or two of their choice from a list of hot canapes or cold canapes or platter style items such as fresh fruit or raw veggie platter or cheese and crackers etc. with their identity on them.
I got the list of food trays with the prices for each tray based on 50 people with two pieces per person. The range is from $295. To $1110.00 per tray.
As Commander Al suggested some squadrons are teaming up to supply a tray so I contacted Birmingham Commander Julian Fiander to see if we could team with them. He got back to me to say that they are sponsoring two $370.00 trays but we could team up on one if we want and if we are working with a specific budget it would not have to be 50/50.
At this point I need some input from the District bridge as to how far we can go with this expense.
I am following up on hotel reservation and Conference registration so that Alice and I can attend.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nick Baratta