



General Federation of Women's Clubs New England Region



Connecticut ● Maine ● Massachusetts ● New Hampshire ● Rhode Island ● Vermont
Mary C Baird President

Children First... To Nourish...To Love...

“Together We will work to fight Childhood Hunger”

Official Call to the 109th GFWC New England Region Conference September 28 – September 30th 2018

Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River Resort in Bethel, Maine

Conference Theme: EXPLORE ME!

Dear Federation Sisters,

OFFICIAL CALL

You are cordially invited to the 109th GFWC NER Conference being held September 28–30, 2018 so please mark your calendars and plan to attend. GFWC Maine asks that you explore hiking, leadership, dancing and sailing at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River Resort in Maine.

“Explore ME” with Leadership” ~mini LEADS~

This workshop promises to be energizing and informative. Please check the box on the meal form to register.

“Explore ME” with Service” ~Community Service Project~

Will we be trying something new, instead of asking our members to collect items and bring them to the Conference we will have a table with items to purchase for “Backpack for Children”. This is a project schools support that sends home food for the weekend. The bag is placed in the child’s backpack every Friday during the school year.

“DROP YOUR DRAWS” we are asking clubwomen to purchase and bring to Conference new Men’s boxer shorts size XL and 2XL for “So Much Comfort” a GFWC Partnership that make alterations for disabled veterans.

“DANCE WITH ME”

GFWC MAINE invites you to State Night’s “Barn Dance” please join the clubwomen as they do some hootin & hollerin, includes a social hour (cash bar) before dinner and after dinner enjoy a local contra-dance caller teaches us the moves. Dress in your cowgirl hats and boots and be prepared to have FUN this is a casual evening with jeans or skirts. At the conclusion of the banquet GFWC Maine will be hosting a reception.

“Exploring GFWC New England Region”

The opening ceremonies of the 109th New England Region Conference will be Saturday morning. An empowering program has been planned for you!
Theme for the Luncheon “Hike With ME” and the guest speaker GFWC President-elect Marion St Clair.

“Exploring the Maine Coast”

GFWC New England Region Night will include a social hour (cash bar) before dinner. The theme for the night “SAIL WITH ME”. Hop aboard the USS SUNDAY RIVER” for a formal night you will long remember—just watch out for the icebergs! Our evening program will



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include an inspiring speech written by Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC President and delivered by Marion St Clair in her absence. (Mary Ellen Brock will be speaking at a Women's Conference in Manila.) President Brock wishes the clubwomen of New England Region a wonderful Conference. Then continue the fun with "Junior Fun Night" on the (three hour tour) and the cast of the SS Minnow of Gilligan's Island.

"Explore Shopping" ~Market Place~

- Exciting vendors as well as the "GFWC Market Place"
- GFWC New England Region Fundraiser: There will be a 50/50 drawing and a state basket fundraiser to benefit GFWC NER. Each state is asked to contribute a basket with a minimum value of \$100.00. The basket theme will be "ALL ABOUT ME" Be creative!
"SHARE WITH ME" | "DINE WITH ME" | "PLAY WITH ME" | "READ WITH ME" | "HAVE FUN WITH ME" | "SIP WITH ME" | "SPORTS WITH ME"
- Each State may request table space for their State ways and means. States are allowed a maximum of two items to sell. One table has been reserved for each State.
- Please plan to visit the Market Place and shop, we have extended the hours during the conference to make shopping more convenient for all.

"Empower Yourself to be Motivated"

- Sunday morning will feature Leadership presentations, as well as the traditional State Presidents Panel, of informative presentations by the Presidents and Director of Junior Clubs, each having up to 5 minutes for their presentations.
State Memorials Tributes

Please note the deadline of September 6, 2018 as it is just around the corner!

Please Remember:

- If you will be presenting a report please bring **two copies**, one for the President and one for the Secretary.
- To bring your state flag, stand and white gloves.

**Co-Chairmen for the Conference: Sheri Walsh
Marjorie Pfeiffer**

I look forward to being with the clubwomen of New England Region exploring our dreams as we walk alongside of each other making a difference in the lives of others.

In Federation Friendship,

Mary C Baird

President, GFWC New England Region



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97 Summit Road, Newry, Maine 04261

1-800 207-2365

Tentative Agenda

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:30 am – 5:30 pm **Registration**

11:00 am Gondola and Zip-lining \$15 to do one or \$25 to do both! Bring your own lunch to the top!

3:00 – 6:30 pm **Market Place**

1:00pm – 3:00 pm **Explore ME with Leadership-“Mini LEADS”**

Social Media basics
Conducting a meeting
Parliamentary basics
Team building

2:45 – 3:45 pm **Region Officers Meeting**

4:00 – 5:00 pm **Region Board of Directors Meeting**

6:00 pm **Gathering and Greeting**

6:45 pm **Processional Formation**

7: 00 pm **GFWC Maine State Night Banquet
“Dance With Me”**

Official Opening of 109th GFWC New England Region Conference

Entertainment: Local Contra-dance Caller

9:30 pm **GFWC Maine State Night Reception**
All Conference attendees welcome



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:00 am – 12:30 pm **Registration**

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

8:00 am – 6:00 pm **Market Place**

9:00 - 10:30 am **Opening Business Session “Exploring GFWC NER”**
Business Meeting

10:45 - 12:00 pm **Presentations**
Seven Grand Initiatives-Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC President
Turning Point Suffragist Memorial—Helen Barakauskas, Chairman
Suffragist Hat Contest
NER President’s Project “Children First”-Mary Kemp, Chairman

12:00 – 12:30 pm Break – Please visit our Exhibit Hall

12:30 – 2:00 pm **Luncheon Theme “Hike With ME”**
Speaker Marion St Clair, GFWC President-elect

2:15 - 3:50 pm **Business Meeting**
GFWC Committee Members from the Region
Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention
GFWC Fundraising and Development
Communications and Public Relations
Bylaws Committee
Budget and Finance Committee
International Liaisons Committee
Resolutions Committee

4:00 - 4:45pm **Presentations**
Membership
Juniors’ Special Program
Leadership
Communications and Public Relations Committee

4:45 - 5:15 am **Group Work Session**
2020-2022 GFWC Region President, State Presidents, and State Directors of
Junior Clubs Meet with Marion St Clair, GFWC President-elect

6:00 pm Gathering & Greeting

6:45 pm Processional Formation

7:00 pm **New England Region Banquet “Sail With ME”**

Speaker: Marian St Clair GFWC President-Elect for Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC

President

Entertainment: Cast of the SS Minnow

9:30 pm **GFWC New England Region Reception**
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

8:30 – 11:30 am

**“Pick ME”
Some of the best picking “Breakfast”**

Memorial Tribute

Reports: State Presidents and State Director of Junior Clubs

Invitation to 2019 New England Region Conference – New Hampshire

Speaker Backpacks for Children

Closing Remarks



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Conference Theme: "Explore ME"

Explore ME with Leadership

Optional Adventure: Friday 11am Gondola rides or Zip lining / \$15 to do one or \$25 to do both! Bring your own lunch to the top!

Held: Friday Mini LEADS 1pm – 3 pm
Dress: Casual

"Dance With ME"

Held: Friday Evening
Dress: Casual/jeans, skirts, dress, boots or (Hats – Optional)
A local contra-dance caller will teach us the moves
Reception: GFWC MAINE

Exploring the Maine Coast

Held: Saturday Night "SAIL WITH ME"
Dress: Formal
Program: Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC President
NER Reception and Fun Night- all are welcome to set sail on the SS Minnow for a three hour tour. Join the race between a deserted island and Bar Harbor, Me and get to relax with Skipper, Gilligan, Mr & Mrs Howell, Ginger and the Professor. A donation of \$5 will allow you to place 6 bets on the crazy castaways of the three races and winners will receive tropical prizes.

Two golf courses one at Sunday River and the Bethel Inn in town. Need to call ahead for tee times.
Shuttles available

Explore ME with Service

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"Drop your Draws" and bring new men's boxer shorts XL/2XL for "So Much Comfort"

Exploring GFWC NER

Held: Saturday Luncheon "Hike with ME"
Dress: Business Casual
Program: Marion St Clair, GFWC President-Elect

"PICK ME"

Held: Sunday Morning
Dress: Travel
Dress Style: GFWC Emblematic
Memorial Tribute
Presidents and Director of Junior Clubs Panel
Speaker: Backpack for Children



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HOTEL INFORMATION

Room reservations can be made now!
Deadline for reservations is August 27, 2018

Room Rates are as follows:

- Summit Standard Room (2 Queen Beds) - \$138
- Summit 1 bedroom Suite (private BR w/queen bed & pull out queen sofa bed or Murphy w/ kitchenette) - \$185

Prices include tax & service fee

1-800-207-2365

When making reservations, please refer to group code: **85s6zo**

Meet your GFWC International Officers and all of your New England Region Officers.

Reserve your room now!



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MEALS/LEADS RESERVATION FORM

Name: _____

Name as Desired on Name Tag: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email _____

State Affiliation: _____ Present Office: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> GFWC Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> GFWC Chairman | <input type="checkbox"/> NER Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> NER Chairman |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Club President | <input type="checkbox"/> Club Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Booster |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Guest |

Previously attended a GFWC New England Region Conference? Yes No

LEADS WORKSHOP _____

MEALS

Friday

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| Maine State Night Banquet
<input type="checkbox"/> New England Haddock shellfish topping
<input type="checkbox"/> Pepper crusted Pork loin/cherry amaretto butter
<input type="checkbox"/> Maine Wild mushroom/brie risotto/veg | \$45.00

\$25.00 | \$ _____

\$ _____ |
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Saturday

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| Luncheon "Hike with ME"
<input type="checkbox"/> Deli Sandwiches meats/vegs
Toss salad and pasta salad
cookies | \$25.00 | \$ _____ |
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| New England Region Banquet
<input type="checkbox"/> Beef tenderloin
<input type="checkbox"/> Breast of Chicken
<input type="checkbox"/> Quinoa stuffed eggplant/vegs | \$45.00 | \$ _____ |
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Sunday

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Breakfast Buffet | \$28.00 | \$ _____ |
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TOTAL MEALS/WORKSHOP	\$ _____
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Please list any dietary restrictions _____

PLEASE: One reservation form for each attendee (copy as needed)
 Make separate check for meals payable to **GFWC Maine** Reservation must be received by
 September 6, 2018.
 Mail this form to: **Carol Jarvais**
57 Coburn Avenue
Skowhegan, ME 04976



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Grand Summit Hotel Sunday River Resort

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Name as Desired on Name Tag: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email _____

State Affiliation: _____ Present Office: _____

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$15.00 per person for the entire Conference

\$ 10.00 per person for one day or part thereof

Friday 9/28 _____ Saturday 9/29 _____ Sunday 9/30 _____

MEDICAL EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Who to Contact in an Emergency _____

Address: _____

Telephone: Daytime _____ Evening _____

Cell Phone _____

Special Medical Needs: _____

Allergies: _____

PLEASE: One registration form for each attendee (copy if needed)
Make separate check for registration payable to **GFWC New England Region**
Registration must be received by **September 6, 2018**

Mail this form to: Suzanne Raymond
PO Box 26
Dover-Foxcroft, ME04426