



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 110th GFWC New England Region Conference
October 4 - 6, 2019
Radisson Hotel Nashua, 11 Tara Boulevard, Nashua, NH 03062
Conference Theme: "NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS"

OFFICIAL CALL



Dear Federation Sisters,

You are cordially invited to the 110th GFWC NER Conference being held October 4 - 6, 2019. So please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

GFWC New Hampshire reminds you that ~

It's time to celebrate GFWC Helpers with "Neighbors Helping Neighbors"

Optional:

Japanese Restaurant ~ Pre-conference dinner Thursday evening at 6:30 pm

If you will be arriving early and would like to join your Federation Friends for dinner please email Nancy Greenberg ~ ngreenberggfwc@comcast.net We need to RESERVE TABLES. Carpooling to restaurant is encouraged.

Friday morning (9:00 - 11:30 am) Service Project ~ **Anne-Marie House**, a transitional home for homeless families. We will be helping with meal preparation, touring the facility and having a presentation. Please email Carol Waters ~ cjh20@comcast.net if going.

Leadership Workshop ~ mini LEADS ~ 11:30 am to 3:00 pm

A plated lunch will be served for those attending the workshop ~ please note check off box. This workshop promises to be energizing and informative.

Donations ~ Conference Service Project

Clubwomen are asked to consider donating high protein food items to add to donations to: **End 68 Hours of Hunger** and local food pantries throughout NH. Please ask each attendee from your state to bring non-perishable food items to the conference (cans of tuna and/or chicken, peanut butter, cereal and/or protein bars, beans).

"NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS"

*We live in a world in which we need to share responsibility.
It's easy to say, it's not my child, not my community,
not my world, not my problem.
Then there are those who see the need and respond.
I consider these people my heroes.*

Fred Rogers





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CONFERENCE:

GFWC Clubwoman are heroes and during this New England Region Conference we will honor and celebrate our CLUBWOMAN as well as those who also help in the Neighborhood.



GFWC New Hampshire State Night

- Friday night will include a social hour and cash bar reception before dinner.
- Procession for past and current NH Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs, NER Officers and GFWC Officers.
- Our Helping Neighbors this evening are the nonprofit **Pease Greeters** ~ these volunteers greet U.S. Soldiers returning to "home soil" and send them off on overseas deployment with a "God Bless".
- Our fun filled evening program will include **Linda Belt** a comedienne, the enthusiastic **7 Grand Initiatives State Cheers**, and after dinner GFWC MA Juniors will host **Fun Night** (please join Big Bird, Cookie Monster and a few others from that famous neighborhood, Sesame Street, as we are Off the Races to support Wreaths Across America) and GFWC NH will host a **Reception**.
- Dress for Friday evening: Cocktail

Opening Ceremonies of the 110th New England Region Conference

- Saturday morning Processional with State Flags (bring state flags, stands and white gloves)
- Business of the Region, Reports and Informative about GFWC programs.
- Speaker Honorable John Broderick, Chief Justice of the New Hampshire Supreme Court (Retired). Mr. Broderick's mission is to change the culture and conversation around mental illness.
- Dress for Saturday: Business Casual

Saturday Luncheon

- Our Helping Neighbors are the nonprofit **End 68 Hours of Hunger** ~ they send high protein food items home with children every weekend.
- An exciting speech by **GFWC President-elect Marian St.Clair**, *Which Way Forward for GFWC*.
- At the conclusion of the luncheon we will resume our business session with **Speed Dating With GFWC**
- Incoming 2020-2022 Administration will meet with **GFWC President elect Marian St.Clair** following the afternoon session.

GFWC New England Region Night

- Saturday night will include a social hour and cash bar reception before dinner.
- Our Helping Neighbors are the New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic Violence.
- Inspiring speech by **GFWC President, Mary Ellen Brock**, *Gists or Gettes?*
- Presentation of the Jennie June nominees from the Region.
- Entertainment will be the **Southern New Hampshire Ukulele Group** that will open the evening **Neighborhood Block Party** ~ a time to celebrate all the work we do as a GFWC Clubwoman.
- Dress for Saturday Banquet: Casual to enjoy the Block Party



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Sunday Buffet

- Our Helping Neighbors are the nonprofit **Girls, Inc.**
- **Memorial Tributes**
- GFWC New England Region **LEADS** Graduates presentations
- **State Presidents** and **State Director of Junior Clubs Panel**
- Speaker **Judith Black**, as Lucy Stone the Suffragist.
- Remarks from the **Past Region Presidents**
- Invitation to 2020 New England Region Conference - GFWC Vermont

Marketplace

- Vendors
- GFWC Marketplace
 - Items from GFWC
- GFWC New England Region Fundraising
 - There will be 50/50 drawings
 - State basket fundraiser to benefit GFWC NER ~ Each state is asked to contribute a basket with a minimum value of \$100.
 - The basket theme will be **“WHAT’S IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD”**
- Each state may request table space for their State Ways and Means.
 - Contact Nancy Greenberg or Carol Waters to request space.
 - Please use subject line: GFWC NERC 2019
- Please plan to visit the Marketplace and shop; we have convenient hours during the conference to enhance the shopping experience for all.

Standing Rules

- Please print the last page of this Official Call, and pack ~ don't forget to bring with you.

Please note the registration deadline of September 23, 2019 is just around the corner!

Please Remember:

- If you will be presenting a report
 - Please email the report to the NER President, to be received no later than 9/30/19
 - Please pack and bring **two copies** of your report, for the President-elect and Secretary.
- Bring your state flag, stand and white gloves.

**Conference Chairmen: Nancy Greenberg ~ ngreenberggfwc@comcast.net
Carol Waters ~ cjh20s@comcast.net**

I look forward to being with all of you for what promises to be an exciting conference weekend.

In Federation Friendship,

MARY C BAIRD

President, GFWC New England Region





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“NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS”

Tentative Agenda

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

- 9:30 am – 5:30 pm **Registration**
- 9:00 am – 11:30 am **Anne-Marie House**
Transitional home for homeless families ~Touring and meal preparations
Meet in hotel lobby by 8:45 to carpool
- 11:30 am – 3:00 pm **Leadership Workshop ~ Mini LEADS**
Know Your Organization
Communication
Membership
Positive Reinforcement in Leadership
- 1:00 pm – 6:30 pm **Marketplace**
- 3:00 – 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 NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE NIGHT BANQUET**
Neighbors ~ Pease Greeters

Entertainment: Linda Belt, Comedienne
Seven Grand Initiatives State Cheers
- 9:30 pm **Junior Fun Night ~ Off to the Races**
- 10:30 pm **GFWC New Hampshire State Night Reception**
All Conference attendees welcome

When I was a little boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, “Look for the helpers.” You will always find people who are helping.

Fred Rogers



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Official Opening of 110th GFWC New England Region Conference SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

- 8:00 – 10:00 am **Registration**
- 8:00 am – 4:00 pm **Marketplace**
- 8:45 am **Processional Formation w/State Flags**
- 9:00 - 11:00 am **OPENING BUSINESS SESSION**
Business Meeting
Report of Nominating Committee/Election of Officers
- 11:00 - 11:45 am **Speaker: Honorable John Broderick**, Chief Justice of the NH Supreme Court
(Retired) ~ Senior Director of External Affairs Dartmouth/Hitchcock
- 11:45 am – 12:30 pm **Break**
Please visit our Exhibit Hall
- 12:30 – 2:00 pm **Luncheon**
Neighbors ~ End 68 Hours of Hunger
“Which Way Forward for GFWC”
Guest Speaker: **GFWC President-elect Marian St.Clair**
- 2:15 - 2:30 pm **Break**
- 2:30 - 4:45 pm **Business Meeting**
GFWC NER Standing Rules proposed amendments
Presentation “SPEED DATING WITH GFWC”
GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention
GFWC Juniors’ Special Program: Advocates for Children
GFWC Membership
GFWC Leadership
GFWC Bylaws
GFWC Communications and Public Relations Committee
GFWC Fundraising and Development Committee
GFWC International Liaisons Committee
GFWC Legislation/Public Policy Committee/Resolutions
NER President’s Project “Children First” Fighting Childhood Hunger
GFWC “Three New Grand Initiatives” President Mary Ellen Brock
- 4:45 - 5:15 pm **Group Work Session**
2020-2022 GFWC Region President, State Presidents, and State Director of
Junior Clubs meet with Marian St.Clair, GFWC President-elect
- 6:00 pm **Gathering & Greeting**
- 7:00 pm **GFWC NEW ENGLAND REGION BANQUET**
Neighbors ~ NH Coalition Against Domestic Violence
"Gists or Gettes?"
Guest Speaker **GFWC President Mary Ellen Brock**
GFWC Jennie June Region Honorees
Entertainment **Southern NH Ukulele Group** will open the New England
Region **Block Party** hosted by GFWC New Hampshire
All Conference attendees welcome



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:00 am – 12:00 pm **BUFFET BREAKFAST**
Neighbors ~ Girls, Inc

Memorial Tribute

Presentation: LEADS Graduates

State Presidents and State Director of Junior Clubs Panel

Program: Judith Black as Lucy Stone, Suffragist

Remarks

Invitation to 2020 New England Region Conference ~ GFWC VERMONT

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

Neighbors ~ Pease Greeters

Held: Friday Evening
Dress: Cocktail

Neighbors ~ Girls, Inc

Held: Sunday Morning
Dress: White for the Suffragists movement

Neighbors ~ End 68 Hours of Hunger

Held: Saturday Business Session
Dress: Business Attire



Suggested donations

High protein food items for **End 68 Hours of Hunger** for the food pantries: cans of tuna and/or chicken, peanut butter, cereal and/or protein bars, beans, non-perishable items.

Neighbors ~ New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Held: Saturday Evening
Dress: Casual/Block Party

NER President's Project

Selling healthy snacks to be donated to three high risk schools in Nashua to be distributed by the school nurses to help fight childhood hunger.



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HOTEL INFORMATION

GUEST ROOM RATES:

- Radisson Hotel offering special group rate with **King** or two(2) **doubles** for **\$129.00**
- To reserve your room mention **GFWC New England Conference**.
- The guest room rates will be offered two(2) days prior to and two (2) days after the meeting dates, subject to availability at the time of reservation.
- All reservations must be guaranteed for late arrival with a credit card.
- Check out time on Sunday is 11:00 am.

CUT OFF DATE FOR RESERVATIONS: **September 19, 2019**

or when the total block is full, whichever is earlier. Reservations made after this date are at the sole discretion of the hotel.

DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL:

From Connecticut and points Southwest: Follow 95 or 90 to 495 North. Take exit 35B off 495 to Route 3 North. Follow Route 3 to exit 1 in New Hampshire. Take exit 1 to Spit Brook Road. Stay in left lane and turn left at exit ramp light and proceed under the overpass. Follow Spit Brook Road to Tara Blvd. Turn right on Tara Blvd and hotel will be on your right.

From the West: Follow 101 East to 101A East to Nashua. Then turn onto Route 3 South. Take Route 3 South to exit 1 to Spit Brook Road. Turn right on Spit Brook Road and turn right again at Tara Blvd. Hotel is on your right.

From the North: Follow 89 or 93 South to 293 south in Manchester. When 293 and Everett Turnpike split take the Everett Turnpike South all the way to Exit 1. This is a toll road. At exit get in the right lane and turn right at light to Tara Blvd. Turn right and hotel is on your right.

From the Southeast: Follow 93 North to 128/95 South. Then proceed to turn right onto Route 3 North at exit 32A. Follow Route 3 North to Exit 1, Spit Brook Road, Nashua, NH. Turn left at exit ramp light and proceed under the overpass. Follow Spit Brook Road to Tara Blvd. Turn right on Tara Blvd and hotel will be on your right.

From Northeast: Follow 95 South to 101 West to 93 South. Then get in right lane to take 293 West to the Everett Turnpike South. This is a toll road. Take Exit 1 to Spit Brook Road. Stay in the right lane and turn right at light to Tara Blvd. Turn right and hotel is on your right.





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110th GFWC New England Region Conference October 4 - 6, 2019 Tour, Workshop, Meals RESERVATION FORM

Name: _____

Name as Desired on Name Tag: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

State Affiliation: _____ Present Office: _____

- GFWC Officer GFWC Chairman NER Officer NER Chairman
 State Officer Club President Club Member Booster
 Guest

Previously attended a GFWC New England Region Conference? Yes No

Japanese Restaurant (Thursday) Yes (Meet in lobby to carpool at 6:15) No

Anne-Marie House/Service Project (Friday) Yes (Meet in lobby to carpool at 8:45) No

Leadership Workshop ~ Mini LEADS (includes materials)

Are you attending the Leadership Workshop ONLY? Yes No

Meal selection \$20.00 \$ _____

Plated Mixed green salad with Chicken

Plated Mixed green salad with Veggies

CONFERENCE MEALS

Friday ~ New Hampshire State Night Banquet \$45.00 \$ _____

Meal selection

Crabcake Topped Haddock with Creole Mustard Sauce

Boneless Breast of Chicken Francaise Style with Wild Mushroom Marsala

Vegetable Lasagna Roll

Includes Butternut Squash Bisque, Angel Food Cake Berry Compote

Saturday ~ Luncheon \$40.00 \$ _____

New England Buffet

Clam Chowder, Lettuce Salad, Macaroni Salad

NE Pot Roast/Jardiniere, Baked Ziti and Vegetable Ratatouille, with carrots, green

beans, roasted potatoes, rolls, carrot cake, apple pie, pound cake and berries, coffee/tea

Saturday ~ New England Region Banquet \$45.00 \$ _____

Meal selection

Herb Crusted Salmon with Dill Hollandaise

Roasted Cinnamon Pork Mignon with Cranberry Port Chutney

Butternut Squash Ravioli

Vine Ripe Tomato Napoleon Fresh Mozzarella/Plum Tomato Salad, Key Lime Pie

Sunday Rise and Shine Buffet \$35.00 \$ _____

TOTAL TOUR, WORKSHOP, MEALS \$ _____

Please list any dietary restrictions _____

PLEASE: One reservation form for each attendee (copy form if needed). Reservation must be received by **September 23, 2019 ~ NO REFUNDS AFTER September 30, 2019.**

Make check payable to **GFWC NH**

Mail the Tour, Workshop, Meals Reservation Form along with your check to:

GFWC NH Treasurer Carol Brauza

77 Sheridan Street Laconia, NH 03246

Email: cbrauza@gmail.com ~ Phone: 603-598-5274



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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:

\$20.00 per person for the entire Conference

\$ 15.00 per person for one day or part thereof

Friday 10/4 _____ Saturday 10/5 _____ Sunday 10/6 _____

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 form if needed)

Registration must be received by **September 23, 2019**

NO REFUNDS AFTER 9/30/19

Make separate check for registration payable to **GFWC New England Region**
and mail along with this Conference registration form to:

GFWC NER Treasurer Suzanne Raymond

P.O. Box 26, Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426

Email: Straymond72@gmail.com ~ Phone: 207-717-4139





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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO GFWC NER STANDING RULES IN 2019

The following are proposed amendments to be presented for consideration at the October 2019 NER Annual Meeting in Nashua, New Hampshire.

AMEND BY ADDING A SECTION 2B

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

2b. If a state cannot fill its designated officer position, it shall notify the Nominating Committee in writing by March 1st of the odd-numbered year of the administration. The Nominating Committee shall then invite one of the two remaining states to nominate a candidate for that position.

RATIONAL: To broaden the pool for designated officers.

AMEND BY ADDING A SECTION 6

ARTICLE VI. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

REMOVAL FROM OFFICE FOR CAUSE

a. An officer can be removed from office for cause--that is neglect of duties as prescribed in Article VI of the rules, abuse of her authority or engage in other misconduct that calls into question her fitness for office.

b. The following procedure should be taken: said officer shall be sent by registered mail, a written notice to attend a meeting of the officers to explain said charges, if said officer fails to attend or her explanation is unacceptable, call for her resignation, if said officer fails to resign, the charges shall be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors at a special meeting of the Board.

c. Motion to remove from office for cause, requires $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Board in attendance.

RATIONAL: To update procedure.