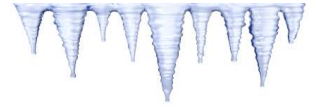
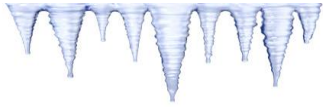


General Federation of Women's Club of Massachusetts

Donna M. Shibley, President
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Official *Call* to the **Combined Midwinter Meeting** **FLANNEL and FROST**



Saturday, January 22, 2022

John Boyle O'Reilly Club | Knights of Columbus
17 Willow Street, Westborough, MA 01581

Massachusetts Clubwomen Can Make a Difference!

Welcoming ~ JoAnn Calnen, GFWC New England Region President

Morning Session

9:30 ~ 11:45am

Get COZY with our Members

Guest JoAnn Calnen, NER President
Membership/Leadership Winter
Carnival themed Mixers

Nominating Committee Reports of
GFWC MA 2022-2024 Officers and
Junior Membership 2022-2024 Officers
Club Anniversary

Jamie Ehrets, Volunteer Coordinator
CASA Worcester

Get COZY with our Governing Documents

Updating Bylaws

Luncheon

Lunch buffet items are listed on registration form.

Afternoon Session

Guest presenter: Susan Howards
Current state of domestic violence challenges

Get COZY with the GFWC SPECIAL PROGRAMS

GFWC Signature Program: Domestic and Sexual Violence
Awareness and Prevention GFWC MA Grants

Get COZY with GFWC MA Activities

Chairmen Updates

Basket Raffles

Adjournment- 3:00pm

Fun surprises planned

**You don't want to miss being able to interact
with fellow clubwomen**

♥ Shop with your Heart ♥

visit these opportunities to shop

H & H Shop

1898 Society

President's Focus Area Shop

Director's Shop

Ricky Gomes 50/50

1924 Society

Winter Carnival Basket Raffle

**\$\$\$ Support GFWC MA \$\$\$
and GFWC MA Junior Membership**

Take Action!

Please share proposed Bylaws with club members and empower club attendees to vote the wishes of your club. Proposed amendments are included with this *CALL* in the email to all Club Presidents.

See the *Club Manual* for your club's delegate numbers.

A **quorum** is needed at State Meetings to move our Federation forward.

Guest:

JoAnn Calnen, GFWC NER President

A dedicated member of Federation for 32 years, JoAnn has volunteered through her local club, The Woman's Club of Enfield, Inc., her State Federation of Connecticut and GFWC. Her involvement outside her local club began when selected as the first LEADS candidate for Connecticut. With the motivation and support from that program and fellow members, she eventually served as GFWC Connecticut Third Vice President, Second Vice President and State President, as well as GFWC/CT Parliamentarian. JoAnn has served on the GFWC Board of Directors as a member of the Membership Committee, Leadership Committee and Legislation/Public Policy Committee. She has served on the board of the Connecticut Permanent Commission on the Status of Women for 10 years.



Though retired as a medical practice administrator, her past employment includes insurance underwriting and training manager. She is a Vietnam era veteran of the USAF. Her home life revolves around her family: husband Jerry, two sons, daughter-in-law and two grandsons. She enjoys gardening and makes an honest attempt at rug hooking. JoAnn is honored to serve as the GFWC New England Region's 57th President.

Guest Speaker: Susan K. Howards

Susan K Howards is a former college professor who trained teachers from 34 countries. She took her pension and went to law school days midlife. She was the second oldest in her class and wore her first pair of jeans ever as a student.



She received her PhD from Boston College along with a Fulbright Hayes award to India. She travelled the region. A criminal defense attorney she was a quasi-public defender as a bar advocate in the old Chelsea Court the Boston Municipal Court and Brookline District Court. She was Eugenia Moore's attorney first of Framingham Eight to have her life sentence commuted. She has a national practice and along with representing victim thrivers she also represents batterers. Currently she is a member of the Norfolk County Domestic Violence Round Table, The Jennifer A. Lynch Committee Against Domestic Violence, on the Counsel to Reverse Patterns and Women Thriving Inc.

Our Clubwomen Serve Others! Domestic Violence Grants

Clubs will be awarded grant monies to continue their work in the GFWC Signature Program: Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention. Applications must be returned by January 10, 2022 to be considered.

Overnight accommodations Friday night, January 21 Double Tree by Hilton Westborough



A block of newly refreshed rooms is secured for Friday night. Call 508-366-5511 and mention GFWC MA. Overnight guests must book by Friday, January 11, 2022 to secure the \$129.00 (plus applicable taxes) per room rate.

Our Clubwomen Can Serve Others! Needed items you can donate:

Reach out to children of all ages - To be donated to CASA Worcester Project's Gift Registry ~ [Amazon Custom Gift List](#) ~ shop, check out, click on CASA address, write in Gift Message: donation for **GFWC MA and your club name**, and purchase

**This is the R in our H-E-A-R-T
State Meeting Collection**

Clubs are encouraged to provide a raffle for the Winter Carnival Basket Raffle



Directions:

- Fill a Basket/Container
- total worth should be at least \$50.00

Things to know:

- Baskets will be judged on creativity of design and theme
- Tickets are 5 for \$10.00 or 12 for \$20.00
- Prizes will be drawn/winners selected day of

**Thank YOU for supporting GFWC
Massachusetts and Junior Membership♥**

JANUARY is
National Mentoring Month
Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month
National Blood Donor Month
Cervical Health Awareness Month
National Hobby Awareness Month



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2022 COMBINED MIDWINTER MEETING



REGISTRATION FORM

Club Name _____

Member Name State voting Delegate [] Club voting Delegate [] Non-voting Delegate [] Guest [] Luncheon: Buffet [] soups and sandwiches

Multiple horizontal lines for member information entry.

Stevie's Back Road Cafe & Catering
Donation to Feed a Neighbor Program
MORNING: Coffee, tea, assorted baked goods
LUNCH MENU: Soups: Chicken Noodle, Tomato (both are gluten free) Sandwiches: Egg Salad, Chicken Salad, Roast Beef w/ horseradish sauce DESSERT ~ Cookies DRINKS ~ Coffee, tea, water, soda Please make note above if you have any food allergies

_____ Registration (\$15.00) Total \$ _____
_____ Luncheon (\$15.00) Total \$ _____
Total \$ _____

Send to: Darlene Coutu, PO Box 236 Pepperell, MA 01463 with check payable to:

GFWC Massachusetts postmarked by January 15, 2022.

Or use VENMO ~ GFWC Massachusetts look for the three blue circles ~ @GFWC-Massachusetts

PLEASE NOTE: Requests for refunds must be made to Darlene Coutu 978-433-5318 by January 18, 2022.



President Shibley will like to know if anyone is planning on staying over Friday night at the DoubleTree by Hilton. Please drop by to visit. Add cell phone numbers for text w/ room # and time.

Name: _____ Cell: _____
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