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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, ME

 **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 non-profit who

 donates to the Men’s shelters in Maine.

”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

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 “Fun Night” on the (three hour tour) and the cast of the SS Minnow.

“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”

“IMBIBE 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.

**C0-Chairmen for the Conference: Sherri 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,

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######  *Mary C Baird*

###### President, GFWC New England Region

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1-800 207-2365

**Tentative Agenda**

Friday, SEPTEMBER 28

9:30 am – 5:30 pm **Registration**

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

**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 Innovates-Mary Ellen Brock, GFWC President**

 **Turning Point Suffragist Memorial—Helen Barkauskas, 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: 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

Held: Friday 1pm – 3 pm

Dress: Casual

Mini LEADS

##### “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.

Gondola to summit $15 and you may bring your own basket lunch to eat at the top.

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

Zip Line $15.00 Shuttles available

##### Explore ME with Service

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will have a table with items to purchase for the project.

“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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#### Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River Resort

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**HOTEL INFORMATION**

**GUEST ROOM RATES:** Room rate for Standard (2 queens) $119 + tax

 **One Bedroom Suites $159.00 two bedroom suites $229.00**

**CUT-OFF DATE FOR RESERVATIONS: August 30, 2016** or when the total block is full, whichever is earlier. Reservations made after this date are at the sole discretion of the hotel.

**When making reservation please refer to group code: 85s6zO**

**ROOM DEPOSIT:**

A deposit is due within 5 days of booking a reservation.

**DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL:**

Route 95 Maine Turnpike to Exit 63 Gray, Route 26 to Bethel then Route 2 to Summit.



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## September 28– September 30, 2018

###### MEALS/LEADS RESERVATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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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

**LEADS WORKSHOP**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**MEALS**

 Friday

 Maine State Night Banquet $45.00 $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ] New England Haddock shellfish topping

[ ] Pepper crusted Pork loin/cherry amaretto butter

[ ] Maine Wild mushroom/brie risotto/veg $25.00 $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Saturday

 Luncheon “Hike with ME”

 [ ] Deli Sandwiches meats/vegs $25.00 $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Toss salad and pasta salad

 cookies

 New England Region Banquet

 [ ] Beef tenderloin $45.00 $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 [ ] Breast of Chicken

[ ] Quinoa stuffed eggplant/vegs

Sunday

 [ ] Full Breakfast Buffet $28.00 $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **TOTAL MEALS/WORKSHOP** $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please list any dietary restrictions\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**PLEASE:** One reservation form for each attendee (copy if needed)

Make separate check for meals payable to **GFWC of Maine** Reservation must be received by

September 6, 2018.

Mail to: Carol Jarvais

 57 Coburn Avenue

 Skowhegan, ME 04976

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**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

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**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: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Special Medical Needs: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**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-Foxcraft, ME04426**