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PINE TREE NOTES



GFWC Maine Newsletter
September/October 2012



Volunteer Stewards...Joyfully Serving and Giving to Others



President's Letter

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I hope you have had a wonderful summer, with many pleasant memories to carry you into the crisp air of fall!

I extend my greetings to all of you, and many thanks to those who have taken on a leadership role during this 2012-2014 GFWC Maine Administration. As we work together as fellow clubwomen, we will continue to have a great impact on the lives of others, not only in our communities, but in our counties, our state, our nation, and our world. Our focus is centered on our home towns. Our wider membership with GFWC, gives our service a global impact. We all share the same vision, to make our world a better place in which to live. May we never lose sight of who we are, and what we can accomplish together to improve the lives of others. Since GFWC was founded in 1890, we have

been an underlying force, bringing together local women's clubs from around the country and throughout the world. Although there is considerable diversity in our ages, interests and experiences, we are all united by a dedication to community improvement through our volunteer service. The theme for this Administration is, "Volunteer Stewards...Joyfully Serving and Giving to Others." This theme simply states who we are, and what we do as clubwomen. So, in the spirit of volunteerism, let us continue our legacy by pressing on to reshape our communities, with our goal to enhance the lives of others. Please know what an extreme honor this is to be serving as GFWC Maine State President. I take this position very seriously, but I am not above having some fun along the way. Always know I am very much approachable, as is your Executive Committee. We will take any questions and comments you have to heart. This is "YOUR" GFWC Maine team at work, to serve you the member, and our Federation for which it stands.

This 2012 - 2014 Administration is up and on the run! It was such a wonderful opportunity to attend the 121st GFWC Annual Convention held June 13th - 18th, 2012 in the beautiful city of Charlotte, North Carolina! "Nothing Could Be Finer Than To Be In Carolina!" This Convention was entitled, "Shaping Reality, Transforming Our World." What a thrill to be among more than 1000 GFWC Clubwomen from around the world! Ten women from GFWC Maine attended this spectacular event! How awesome is that??? The speakers, workshops, entertainment, food, vendors, fellowship, and awards, WOW! So, what indeed could be finer than that? Truthfully, nothing comes to my mind. I am still on a "high" from such a memorable experience! I do want to congratulate our LEADS (Leadership, Education and Development Seminar) graduate, Carol Jarvais from GFWC/The Dove Society in Skowhegan for making us all so proud!! Way to go, Carol!!! We look forward to seeing much more of this exceptional clubwoman in the future! Carol will tell us about

her experiences while attending this LEADS Seminar in October at our Fall Conference. Who better to lead us as Membership Chairman during this Administration than Carol?? I am excited, can you tell? I would encourage all of you to attend at least one GFWC Annual Convention in your lifetime. What an extraordinary adventure! The 122nd GFWC Annual Convention will be held in Hollywood, Florida (on the beach), June 30th through July 2nd, 2013. Come play with us in the sand! Four gals to a room is doable! I promise you this is an experience you will never forget or regret!!!

I wish to extend congratulations to our Immediate Past President, Suzanne Raymond, for the great job she did leading this organization during the 2010-2012 Administration! I personally thank her for guidance and for being a wonderful mentor to me. I also congratulate her and the clubwomen of GFWC Maine for winning the GFWC International Award for her President's Project, "Operation Smile!" Fantastic Project Suzanne, and many thanks to the clubwomen of GFWC Maine!!!

I am pleased to inform the membership, the GFWC Maine Executive Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the President's Special Project, "Newborns In Need." This was approved unanimously on July 18, 2012 by the Board of Directors. Thank you ladies!! I am over the moon!

This is a project that has been near and dear to me for quite some time. Many knitting needles, crochet hooks, and sewing machines have been busy since I first announced this was the project I would seek approval for from the Board of Directors in July. I feel this is a project where we can make a significant difference in the lives of babies and their families. Thank you all for approving this President's Special Project!! The babies of today are our future of tomorrow! Now, let's run with it ladies!! "Newborns in Need," was started in 1992, one woman's mission to insure no baby is without needed essentials. Newborns in Need is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit charity that donates baby care items to hospitals, homeless shelters, family crisis centers, county health units, police offices and any other organization that provides for the needs of premature and newborn babies that are sick or in crisis. Sleepers, undershirts, gowns, caps, booties, onesies, quilts, afghans, blankets, formula, healthcare and hygiene products are all much sort after items. When needed, handmade burial layettes, memorial and comfort items are needed. Miscarriage wraps are also available. As sad as this is, it is a fact. Now ladies, let us help make a difference in the life of a newborn and their families, and help give these precious babies a chance at a better start in life.

It is with great hope you will join us at the GFWC Maine Fall Conference which will take place on October 18th and 19th, 2012 at

the Ramada Inn located in Ellsworth, Maine. This was formerly known as the Holiday Inn. These dates fall on a Thursday and Friday, with the Executive Committee Meeting on the previous day, October 17th at 2:00 PM. We invite you to come join in the fun as we meet each other as old friends, or as new acquaintances. It is sure to be a delightful time! So many ladies enjoyed our pajama party in October 2010, we have decided to hold this special event again! So gals, leave your fancy dresses at home, and wear your comfy, cozy, night nights! We will call this special banquet the, "Pajama Wear It and Share It Banquet." October is Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month, which as you know, is the Signature Project of GFWC. As we celebrate this special evening together, let us remember those victims of domestic abuse, many of whom escape their abusers with nothing but the clothes on their backs. We are asking you to please bring a pair of new or gently used pajamas or nightgowns to this banquet to donate to a local domestic violence shelter. Toothbrushes and toothpaste are also a welcomed commodity. This is one small way we can help support these victims suffering from abuse, and show them they are not alone or forgotten, and at the same time give them a source of comfort.

One last note: Please wear your GFWC apparel to the meeting on Thursday, October 18th. Show your support of GFWC, and be

proud to be a member of this outstanding organization! Business wear, (purple if possible), will be the suggested apparel for Friday, October 19th.

With Many Thanks,
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GFWC Maine President



President-Elect

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What a warm summer! The deck has been used more this year than in previous years. I hope all have enjoyed this outstanding summer. However, it will soon be time for starting the Fall activities.

I hope that all clubs will encourage members of their club to fill out a LEADS application to attend the seminar next June in Hollywood, Florida. The LEADS seminar is the day before the 122nd GFWC International Convention begins. Every clubwoman who attends this seminar comes out of it with a greater appreciation of what GFWC can do for her in all aspects of her life. It is an honor and an opportunity to learn leadership skills, meet new people and be prepared to help her club take on new projects in her community. The deadline date for an application to be submitted is November 15, 2012. This application will need to be sent to me. I have the application forms and information necessary for submission. Please call me for information at 426-8870.

(Because of this program, there are four LEADS women holding GFWC Maine officer positions at this time. Imagine!)

The New England Region conference will be held in Portland, Maine on September 14-15. This is an honor for GFWC Maine. This will be a great event and an opportunity for clubwomen in Maine to meet and greet other clubwomen in the New England Region. It is a great opportunity to pick up new ideas for our clubs, so please plan to attend, if only for a day. You will be glad that you did.

I look forward to seeing you at our GFWC Maine Fall Conference at the Ramada Inn in Ellsworth on October 18th and 19th. This will be a great time to meet old friends and make new friends, learn what is new at GFWC and find out what other GFWC Maine clubs are planning for the coming year. There will be registration sheets in this issue of Pine Tree Notes and information about events during the Conference.

Again, I hope to see many of you in Ellsworth. Let's aim for the **ONE HUNDRED** attendance figure. Fall is a great time to travel in Maine.....crisp days, cool nights and a tapestry of colors to enjoy.

With a hug to each of you!

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What a privilege it is to write this article as GFWC Maine Vice President. I am truly honored to hold this office.

We have been hard at work planning for the year ahead. Our main focus this year is to learn how to complete the new forms. Yes, the new forms, and just when we had felt comfortable with the old ones ! Change will keep us on our toes.

In order to assist the clubs, a workshop will be held during Fall Conference at Ellsworth. It would be helpful if every club had a representative at that workshop.

It was wonderful to see so many at the meeting in Skowhegan this summer. President Anne inspired all of us with her plans for her administration.

I will be looking forward to seeing many of you at NER in Portland and at Fall Conference in Ellsworth.

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The next submission deadline date for the **Pine Tree Notes** is **November 1st.**

Submitting Articles

It is very helpful to the Corresponding Secretary if the articles are submitted in a consistent format. Everyone has their own preference to font and size as they are typing. I would ask that everyone submit them to me in Times New Roman - 12 Font size and full justification in the text alignment. I have to change nearly every article when it arrives and since some articles come in after the deadline, it does limit my proofing time and creates a rushed atmosphere in getting it to the printer.

Some of the individuals that are writing the articles, use first person as they are writing but the reader is typically not part of "we" or "us" Instead of we participated - try using the club members participated or each member was able to..... By using third person vocabulary, it keeps the Corresponding Secretary from making verbiage corrections.

Ordering PTN/Directories

It is not too late to order an email or hard copy version of the Pine

Tree Notes. There is no charge if you would like to receive it via email. A printed and mailed edition will cost \$5. The form to order can be downloaded from the GFWC Maine website and I will have the forms available at Fall Conference.

There will be a limited number of directories available at Fall Conference. If you would like to order a copy - Please contact me as soon as possible **before** it goes to the printer.

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CLUB NEWS

District 1

The clubs of District One are all very busy planning programs and anticipating this new administration.

The **21 Club** had their 4th annual "21 Club Salute" where they honor local volunteers. This year they chose "Jim's Singers", a group of local men and women who regularly go to nursing homes and sing to the residents who look forward to their performances. This year they went to the beautiful home of one of their members, had a pot luck luncheon and enjoyed a few

laughs and a genuine appreciation of their volunteerism.

The **Southern Mid-Coast Women's Club** has been busy finding a place to hold our meetings and finding new members. They are also working on finding some wonderful speakers for this year.

Gorham Woman's Club celebrated with 2 members who received their 50 year pins, Alice Keddy, chairman of the Education Committee as an active member and Pricilla Rines as an honorary member.

They were proud to have some of Gorham High School's art submitted for judging at the state spring convention in Orono where 3 members attended. They held their annual meeting in early May and elected new officers for the coming administration: President, Wendy Bowler; Vice President, Nancy Kenty; Secretary, Brenda Caldwell; Corresponding Secretary, Elizabeth Files; Treasurer, Gloria Tewhey. In June 4 graduating seniors were presented with scholarships totaling \$3,000.00.

In September they will have a meeting about Planning for Natural or Manmade Disasters so everyone can be prepared and in October they will hold a Pot Luck Luncheon to entertain friends and prospective members. The meeting will include some Mind Challenge Games - adding laughter to a good mind for a healthier you.

The **Westbrook Woman's Club** held their annual meeting in April and voted long-time member Elaine Spiller an Honorary Member. She goes to Florida in the winter, but has continued to support the club especially at the annual Lobster Roll fundraising project.

At the GFWC Maine spring convention Mary Libby was elected Vice President, the first member of our club to serve in an elected state position. Mary is their immediate past president, immediate past district president and thanks to her leadership our club was awarded the Carolyn Lombardi trophy at the May convention.

The **GFWC Research Club of Limerick** began summer with a "Progressive Supper" which included installation of their officers. President, Jeanine Housley; Vice President, Mary Langlois; Secretary, Gloria Leveille; Treasurer, Jackie Foglio.

In July they took a fieldtrip and tour of their local florist's extensive flower gardens. It was educational, inspiring and very rewarding and then discussed future programs.

August will feature a fund raiser "Handmade/Homemade" Auction and will display the many creative talents of our club members and a fun time for all.

District 2

GFWC/Skowhegan Woman's Club installed the following

officers in May: Joyce Noonan, President; Mary Turbyne, Vice President; Francis Savage, Treasurer and Crystal Tufts, Secretary. We honored the club's out-going president, Billie Sherman, with a poem and a "round of applause." The Volunteer of the Year award was given to Vi Ferland, a long time, dedicated member.

On Sundays in July and August members can be found at the Concerts in the Park selling refreshments. This is a very successful fundraiser headed by Pam McDermott and faithfully assisted by Connie Connell.

The end of June brought Officers and Board Members together to plan the calendar for the coming year. Club members look forward to a wide variety of guest speakers. In July, several members attended the GFWC Maine Advisory Meeting at the Margaret Chase Smith Library.

GFWC Semper Fidelis Club (SFC) held its annual Club Auction in March where members brought in "barely used" items to auction off for a night of fun. Also in March, Club member Anne Gould spoke about Wind Power. Anne and her husband installed a wind tower at their home in Skowhegan and explained some interesting facts on residential wind power. In April, Billie Sherman of the GFWC Skowhegan Women's Club, along with fellow club members Joyce Noonan and Maxine Russakoff, gave SFC members a lesson in the art of

jewelry making. Billie sells her creative items at the Fall Conference and donates to various fundraisers. Everyone went home with a handmade bracelet.

In May, "The GFWC/Skowhegan Three" joined together with the residents of the Redington Home in Skowhegan for a Kentucky Derby Party. This time was also used as a celebration for the three clubs' completion of raising \$10,000 towards renovations to the Skowhegan Public Library. The clubs provided refreshments and Mint Juleps for all in attendance. Everyone was dressed for the occasion and awards were given for the best hats. Tickets could be purchased and dropped into buckets with the picture of each individual horse on the front. One ticket was drawn from the bucket of the horse for win, place and show for a portion of the proceeds. What a wonderful time was had by all!

Mother's Day cards were sent to women in the community with a tea bag enclosed and a note to sit back, relax and enjoy. A \$5 donation was requested and the proceeds will be donated to the Skowhegan Woman's Aid Society for heating assistance for the elderly.

The year wound down with the end of year Spring Banquet where the following club officers were sworn in: Paula Dore – President; Dot Lacasse - Vice President; Kim Huggins – Second Vice President; Davida Barter – Secretary and Jessica Gilson, Treasurer.

GFWC/The Dove Society of Skowhegan held their May meeting at Carol Jarvais's home with a potluck meal and installation of new officers by Lynnette King. Club officers for next year are: Dawna Esty, President; Carol Jarvais, Vice-President; Callie Soule, Treasurer and Stacie Jarvais, Secretary. Members honored out-going President, Lisa Turner, and presented her with gifts and gratitude for her service and hard work.

Among club accomplishments this year were visits to residents of the Redington Memorial Home, completion of the Smile dolls project, fulfillment of share of \$10,000 (along with the other Skowhegan GFWC clubs) for the library renovation, cleanup and maintenance of three flower gardens in Coburn Park including the club's own Dove Garden and the Margaret Chase Smith rose garden, Christmas gifts to victims of family violence and many other donations as requested by those in need. The club also proudly gave four \$500 scholarships to local graduates pursuing a college education.

In June, club member Carol Jarvais who was selected to be the LEADS candidate representing Maine attended the GFWC Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. Carol attended a day-long seminar gaining leadership knowledge which she will be using at the local and state levels to enhance the GFWC experience for all of us. She also attended most of the convention and came

back energized and reloaded for the coming club year. We will all hear about Carol's experience at State and NER conferences.

Waldoboro Woman's Club had a successful "Whale of a Sale" in June to raise money for scholarships. Although the club does not meet until September many are busy during the summer. Club members work as docents at the German Church, a 1772 old meeting house/church in town. Visitors from everywhere stop by to learn about the church and its graveyard and quite a few are from Germany. There is an annual service (some of it in German) on the first Sunday in August for which the club provides the refreshments. Many club members belong to various land trusts and volunteer for them. A few are involved with the political process working for candidates. Members are looking forward to our September meeting and beginning a new club year.

District 3

GFWC Newport Woman's Club recesses following their annual meeting and luncheon in May. New officers are in place for the 2012-2013 administration. Nancy Underhill will serve as President, Gerry Richardson, Vice President, Norma Leighton, Secretary and Jane Briggs, Treasurer. The Calendar Committee has set up next year's schedule with emphasis on "Who we are in GFWC." Shopping is being done for school supplies for the "Woman To Child" program.

Though we are in recess....we continue to function.

The **GFWC/Dexter Women's Literary Club** held their annual High School Art Contest at the Abbott Memorial Library in Dexter in April. The artwork was then put on display in Pittsfield for the District #3 art contest and meeting. Four club members attended the GFWC Maine Spring Convention in Orono, where the club received a \$75 commission check for selling Directory ads, and Jane Gilbert was recognized for reading and reporting on 300 books for the ESO program. The annual May meeting was a huge success. It was a "Show and Tell...Getting to Know Our Members". Club members got to learn a lot more about what hobbies or interests each club member has outside of club activities. The June meeting was held at Corinne Neal's cottage on Ripley Pond where members had a picnic along with their regular meeting. Club members went over details for selling Directory ads and discussing possible speakers for next year's club program. The club does not hold a meeting in July, however, congratulations to the GFWC/Dexter Women's Literary Club for their 120th anniversary! The club was federated on July 12, 1892.

GFWC Cosmopolitan Club of Dover-Foxcroft finished up the club year on May 18th with an informal, yet intimate, annual luncheon. We decided to just get together and enjoy each other's company on that occasion, having

handled our business at the previous meeting. Conversation centered on the events at GFWC Maine Spring Convention, with 2 members attending and also the District 3 meeting with 3 members in attendance. The club partnered with GFWC MIOSAC Club and sponsored again this year a local art show which was very successful. The conversation included how well the artwork from the local show placed at the District 3 Art Show and again at GFWC Maine Art Contest. Before heading home and wishing each other well for the summer, there was discussion of some of the projects that we do on an ongoing basis, which will continue throughout the summer months: working on quilts/blankets for Project Linus, soft toys for Mayo Regional Hospital (these are handed out by the volunteers when the situation arises - like when a weary, whiny, or scared child could use a bit of diversion.) Members are also involved with knitting purple hats that are donated to Mayo as well. The hospital needs them for a special program for the newborns - after the baby is born, the parents are sent home with a cute purple hat, but more importantly, staff educates the parents about "Period of Purple Crying", an outreach program to raise awareness of shaken baby syndrome.

Members of the **GFWC/Miosac Club** have been busy this spring and summer, even though the club doesn't officially meet during the summer. In March, the club heard from a participant in Maine Youth Leadership, an organization

whose goal is to motivate Maine's future leaders and create a network of civic-minded students who will better their communities through volunteering. Also in March, the Miosac ladies held their annual International Supper, where everyone shares a dish, and some members come to the meeting in costume! The program was a talk about the Mayo Hospital Auxiliary, given by the president of that group. April found members making table favors for their own Anne Cress, now GFWC Maine State President. The annual Ice-Out Contest ended on April 8th at 2:15PM, when the ice went out of Sebec Lake. Spring was finally here! Members heard an inspiring talk from the Director of the Ronald McDonald House in Bangor. Many members didn't know that Ronald McDonald Houses are privately funded; the Bangor house at about \$370,000 per year, serving more than 500 families. In addition to money, they will gladly accept donations of paper goods, sheets, towels, etc. Many members contributed to the Linus Blanket Day on April 21st. May was the Annual Report/Brown Bag Meeting where all club officers present their reports to the membership; and later on in the Month, the Annual Birthday Dinner and installation of officers. GFWC Maine State President, Anne Cress performed the installation. Members have also been busy during the summer. The Advisory committee met in June to prepare the meeting programs for 2012/2013, and the updated

materials, including the revised by-laws, for the club books. Four members attended the GFWC/Maine Board of Directors Meeting held at the Margaret Chase Smith Library in Skowhegan on July 18th, and on July 21st, the club held a very successful yard sale fundraiser. Summer is passing by too quickly!

The **Pittsfield ARTS Club** will soon be planning meetings for the coming year. In April, guest speaker was Mr. Jan Laux who worked for an area small newspaper. He spoke of the challenges of a small paper during these times. In May the annual meeting was held and annual reports were read. Officers for the coming year were elected as followed: Bev Rollins, President, Carolyn Cianchette, Vice President, Karen Cunningham, Secretary, and Donna Chale, Treasurer. On June 15th the ARTS club provided a meal at the Welcome Table in Pittsfield. The Welcome Table provides a free meal every Friday at the First Universalist Church in Pittsfield. The club plans to do at least 4 meals every year. The club baked items and donated water and lemonade for the Pittsfield Historical Society to sell during the recent Egg Festival Parade. The Historical Society is the club's Community Service project. The Historical Society is raising funds to repair their building which stores many old records of the town and many of the club's scrapbooks as well.

The **Pittsfield Tuesday Club**

ended their year with a “mystery” lunch drive. This has become a yearly event enjoyed by members. In August, there will be a “planning” brunch to plan the club's 2012-2013 meetings at the home of Rae Hersey. The 2011 meetings included presentations by Gerry Richardson on Community Involvement and Billie Sherman on Antiques in our homes. The club also prepared a luncheon for the Welcome Table community program at the Universalist Church in Pittsfield. Members are looking forward to increasing membership in the coming year.

The **Patten Woman's Club** is dark for the summer months. Members did have a huge fundraiser in June and will be participating in the Patten Pioneer Days this summer, but this a quiet time of year for the club.

The **GFWC/Outlook Club** of Hartland is on hiatus for the summer. The May banquet was exceptionally well-attended but annual reports were postponed until fall due to the noise level in the facility. Planning for 2012-2013 will happen in August, to prepare for the first meeting come October.

District 4

The **Acadian Community Woman's Club** serving the towns of Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor completed their spring months by choosing recipients for the two \$1000.00 scholarships they award annually to graduates of Sumner

Memorial High School. The Club also organized the Memorial Day Parade for the town of Winter Harbor, the guest speaker was Captain Rick Hauck, retired Astronaut for NASA. After the ceremony was completed, the club served refreshments to the community at the local Masonic Hall.

June brought the start of the new year calendar year for the A.C.W.C, the club's seventy-fifth! The annual banquet was held at a wonderful restaurant, Bunker's Wharf, in one of the area's local villages, Bunker's Harbor. At the banquet, the new club president, Dolora Conley, officiated her first club gathering and the club was very pleased to welcome four new members to its ranks: Anna Harris, Jan Lanning, Carol Slattery and Vicky Taber.

The club is sorry to report it had two members pass away this past year, one of the oldest members, Adelaide Wakefield and another member who left this world much too early, Christine McHugh. All their contributions and their friendship will be greatly missed by the other members.

On a lighter note, the club is working on a new fundraiser. A raffle for a lobster dinner for 12 to be held at Elsa's Inn of the Harbor in Prospect Harbor. The venue is being generously donated by club member, Megan Moshier, who is the proprietor of the lovely bed and breakfast, the meal will include one lobster per person, corn-on-cob, homemade coleslaw, rolls and yummy seasonal dessert. The club hopes to make

this an annual fundraiser. Another project in the works is the annual team organized by the A.C.W.C., the Schoodic Sisters for the Susan G. Komen-Race for the Cure held on the Bangor Waterfront in September. It will be the eighth consecutive year the continually growing team has walked in the race and raised money for this very worthy cause.

The club also continues to keep their eyes and ears open to those in need locally as well, this month the club was able to help a community member pay their rent when they experienced a financial setback due to a death in the family. Funds raised from the annual July Bazaar enabled the club to provide this assistance.

The A.C.W.C. hopes all fellow clubs in the state of Maine are enjoying their respective summer seasons and are prospering in their civic efforts. The Acadian Community Woman's Club sends best regards to all.

The June 5 meeting brought to a close the successful and energetic two-year tenure of President Sue Macdonald with the CWC annual meeting and potluck luncheon. Historian Sharon Biggie orchestrated a creative and fun installation of new officers.

CWC members and new officers sailed straight into the summer with the much anticipated June 14 bridge luncheon coordinated by Sharlene Daly and Jane Herfort. Club members and the community danced the night away at the June 18 Flash in the Pans concert at the

Castine town dock, chaired by Jeannie Reed. These concerts are a new annual event for the CWC with proceeds going into the CWC scholarship fund, which includes the new Margie Wood scholarship. Under the tireless efforts of Chair Sue Macdonald and many helping hands, a successful June 23 yard sale and a yummy July 4 pie sale rounded out the summer.

In June, the CWC was thrilled to award \$3000 in scholarships to local students to be distributed in the fall. For the first time, in honor of our dear Margie Wood, the first Margie Wood scholarship was awarded as one of the scholarships.

On September 4, the Club will hold its annual Welcome Tea at the Wilson Museum Meeting Room. Members and guests enjoy using the CWC silver tea service housed at the Wilson Museum. This event welcomes returning members and encourages new membership. The annual October luncheon will be held again at The Manor in Castine along with the annual Innisbrook fundraiser.

Members are looking forward to the many new programs being planned by new VP Jeannie Reed during the next two years. Due to extensive Town Hall restoration, CWC has been generously offered a temporary new home at the Trinity Episcopal Church.

Ideas are percolating and efforts will soon be underway to celebrate the CWC 100th

Anniversary in 2013. It's going to be a big year for the CWC!

The **GFWC/Lubec Woman's Club** held its annual club auction in April and bid fond farewells to Cecile Gardner, past club president, who was embarking on another life adventure to her newly adopted home state of West Virginia. In May, the Senior Social Bingo was restarted on the 3rd Thursday of the month, with Cheryl Smith volunteering her time to call, collect prizes and chair the program. June is scholarship month, and Juanita Pressley, awarded the annual scholarship to Lauren Quirk, a Lubec 2012 graduate of Washington Academy. The annual 4th of July Yard Sale was the best yet! Thanks to the careful planning of Ruth Ahrens and Jean Bookman, the volunteer efforts of members and family and the generous support of the community our 2012-13 scholarship is off to a fine start. And last but not least the monthly Music at Oceanview Nursing Home continues to bring smiles to residents' faces.

The last meeting of the GFWC/Narraguaguas Women's Club for the program year 2011-2012 was held June 9 at Pat Treworgy's home in Milbridge. Ten members and one guest, Sheri Walsh, Corresponding Secretary of GFWC Maine attended the luncheon, election/installation of officers.

Jane Armstrong, Chairman of the Ark Animal Shelter Committee, reported that she collected

\$120.00 in donations from the members for this community projects. The Club has been donating to the Ark for many years. The Chairman checks with the Shelter to see what they need - supplies or monetary donations. This year the Shelter needed monetary donations.

The members agreed to postpone the Chinese Auction and Yard Sale until September. A \$1,000 scholarship was awarded to a Senior from Narraguagus High School.

Sheri Walsh installed the new officers using the Candy Bar ceremony. Many thanks to Sheri for filling in at the last minute. The new officers installed were: Patricia Treworgy, President; Christine Fredenburgh, Vice President; Joyce Nash, Recording Secretary; Betsy Willey, Treasurer; and JoAn Page, Corresponding Secretary.

The Executive Committee will get together in August to plan the program year and to see that the Program Booklet is ready for the first meeting in September.

Many thanks to Valerie Taub, the past District 4 President. We wish all the clubs a wonderful and productive year. Special Get Well Wishes to Jane Shaw, the 2012-2014 District 4 President. See you at Fall Conference in Ellsworth.

Committees

ARTS

Time to think about art and photography contests for spring of 2013. There are a few changes.

The World In Pictures has three categories.

Living Things: adults, animals, children, domestic birds, fish, flowers, insects, reptiles, wildlife.

Scenes: city, landscapes, rural, sunrise, sunset, sky, waterscapes, weather.

Still Life: abstract is any assemblage of objects either in an arranged or natural setting, buildings, monuments.

GFWC Volunteers In Action provides an Opportunity for members to demonstrate Volunteer activities through photography.

A Year in Pictures: Calendar Contest features photographs depicting the 12 months, provides members opportunity to showcase their talents & support the GFWC. The deadline is May 15. Each GFWC club may submit one photograph with a signed GFWC Waiver to:
GFWC

A Year In Pictures Contest
1734N Street NW
Washington, DC 20036-2990.

The 12 winning photos will appear in the GFWC A Year in Pictures Calendar and the September and October Clubwoman magazine. Winners receive certificate at GFWC Annual Convention.

There are two classes per category: Color and Black & White. There are divisions for each class and category: Student High School and GFWC Member.

The writing contest requires a wavier that can be printed from the GFWC website, and is located at the end of the printed Awards, Contests and Grants section.
www.GFWC.org.

Thank you, to all the clubs for support of the Art Department with your donations and help at the art shows. Keep up the good work and enter these contests even if you have entered before.

The arts have always played a part of my life. It is an inspiration to see others use their talents, as well as sharing my love of arts with others.

Any questions can be sent to Barbary Hathaway:
bhaway@myfairpoint.net

ARTS PARTNERSHIP

Happy...Sad...Young...Old,
All faces have a story waiting to be told!

The American Mural Project has a new emphasis this year...**Faces**

Make Places: Celebrating Workers in Our Communities.
This could be a fun project for your Club and your community. So...let's get creative and join other GFWC members in this Arts Partnership program.

I hope to see you ALL at the Fall Conference!

Billie Sherman
Arts Partnership Chairman

CONSERVATION

Hello everyone hope you are having (or had) a great summer! As of July 31 GFWC has not finalized contracts with Partners for the coming year. I will keep you updated as soon as I hear anything. In the mean time remember last year's partners and continue to support them.

Judi Lawrence
Partnership Chairman

EDUCATION

I hope you all are enjoying each day of this beautiful summer weather. Because, before we know it, clubs will be beginning to meet and plan programs for the coming year. I will share some great project ideas that many of the clubs reported on last spring, and perhaps they will sound interesting to you for volunteer work or give you some good ideas to raise money for educational purposes.

One club hosted two fund raisers which included playing Bunco, as well as the movie Grease-sing-a-

long where women were given pink scarves and the men were given combs for their "duck tails". As a teenager, I remember calling the "duck tails" by a different name! Another club held a fund raiser by having a silent auction at their annual December luncheon attended by spouses and guests. Homemade pickles, a hand made quilted wall hanging, and a tea time gift basket were some of the articles that were auctioned and the money was sent to the Education Loan Fund.

How about sponsoring a lawn sale? Remember, someone's closet or attic junk is someone else's treasure. Flower bulb sales is another nice way to raise money and encourage someone to beautify their garden.

A great school related project was donating dictionaries to a third grade class. The best part was when the students received the books, a scavenger hunt was played with them using their new books to teach them how to find and use the various sections of the dictionaries.

Local public and school libraries are usually looking for some extra hands to help out and why not use your club banner to let others know what group you are representing. Who knows that perhaps it might just promote interest for new members.

Good luck and enjoy! Always remember that I am very interested to hear in your spring reporting about those successful

projects which you have supported.

Roberta Morrill
Chairman

HOME LIFE

GFWC Home Life Community Service, (FORMERLY known as Home Life Collaboration) consists of programs that club members initiate and participate in, to serve the community. This does NOT include projects that relate to GFWC partners, (organizations with whom GFWC has established a formal relationship. The ONLY difference is in the wording. Collaboration has changed to Community Service. The goal is the same. Come up with creative ways to make a difference in your community. Be prepared to send a narrative containing the "nuts and bolts" of your project when it comes time to report. The best narrative will be sent to GFWC and one \$50 award will be chosen. Have fun with it. Remember....you HAVE to be IN it, to win it!

Gerry Richardson
Home Life Community Service,
Chairman

Community Improvement Program Award Contest

Attention all clubs: Please consider entering the contest for the CIP Award. Entries are not due until 2014. Your club will need to survey your community needs and decide on a project. Outline how the plan will be

implemented. The 2012-2014 club manual outlines all the important dates in the section under Awards Contest and Grants.

To quote the GFWC manual - "The Community Improvement Program Award aims to enhance the lives of our neighbors around the world by meeting community specific needs and elevating our clubs' status within those communities."

More information will be available at the Fall Conference in Ellsworth. If you have questions, please feel free to call me at 546-2584

Pat Treworgy, Chairman

ESO Epsilon Sigma Omicron

ESO is an honorary educational society open to GFWC members, to promote a commitment to life-long learning and self-improvement through reading.

Any GFWC member can participate....one pledges to read four (4) books in four (4) different categories and upon completion, one becomes an ESO member. There are several levels, up to and including Century, First Century, etc.

This program offers a path to self enrichment and personal growth....at your own speed. Please contact Maxine Russakoff, ESO chair, P.O. Box 6, Skowhegan, ME 04976-0006.

207-474-2631 for more info or
maxphil2002@yahoo.com

Maxine Russakoff
ESO Chairman

MEMBERSHIP

A warm summer Hello! to all of you. I hope you are enjoying this delightful weather and having just a great summer. All too soon fall will be here and we will all be back into high gear working on all those fabulous club projects that have been planned for this year. I am your Membership Chairperson for this administration and there is excitement in the air for recruitment opportunities and recognition. GFWC is still working out the final details for the Coveted Shoe Award which will recognize one club within each membership category at our annual national conventions in 2013 and 2014. I will have all the details for you by fall conference.

The theme of the 2013-2014 GFWC Membership Team is Membership, the "Sole" of the Federation, playing on the double meaning of the homonyms "soul" and "sole" to stress that GFWC membership is both vital and active. We will once again have our Seasonal Recruitment Campaign with the focus on seasonal shoes. The Summer Reporting Season is "Kick Up Your Heels" for June, July and August. Your successful recruitment events and new member numbers report is due September 1, 2012. So, if you have had events and new members who joined your club

over the summer "Kick Up Your Heels" and be sure to get those reports in to receive the recognition you have earned. The reporting form can be found on the GFWC website under Membership then Recruitment Campaigns. Now you need to be prepared to "Lace Up your Shoes" for the Fall Campaign.

Your feet were made for walking, so let them bring you to NER Conference in September and Fall Conference in October. I look forward to seeing you all there. Till then, remember – Membership is the soul/sole of the Federation!

Carol Jarvais
GFWC Maine Membership Chair

FUNDRAISING

Hi all! Hope you are enjoying some down time this summer and will be ready to hit the ground running this fall in GFWC/Maine. The Fall Conference in Ellsworth will have tables available for clubs who might want to do a bit of fundraising themselves. Tables run \$5 for half a table and \$10 for a full table. Please let me know ASAP if your club would like to have some space in the Marketplace. And just FYI, those committees that are GFWC committees (such as President's Special Project, Endowment Fund, Delegates Fund, etc do not need to pay for a space in Marketplace).

Fundraising will have a table so be sure to stop by to see what wonderful quilted beauties are

available and of course, for your pins and other State O' Maine needs!

See you in October,
Barbara Austin
Fundraising Chair
Mrsmoore2@aol.com

HISTORIAN

I want to remind all of you of the importance of recording your club history and storing important documents in a safe place. One Maine club lost all of its records when the member keeping their records died and her family destroyed all the materials. I would be glad to add copies of your records to MFWC's collection at Fogler Library at the University. Take advantage of GFWC's publication, Guidelines for Preserving and Writing Club Histories, available at www.GFWC.org for compiling your own history. Several of you have asked for information about the books I mentioned at spring convention that have been recently donated to MFWC. All are available to read and copy online at www.archive.org or www.kellscraft.com.
American Political and Military Biography
Maine in History and Romance-
Written by Maine Clubwomen
Trail of the Maine Pioneers-
Written by Maine Clubwomen

Lillian Zanchi, GFWC/MFWC
Historian

JENNIE AWARD

Jennie June Award

Jennie Award needs a new Star!

Our last star streaked across the sky, so we need to find a new star to look up to. Where do we find her? Right in your club.

A suggestion: hand out a ballot and ask your club women to nominate 1 or more members that they feel are especially dedicated to club, community and family. From those suggestions have your leadership pick a nominee. Fill out an application (see GFWC.org) or ask for my help. To reach me, call 564-7252 or email bschafer@mainestream.us

Barbette Schafer
Jennie Award Chairperson

PRESIDENT'S PROJECT

Newborns in Need

I am very pleased to be chairman of this very worthwhile project. I hope we can make a difference in many lives of children and parents. The mission of NIN is "Serving all God's Children." We will be accepting knitted baby items, blankets, afghans, baby care products, diapers and diaper bags at Fall Conference. There will be a bottle to put monetary contributions in as well. There will also be fundraising items and a raffle. Monetary donations will also go for stamps and thank you notes.

There is only one chapter in Maine and we hope clubs will want to organize a new chapter. Get more info at info@newbornsinneed.org. You can get patterns for cloth items as well.

We will have some patterns at fall conference. If you need any help, Anne and I will be glad to do what we can.

More info will be available at fall conference. Hope to see many of you in Ellsworth. Have a great summer and see you soon.

In federation,
Minnie McCormick
budmin@myfairpoint.net

MaineYouth Leadership www.maine youth leadership.org Leadership – Volunteerism – Character

In the midst of summer, and a beautiful one it is, it's time to plant the MYL seed. After another most successful seminar in May, it's also time to begin the challenge of planning for the next seminar and the bigger challenge of raising funds to insure the bills are paid. I congratulate the clubs of Maine for their generosity in support of the last seminar and hope you'll all remember MYL again as you begin another club year.

Remember, MYL is a 100% volunteer organization with no paid staff and we are proud of our tradition of holding a successful leadership program at no cost to

students or high schools.

Thank you so much for your generous involvement of the past.

A full scholarship is \$250, but any amount given is greatly appreciated. Contributions and questions may be directed to:

Gloria Tewhey, MYL Chairman,
3 Valley View Dr., Gorham, ME
04038 (207)839-4157 or
gtewhey@maine.rr.com

Gloria Tewhey,
GFWC/MFWC MYL Chairman

GFWC Maine Members at GFWC
International Convention
June 2012 Charlotte, NC



**Call to GFWC Maine Fall Conference
October 18 & 19, 2012
Ramada Inn – Ellsworth, Maine**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, October 17, 2012	2:00 PM	GFWC Maine Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 2012 (Wear your GFWC Apparel)	8:30 AM	Registration & Marketplace (Please bring your own coffee or tea)
	10:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies
	10:30 AM	Presentation of Certificate of Achievement for being incorporated in Maine for 100 years from Charles Summers, Jr., Maine Secretary of State
	10:45 AM	Business Session & Committee Reports
	11:45 AM	Announcements Marketplace opens until 12:10 PM
	12:15 PM	Luncheon – Honoring District & Club Presidents
	1:00 PM	Luncheon Speaker – Ann Palmer – President’s Special Project- “Newborns in Need”, DVD presentation, time for questions and answers, and news from President’s Special Project Chairman, Minnie McCormick
	2:00 PM	Business Session Reconvenes Committee Reports
	2:30 PM	Report Writing Workshop – New Changes
	3:30 PM	Jenny Award - Barbette Schafer, Chairman
	3:45 PM	Announcements Marketplace opens until 4:30 PM
	5:45 PM	Social Hour
	6:45 PM	Processional

- 7:00 PM **“Pajama Wear It & Share It Banquet”** Honoring our GFWC Maine Past State Presidents. **(Wear your pj’s and bring a pair for the local domestic violence shelter.)**
- 8:00 PM Entertainment –Susan Ramsey, violinist and Marilyn Cameron, pianist. We will join in song!
- 8:45 PM Reception in President’s Suite following the entertainment.

Friday, October 19, 2012
(Wear purple if possible)

- 8:30 AM Registration & Marketplace (Please bring your own coffee or tea)
- 10:00 AM Business Sessions Reconvenes
- 11:45 AM Announcements
Market place opens until 12:10 (last chance!)
- 12:15 PM Luncheon – Honoring Community Service Program and Committee Chairmen
- 1:00 PM Luncheon Speaker – Kelly Brown, Assistant Director
The Next Step Domestic Violence Project
GFWC Signature Project
Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention
- 1:30 PM Business Session Reconvenes
- 2:30 PM President’s Report
Final Report of Registration
Other Business
Courtesy Committee Report
Announcements
Raffles
- 3:00 PM Adjournment

NOTE: Marketplace **WILL** be available to Clubs at this Fall Conference!

Register with Barbara Austin, Fundraising Chairman, if you want a full or ½ table. The cost is \$10.00 for a full table and \$5.00 for ½ a table. Please **call** Barbara, and let her know what you would like to have. Her number is **564-2281**. Make checks payable to **GFWC Maine** and mail to Barbara at **838 West Main Street, Dover-Foxcroft, Maine 04426**. **Deadline date for payment is October 1, 2012.**

SPECIAL NOTE: Table space for State Chairmen is **FREE**, but you still must **call** Barbara and **sign up to reserve your space – whether a full or half table**. Examples of those exempt from fees: Delegate's Fund, Signature Project, President's Project, Endowment Fund, Fundraising, Corresponding Secretary for directories, etc. *Simply write "No Fee"* in the space you select, and **fill out the rest of the form and mail to Barbara at the above address.**

Marketplace space: full table \$10.00 _____ Marketplace space: ½ table \$5.00 _____

NAME _____

PHONE _____ **E-Mail** _____

CLUB
NAME _____

CHAIRMEN
CATEGORY _____

(No food items are to be included for raffle or sale at this Marketplace, including jams, jellies or condiments.)

Ramada Inn – Ellsworth, Maine

GFWC Maine - Fall Conference – October 18-19, 2012

Guest Room Rates

\$109.00 (plus tax)/night, single or double occupancy

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE HOTEL NO LATER THAN
September 21, 2012 for the guaranteed room rate. Reservations after Sept. 21st
will be based on room availability.**

To receive contract rates, you must refer to "GFWC Maine" when making your reservation. Early reservations are encouraged.

Rooms must be guaranteed to an individual credit card or by advance deposit. Individual cancellations must be received **1 week** prior to arrival date in order to avoid a no-show charge of one night's room and tax.

Hotel facilities include: Pet friendly facility, free high speed wireless internet, use of fitness center, indoor swimming pool, sauna, Jacuzzi, hot tub, indoor tennis courts, free parking, handicapped accessible and free Continental breakfast.

In-room amenities: Cable/satellite TV, hair dryer, iron/ironing board, coffee/tea maker, refrigerator, and air conditioning.

www.ellsworthramada.com

**Check-in time 3:00 pm - Check-out time 12:00 pm
Ramada Inn, 215 High Street, Ellsworth, ME. 04605
(207) 667-9341**

Directions: From I- 95 North or South, take exit 182A on to 395-East. Exit 6A onto 1A to Ellsworth and travel for 25 miles. At the first 4 way intersection, go straight one mile. Turn right into the Ramada Inn parking lot at 215 High Street.

Suggested attire for our gatherings:

Thursday during the day - Casual wear, GFWC apparel if possible.

Thursday Banquet – Wear your **pajamas**, and **bring a pair** for domestic abuse victims.

Friday – Business casual, wear something purple if possible.



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Judith A. Maguire, President

***TEAMWORK...Supporting our Communities and Each Other
Connect! Encourage! Empower!***



OFFICIAL CALL

103rd GFWC New England Region Conference

September 14-16, 2012

Come & Play - Experience the Maine Outdoors



An Invitation to All GFWC Clubwomen:

**Please join us at the 2012 GFWC New England Region Conference to be held at the
Holiday Inn By the Bay, Portland Maine on September 14-16, 2012.**

We look forward to “connecting” once again with our federation sisters and “encourage” you
to bring a new attendee along for an “empowering” experience!

This conference is a wonderful opportunity to grow in leadership and have fun! Get together with long-time friends, develop new connections, share time with our visiting international leaders and create new memories. GFWC International President, Mary Ellen Laister, President-elect, Babs Condon and our *New England Region* sister, 1st Vice President Sheila Shea, are looking forward to meeting each of you.

Are you giving a report? Please bring two copies, one for the NER Secretary and one for your NER President. State Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs will have up to **3 minutes** each to report to include your state administration theme, project and plans. ***Please do not forget your state flag, stand and white gloves.***

State Ways & Means: Each state may request table space for the sale of not more than two items. To reserve table space please contact: Davida Barter at (207) 474-3996; E-mail: dbarter@mainelegal.net or Libby Wiers at (207) 938-4684; E-mail: libbyw@tds.net.

GFWC New England Region Fundraiser: We will again have a *state basket fundraiser* for GFWC New England Region. Each state is asked to contribute a basket with a value not to exceed \$100.00. The basket theme is “**A Rainbow of Colors!**” *Basket Contents...be colorful and be creative!*

Be sure and bring extra money to take chances on the baskets and raffles, and to shop at the GFWC, state and vendor tables in the marketplace as well!

GFWC Signature Project/Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention: Donations welcome to benefit Family Crisis Services in Portland, ME. *Items in need:* Toiletries (*no bar soaps please*), cleaning supplies, underwear apparel and socks.

Let the *Connection* Begin in New England!

Judy Maguire

Judith A. Maguire, President, GFWC New England Region

*“The Goal of the Region Conferences shall be to strengthen the connection between GFWC
and State Federations by providing opportunities to club members”*





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103rd Annual Conference September 14-16, 2012 Tentative Agenda Come & Play - Experience the Maine Outdoors



There is a great deal to see and do in Portland...Come early and enjoy!

No formal tours are being planned... within walking distance of the hotel, stroll along the working waterfront, enjoy a boat cruise and savor the charm of the Old Port's restaurants, shops and galleries. Around the corner discover the Children's Museum and Portland Museum of Art, L.L. Bean Factory Outlet and Civic Center. Nearby is the Merrill Auditorium. A short drive away is the famous Portland Headlight, Freeport outlet shopping and the Maine Mall. ***Events, shuttle tours, admission discounts, etc. available nearby, within walking distance or a short drive will be highlighted!***

THURSDAY, September 13, 2012 (Optional)

6:00 p.m. Dinner at DiMillo's (*Invitations to VIP's; open to everyone interested!)*

FRIDAY, September 14, 2012

1:00-5:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall/Marketplace Open
Registration Table Open

3:00-4:00 p.m. **Board of Directors Meeting**

4:00-5:00 p.m. Membership Workshop

6:00 p.m. *Social: Gather & Greet (Cash Bar)*

6:45 p.m. Processional Formation

7:00 p.m. **GFWC New England Region Banquet: An Evening at the Beach**
(*Suggested: Cocktail Attire*)

Official Opening of the 103rd New England Region Conference

Procession and Presentation of State Flags
Introductions, Welcome and Greetings

Dinner Service *with background music*

Speaker: Mary Ellen Laister, GFWC International President

Reception honoring GFWC and GFWC New England Region Officers



Saturday, September 15, 2012 (*Breakfast available in hotel restaurant*)

8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall/Marketplace Open

7:30-9:00 a.m. Registration Table Open



7:45-8:45 a.m.	<p>Group Work Sessions</p> <p>2012-2014 GFWC Board of Directors Members <i>Meet with GFWC International President, Mary Ellen Laister</i></p> <p>2014-2016 GFWC Region President, State Presidents, and State Directors of Junior Clubs <i>Meet with GFWC President-elect, Babs Condon</i></p>	
9:00-11:45 a.m.	<p>Opening Business Session (<i>Business Casual Attire</i>)</p> <p>Precession: Presentation of Colors National Anthem / Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America Thought for the Day Welcome, Response Introductions Business</p>	
10:00-10:15 a.m.	Break – Exhibit Hall/Marketplace Open	
10:15-11:15 a.m.	Interactive Platform Workshop Topics: Communication & Public Relations / Membership / Leadership	
11:15-11:30 p.m.	Junior's Special Project: Advocates for Children	
11:30-11:45 p.m.	GFWC Signature Project: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Presentation of gifts to Family Crisis Services in Portland	
Noon-1:00 p.m.	<p>Lunch: A Picnic at the Lake Exhibit Hall/Marketplace Open</p> <p>Conference Business (Afternoon Session)</p>	
1:15-1:45 p.m.	2012 LEADS Graduates Reports	
1:45-2:15 p.m.	Workshop: Fundraising & Development	
2:15-2:45 p.m.	Workshop: "Where in the World is Reporting Now?" <i>Presented by GFWC President-elect, Babs Condon</i>	
2:45-3:00 p.m.	Break – Exhibit Hall/Marketplace Open	
3:00-3:30 p.m.	Give Kids a Shot @ Life Campaign	
3:30-4:15 p.m.	Club Management Basics: The Ins and Outs of Running a Successful Meeting (Breakout Workshops for State and Club Officers: <i>presented by Region Officers and Question & Answer Session with GFWC International President, Mary Ellen Laister</i>)	
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Registration Table Open	
6:00 p.m.	Gather & Greet (<i>Cash Bar</i>)	
6:45 p.m.	Processional Formation	
7:00 p.m.	<p>State Night Banquet: Mount Katahdin High (<i>Cocktail/Formal Attire</i>)</p> <p>Procession Introductions, Welcome, Expression of Thanks Dinner Entertainment: University of Southern Maine Jazz Combo</p>	

State Night Reception (Hospitality Room)

Fun Night Social hosted by GFWC Junior Membership

Sunday, September 16, 2012

8:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast: Be A Guiding Light
9:00 a.m.	Remembrance of our past GFWC New England Region Members
9:15 – 9:45 a.m.	<i>Reports from our:</i> State Presidents and Directors of Junior Clubs
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.	Celebration: 10 th Anniversary of LEADS Invitation to 2013 Region Conference Adjournment of the 103 rd GFWC New England Region Conference

Conference Committee Chairmen

Libby Wiers
Email: libbyw@tds.net
Telephone: 207-938-4684

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September 14-16, 2012
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MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Name: _____

Name Desired on Name Tag: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Email Address: _____

State Affiliation: _____ Highest Current 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

Thursday: I am planning on attending the dinner at DiMillo's Thursday night. ☐ yes ☐ no

Friday: New England Region Banquet

☐ Atlantic Salmon w/Lemon Dill Caper Sauce \$ 40.00 \$ _____
☐ Boneless Breast of Chicken w/Artichoke Parmesan Sauce \$ 35.00 \$ _____
☐ Spinach Ravioli with Red Vodka Sauce (*Vegetarian*) \$ 35.00 \$ _____

Saturday: Luncheon: Gourmet Bag Lunch \$ 20.00 \$ _____
☐ Gourmet Bag Lunch (*Vegetarian*)

Saturday: Maine State Night Banquet

☐ Spiced Pork Tenderloin w/Pomegranate Sauce \$ 40.00 \$ _____
☐ Traditional New England Haddock \$ 40.00 \$ _____
☐ Pasta Primavera with White Alfredo Sauce (*Vegetarian*) \$ 35.00 \$ _____

Sunday: Breakfast: Portland Headlight Buffet \$ 25.00 \$ _____

Total Meals: \$ _____

Please note any food allergies:

*Please...Make Check for **Meals** Payable to "GFWC/Maine"*

A **separate** Meal Reservation Form and Medical Information Form must be sent for each attendee;
and ***both forms, mailed together along with your check for Meals,***
are to be received no later than **August 24, 2012**

Send forms to: Gloria Tewhey, 3 Valley View Drive, Gorham, ME 04038
Contact Information: (207) 839-4157; E-mail: gtewhey@maine.rr.com

No refunds will be granted after September 1, 2012





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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Name Desired on Name Tag: _____

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Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Email Address: _____

State Affiliation: _____ Highest Current Office: _____

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

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$10.00 per person for full Conference ☐ \$10.00

\$5.00 per person for one day or part thereof ☐ \$ 5.00

☐ Friday 9/14 ☐ Saturday 9/15 ☐ Sunday 9/16

Total Registration Fee \$ _____

All members of the six New England State Federations are eligible to attend and vote.
GFWC Booster members are required to register and do not pay Registration Fee
Guests are invited to attend tours and meal functions.

Please...Make Check for Conference Payable to: "GFWC New England Region"

A **separate** Conference Registration Form must be completed for each attendee
and mailed with your check by August 24, 2012

To: Janice Adler, 185 Laurel Avenue, Providence, RI 02906
Tel: (401) 383-0161 ~ Email: jladler@aol.com

No refunds will be granted after September 1, 2012





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Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland Maine

MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM

Name: _____

Name Desired on Name Tag: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Email Address: _____

State Affiliation: _____ Highest Current Office: _____

Who to Contact in an Emergency:

Contact Name: _____

Contact Address: _____

Contact City/State/Zip: _____

Contact Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Relationship to Registrant: _____

Special Medical Needs : _____

Allergies: _____

A **separate** Medical Information Form and Meal Reservation Form must be sent for each attendee;
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88 Spring Street, Portland, Maine 04101

www.innbythebay.com

HOTEL INFORMATION

For Reservations call: (207) 775-2311 or 1-800-345-5050

Refer to "General Federation of Women's Clubs"

(No on-line reservations).

Rate \$175.00 plus tax (currently 7%) for single/double occupancy.

Reservations must be received by the hotel no later than August 13, 2012 for availability of rate.

Early reservations are encouraged! **Check-in Time: 4:00 p.m.; Check-out time: 12:00 noon.**

Rooms must be guaranteed to an individual credit card or by advance deposit. The cancellation policy without penalty is by 6:00 p.m. the day of scheduled arrival.

For guests' convenience, all rooms have a coffee maker, hairdryer, iron/ironing board, two 2-line phones with voice mail, data port capabilities and free Internet access. This hotel also has the Greater Portland's largest indoor hotel swimming pool, a fitness center and saunas and a 24-hour business center. Complimentary parking is available for registered guests.

DIRECTIONS:

From the South: I-95, Exit 44. I-295 to Exit 7, (Franklin Street). Stay on Franklin Street for 5 lights. Take a right onto Middle Street, travel approximately 1 mile (Middle Street turns into Spring Street). Holiday Inn By the Bay is on the left.

From the North: I-95 to I-295 to Exit 7, (Franklin Street). Stay on Franklin Street for 5 lights. Take a right onto Middle Street, travel approximately 1 mile (Middle Street turns into Spring Street). Holiday Inn By the Bay is on the left.

We are pleased with the number of hotel reservations that have already been made to date!

The block of rooms that were reserved are nearly full. If you have reserved rooms that are no longer needed, please let the hotel know, *prior to August 13th*, so they can become available to other GFWC members. We are hoping additional rooms could become available at the Holiday Inn after August 15th, from two blocks of rooms that have been reserved for other events.

Other locations, if there are no rooms available at the Holiday Inn by the Bay when you call:

La Quinta Inn & Suites, 340 Park Avenue, Portland ME (207) 871-0611 ~ 1 ½ Miles \$159.00 plus tax

Inn at Park Spring, 135 Spring Street, Portland ME (207) 774-1059 ~ 1 Block away

Hampton Inn, 209 Fore Street, Portland ME (207) 775-1454 \$299 plus tax

Fireside Inn and Suites, 181 Riverside Street, Portland ME (207) 774-5601 ~ Appx 4 Miles

Best Western Merry Manor Inn, 700 Main Street, South Portland, ME (207) 774-6151 ~ Appx 4 Miles

Howard Johnson, 155 Riverside Street, Portland ME (207) 774-5861

Howard Johnson, 675 Main Street, So. Portland ME (207) 775-5343

Double Tree, (207) 756-6730// (207) 772-0387

Marriott Sable Oaks, (207) 871-8000

Holiday Inn Express, (207) 775-3900



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