



GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION



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2024 Middle Atlantic Region Annual Meeting and Conference

September 27-29, 2024

Marcia L. Wilson, President



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**GENERAL FEDERATION
OF WOMEN'S CLUBS**

Living the Volunteer Spirit

You are invited to join GFWC clubwomen at the:

SHERATON HARRISBURG HERSHEY HOTEL

4650 Lindle Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111; [\(717\) 564-5511](tel:7175645511)

Room Rate - \$159 double occupancy

Pennsylvania Capitol Tour and The National Civil War Museum

Friday, September 27, 2024, 9:45 – 3:00

The **Pennsylvania State Capitol** was designed by architect Joseph Miller Huston in 1902 and completed in 1906 in a Beaux-Arts style with decorative Renaissance themes throughout. The Pennsylvania State Capitol is often referred to as a "*palace of art*" because of its many sculptures, murals and stained-glass windows, most of which are Pennsylvania themed or were made by Pennsylvanians. The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1977 and designated a National Historic Landmark in 2006.

The **National Civil War Museum**, in association with the Smithsonian Institution, is the largest museum in the United States that portrays the entire story of the American Civil War in equally balanced presentations that are humanistic in nature without bias to Union or Confederate causes.

Lunch included.

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All clubwomen are welcome to join the GFWC Pennsylvania clubwomen at the 2024 Middle Atlantic Region Annual Meeting and Conference in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. We look forward to sharing a weekend with you for fun, fellowship and learning about GFWC programs and projects. Our special guests include GFWC International President Suellen Brazil and GFWC International First Vice President Wendy Carrier.

Dinner on Thursday will be on your own at the hotel restaurant, the Dog and Pony Restaurant, or at your choice of local restaurants.

Join us Friday for a tour of the Pennsylvania State Capitol and the National Civil War Museum, in association with the Smithsonian Institution and lunch at the museum. We may even have treats from nearby Hershey.

The hotel has been recently renovated and is a completely smoke-free facility. Guest rooms include one king bed or two queen beds, a 42" flat screen TV, free wifi, microwave and refrigerator. There is a modern fitness center, heated indoor pool and an outdoor pool, free parking and much more. For your convenience there is a courtesy shuttle service to the Harrisburg International Airport and the Harrisburg Amtrak Station.

SHERATON HARRISBURG HERSHEY HOTEL, 4650 Lindle Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111; [\(717\) 564-5511](tel:7175645511); Room Rate - \$159 (double occupancy) + 11% (6% sales tax, 5% Occupancy tax). Reservations will be accepted until September 10, 2024.

Link for reservations: <https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1718627981516&key=GRP>

Code when calling for reservations: **GFWC Mid-Atlantic Region Conference 2024**

Dress code for the weekend is business casual for meetings (slacks, skirts, nice top or dress; no jeans); for dinner, cocktail or long dress. Friday night dinner and street fair.- casual.

We made the plans. Now all we need is you!

Marcia L. Wilson, GFWC MAR President
Sandy Hauenstein, Chairman
Donna Malone, GFWC Pennsylvania President



Directions to the **SHERATON HARRISBURG HERSHEY HOTEL**, 4650 Lindle Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111

The hotel is located just off exit 48 (Union Deposit) off I-83.

From the north: Route 81, Take exit 70 on the left to merge onto I-83 S, keep left at the fork to continue on I-283 S, follow signs for I-76/Pennsylvania Turnpike/Hbg Int'l Airport; Take exit 2 for PA-441 S; Turn left onto PA-441 S; Turn left onto High Pointe Blvd to the Sheraton on the left.

From the south: DE-1 N, follow signs for U.S. 1, U.S. Highway 1 N/Interstate 95/Wilmington/Baltimore; Take exit 165C on the left to merge onto I-95 N toward Wilmington/Philadelphia; Keep left at the fork to stay on I-95 N, follow signs for Interstate 95/Interstate 495/Wilmington/Philadelphia; take exit 8 to merge onto US-202 N; Take the US-202 N/US-322 W ramp to Paoli/Downingtown; Continue onto US-202 N/US-322 W/W Chester Bypass; Take the PA-100 N exit toward US-30 W/Exton; continue onto PA-100 N; Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike ramp; Keep left at the fork, follow signs for I-76 W/Harrisburg; Take exit 247 toward I-283 N; Continue onto I-283 N; Take exit 2 to merge onto PA-441 S; Turn left onto High Pointe Blvd to the Sheraton on the left.

From the east and west: Follow the Pennsylvania Turnpike to 283 north (exit 247); merge onto I-283 N toward Harrisburg/I-81/I-83, Take exit 2 to merge onto PA-441 S; Turn left onto High Pointe Blvd to the Sheraton on the left.

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Preliminary Agenda

Thursday, September 26, 2024

3:00 – 6:00pm Conference Registration
6:00 pm Dinner on your own

Friday, September 27, 2024

8:00 – 10:00 am Conference Registration Including Collection for Central PA Food Bank
9:30 am Meet in the lobby for Capitol tour and National Civil War Museum
3:00 – 5:00 Conference Registration Including Collection for Central PA Food Bank
4:00 pm GFWC MAR Board Meeting
6:00 pm Social Hour, cash bar
7:00 -10:00 pm GFWC Pennsylvania State Banquet and Street Fair – Speaker TBA

Saturday, September 28, 2024

7:30 am St. Jude's Hospital Walk - Meet in back, lower lobby
8:00 – 10:00 am Conference Registration Including Collection for Central PA Food Bank
2:00 – 4:00 pm Conference Registration
9:00 – 11:45 am Business Meeting & GFWC Program Presentations
12:00 – 1:30 pm Luncheon – Speaker GFWC International President-elect Wendy Carriker
2:00 – 5:00 pm Business Meeting & GFWC Program Presentations
6:00 pm Social Hour, cash bar
7:00 – 10:00 pm Region Banquet – Speaker GFWC International President Suellen Brazil

Sunday, September 29, 2024

9:00 am Region Breakfast – Speaker TBA – Memorial Service

Have a safe trip home!!



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A food drive for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank with non-perishable food and cash (no checks or credit cards) will be collected at registration. Please consider the following items - protein-based items including tuna, canned ham, peanut butter, etc.; cereals, and spices including onion and garlic powder, salt, cumin, Paprika, chili powder, oregano, parsley, etc. PLEASE BRING ITEMS IN A REUSABLE GROCERY TOTE BAG.

St Jude Virtual Walk – Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 7:30 am

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. GFWC Pennsylvania has a team *named PA Walkers* and GFWC PA Past President Shelly Smolnery is the captain. Attendees may join this team or create one for their state. Go to stjude.org, Find a Team, to sign up.

Lunch at the Museum – Friday, September 27, 2024 – Included at the Museum.

Your choice of *Turkey & Bacon* with Monterey Jack Cheese, Red Leaf Lettuce, Sliced Tomato; *Roast Beef* with Aged Cheddar Cheese, Thinly Sliced Red Onion and Tomato, Arugula and Creamy Horseradish Sauce; Roll *Chickpea Salad Wrap* Chickpeas, with Peppadews, Roasted Red Peppers, Red Onion, Parsley, Sweet Ginger Mayo Dressing and Spinach.

Meals

Friday – Pennsylvania State Banquet - BAKED BREAST OF CHICKEN with Herbed Bread Stuffing, Sauce of Velouté & Sweet Potato Grits OR TRADITIONAL BOSTON BAKED COD with White Wine & Herbs; Served with Salad, Dessert, Rolls and Butter, Chef's Choice of Potato or Rice, Seasonal Vegetable, Freshly Brewed Starbucks Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee, Assorted Tazo Teas, and Iced Tea

Saturday – Lunch - EXECUTIVE SANDWICH BUFFET Choice of Soup Assorted Breads, Rolls & Butter Tossed Garden Salad & Dressings, Choice of Potato Salad, Pasta Salad OR Macaroni Salad, Choice of Tuna Salad OR Chicken Salad, Thinly Sliced Roast Beef, Turkey & Ham Assorted Cheeses, Leaf Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes & Pickles and Appropriate Condiments, Potato Chips, Assorted Cakes & Pies

Saturday – Region Banquet - PAN SEARED ATLANTIC SALMON with Lemon Dill Cream OR GRILLED FLANK STEAK with Brandy Demi-Glaze; Served with Salad, Dessert, Rolls and Butter, Chef's Choice of Potato or Rice, Seasonal Vegetable, and Freshly Brewed Starbucks Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee, Assorted Tazo Teas, and Iced Tea

Sunday – Breakfast - THE TRADITIONAL - Assorted Breakfast Pastries Served with Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links or Bacon, Breakfast Potatoes

Registration Form

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Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

State _____ GFWC Position _____

Club _____

Registration fee			\$35.00
Are you a 2024 LEADS candidate? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, you do not pay registration.			
Friday, September 27	Pennsylvania State Capitol Tour & the National Civil War Museum – lunch included; circle one of three		75.00
	TURKEY BACON	ROAST BEEF KAISER	CHICKPEA SALAD WRAP
Friday, September 27	Pennsylvania State Banquet – circle one of three		51.00
	BAKED BREAST OF CHICKEN	BOSTON BAKED COD	VEGETARIAN
Saturday, September 28	Luncheon – circle one of two		46.00
	EXECUTIVE SANDWICH BUFFET		
Saturday, September 28	Region Banquet – circle one of three		58.00
	PAN SEARED ATLANTIC SALMON	GRILLED FLANK STEAK	VEGETARIAN
Sunday, September 29	Breakfast – The Traditional		32.00
	TOTAL		

Please advise if you have any dietary restrictions. _____

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Please mail this registration form and check payable to **GFWC MAR Conference 2024** to:

Sue O’Day, GFWC MAR
61 Koehler Hill Road
Scott Township PA 18447-7653

DEADLINE: Postmarked by September 10, 2024; NO EXCEPTIONS