

Tuesday

8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

WORKSHOPS

DRUM2BFIT

“A Pathway to Great Meetings”

“Treasurers Count: Guardian of the Club”

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Business Session

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Voting

11:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Lunch

12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

WORKSHOPS

Book discussion

Craft

“All Aboard the Membership Train”

“The ABC’s of Raffles”

“Project Ideas are not a Big Secret”

2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

District Performances

5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

District Photographs

5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Social Hour – Open to All Members (Cash Bar)

6:45 p.m.

Dinner – **“Saluting Our Stars”**

Honoring Club Presidents

Open to All Members –

(Attire- dressy cocktail)

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Achievement Entries Pick Up

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Business Session

In Memoriam

Barbara McCloskey, President

Jean Revis, Recording Secretary



NEW JERSEY STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN’S CLUBS OF GFWC

Barbara McCloskey, President

OFFICIAL CALL ANNUAL CONVENTION 2026 “When Friends Gather”

Event The One Hundred Thirty-second Annual Convention of the New Jersey State Federation of Women’s Clubs of GFWC

Time **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday – May 4-6, 2026**

Place Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Atlantic City, New Jersey (609)449-6860

The Convention will open Monday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. and will adjourn at the close of the business session Wednesday.

Registration

All attendees, including Delegates, Alternates, Members, Guests and Visitors must register as soon after arrival as possible.

Credentials must be worn at all meetings, programs, workshops and in the exhibit area.

Important Information

Delegate Registration must be sent in accordance with Article XI of the Bylaws. A Registration Sheet is enclosed. The names of the Delegates and Alternates must be received by the Chairman of Credentials and Registration, Carole Thompson, 887 Route 539, New Egypt, NJ 08525, **postmarked no later than April 4th, 2026.**

Each Delegate and Alternate will receive HER OWN Credential Card at the Credentials and Registration Desk.

Registration Fee of Delegates, Alternates, Members or Guests/Visitors is \$50.00 if postmarked by April 4, 2026. If postmarked between **April 5 to April 12, 2026**, the Registration Fee is \$60.00. No registration will be accepted by mail postmarked after **April 12, 2026.** On-site registration for members or guests/visitors will be \$60.00. **No on-site registration for Delegates and Alternates will be available.**

The **Daily Registration Fee is \$30.00** if postmarked by April 4, 2026. If postmarked between April 5 and April 12, 2026, the Daily Registration Fee is \$35.00. No registration will be accepted by mail postmarked after April 12, 2026. On-site Daily Registration for members or guests/visitors will be \$35.00.

No on-site registration for delegates or alternates will be available.

If an alternate is to become a delegate, this change can only be made by the Credentials and Registration Chairman at the Registration Desk, and must be made no later than 10:00 a.m. Tuesday.

Only delegates are permitted to vote at the Business Sessions. Delegates and Alternates must be listed on the Voting Registration Sheet returned by the clubs.

Clubs are requested to study the Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws (included in the CALL) and the Resolutions (mailed separately to Club Presidents) to ensure that their Delegates are informed of the issues.

NOTE: These are the only copies of the proposed revisions to the Bylaws and Resolutions you will receive. Please bring them to Convention.

Meal Tickets

Tickets will not be mailed. They are to be picked up at the Credentials and Registration Desk. Tickets **must** be purchased in advance.

Special meal requests must be made in advance on the Registration Form. No special meal requests will be considered on-site.

- Sunday Dinner** – Opening Dinner..... \$75.00
- Monday Dinner** – Women of Achievement Award Ceremony & Honoring State EX Club, Junior EX Club and EMD EX Club Members \$75.00
- Tuesday Banquet** Honoring Club Presidents and EMD Chairmen..... \$93.00

MEALS ARE OPEN TO ALL FEDERATION MEMBERS, VISITORS / NON-MEMBERS.

ROOM RESERVATIONS

All room reservations are to be made directly with the Hard Rock Hotel, Atlantic City before **April 15, 2026**, by calling (609)-449-6860, Group code: GCLB26Z (corrected). The link for attendees to make reservations would be: <https://book.passkey.com/go/GCLB26Z> (corrected)

Single or Double Occupancy \$127.42 per night
 These rates include the Atlantic City room tax of 13.625% and the \$30.00 Tourism Promotion/occupancy/resort fee.

Registration Hours – Big Cypress Foyer

Sunday	4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday.....	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
In Ballroom	6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday.....	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
In Ballroom	6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....	8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Federation Exhibits – Brighton Ballroom II, III & IV

Check-in Monday	9:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Open Tuesday.....	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
	12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Pick-up Wednesday.....	8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

NOTE: Positively no exhibits may be removed during the business session on Wednesday

Commercial Exhibits – Brighton Ballroom I

Open Monday.....	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Open Tuesday.....	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

All Sessions of the Convention will convene promptly.

Sunday 5/3/26

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Pre-Convention Executive Committee Meeting
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Annual Convention Committee Meeting
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Credentials & Registration Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Dinner
	Open to all members (<i>Attire-Business</i>)

Monday

7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.	Walk on the Boardwalk with the President
8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.	Drum2BFit
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Pre-Convention Board Meeting
10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.	Lunch
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	“Bring a Friend, Make a Friend”
	Workshop
	<u>Opening Business Session</u>
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	State EX Club Meeting (Members Only)
4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.	Social Hour – Women of Achievement
5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.	honorees and guests (invitation only)
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Social Hour – Open to all members (Cash Bar)
7:00 p.m.	Dinner – “Toasting the Accomplishments of Women”
	EX Clubs Tributes and 40 th Annual Women of Achievement Awards
	Open to all members (<i>Attire Dressy</i>)