

89th Annual GCFM Convention

“Gardens at First Light”



Monday, June 15 - Wednesday, June 17, 2020
Atlantic Oceanside Hotel & Event Center
119 Eden Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address (for registration confirmation) _____

Garden Club to which you are a member _____ District _____

Please check all that currently apply to you:

GCFM State Life Member _____ National Garden Club Life Member _____

GCFM Board Member _____ Elected GCFM Officer _____ Appointed GCFM Officer _____

Chairman of a GCFM Committee _____ Former GCFM President _____ District Director _____

Club President _____ Other Delegate representing your club _____

Hotel reservations must be made directly with Atlantic Oceanside Hotel, 119 Eden Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609. Call: 207-288-5801 or 800-336-2463. Double queen or king room with ocean view - \$189/\$199. You MUST MENTION THE Garden Club Federation of Maine to receive the group rate. Reservation deadline for group rate 5/15/2020.

Convention registration forms will be accepted by mail only.

Early Registration Deadline: postmarked by May 20, 2020. Registration deadline is **June 3, 2020.**

- Please make copies for your records.
- No refunds after the deadline except for exceptional circumstances, as determined by GCFM Board

NOTE: Convention Registration is required for ANY and ALL functions, including tours.

If you have questions or wish clarification on any of this information, please contact 2020 Convention Chair, Jane Sanderson (email janesanderson47@gmail.com or phone 207-460-8496).

Attendee Name: _____

REGISTRATION FORM

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Please be sure to check ALL events you will be attending and circle your preferences where indicated

Early Registration - Postmarked by May 20, 2020

- GCFM Member (All Club Members are GCFM Members) \$30.00 _____
- Non GCFM Member \$35.00 _____
- Late Registration Fee** - after May 20th, but no later than June 3rd \$45.00 _____

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020

- 3:00 - 4:30 pm Early Registration at Event Center
- 5:00 - 6:15 pm State & National Life Reception at Garland Farm N/C
(Open only to State & NGC Life Members)

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020

- GARDEN AND FARM TOUR 10:00 am – 4 pm (Unless otherwise noted below)** \$10.00 _____
- 10:00 am OR 11:00 am Beech Hill Farm for guided tour (Circle your time preference)
- 1:00 – 2:30 pm **Only Time** Private tour of Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Garden

- SHINRIN YOKU NATURE WALK (Circle your time preference)**
- 10:00 – 11:00 am At College of Atlantic (next door to Event Center) \$15.00 _____
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm At College of Atlantic (next door to Event Center) \$15.00 _____
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm At Wild Gardens of Acadia (Acadia National Park) \$15.00 _____

- GROWING SHITAKE MUSHROOMS WORKSHOP**
- 10:30 – 11:30 am Workshop at the Event Center \$10.00 _____

- EVENING FESTIVITIES**
- 5:30 – 6:15 pm Cocktail Reception at the Willows (Cash Bar) N/C _____
- 6:30 – 9:00 pm Dinner with Keynote Speaker Roger Swain \$45.00 _____

DINNER – (Please circle your choice of A, B, or C below)

(Includes: DeMonts Salad, Vegetable, Freshly Baked Rolls & Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Tax & Gratuity)

- A. Chicken Piccata - Chicken Breast, Lemon, Butter, White Wine, Capers
- B. Baked Haddock - Breaded and Baked with Butter, Fresh Lemon
- C. Stuffed Portabella Mushroom - Quinoa, Artichoke, Spinach, Feta

*Please indicate any special dietary requirements _____

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17 2020

- 4:30 am (or 1/2 hour prior to sunrise) sunrise & coffee atop Cadillac Mountain N/C _____
- 9:00 - 11:30 am GCFM Annual Meeting
- 12:00 - 2:00 pm Luncheon program with Rodney Eason, Land & Garden Preserve CEO \$27 _____

BUFFET LUNCHEON - Includes House-Made Soups, Assorted Sandwiches/Wraps, Dessert

*Please indicate any special dietary requirements _____

TOTAL Registration, Meals & Events \$ _____

Please submit Registration Form (Pages 1 & 2) with check payable to: **GCFM Convention 2020**

c/o: **Becky Heden, GCFM Convention 2020 Registrar**
25 Atlantic Ave, Bar Harbor, ME 04609



The St. Croix District Welcomes You to Bar Harbor!

Celebrating Garden Club Federation of Maine's 89th Annual Convention

Monday Evening, Tuesday and Wednesday, June 15 - 17, 2020

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Monday, June 15, 2020

3:00 – 4:30 pm EARLY REGISTRATION AT THE EVENT CENTER

5:00 – 6:15 pm STATE & NATIONAL LIFE MEMBERS RECEPTION: FREE to State & National Life Members. Held at Beatrice Ferrand Society Garland Farm, 475 Bayview Drive, Bar Harbor in honor of State & National Life Members. The Life membership fee is \$50 and supports our scholarship program. This social is open to all those who have become State & National Life Members and those who wish to become members at the convention. (The GCFM State Life Member application is available on the GCFM website.) You may also choose to join at the reception – applications will be available at the reception.

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

8:00 am - 5:00 pm REGISTRATION: In the Event Center Lobby. Pick up your information packets containing tickets for the events you'll be attending, your nametag and a fabulous goody bag loaded with surprises from local merchants. Check out the Vendors and GCFM Exhibits on the way to the raffles and silent auction.

9:00 am - 5:00 pm VENDORS, RAFFLES, AUCTION & EXHIBITS: All items await your viewing and shopping pleasure.

10:00 am - 4:00 pm GARDEN AND FARM TOUR: There are three locations featured on a self-guided tour including a lasagna gardening demo of a layering technique, Beech Hill Farm (Organic vegetable farm owned and operated by College of the Atlantic) and the Peggy Rockefeller Farm (Organic farm owned and operated the College of the Atlantic), PLUS a special guided tour of the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Garden will be offered at 1:00 PM. This garden is not open to the public in June so you must be at the location at 1 PM for a private guided tour. Please car pool as space is limited. A map of the area with specific garden locations is included in your Registration Packet.

10:00 am – 4:00 pm WORKSHOPS:

NOTE: Lunch on your own

10:00 - 11:00 am Workshop Shinrin Yoku Nature Walk at the College of the Atlantic – Next door to the Atlantic Oceanside

10:30 - 11:30 am Workshop Growing Shitake Mushrooms – Event Center

11:30 am - 12:30 pm Workshop Shinrin Yoku Nature Walk at College of the Atlantic – Next door to the Atlantic Oceanside

3:00 - 4:00 pm Workshop Shinrin Yoku Nature Walk at Wild Gardens of Acadia – National Park Pass Required

4:00 - 5:00 pm GCFM BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING: Board members may wish to dress for dinner (lower level – Event Center)

5:15 - 6:00 pm COCKTAILS AT THE WILLOWS: Sample some of the delicious hors d'oeuvres. Cash Bar.

6:00 - 9:00 pm DINNER PROGRAM: “How Gardens Make Good Neighbors” with Keynote Speaker Roger Swain (“the man with the red suspenders”) horticulturalist and recognized by millions as the host of *The Victory Garden* on PBS.

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

8:00 – 9:00 am REGISTRATION: Event Center Lobby

9:00 - 11:00 am RAFFLES, AUCTION & EXHIBITS: (Located on the lower level). Please make time for raffle tickets and silent auction.

9:00 am - 2:30 pm GCFM ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING & AWARDS LUNCHEON:

All members are expected to attend. Share the excitement of the awards ceremony! This meeting is a very important part of the Convention, so be sure you have selected and have notified GCFM with the names of your designated Club Delegates for voting purposes on Business Agenda items. The meeting breaks at 10:30 am to allow time to check out of your rooms and check your bids in the silent auction before the annual membership meeting resumes at 11:00 am.

12:00 - 2:30 pm LUNCHEON PROGRAM: Featuring Rodney Eason, CEO of Mount Desert Land & Garden Preserve. At the conclusion of the program, the Business Meeting will resume until adjournment. Raffle and Auction winners will be announced at the conclusion of the meeting.