

OUR PROGRAMS

MONDAY EVENING - We will be featuring “*Music In Bloom, the power of music combined with the drama of Floral Design...*” as our program on Monday evening, so after dinner, just sit back, relax and enjoy a piano concert of music from “*The Phantom of the Opera*” while our presenter creates floral designs to the movement. Floral designer Priscilla Styer and pianist Linda Paulet of Haverhill, MA will “*fill your spirit with visual interpretation in floral splendor and sensual completion.*”; What a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the combined art of floral design and classical music.

TUESDAY MORNING - Following the business meeting, all six of our sister states will be represented in a mini-series (think “Speed Dating”) of informative and educational programs based on the Director’s theme: “Observe, Conserve and Preserve the Beauty All Around You...” The topics will range from “The Asian Longhorned Beetle: Deadly But Beautiful” to “Historic Landscapes”. Our speakers will each give an encapsulated presentation on their particular area of interest and will provide us with valuable resources for the future.

THE 44th NER SYMPOSIUM

Please join us for the New England Region’s 44th Symposium, sponsored by the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts that will immediately follow the NER Annual Meeting. The Symposium Instructors will be *Master Flower Show Judges Gina Jogan of Molino, FL and our own Sandra Joyce of Hudson, MA*. Among her numerous credentials, Gina is an Instructor in Floral Design Study Schools (a Bob Thomas creation) and an NGC Gardening Consultant and Landscape Critic; Sandra is an NGC Accredited Flower Show Procedure, Horticulture and Symposia Instructor; *Tony Todesco of Stow, MA*, an extremely talented floral designer and lecturer both nationally and internationally will make a guest appearance.

Hotel Registration

Please make your hotel reservations directly with the hotel:

**Radisson Hotel and Suites
10 Independence Drive
Chelmsford, MA 01824.
(978) 256-0800
www.radisson.com**

Guest room rates are:

Studio Suite - \$119 per night + tax (11.7%)

Deluxe Room - \$99 + tax (11.7%)

Double or Single Occupancy

In order to receive this special NER rate, please mention NER MEETING/SYMPOSIUM when you call the hotel.

The CUT OFF DATE for the guaranteed low rate is September 27th.

This is prime foliage season. We urge you to make your hotel reservations as soon as possible.

Travel Directions: In Chelmsford, MA at EXIT 34, Route 110, off I-495.

NOTES:

The 77th Annual Meeting of the
NEW ENGLAND REGION
National Garden Clubs, Inc.
October 17-18, 2011



Hosted by:
**The Garden Club Federation
of Massachusetts, Inc.**
Heidi Kost-Gross, President

NER Annual Meeting Chairman
Nancy Donaldson

New England Region Director
Joyce A. Kimball

National Garden Clubs, Inc.
Shirley S. Nicolai, President

**The Radisson Hotel and Suites
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Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824**

**“Observe,
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**77th Annual Meeting
of the
New England Region**

State Presidents

**Ronnie Schoelzel, FGCCT
Kathleen Marty, GCFME
Heidi Kost-Gross, GCFMA
Virginia Urdi, NHFGC
Judy Hager, RIFGC
Gay Gaston, FGCVT**

MONDAY, October 17th, 2011

**2:00 – 5:00 PM
REGISTRATION - Lobby**

**6:00 – 7:00 PM
RECEPTION**
In honor of NER Director Joyce A. Kimball

**7:00 PM
DINNER**

PROGRAM: “Music In Bloom”.
Presenter: Priscilla Styer, Floral Designer,
Haverhill, MA .“The power of music combined
with the drama of floral design.”Priscilla will
create beautiful floral designs for us accompanied
by music from *The Phantom of the Opera*..
Pianist - Linda Paulet.

Raffle of designs.

TUESDAY, October 18th, 2011

**8:00 – 9:00 AM
REGISTRATION - Lobby**

7:00 – 9:00 AM Breakfast on your own

**9:00 – 10:30 AM
BUSINESS MEETING**
Joyce A. Kimball, NER Director

10:30 AM – NOON
**Program: “6 Ways to Observe, Conserve
and Preserve the Beauty All Around You...”**
Informative mini-Educational Programs provided
by our sister states of CT, MA, ME, NH, RI & VT.

**NOON – 1:00 PM
Social Hour**
Chat with your fellow garden club members, visit
our vendors and don’t forget to buy your raffle tickets!

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Luncheon

2:00 PM
Awards Presentation

Raffle

Adjournment

**NOTE: The 2011 NER Symposium will immediately
follow with registration from 2 – 4 PM in the Hotel
Lobby. Contact NER Symposium Chairman Thelma
Shoneman at (978) 263-9466 or tshoneman@verizon.net
for more for information.**

**Please visit all the vendors and be sure to purchase
some special items for gift giving during the
upcoming holiday season.**

*Please return this form, completed and accompanied by your check
made payable to: **NER***

**MAIL TO: Kathleen Thomas, Registrar
7 Norfolk Lane
Holliston, MA 01746**

No reservations will be accepted by phone or e-mail.
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2011

NER MEETING REGISTRATION \$ 30.
(Mandatory for all attendees)

Monday – DINNER \$ 35.
Appetizer, Caesar Salad, Pumpkin/Maple Stuffed Ravioli,
Grilled Chicken, Rolls, Dessert, Coffee/Tea.

Tuesday – LUNCHEON \$ 25.
Choice of:
Grilled Honey-Glazed Salmon with Lemon-Dill Sauce _____
Steak Tips..... _____
Please note any medical food allergies we need to be aware of

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK ENCLOSED \$ _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

CLUB _____

EMAIL _____

Please check all applicable boxes:

- Club Member**
- State Officer**
- State Board Member**
- Board Member**
- National Board Member**
- Club President**
- State Life Member**
- Guest (Non-Member)**