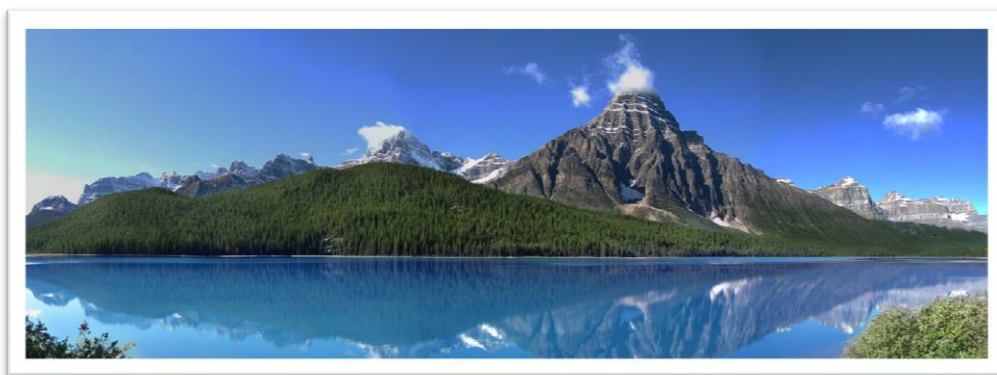


## Checklist for Those Attending or Planning to Attend the NERC May Newsletter – Carol Hughes Northeast Regional Director



Whenever I am taking a trip I always make a checklist. From April 20 through May 7, I flew to Windsor, Ontario; Hartford, Connecticut; and Austin, Texas. I did not forget anything because I had my checklist for each flight. Below is a checklist concerning your trip to the Northeast Regional Conference in Windsor, Ontario.

1. Have a current passport.
2. Arranged for my travel to Windsor by “Trains, Planes, or Automobiles”.
3. Made my hotel reservations at Caesars with code **ADE0708** and confirmed I will stay in the Augustus Tower. Deadline for receiving conference room rate of \$169 CA is **June 8, 2017**.
4. Registered online at [dkg.org](http://dkg.org) by **June 12** so that I will not have to pay a higher registration fee.
5. Selected my three major meals. No meal tickets will be sold after **June 28**.
6. Contacted a shuttle service as flying into Detroit Metro Airport.
7. Signed up for the chorus at [bit.ly/DKG-NERC](http://bit.ly/DKG-NERC) since I enjoy singing.
8. Perused the list of tours and plan to take a tour.
9. Made a list of the clothes I will take. Include a sweater, jacket, or shawl as hotels can be chilly because of the air conditioning.
10. Bring used musical instrument to donate to ArtsCan Circle Foundation which has musicians who teach Inuit youth how to play them.
11. Attend the banquet so that I can view the recognition of incoming and outgoing state organization presidents.

Before traveling to a place I have never been, I always read about the area. Here some facts about Canada that you may not know:

- Canada consumes more macaroni and cheese than any other nation in the world.
- Canada is the world’s most educated country by percentage as over half its residents have college degrees.
- Canada is the second largest country in the world, right after Russia.
- Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world’s lakes combined.
- Canada has the largest coastline in the world.
- The US/Canada border is the longest international border in the world without military defense.
- Canada’s lowest recorded temperature was -81.4 degrees Fahrenheit (-63 Celsius) in 1947.
- Residents of Churchill, Manitoba leave their cars unlocked to offer escape for pedestrians who might encounter polar bears.