

Gettysburg Garden Club News

November - December 2014



Sign-up for the Greens Workshops!!

Workshops are a vital part of the Garden Club Experience. Your membership in the Gettysburg Garden Club has a short list of requirements, and the most important of these is participation in club workshops.

Please take note of the important task list that starts at the bottom of this page. It is a copy what you received from Rita at the October meeting. Choose your areas of interest and contact Rita or Robin to sign up to be in charge of that specific area or task. Also, at that same time, you can say where you would like to volunteer during the workshops. We need all hands on deck!

There is a job for everyone, from cutting and bunching greens, to making table-top trees, candlesticks, swags, centerpieces and decorating apples. This year we will have three wreath-making machines mounted in stands for shaping and wiring of wreaths. We need more dedicated wreath makers! All of the workshop activities allow members to be creative and to enjoy the camaraderie of working together to produce our outstanding sale items.

Bring gloves and clippers to handle the greens and dress in layers since the area will be cool. There will be hot drinks and treats (you are welcome to bring something yummy to share). Bring a sandwich to go along with the provided soup or lunch item of the day. Pizza (compliments of Jane Scott) will be lunch on Friday.

For our new members, and to remind all members, the new site for the workshops and sale is the Community Room at the Gettysburg Fire Station, 35 N. Stratton St. The sale is Saturday, December 6, starting at a new 9 am time. Remember, new location and new starting time. Your help during the sale is very important to answer questions and assist buyers in selecting items and decorating their items.

Please plan to attend and spend as much time as you can. Socialize and be creative with your fellow members. Come one day or all week. Everyone's help is needed. Signup at our November meeting, or just show up for what ever time you can help. Call Rita Bennett at 334-7688 for any questions or email her at ritaberwyn@aol.com

TASK LIST: Everything Needed for the Christmas Greens Sale!

Please indicate which of these positions is best for you. We need 100% participation to make this project a financial success and a fun experience for all members. A "Member in Charge" is needed for each of the following areas:

- Greens cutting -
- Food supervision, food related items and kitchen cleanup – Pat Hinkle
- Wreaths, Sprays and Greens Bunchers – Connie Holland
- Apples and Mugs -
- Living Table Top Trees -
- Table Center Pieces -
- Ribbons & making bows (could be done at home in November) -
- Pre-assembling decorations for wreaths and sprays (to be done at home) -
- Pine cones wired and picked (to be done at home) – Connie Holland
- Pickup and deliver supplies to barn at Beth Hoffman's home -
- Room layout: setup and take down for workshops and sale -
- General housekeeping each day and for sale.
- Oversee the fresh greens delivery day and throughout the week. Bunch residual greens for sale.

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- Organize supplies for workshops and packing up for storage -
- Wilt proof spraying of all fresh greens items this year – Nancy Hamilton
- Maintain inventory and storage of finished items and sales to members -

Thanks in advance to all for making this a successful Club project.

Rita Bennett, Sale Chair

Cutting of the Greens – We need greens!!



Please look for these greens in your neighborhood: Frazer Fir, Juniper especially with blue berries, white pine, Leyland Cypress, Yew, Cedar, Holly, Southern Magnolia, Boxwood, Blue Spruce, Arborvitae, and Nandina.

Weather permitting we will start cutting greens November 24 - 26, continuing after Thanksgiving on November 28 through November 30. Watch for emails for exact times and cutting locations when help will be needed. Bring loppers, tarps, clippers and vehicles to haul greens. Please sign up for days that work for you or email or call Rita.

If you are cutting your own greens bring them with you to Monday's workshop.

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| GREENS WORKSHOP SCHEDULE |
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Monday, November 24 - Move Supplies into Fire Station.

Many hands and vehicles are needed at 9 am at Beth Hoffman's barn, 1051 Taneytown Road, to load our many boxes, wreath machines, and supplies and then unload them at the Fire Station.

Sunday, November 30 at 9 am - Set up at Fire Station.

Tarp floors and arrange supplies and equipment.

Workshops - 9 am – 3 pm each day.

- **Monday - December 1** - Cut greens, Make wreaths and decorate items.
- **Tuesday - December 2** " "
- **Wednesday - December 3** " "
- **Thursday - December 4** Finish all sale items.
- **Friday - December 5**
 - Clean up and set up for Sale.
 - Pickup preorders: After 10 am.
 - Deliver Gourmet Goodies before 1 pm.

SALE DAY - Saturday, December 6, from 9 am – 3 pm or until we are sold out!

Snow date is Sunday, December 7.

Rita Bennett, Sale Chair

GOURMET FOOD GIFTS SALE



As we get ready for the **GREENS** sale, please remember the **GOURMET FOOD GIFT SALE**. Please prepare your specialty cookies, candy, bars, jellies, breads, small cakes or any other choice baked goods or treats. Remember, anything with chocolate, decorated cookies, brownies, and fudge sells very well. Everyone looks forward to nicely gift packaged goodies to go along with their greens.

For new members, during the Greens sale, the Club also sells homemade goodies attractively packaged (e.g., cellophane bags, small tins, or any other nice container that makes them suitable as gifts). Last year we sold \$500 worth of member-prepared goodies so we need just as many goodies this year.

Please label your packaged goodies and indicate any nut contents.

Bring items to the Fire Station on Friday, December 5, by 1 pm or very early Saturday, before the opening of the sale. Contact Connie Holland if you have any questions (334-7228).

Special Holiday Invitation



The Executive Board of the Gettysburg Garden Club
Invites you to celebrate the holiday season at

A Christmas Tea
Thursday, December 18
2 pm until 4 pm

At the Historic Singmaster House Retreat Center
Lutheran Theological Seminary
20 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg



Directions: The Singmaster House is located near the corner of Seminary Ridge and Springs Avenue on the grounds of the Lutheran Seminary. Access is via Middle Street (Route 116) or Route 30, Chambersburg Pike. From either road, turn onto Seminary Ridge and proceed to 20 Seminary Ridge.

CALENDAR

- **The Executive Board** will meet **Thursday, November 20**, at 11:15 am at the Fire Station prior to the regular meeting.
- **Next GGC meeting – Thursday, November 20**, at 1 pm at the Fire Station.
- **Christmas Tea – Thursday, December 18**, from 2-4 pm at the historic Singmaster House Retreat Center, on the grounds of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, 20 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg.

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Marguerite Bucher (November 2), Camille Kelleher (November 4), Linda O'Brien (November 11), Alta Harris (November 14), Sue Smith (November 14), and Cindy Wilcox (November 15).

December: Jan Christensen (December 2), Nancy Hamilton (December 2), Len Williams (December 5), Karen Szoke (December 10), and Madeline Wajda (December 26).



HOSPITALITY

Thanks go to Cornelia Saltzman, Alta Harris, Lynn Skopic, Ellie Kuhn, and Karen Szoke for the delicious treats.



Please remember that if you are unable to serve on the month's hospitality committee, it is your responsibility to find a replacement by trading with someone. Be sure to notify Cornelia Saltzman and the month's designated hospitality chair (see yearbook).

LAURELS

Rita Bennett received a Laurel for her work (with Gloria Yohe) on scholarship that resulted in four scholarships in 2014. Gloria received her Laurel in September.

EDITOR'S NOTES AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you have information for the newsletter, you may phone it in to 334-7228, email to Connie Holland at ch78bmw@centurylink.net or paper mail it to 271 Granite Schoolhouse Lane, Gettysburg, 17325. Newsletter photos are by Joann Zeveney.

**OUR NEXT MEETING is Thursday, November 20, at 1 pm
THIS IS EARLY DUE TO THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

Member Connie Farabaugh will share her knowledge and skills in the art of Williamsburg style arrangements that are so popular at Christmas.



2014 GREENS PRE-ORDERING



Only Members are eligible to benefit from advance order pricing.

- Changes this year include discontinuing garland and limiting pre-order pick up to Friday, December 5, after 10 am. No other items will be sold or picked up during the workshops.
- All advance orders must be submitted and paid no later than November 20. Payment is required with your order. Checks should be made out to Gettysburg Garden Club.
- Bring this completed form to the November 20 meeting or mail with your check and form to Rita Bennett, 948 Boyds School Road, Gettysburg 17325. Phone 334-7688.
- **Please remember to pick up pre-ordered items at the Fire Station on Friday, December 5 after 10 am.**

2014 GREENS PRE-ORDER FORM

**Open to members only.
Order Deadline is November 20.**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

| <u>Item & Price Each</u> | <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Total \$</u> |
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| Plain Wreath \$20 each (Regular sale price \$25-\$35) | _____ | _____ |
| Table Top Trees: Undecorated \$20.00 | _____ | _____ |
| GRAND TOTAL | | \$_____ |

\$\$\$ Payment is due upon ordering.

Pickup pre-orders ONLY on Friday, December 5 after 10 am.

Please note: No other items will be sold prior to the sale.