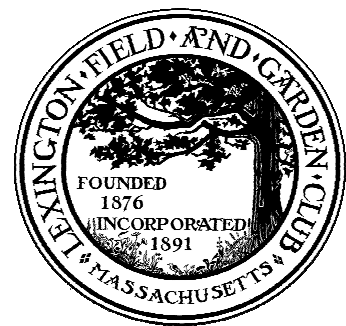


# LEXINGTON FIELD & GARDEN CLUB

## 138 YEARS OF MAKING LEXINGTON MORE BEAUTIFUL



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### President's Message

**Dear Fellow Members,**

Our winter calendar has several events that you definitely want to put on your agendas. On December 4, Mary Nokes has organized a field trip to Tower Hill's Holly Days. This year's theme is Winter Reimagined and will feature more than 1,500 hand crafted ornaments and over six miles of lights. Continuing with the holiday spirit, our annual Holiday Greens party will be on December 10. This is a drop-in workshop and potluck event. There will be a clip board at the November general meeting for you to choose the best time for you to help with setting up, cleanup and/or coordinating the refreshment table. Information on donating greens and other needed materials can be found inside this issue. Marianne Abate has graciously invited all of us to her home for a holiday party on December 17 from 3-6 pm. Please RSVP by December 6.

Wishing you all peaceful and happy holidays. **Sue**

### Next Meeting, November 12

#### **Backstage at the Boston Flower Show with Tom Strangfeld**

During his 28-year career at Weston Nurseries, Tom had the opportunity to design and implement 15 major Exhibits at the Boston Flower Show. Five were awarded the President's Cup for the most Meritorious Exhibit. Tom will bring us backstage of a flower show. From the lines on a floor plan through the months of careful preparation to the end with judges, ribbons and crowds. Hospitality by Wednesday Workshop.



*A Hearty Welcome to all New LFGC Members*

*The Lexington Field and Garden Club's annual new members orientations will be held on Monday, Nov. 10th, 10:00 am and Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 3:00 pm. Please attend to learn about the many opportunities available to you as a member.*



*Hosted by Bonnie Rosenthal and Gail Harris, (Membership Co-Chairs) at Bonnie Rosenthal's home.*

*Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by contacting Bonnie .*

*P.S. Bring your yearbooks*

The Lexington Field and Garden Club extends its sympathy to the family of Mary Nesline who died October 15. A long-time member of LFGC and WW, Mary is survived by her sons, Mark Nesline (and his wife Susan) of Lexington and Karl Nesline (and his wife Rosemary) of Wilmington.



Welcome to our new member Gia Vento

Program reminder for members—In addition to the programs at the monthly main club meetings, each of the 4 subgroups also plan monthly programs. Look through the listings in the yearbook. If you see something that interest you, contact the programs chair to see if you can attend as a guest. Space is sometimes limited but you won't know unless you ask.

### **Horticulture notes:**

**If your dahlia foliage has died back, dig up the tubers, let them dry for several hours, label the color and height of the plant and put the tubers in separate paper bags. Any dahlias you wish to donate to next year's plant sale can be dropped off at Ashley Rooney's house.**

**Now is also a good time to label the perennials you wish to donate to the plant sale. In the spring, with little growth visible, it can be a challenge to locate and correctly identify them.**

**Don't forget water for the birds. Even a trash can lid turned over and filled with water will work. Birdbath heaters are available at bird food stores, are long-lasting, and use little electricity. Birds are desperate for fresh water in freezing weather. The variety of birds drawn to water far exceeds those at feeders.**

### **Holiday Greens Party**

**Wednesday, December 10, noon to 9:00 pm**

What is it? An open workshop and festive gathering of fellow garden club members. Assorted greens, containers and decorations will be available for you to make something to take home.

Where is it: St. Brigid Parish Center, lower level. Same working space as in the past.

When? - Come anytime between noon and 9 pm on the 10th . There will be fresh materials put out throughout the day.

What should I bring? Be sure to bring these two things. Some food or beverage to share with everyone and your pruners and wire cutters, labeled with your name.

You may want to bring one or more of the following. Decorations or containers you want to recycle from past years' wreaths and arrangements. Special greens from your yard to use yourself or share. Your own container, if you have something specific you want to use. Your own plain wreath, if that's what you want to decorate.

How can you help? Donate greens—hold off pruning them until December. Bring small holiday pick decorations, small ornaments, small baskets with plastic liners. Sign up to help with set up, clean up and/or coordinating the refreshment table. What not to bring—pine cones, large baskets, glass containers.

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**What's Going On?**

**November 12-Main Club Meeting: Backstage at the Boston Flower Show**

**November 28 through December 14—Festival of Trees, Elm Bank**

**December 3-24--Lexington Arts and Craft Society Holiday Marketplace**

**December 4-LFGC field trip to Holly Days at Tower Hill, Boylston, MA**

**December 10-Holiday Greens Party, St. Brigid Parish Center, lower level**

**December 17—Marianne Abate's Holiday Party, RSVP by December 6**

**January 13—Design Workshop #2**

**January 14—Main Club Meeting: Edible Wild Plants and Mushrooms of New England**



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