# **LEXINGTON FIELD & GARDEN CLUB**

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#### LFGC November & December 2013 Newsletter

President's Message

Dear Fellow Members,

It's hard to believe that the holiday season is on its way. To help us get ready, our November 13 program will feature Williamsburg Holiday Decorations by Priscilla Styer. Not only will you see beautiful floral designs, you may also go home with one of them if you have the winning raffle ticket. Another date to set aside is December 11. That Wednesday we will be having our Holiday Greens Party. What could be better than to get together with our gardening friends to socialize, create decorations for our home, listen to seasonal music and enjoy some refreshments. Time, place and what to bring are elsewhere in this newsletter. Signup sheets will be available at the general meeting for volunteers to help keep this event successful and enjoyable for all.

With the holidays approaching I am reminded of the many things I am thankful for. I am grateful for family who are friends, friends who feel like family and for working in an enthusiastic and supportive Garden club community.

Wishing you all peaceful and happy holidays. Sue

## **November 13 Program**

## Williamsburg Holiday Decorations

## **Annual Ruge Lecture**

Priscilla Styer, an award winning Floral Designer, will show us how to capture The splendor and simple beauty of our Heritage using the classic designs of Williamsburg. Discover simple but Classic ways to decorate from table To foyer for the holidays.



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## Renewed Traffic Island

As a result of the town's road improvement/construction project at Waltham Street and Worthen Road, the traffic island at this location needed to be redesigned. Claire Bertucci worked with the town to plan the dimensions and location of the new planting bed after the construction. Claire chose the new plants and she and Leslie Damon installed them last month.



#### Other Traffic Island News

Kate Gill and Janet Kern, with the help of two of the DPW's finest have cleaned up the Lowell Street and Summer Street Island which had been neglected for some time. They hope to enlist some neighbors to help make it a beautiful spot next spring. If anyone from that area would like to help, it would be much appreciated. Contact Kate Gill at 781-863-0670 Or Janet Kern, 781-861-7102

#### Changes for your Yearbook:

Joan Farr—New address, 24 Seven Springs Lane, #111, Burlington, MA 01803 - 781-272-0813, jgardener33@aol.com

Jackie Ward new email address sward27@rcn.net

Our condolences to Gia Vento whose father passed away in October.

#### Trip to Holly Days, Tower Hill

Watch for details of a trip to Tower Hill between Christmas and New Years. Date TBD.

## **Horticulture Note**

Each window of our home frames a view of our garden. Do we like what we see? Is there something we don't want to see? Can we see at all through overgrown plants too close to the house? The long days of winter are perfect for designing what we want to see in our gardens from our favorite windows.

Colorful twig dogwoods—reds, yellows, corals, Winterberry hollies, structural conifers, trees with patterned bark, Golden Evergreens, benches, a statue or a structure. These are some of the elements that can be used to enliven a winter landscape and to help you enjoy your window views.

Two Events of Interest for Gardeners Transformation: Through the Eyes of a Designer. November 15 - 6-8 p.m., The Depot, Lexington. On-line tickets (COGdesign) \$10, at the door \$15. Short presentations of landscape projects, LHS Jazz group, a bar, refreshments and good company. Fund Raiser for COG, a pro bono landscape organization.

Putting Perennials Through Their Paces, a lecture by Tovah Martin. November 19, 9:30 a/m/ Wellesley Public Library. 530 Washington St., Wellesley. RSVP by Nov. 12 to Tinka Zeitvogel, 781-237-7299 or Zeitvogel@gmail.com.. Sponsored by the Landscape Design Council. No admission fee but contributions and guests welcomed.



Holiday Greens Party—Wednesday, December 11, Noon to 9 p.m.

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 use to make something to take home.

Where is it? St. Brigid's Parish Hall Basement. (same working space as in the past.)

When? Come anytime between noon and 9 on the 11th. There will be fresh materials put out throughout the day.

What should you bring? - Be sure to bring these two things. Some food or beverage to share with everyone. 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 your want to use. Your own plain wreath, if that's what your want to decorate.

How can you help? People who have greens you're willing to donate. People to clip and gather greens from donors around town. Volunteers to help clean up on Thursday morning, December 12.

### What's Going On?

November 29 - December 15 - Festival of Trees at Elm Bank. See masshortfestival of trees.org for details.

November 29—January 2—Holly Days, Tower Hill. Decorations from natural materials. See Towerhillbg.org for details.

December 2—Back to Basics II, Espousal Center

December 4-24 - Lexington Arts & Crafts Society Holiday Marketplace. See LACSma.org for details..

December 11- Holiday Greens Party. See inside for details.

Coming January 8 - Abigail's Garden: The History of a New England Garden with Laurie Ellen Pazzano.



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