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# Lexington Field & Garden Club



Dear Fellow Members:

It's hard to believe the holidays are already near. But there's no doubt they are, based on all the planning going on within the Club. This season we are decorating and donating a tree to MassHort's Festival of Trees, decorating the National Heritage Museum lobby, and conducting our fourth Holiday Greens Sale. Good for us!

The Greens Sale workshop schedule is now set (page 3), and I hope you will join in as much as you can. There are morning, afternoon and evening sessions. We're asking for advance sign-ups this year, so please plan to stop by the sign-up table at our next meeting on the 10th, or contact Raya Gildor to get on one or more lists.

As before, we will have a great time learning new skills and making beautiful things together. And there are many ways to help in addition to making wreaths and arrangements. We rely on fresh greens from members' yards and donations of pinecones, decorations, containers, and sturdy cardboard trays. We also need many hands for set-up of the sale on Saturday morning, clean-up, and other such work. Another very important task is getting the word out! Please tell your friends and neighbors and put a flyer in your car window and at your gym, house of worship, hairdresser, etc.

There's one big change to keep in mind as you talk about the sale: its **new location** in St. Brigid's Parish Hall. This is the large meeting room/auditorium directly above our workshop space in the Parish Center (school) building. The sale hours will be Saturday, December 4, 10 - 5 and Sunday, December 5, 10:15 - 2.

I hope to see you soon and wish you a very joyous holiday season!

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**NOVEMBER 10:** National Heritage Museum 9:30 am refreshments, 10 am meeting/program

## Creative Holiday Arrangements for the Home

For our annual Ruge Lecture, we are delighted to have Mark Hagopian.



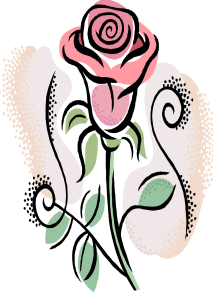
Mark has more than 30 years of experience in the floral field. Currently he is the floral designer and visual display specialist at Stonegate Gardens in Lincoln. Previously, Mark was the lead floral designer for both Winston Flowers in Wellesley and the Ritz Carlton in Boston.

Seasonal/holiday displays for the home have always been Mark's particular interest, and he aims to show us a variety of beautiful things that we really could make ourselves and are versatile across the holiday season.

All arrangements will be raffled off at the conclusion of the presentation. As always, guests are welcome.



## We Remember



Unfortunately we have lost two members in the past month:

**Edna Smith**, who grew up in Maine, was a member of LFGC for more than 60 years! She held many offices, including Second VP, and was active in the Morning Study Group until her death at age 102. Edna will long be remem-

bered for her hostessing skills, perfection, and craft work that graced many events.

**Anahid Kazazian** came to the US from Armenia as a young woman. An avid gardener, she joined LFGC in 2002, inspired by the club's traffic island work. She quickly became very active and known for always saying, "Yes!" She was on the Waltham St./Worthen Rd. traffic island team and a regular and very enthusiastic participant in many club projects, including our plant and greens sales, museum holiday decorating, bouquets at Munroe Tavern, and more.

We extend our sympathy to these members' families and friends, including Anahid's daughter and one of our newest members, Nairi Havan.

## In Sympathy

Mary Lou Touart lost her husband, Chankey, in October. We also extend our sympathy to her and their family.

## Pennies for Pines and Other Trees



Your pennies—or any other loose change—can help reforest an area damaged by fire or other natural catastrophe. Just put them in the container at the sign-up table at our monthly meetings.

Through a partnership between National Garden Clubs, Inc. and US and State Forest Services, our donations will be used to plant and maintain native seedlings in MA—providing soil and watershed protection, soil stabilization, and beauty and shade for recreation. Although called "Penny Pines" since its origin in CA in 1941, this program uses appropriate trees of all varieties.



## Welcome to Our New Members!

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**Address Change:** Jennifer Price is now at 3102 Avalon Drive, Bedford, MA 01730, 781-275-6203

## Remember LFGC Aprons & Tees

They make great holiday gifts for LFGC friends and admirers!

We'll have a few for sale at the Nov. 10 meeting, or you can call Ann to reserve what you need.



## Horticulture Trip: Holly Days and the new Winter Garden and Limonaia at Tower Hill December 29



Tower Hill will be even more beautiful this winter, now that the latest construction is complete. A new lemon house has joined the orangerie, plus there's a new winter garden with a year-round fountain and a new patio with a gorgeous view.

The buildings will be especially attractive while decorated for "Holly Days." This year's theme is "Nature Transformed" and talented volunteers will do wonders with dried natural materials.

We'll carpool, departing Lexington at 9:15am. The admission fee will depend on the number attending and is expected to be under \$7 per person.

Sign up with Mary Nokes at the Nov. 10 meeting or by phone or email (781-863-1203, [sekon\\_mary@yahoo.com](mailto:sekon_mary@yahoo.com)).

## Holiday Projects

### Museum Decorating

We're still looking for volunteers to make **arrangements for the front desk and to decorate the big tree and front entry wreaths** at the National Heritage Museum. If you can help with any of these, please call or email Mary Gillespie (781-862-9166, [macduff106@rcn.com](mailto:macduff106@rcn.com)).



### White Ornaments for our Tree Donation at MassHort's Festival of Trees

We continue to need **donations of primarily white ornaments** to adorn our tree, which will be on display and then raffled off at Elm Bank. If you're willing to contribute one or more white ornaments, please bring them to the main club meeting on Nov. 10, or drop them off at Ann Webster's house no later than **Nov. 13**....Also consider going to the festival, as a spectator or volunteer. For more information, see page 4 here, your October newsletter, or contact Kathy Leva.

### Greens Sale News and Needs

Please spread the word about our new sale location and times:

**St. Brigid's Parish Hall, 2001 Massachusetts Avenue (next to the church/above our workshop space)  
Saturday, December 4, 10 am - 5 pm & Sunday, December 5, 10:15 am - 2 pm**

This year we're concentrating on products that were most popular in past sales. Thanks in advance for helping us make these items, buying some yourselves, and/or encouraging your friends to shop with us!

**Workshop and Other Task Sign-ups** - Please sign up now for the workshops below, so we can be sure to have enough materials ready for you and can produce our target quantities. You can sign up at the Nov. 10 meeting or by contacting Raya Gildor (781-861-9511, [kenneth.asquith@verizon.net](mailto:kenneth.asquith@verizon.net)). We're also looking for a lot of help on Saturday morning, to move our handiwork from the workroom to the sales area. This year we'll operate more like a bucket brigade than a caravan across town. Volunteers for clean-up on Sun. and Mon. are needed as well.

**Fresh Greens Donations** - The diverse greens from our yards make our products distinctive and reduce our costs. All varieties will be appreciated (except hemlock and anything with bug damage). Please cut your greens as long as possible and drop them off at 16 Brent Rd. (end of driveway) Fri. through Sun., November 26-28. If you need to prune earlier, please keep your cuttings in a cool place, in water or misted in a plastic bag. If you can't drop them off until later in the week or need someone else to do the pruning for you, please contact Bonnie Rosenthal (973-557-6186, [brosenthal@yahoo.com](mailto:brosenthal@yahoo.com)).

**Supplies Donations** - We will be delighted to "recycle" your surplus cones (except white pine), ribbons, decorations, ornaments, holiday-oriented containers and large, sturdy cardboard trays (such as those used for fruits at Costco). Please drop off your goodies as soon as possible, at 16 Brent Rd.

Thank you for all the ways you will make this sale a fun and successful team effort again this year!

<u>Mon, Nov 29</u>	<u>Tues, Nov 30</u>	<u>Wed, Dec 1</u>	<u>Thurs, Dec 2</u>	<u>Fri, Dec 3</u>	<u>Sat, Dec 4</u>
	9 - 1 pm Boxwood Trees	(Wednesday Workshop)		9 - noon Arrangements	8 -10 am Moving Merchandise Upstairs
1-4 pm Wreaths		3-5 pm Wreaths	1-3 pm Wreaths		
7-9 pm Arrangements		7-9 pm Centerpieces	7-9 pm Wreaths		

## What's Going On ?

- November 9** Environmental Workshop, Espousal Center, Waltham, 10am
- November 10** **Main Club Meeting:** Creative Holiday Arrangements for the Home  
Annual Ruge Lecture by Mark Hagopian
- November 20 -  
December 4** MassHort Festival of Trees, Hunnewell Building, Elm Bank, Wellesley  
3pm-8pm weekdays, 10am-8pm weekends [www.masshortfestivaloftrees.org](http://www.masshortfestivaloftrees.org)
- November 29 -  
December 3** **Holiday Greens Sale Workshops**  
St. Brigid's Parish Center, Lower Level
- December 4 - 5** **Holiday Greens Sale**, St. Brigid's Parish Hall
- December 29** **Horticulture Trip to Tower Hill** for "Holly Days" and the new  
Winter Garden and Limonaia Sign up with Mary Nokes.  
See: <http://www.telegram.com/article/20101028/NEWS/10280840>

## Coming in January...



Forget winter for a while at our January 12 meeting, where centuries of floral art will share the stage with our engaging speaker. Artist, art historian, and lecturer Jennie Summerall will take us on a journey through 2,000 years, looking at how artists across time, continents and cultures drew inspiration from flowers and plants.



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