

## Tuckahoe Garden Club Monthly Board Reports November 2024

Dear Officers and Standing Committee Members,

Please submit your monthly report to the Board in the Google form below. Keep in mind your report should be concise- sharing essential information, dates, links to further information and any action items that should be highlighted- and presented in a bullet-format if possible. If you have no report for the month, please note "NO REPORT". Thank you all!

### OFFICERS

<p><b>First VP/RoseMarie Bundy</b> Flower Friends is underway! We have seven mentors and seven mentees who will team up to create exhibits for our meetings. I am hoping for a big participation in Exhibits at our November meeting.</p>
<p><b>GCV/RoseMarie Bundy</b></p>
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<p><b>Second VP &amp; Membership/Betsy Carney</b> Flower Hour was a successful and fairly intimate affair with about 14 in attendance. The young women will receive an invitation to the May event at Martha's with more notice.</p>
<p><b>Recording Secretary/Fran McDermott</b> No report</p>
<p><b>Communications Director/Stephanie Lansing</b>  This month Lisa moved the location of our Endowment function to have a separate box on our Membership menu. Previously it was located at the bottom of our "Pay Your Dues" section. She moved it to make it easier to publish in an obituary and keep it separated from other club business.</p>

**Treasurer/Bonnie Cricchi**

We are keeping up with our bill paying and dues collecting! We still have ~19 who have not paid dues. These must be paid by 11/30 to avoid a penalty.

**STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

**Community Projects and Long Range plans/Kelly Armstrong & Jennifer Sisk**

- Fall refresh at Caritas completed 10/8
- Fall refresh at Anna Julia Cooper School completed 10/22
- Planning for AJC Holiday cheer with Holiday Sale committee
- Centennial Tree Program outline reviewed with Ellen and will be presented
  - Planning zooms with potential partners over next few months
  - Working on final budget for full program
- GCV meeting regarding 2027 HGW & Annual Meeting conflict

**Conservation/Betty Jenkins & Renee Montague** The plastic bag challenge starts this month and we will share all the important details at the November meeting. Also, we have an awesome gift box of conservation-related items to be raffled at the Christmas Party. Buy your raffle tickets!

**Governance/Katherine Salt**

No report

**Gifts/Preston Lee**

Chelsea Mahaffey, Director of Planned and Leadership Giving at Lewis Ginter will be making a short presentation at the November Membership Meeting regarding the 40th Anniversary of the Gardens.

**Fundraising Holiday/Martha Moore & Kathy Watson**

We received 53 orders for the Holiday presale. 16 people have signed up for the **Dec. 3 workshop 10-12 and we have room for more. Let Kathy or Martha know if you would like to come.** At the workshop we will make tabletop wreaths for participants to take home, as

well as add decorations to preordered wreaths and a few extra wreaths to sell. Peyton is demonstrating in our new glass vial containers and Meredith Lauter is demonstrating how to use for mechanics a willow ball in a simple pedestal bowl arrangement

Our committee is having a **workshop at Martha's on November 7th 10-12** to Plant paperwhites and amaryllis, and make a few other items for the sale.

If anyone has some **long pieces of poet's laurel** we could cut around 12/1 or 12/2, please let us know. We presold it in bundles and need some places to cut.

Containers have sold well but **we will have some extras to sell**, as well as some pretty greens bundles, ilex ( winterberry) , amaryllis, paperwhites, troughs, etc.

**Please everyone bring one item to contribute to the sale and have at the door and PRICED before 11:00 am on Wednesday, December 4.**

We will have a **great raffle** with a donation from the Conservation Committee , along with Meredith and Peyton's great arrangements in containers from the workshop, della robbia wreaths, and more. Tickets for the raffle can be bought at the door. ( 4 for \$30, 1 for \$10)

**Thank you to Kelly and Maria** for donating 25 quiches for the sale, which are all presold.

Other vendors we will have at the party are Botanicals by Weezie, Cakes by Jen, Apothec, Carytown Tea , and Branches and Blooms.

**We will have extra wreaths and greens to sell even if you did not preorder.**

'Tis the season to be jolly and our committee is having fun! **Thanks so much to Stephanie Lansing** for letting us have the workshop and party at her beautiful home.

#### **Fundraising Spring/Suzanne Duncan & Megan Matthews**

- Reaching out to specialty nurseries and suppliers. Exploring possibilities for special pre-sale offerings as well as day-of-sale items.
- Planning to use the same online ordering system and form as last year. Kate Christner is working with Molly Revere on training and transitioning the Jotform Account to this year's team. Platform available to us at "no cost."
- Will be meeting in the coming weeks to discuss day-of-sale set-up and logistics.

**Thanks so much to Jennifer Sisk** for letting us hold the sale at her beautiful home. (400 Harlan Circle) - Our team is so grateful for the fabulous location and setting.

#### **Programs/Ellen Buoyer**

Lynn Jacob is getting the "ingredients" and logistics ready for our November 20 workshop. I will discuss the logistics of the workshop at our Board meeting.