### NOVEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER FROM THERESE



#### **NOTES FOR NOVEMBER**

Greetings! I guess we woke up to an unexpected visit by some "white stuff" falling from the skies. What a great day to start November. Of course I am only kidding! It was a rude awakening after all the nice weather we have been having. I hope you are all enjoying these blissful 50 degree days of weather we are having.

#### **RECAP OF OCTOBER ACTIVITIES**

THE OCTOBER POT LUCK WAS A HUGE SUCCESS AS ALWAYS. MEMBERS GATHERED TO CREATE SMALL DECORATIONS IN PREPARATION OF THE CHRISTMAS MARKET TO BE HELD FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023 AT THE FORMER YOUNGS GAS AND APPLIANCE STORE IN THE PLAZA. THIS FOLLOWED BY A LOVELY POT LUCK LUNCH AND DISCUSSION ON THE EVENTS TO TAKE PLACE IN DECEMBER TO OPEN A CHRISTMAS MARKET TO SELL OUR WREATHS AND CREATIVE CENTERPIECES AND OTHER LOVELY HOLIDAY.

Pictures below taken by Karen our wonderful photographer!





On Tuesday October 3, 9 members of the Springfield Garden Club attended the 2023 FGCV Fall Conference. 70 members representing 15 of our State Clubs were present.

### Photos taken by Karen Vatne



The Springfield Garden Club was responsible for the centerpieces for the dinner tables. This is what we created at the home of Barb Lacey the day before. A big thank you to Barb, Debbie Smith, Rosann Sexton, Lynn Likus for pitching in. The arrangements were made with fresh pumpkins and flowers from member's gardens.



**Barb Riotte and Barb Lacey** 



Our three SGC members who are on the FGCV Board of Directors



Karen Vatne – It's a winner! – From the Raffle



Checking raffle tickets to see if anyone wins!



Another winner! This was the SGC donated raffle item. Lucky me!!



Therese giving a report on the SGC actives and successes

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

As announced in the October Newsletter, we have decided not to have the Festival of Trees party at the Great Hall this year. The lack of sufficient

help and other circumstances have led us to decide to do another pop up store as we did in 2021. Below is the schedule for happenings in November to follow through on our decision. Firstly, the store will be in the Young's Plaza at the former Young's Propane store. The CHRISTMAS MARKET WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 27 – WREATH WORKING WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29 – CREATIVE WORKWHOP #1

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30 - CREATIVE WORKSHOP #2

THESE WORKSHOPS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ON MAIN STREET SPRINGFIELD.

Lynn has requested a reminder to anyone going for walks to look out for interesting pieces of old trees they might like to incorporate in an arrangement. Natural items are always popular

Arborvitae (7" lengths) will be needed for wreath making. Let Barb Riotte know if you have some you can cut and donate on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Don't forget to bring your small cardboard boxes to the Christmas Pop Up. Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> would be the best as that's where they're needed on Friday and Saturday. See Deanna if that's not possible.

FOR ALL SGC WORKSHOPS: Make sure all your tools and tarps have your name on them

We might need a few more tarps to cover the church floor to protect the carpet.

NOTICE: Sadly we received word that two of our long time dedicated and active garden members have passed. They are Ruth Kolchalka and Adelaide Johnson. Barb Lacey has sent the family a card with our deepest regards and sympathy.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023 CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

WHERE: THE FULLERTON INN
CHESTER VERMONT

TIME: 11:00 AM- Brief report on the

**Christmas Market Event** 

11:30AM - Social Time

**LUNCH - 12 NOON** 

**COST - \$35.00** 

# (Attached is the luncheon menu. Please check your food choice.)

RSVP to Therese Burton @ <a href="mailto:tagbmagic@yahoo.com">tagbmagic@yahoo.com</a> - 802-591-7503 by DECEMBER 5, 2023

We currently have 279 likes and <u>310followers!</u> KAREN



\*\*A reminder from Barb Lacey: please let her know if you know of anyone in the Garden Club that could use a little bit of sunshine.

Our Ann Herrick has just recently undergone major surgery. She is doing well. Please consider sending her a get well card. I am sure she will appreciate any healing words we have for her. Thanks. Therese

### Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Day! Therese

