

# Douglaston Garden Club, Inc.

## NEWSLETTER



### November 2017



Over the river and through the woods  
Trot fast my dapple gray.  
Spring over the ground  
Like a hunting hound  
On this Thanksgiving Day, hey!  
Over the river and through the woods  
Now Grandmother's face I spy.  
Hurrah for the fun,  
Is the pudding done?  
Hurrah for the pumpkin pie."

**English folksong, *It's Raining, It's Pouring***

**OUR NEXT MEETING** is Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 1:00 PM at the Community Church of Douglaston, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Parlor. So, come, sit back and relax!

**A NEW WORKSHOP** will be held on November 21 at 9:30 am sharp in the Fellowship Hall @ CCD. All materials are supplied **but please bring a clipper**. The Workshop will be given by Regina Minerva of the Queens Botanical Gardens. We will be making a fall table centerpiece. We take no further reservations but If you have to cancel, please notify Rosemarie as we have a waiting list.

**PROGRAM:** The November program will be given by Carolyn Brink who will create several holiday designs. Her flower arrangements are sure to be winners. Raffle tickets will be sold as her wonderful arrangements will be raffled.

**HORTICULTURAL INFO:** Carolyn Brink has ordered HORTULANA Reference Guide. A few copies will be available at the November meeting for \$10.25 per book. A sign-up sheet will be passed out to order more.

#### HORTICULTURE NEWS!

This year Carolyn Brink will introduce a new program to get us familiar with different forms of horticulture and entice more participation in the Flower Show. Each month a small group of members will be asked to bring horticulture samples with their entries cards filled out so that they can be discussed at each meeting. *The November volunteers are Johanna, Maura, Pat Yoon, Marilyn Stone, Arleen McGillick.*

#### AWARD NEWS:



On October 16, the Prestigious Second District Federated Garden of NY **Award of Honor** was presented to Carolyn Brink in recognition for outstanding contributions to our Club and to the Community. Hip hip hip, Hurrah for Carolyn. No one deserves most this prestigious award!

And—The Second District Federated Garden Clubs of NY State, Inc. has presented the Douglaston Garden Club with a Club Recognition Award. It was received by our deserving previous President, Pamela Timoyanis on October 16 at the 2<sup>nd</sup> District meeting. A big thank you to Pamela for leading our Club towards this award!



## TAG SALE & BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER:



I am happy to report that our October 21, 2017 Tag & Bake Sale was a complete success! And as the pictures demonstrate A LOT OF FUN!

Everyone already knows of the countless hours spent sorting an avalanche of donations, pricing, boxing and bagging all under the watchful eye of Jane Stewart who put up with the invasion of her house for weeks!

Then came the hard and sometimes strenuous work of lifting boxes, dragging tables, setting up inside and outside with the pressure to have everything ready by 10:00 am! All day long, our very talented members sold merchandise, sometimes courageously arguing on prices with demanding customers!

I am particularly proud of all the Garden Club volunteers who responded to my call and very grateful to the Community Church volunteers who came simply because they saw help was needed.

All this amazing work produced gross earnings of \$2,561 for the Tag Sale, after expenses net earnings of \$1,927.23. The Bake Sale cleared up \$500 and sold out!

As President of the Douglaston Garden Club, I will make it my mission to ensure that these earnings are allocated to our community good work and to the educational work procured by our Club.

## IT'S MY PARK DAYS – HELP BEAUTIFY OUR NEIGHBORHOOD - OCTOBER 28 FALL EVENTS:

@ Glenwood Landing Park in Little Neck, the charming little triangular park at the intersection of Glenwood Street and 39th Avenue.



On Saturday, October 28, Patricia Yoon of the Douglaston Garden Club partnering with the NYC Parks Department & Partnership for Parks and with the support of Walter Mugdan, President of the Westmorland Association, supervised the clean-up and beautification of the Little Neck Glenwood Landing Park. Laura Toscano, a high school senior at St Mary's in Manhasset who lives in the Westmoreland community volunteered in the context of RYLA an organization that focuses on leadership development of youth living on Long Island. She came with her family and friends and

now, the Glenwood Landing Park Everyone involved is now looking with the Douglaston Garden Club.



looks like a manicured garden! forward to a continued partnership

@ The Catharine Richardson-Turner Park, simultaneously on Saturday, October 28 **the Douglaston Garden Club**, partnering with the NYC Parks Department & Partnership for Park, Boy Scout Troop # 153 of St Anastasia, led by Scout Leader, Nam Yoon undertook another It's My Park Day clean traditionally sponsored by the Douglaston Garden Club. Over 30 Boy Scouts of all ages showed up with their parents from 9 to 5! They tackled down the enormous task of picking up twigs, raking and bagging more than 80 Bags of leaves, spreading freshly delivered compost, trimmed overgrown bushes and finally planted over 200 Daffodils! At midday, volunteers at both locations munched on 10 delicious pizza pies, meatball dishes graciously donated by Jeff Deva, the owner of TOSKANA Pizzeria.



Making it all for a hugely successful Community Event!



**MEMBERSHIP.** We are happy to announce that 2 new members were voted in at our last October meeting: Robert Perretti of Little Neck and Ann Baran of Beechurst. Please continue to reach out for new members and forward their request to Maura Wrynn, our Membership Chair person

**OUTREACH.** Please continue to bring new small toiletries to Gloria Brehl for the Madonna Heights women's shelter.

**NOVEMBER HOSPITALITY.** Please deliver hospitality offerings by 12:30-12:45 pm as hospitality time begins promptly at 1:00pm. Let's give our hospitality committee a little less kitchen work: DISPOSABLE PLATES ARE A MUST!!!

<b>Centerpiece</b>	Martha Gotz			
<b>Cookies</b> <i>At least 3 dozen</i>	Theresia Fisher	Josephine Cespon	Betty Gallo	Lori Hinchey
<b>Sandwiches</b> <i>2 loaves of bread Any filling Cut in fours Crust remove</i>	Mary Garde	Claire Goldstein	Jo Hellmann	Brenda Lamb

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Attachments: *November, 2017 - Horticulture Tidbits by Mary Tobacco*

**AROUND TOWN:**

**Honey Bee: Don't forget to Visit Ruth Harrigan Honey Booth at Urban Space:** <http://urbanspacenyc.com/urban-space-garment-district/>

Urbanspace Garment District Holiday Market showcases a diverse mix of original concepts from experienced chefs and retailers. Featuring exciting new booths from talented up-and-coming entrepreneurs along one of New York City's most lively thoroughfares. **November 20th to December 24th, 2017 -- 11:00AM to 8:00PM-** Seven days a week (Closed Thanksgiving Day)

Broadway, from 40th & 41st Street

**St Anastasia Christmas Fair:** will take place December 2<sup>nd</sup> @ Father Smith Hall from 9 am to 6pm.

For more information, please call 718 631 4454.

**The Douglaston Village Winter Festival will take place on December 9<sup>th</sup>** from 2-6pm at the Douglaston Station Plaza. Together the Douglaston Local Development Corporation and PS 98 Fifth Grade present a day of holiday fun for the entire community to enjoy. For more information, please visit <https://www.dougldc.org>

**The Community Church of Douglaston** is having **their 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Christmas Candlelight Vespers on Sunday Dec 10 at 4 pm.** It tells the Christmas story through Christmas hymns/songs and scripture readings. The sanctuary will be decorated with greenery, poinsettia and 100 candles. All are welcome.

**The Queens County Farm: is sponsoring Project Leaf Drop, a public program:**

"Fall leaves are a natural resource that can be composted. The Department of Sanitation has leaf collection days scheduled throughout NYC to keep leaves out of landfills. They are also accepting residential leaf donations at Queens Farm **daily from 10 am-4 pm thru December 11th!**

Please use brown paper leaf bags (available for **free** in our Gift Shop) or clear plastic bags. Please do not include branches, twigs, or trash. Just stop by our Welcome Center and we'll show you where to drop off" For more information, click on <http://www.queensfarm.org/events.html> or call 718 346 3276

