

# Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne



*“Learning, Growing and Sharing Together.”*

*December 2017*



## **Holiday Potluck Luncheon, Holiday Memories and Ornament Swap**

All members are invited to our “Annual Holiday Potluck Luncheon” being held on December 11th at 12:00 Noon at the Bourne United Methodist Church. There will be an optional ornament swap with a special reading of “The Night Before Christmas.”

If you are planning to attend the luncheon, please call Isabel Melo (857-205-2375) and let her know what you would like to bring. All contributions are welcome!! For those wishing to participate in the ornament swap, please bring an unwrapped ornament (\$5 and under) that you have bought or made.

Come join together with our members and celebrate this beautiful season and our club’s many contributions to Bourne’s 2017 Holiday Spirit!

## **Upcoming Events and Workshops (Check Your Yearbook for more details)**



- Dec 11 **Board Meeting** 10:45 am  
Bourne United Methodist Church  
**Luncheon** 12:00 Noon  
Program: “Pot Luck Luncheon and Holiday Memories” We will have our traditional ornament swap along with a “special” reading of “The Night Before Christmas.”
- Dec 12 **Garden Therapy** 3:00 pm Cape Cod Senior Residences
- Dec 20 **Garden Therapy** 10:00 am Bourne Manor
- Dec 25 **Christmas Day**
- Jan 1 **New Year’s Day**  
“Happy New Year!”
- Jan 8 **No Board Meeting**  
**Joint Day Meeting** Tea 12:00 pm  
Meeting: 12:30 pm  
Bourne United Methodist Church  
Program: “Pruning Ornamentals, Shrubs and Trees.” Will Clark, of Cape Cod Master Gardeners, will discuss pruning techniques, timing and will demonstrate how and when to use many recommended pruning tools.  
**Artistic Design:** by Jane Dalton  
**Horticulture:** Karen Cronburg will talk about indoor flowering plants with special focus on camellias.

## **Boxwood Tree Workshop At Alda Barron’s House**

Members preparing for the Greens Sale



Joan O’Brien, Paula O’Neil and Judy Loomis and daughter Gretchen



Lee Drugan and Laura Bergeron

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### **November Presidents Day Luncheon and Meeting Highlights**



“MFA Art in Bloom Roadshow.”

Aptucxet Garden Club past presidents and Presidents of other SE District garden clubs were invited to a delightful luncheon and program

The hospitality committee outdid themselves with a beautiful display of many delicious finger foods and desserts. The tables were all adorned with



centerpieces of roses set on a hypertufa leaf made by club members earlier this year. Each guest was given a gift of paperwhite narcissus in a bowl ready to be forced for the holidays.

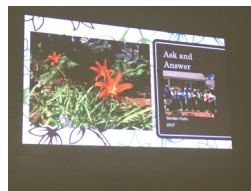


The luncheon was followed by the “MFA Art in Bloom Roadshow” and a floral demonstration interpreting a reproduction of a painting which is among the collection at the MFA. Everybody in the garden club who worked on this event should be congratulated for doing our club proud for a job well done.



*Our President’s 2016-2017 Club Theme  
“Learning, Growing and Sharing Together”*

### **Evening Meeting in November**



Our very own Cheryl Keown gave a fun recap of her “Summer of Garden Visits Ask and Answer Program.” This program, she initiated, was very well

received by the many members who participated. I believe this program will be repeated in the future.

This was followed by another fun speaker, goatherder Meghan Hanawalt, owner of Get My Goats. Her goats eat invasive plants and can clean out a large area of bull briar, poison ivy and several other invasive vines.



### **Horticulture Demonstrations**



Both meetings had members of the horticulture committee give instructions on how to force bulbs into bloom for the Holidays.

At the day meeting, Karen Cronburg showed us many ways we could force paperwhites and amaryllis

and hyacinth bulbs into bloom.

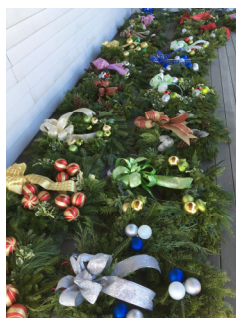
At the evening meeting Denise Long explained different ways to plant amaryllis and paperwhites to force them into bloom.





**Green Sale Alert  
Please Spread  
The Word!**

Garden club Green and Bake Sale at the Briggs McDermott House Friday, December 1, from 4:00 pm to closing and Saturday, December 2, from 9:00 to noon. Come find great selections and great prices.



**Bourne Recycles!!!**  
Plastic Bag Ban Starts January 1, 2018. The Club purchased 200 of these Insulated Zippered Bags with the printing on the front "Bourne Recycles"

Sponsored by the Aptucxet Garden Club of Bourne." You can purchase these bags for \$7.00 each or two for \$12.00. They are great for Christmas gifts, no need for messy wrapping. If you purchase them during the Green Sale, you will get a ribbon as an extra bonus!  
Happy Recycling!

Ways & Means Co-chairs,  
Alda Barron and Laura Bergeron

**Conservation Chair, Meredith Chase, also wants to remind us to recycle!**

Remember January 1, 2018, no more plastic bags at the grocery stores. Please use cloth bags and our Zippered Insulated Bags and keep them in your car.

Paper bags will be available instead of the plastic ones.

**Having fun at our Workshops!**

