

Grapevine

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Sudbury Garden Club

Flowers, Food, Friends, and Fun

*"November comes
And November goes,
With the last red berries
And the first white snows.*

*With night coming early,
And dawn coming late,
And ice in the bucket
And frost by the gate.*

*The fires burn
And the kettles sing,
And earth sinks to rest
Until next spring."
- Elizabeth Coatsworth*

GENERAL MEETING

**Wednesday, the 9th, 9:30 – 11:30 am
Memorial Congregational Church**

**The Cut Flower's Journey from Ground to Vase
Presented by Michele Schuckel**

Where have your flowers been before you bought them at the store? Learn how and where they are grown, treated, and shipped and about the people who do the work to drive this 8-billion-dollar industry. Michele will dip into sustainability and how your choices as a consumer can shape planet-friendly options in the future. She will demonstrate some simple centerpieces and other ways to brighten your daily routine or your next gathering with friends and family with locally or sustainably sourced materials; it is harder than you might think! A Certified Master Gardener, Michele Schuckel is passionate about the art and science of horticulture and leading a balanced and healthy life both in and out of the garden. She utilizes organic practices and weaves native plants into cut flower

arrangements and creative tablescapes. She has designed for Art in Bloom at the MFA and created cut-flower arrangements for numerous residential and commercial events. Michele is a practicing nurse, currently in public health, and is a mindfulness-based health and wellness coach.

Hospitality Committee: **Leslie Lowe, Coordinator.**

Diana Cebra, Judy Newell, Betsy Ressler, Sara Salomon, and Susan Vingiano.

BOARD MEETING

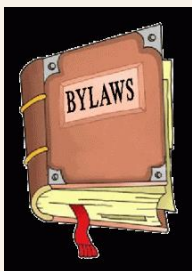
- Date: **Wednesday, November 30, 9:00 am**
- Location: **Pat Drobinski's home, 94 Woodside Road, Sudbury**



CLUB NEWS AND UPDATES

Nominating Committee

According to our bylaws



“(The) Officers (presidents, vice presidents, treasurer and secretary) shall be nominated by a committee of a minimum of three established as follows: the chairperson shall be appointed by the Board and the other members shall be elected from nominations by the Club at the Annual Meeting”

We need a chairperson for this Nominating Committee. Please email sgc.president76@gmail.com with interest.

Library Flowers

- Monday 11/7 Barbara Fay
- Tuesday 11/14 Diane Kaplan
- Monday 11/21 Patty McCann
- Monday 11/28 Christine Angoff

Please remember to pick up your container when your week is up. Thank you! If you need to reschedule your date for providing flowers please find someone to trade with you and let **Bonnie Parri**, the Library Chair know.



Please also send a picture of your display to Heather Halsey at halseyh@mac.com. The pictures will be added to our website! However and wherever you want to take the picture is fine, either at home, or at the library.

Civic Beautification - Fall Clean-up



The next workday at Heritage Park is:
Wednesday, November 2nd, 9:30-11:30

Please bring shovels, trowels, rakes and of course your gloves!

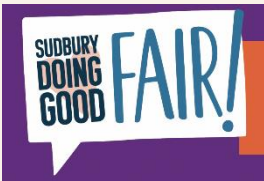
PLEASE COME – PATTI HATES TO WORK ALONE!

Gathering of the Green Thumbs - Lunch Date

- **Date:** Friday, November 4 at noon
- **Location:** Chill, 416 Boston Post Road, Marlborough
- **Please RSVP** to Marilyn Hodges, 617-548-7080



Sudbury Doing Good Fair



Goodnow Library, Saturday November 5, 11am-2pm

Come visit our table and the many other tables of Sudbury non-profits and community organizations at this fun event. We will be giving away a crocus bulb to those who stop by.

If you would like to represent our club at the table for a 2 hour slot, please sign up [here](#)

Potting Party - Wednesday, November 9th at Patti's - 2-4 pm

Bring your dug-up plants and Patti will have pots, soil, and lemonade!!

Any questions, email Patti at sgc.plantsale76@gmail.com



Color Me Floral Workshop



- **Date:** Thursday, November 10, 2022
- **Place:** Memorial Congregation Church (MCC)
- **Time:** 10 am -12 pm
- **Fee:** \$35.00 by check, \$37 by PayPal

Only 2 spots left! Deadline for signup is **Monday, October 31st.**

If you signed up, thank you for your support! Please remember to bring wired ribbon if you desire a bow and your cutting tools.

Looking forward to seeing all of you!

Co-Chairs, Color Me Floral Workshops
Juju Lem-Pang and Carol Shapanka

Bow Making for Kissing Balls and Wayside Inn Lobby Tree Workshop



Wednesday, November 16, 4-5pm
Jo Ann's house, 19 Hop Brook Lane

An optional but fun little workshop. We will be pre-making bows for the Kissing Balls and creating a music themed ornament for the Wayside Inn lobby Christmas tree.

All are welcome, please email [**joann.forester@gmail.com**](mailto:joann.forester@gmail.com) if you can attend.

Plant Sale

The Plant Sale Committee's plans are cooking along for next year's Sale. We are enjoying working as a team and invite **ALL** to participate and share ideas as we continue planning this fun event.



Please join us!!!

The next meeting for the plant sale is:

Friday, November 18th, 1:00pm

Frances Gillespie's Home, 90 Indian Ridge Road, Sudbury

Community Outreach - Thanksgiving Bouquets - Date Change



Please note that the workshop to make the Bouquets for Sudbury Meals on Wheels is:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Senior Center, 9am – 10am

All supplies will be provided. Please just bring your clippers.

SGC Super Elves Decorate Wayside Inn

Tuesday November 29, 8am-1:00pm

SGC oversees the decorating of the entire Wayside Inn for the Christmas season! Ten area garden clubs come together on one magical day to decorate over 16 rooms/areas at the Inn. The SGC Super Elves decorate **many** rooms and areas. If your name is listed under Community Activities, Wayside Inn in the yearbook or you are now interested in helping out, please click on the link below to choose an area or room. Watch for an email from Jo Ann in the next weeks to give you all the details! Send joann.forester@gmail.com any questions you have about this cheerful community activity.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044BADA E2AA75-sgcsuper2>

Are you on the Nice List?



Sudbury Garden Club Online Gear Shoppe will be open again just in time for the holidays! Jackets, hats, vests, bags...many great items for you to buy for yourself for a holiday gift. Watch for a separate email with the link to the online store through locally owned and operated Graphic Connections.

DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

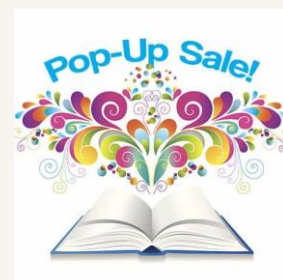
Pop-up Garden/Flower Book Sale to benefit Sudbury Garden Club

Sunday, December 4, 9-12 at the Wayside Inn Tavern

We will be selling used books including garden design, flower arranging, vegetable growing and more! A “green” way to give gifts this holiday season and support our club.

Books will cost \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Come on by!



Community Outreach/Kissing Ball Workshop



We are pleased to announce a new event, along with a traditional one, at the Senior Center on Wednesday, December 7th from 9:30-11:30.

Our traditional event is:

We want to make 50 Small Boxwood Trees for the residents of Orchard Hills. Please sign-up on **Sign-Up Genius** to help make them.

Our NEW event is:

Rather than Members purchasing the supplies and making Large Boxwood Trees again this year, Heather & Patti will provide the supplies and guidance on how to make a kissing ball. The cost is **\$25** per ball.

The Senior Center is offering these events to the public so space may be limited for our Membership as the Center has a maximum number of 30 persons allowed in the space so - please sign-up as soon as possible.

If you would like to make a kissing ball here's how to pay by December 1st:
Go to the website **<https://www.sudburygardenclub.org/events-2>** (opens November 1st) or send Patti a check (or give cash) at 59 Hopestill Brown Road.

BIRDIE BITS

Yay! Juncos Are Returning To Our Yards and Feeders!



I thought this was a great article from Wild Birds Unlimited of Sudbury and right on target for the fall.

Karen
Hello Bird Lover!

What a lovely time of year it is! Leaves are turning the brightest reds, yellows and oranges; farm stands are selling delicious apple cider donuts; and one of our absolute favorite sparrows, Dark-eyed Juncos, are returning to our yards and feeders!

That's right – Juncos are small birds in the sparrow family. They leave us in springtime to nest in coniferous and deciduous forests throughout much of Canada and Alaska, and at higher elevations in the continental United States. They return to much of the continental United States every autumn where they can be found in fields, parks and our backyards in search of seeds!

There are six species of Dark-eyed Juncos in North America, but the one we see most commonly here in New England is the Slate-colored Junco. They are dark gray birds (males slightly darker than females) that look like they've been dipped in white paint!

We all like to think that the birds we see each year are the same that we saw the previous year and in the case of Dark-eyed Juncos they probably are! According to a study by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Project Feeder Watch, juncos not only return to winter in the same several-acre area, but to a favorite yard and feeder!

If you are not seeing juncos, but would like to attract them to your yard, try feeding them white millet in a tray feeder or toss it directly on the ground – juncos are ground feeding birds like Northern Cardinals and Mourning Doves. They will also eat sunflower chips and nyjer/thistle that has fallen to the ground and Bark Butter® Bits from a tray feeder.

Enjoy the Birds!

Your Friends at Wild Birds Unlimited, Sudbury

PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR!

**DECEMBER 2022 GRAPEVINE
DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES
MONDAY NOVEMBER 28**



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