

Garden Club

By Clare Winslow

During the month of December Garden Club members were as busy as elves getting ready for the Christmas holidays. In late November, they picked up and delivered 200 Fraser fir evergreen wreaths that member Martha Edwards and her husband, Clark, had just driven back from Mistletoe Meadows in western North Carolina. On December 4, 16 members and one guest gathered at our fire station and fashioned over 100 evergreen wreaths and swags to which they attached colorful bows created by Donna Belanger. Then they hung them on street signs along Salter Path Road and the intersecting roads and at town hall. These decorations throughout the town made Pine Knoll Shores appear like Christmasland. The club adopted a family from the Kayak for the Warriors Angel Tree at town hall to provide a happier holiday for one military family.

Our Garden Club was contacted by Ruth Garner of the Garden Club of North Carolina for assistance in decorating the exterior of the old post office in Beaufort for their upcoming holiday events, including the candlelight tour. Kathy O'Grady from the National Historical Society oversaw the project, and called us her "Garden Angels" after hearing that we were happy to help. On December 6, several of our members took swags and bows over to Beaufort to decorate the building.

On December 13 members all attended our annual Christmas luncheon at The Country Club of the Crystal Coast. They brought food items for Martha's Mission and contributed to a Christmas fund for our local domestic violence program in Morehead City.

On January 10 a speaker from Pullman's Landscape Associates will address the club on landscape lighting, and also during the meeting Donna Belanger will present a program on recycling Christmas cards.

Visitors and guests are always welcome to attend Garden Club meetings, which are held at town hall every second Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. for refreshments, followed by the program at 10 o'clock. For more information, please email pksgardenclub@gmail.com.



The Pine Knoll Shores Garden Club decorated the old Post Office building in Beaufort for the holidays.

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