

By Jean McDanal

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Christmas wreath from the Pine Knoll Shores Garden Club. As this is our only fundraiser for the year, we are happy to report that we sold all the wreaths.

The Christmas swag workshop was held on December 7 at the Pine Knoll Shores fire station, with members making over 110 swags. Wreaths had been made the previous weekend as well. Both the wreaths and the swags were hung on our street signs around town to add a bit of Christmas cheer.

Our Christmas luncheon was held at the Crystal Coast Country Club on Wednesday, December 9. The members who attended participated in several games, donated to Martha's Mission food pantry and Caroline's House (which is operated by the county Domestic Violence Program) and enjoyed sharing the season with our friends. We stayed socially distanced and masked.

Several members headed over to Beaufort in the afternoon to decorate the Cape Lookout National Seashore's Beaufort Visitor Information Center. We have done this the past four years.



Garden Club swag workshop. From left, first row: Lisa Park, Linda Pearson, Kim Elliott; second row: Kathy Blowers, Sheryl Woodbury, Susan King, Jean McDanal, Gina Harris; and third row: Raine Williford, Martha Edwards—*Photo by Clark Edwards*

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 13 with birding expert John Fussell, who will discuss our maritime forests. The meeting place is yet to be determined.

Please see us on Facebook at Pine Knoll Shores Garden Club for meeting details and other information. If you have questions or need information, please email PKSGardenClub@gmail.com. We welcome guests to our meetings, so come grow with us.



Garden Club Christmas luncheon. Front row, from left: Martha Edwards, Lisa Park, Mary Hudak and Jean McDanal; back row, from left: Sheryl Woodbury, Linda Langheld, Kim Elliott, Lois Jean O'Keefe, Barb Yankauskas, Kathy Blowers, Raine Williford, Mary Heim, Deb Frisby, Sue King and Michelle Powers



Cape Lookout Beaufort Visitor's Center. From front: Kim Elliott, Susan King, Deb Frisby, Kathy Blowers, Lisa Park and Jean McDanal