



# GROWING TOGETHER

Plantation Lakes Garden Club, P.O. Box 904, Millsboro, Delaware 19966

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## THANK YOU

Christmas angels **Sylvia Heidbreder** and **Betty Baeschlin** made house calls on December 3 to deliver holiday goodies to members' homes. Thank you, ladies! We enjoyed your visit. Have a Merry Christmas!

**Brenda Joyce** and **Gale Harley** made two large patriotic floral arrangements to celebrate Veterans Day. The arrangements were delivered to Atlantic Shores Rehab & Health Center for their reception area and The Landing Bar and Grill in Plantation Lakes to thank community veterans and service members. Thank you, Ladies!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Gale Harley**, December 6

## MEMBER SURVEY

The deadline for returning your survey to **Debbie Darr** is December 14. Please complete it and drop it off at her house, or respond online to her email.

## DECEMBER MEETING

Just before our scheduled holiday buffet and meeting, concerns arose around the advisability of getting together inside close quarters with COVID on everyone's minds. In the name of safety for us all, it was decided to cancel the meeting. 'Though disappointing, it seemed everyone was in agreement.

Since members had already paid for the meal, the membership was surveyed as to getting a refund or making a donation to a local food bank and everyone agreed a donation would be appropriate.



President **Debbie Darr** researched and learned that the Christian Storehouse in Millsboro has a food pantry serving local residents. In speaking with them, Debbie learned that qualified clients were provided groceries, including a bag of meat and two bags of staples. They were delighted with Debbie's call and sincerely appreciated a \$400 donation from members of Plantation Lakes Garden Club.

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When Debbie and Jan Pallas-Dudley delivered our donation, they had an opportunity to tour the facility and learn about their charitable activities. It's heartwarming that, even though we were disappointed that our get-together was cancelled, our donation went to a most worthy cause.

They also learned that the Christian Storehouse needs blankets and coats for the homeless, especially at this time of year. If anyone has such items please call Debbie or Jan, who can let you know how to go about making such donations.

The Storehouse also runs a thrift store that takes donations and, like many such organizations, is always looking for volunteers. Their number is 302-934-8151.

## BLUE STAR MEMORIAL

Check out the PLGC website to view the new page for providing information to our community about the Blue Star Memorial, including a big thank you to residents of Plantation Lakes and the surrounding area who have supported our fundraisers to make this possible.

There is a history of the Blue Star Banner and the Blue Star Memorial plus photos of our work in progress. Under the photos is a PayPal link for anyone who wants to donate to this project.

Many thanks to the Blue Star Memorial Committee and other club volunteers who worked so hard recently to amend the soil and prepare the bed for spring planting: Joan Conrad, Debbie Darr, Brenda Joyce, Pat Kircher, Peggy Kircher, Jonnie Mann, Jan Pallas-Dudley, Nancy Vollmer, Mary Williford, Committee Chair Margaret Woda and consultant Judy Pfister.

## DELAWARE FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup> the new DFGC Executive Officers will be President Barb DeRue (Milford Garden Club), 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Susan Newark (Milford Garden Club), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Janet Point (Sussex Gardeners), Recording Secretary Linda Peters (Milford Garden Club), Corresponding Secretary Maureen Eisenhart (Gardeners by the Sea), and Treasurer Joan Simon (club unknown). Congratulations to our new officers.

*Wishing you all a beautiful holiday season and  
a new year filled with happiness and good health.*