



# BLACKSTONE VALLEY GARDENERS

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## DECEMBER MEETING

Thursday December 8

*Congregational Church Hall*

*In back of the Uxbridge Common, Uxbridge*

7:30 PM

7:00 PM – Ann Hanscom will hold a short workshop

### Annual Greens workshop

A popular favorite.

An evening of friendship and seasonal decorations to brighten those short, dark, winter days sure to come before the New Year.

Don't forget to bring your greens.

## GREENS WORKSHOP

We are all set for our annual, highly anticipated, Greens Workshop next Thursday evening, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Congregational Church Hall behind the common in Uxbridge. The workshop will start at 7:30 p.m. but Ann Hanscom will be there at 7:00 p.m. to offer some help to those who would like some guidance or hints. We will have oasis and supplies available, including containers, but if you have a special container please bring it along. Please bring greens to share!

Members free: Guests \$5.00 each

REMEMBER TO BRING SCISSORS OR PRUNERS.



## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Minutes are posted on the website [www.bvgardeners.com](http://www.bvgardeners.com). Take a look.

## THANK YOU FOR NOVEMBER TREATS

Linda Brown, Patty Deveau, Barbara Griffiths & Faye Lavigne

## LOOKING FORWARD TO DECEMBER DELIGHTS, THANKS TO

Carol Bowen, Barbara Hall, Val Kara & Troy Smith



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joan Shanahan, PO Box 703, Upton MA 01568  
508-529-3164

Annie Smith, 549 East Hartford Ave, Uxbridge, Ma. 01569  
508-278-4154

## WINTER WEATHER CANCELLATIONS!

If we need to cancel our monthly meeting because of inclement weather this winter, we will post this cancellation on our website – [www.bvgardeners.com](http://www.bvgardeners.com) at 4:00 p.m. that afternoon. So please check this if you are in any doubt. If you don't have access to a computer, feel free to call Carolyn at 529-3340, or any other member of the Board listed in your directory.



## RUSTIC FURNITURE UPDATE

So far, only five people have signed up for the Frank Hamm workshop on May 13th, 2006. Indicate interest asap. If we have less than 20 participants, we will have to cancel.



## FLORA IN WINTER – FEBRUARY

Flora in Winter: We have been invited to interpret an 1802 Gilbert Stuart (unfinished) portrait of Sarah Wentworth Apthorp Morton, a woman of social prominence in the early days of this country; a Loyalist turned Patriot; a poet whose work championed the plight of the Native American, questioned slavery, and philosophized over issues of family commitment and betrayal, longevity and death (she outlived her husband and six children!). The painting is a very unusual composition for its day, and for Stuart. In connection with this adventure, and in lieu of treks for December and January, a small group of BVGers are planning a few workshops to learn about flower arranging techniques. There is a small fee to cover the cost of materials. Any additional members who are wishing to experiment please call or email Ann Hanscom.

508-278-3617 - A\_J\_Hanscom@msn.com



## STUFF TO DO IN DECEMBER

Not much! Save fallen pine boughs after a windstorm, to put over garden beds for a winter blanket; especially important if there's no snow. Open the new seed/plant catalogues and make a wish list for 2006!

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### EXECUTIVE BOARD VACANCY

We are sorry to accept the resignation of Diane Smoot, who served as Board member in charge of Civic Beautification. Diane has a job at Milford Hospital involving long 12 hours days and including Thursdays! We thank you Diane for three years of service on the Board and hope you will be able to find time to join us for meetings once in a while!

***Do we have a member who would like to fill this position?***

We have a great Board currently and if you would like to work with us, or would like more information on this position, please call Carolyn Voss or Ann Hanscom.

Carolyn 508-529-3340 – Ann 508-278-3617

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### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Wishing everyone a wonderful, warm, safe and happy holiday season.

**May you have the gladness of Christmas which is hope;  
The spirit of Christmas which is peace;  
The heart of Christmas which is love.**

- Ada V. Hendricks



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