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Holidays at the Maryland State House



Editor Liz Williams wishes to thank our garden club representatives for their enthusiastic contributions to this publication.

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Cover and State Circle wreath photos are courtesy Renee Little.

Photo of ornament courtesy Jenny Henry.

Photos not available for Harford County.



Mrs. Moore presented club members with this ornament as a token of appreciation.

Each year garden clubs are invited to decorate trees and wreaths for the Rotunda of the State House. Each display has a theme highlighting the county it represents. Inside you will find photos of the trees and wreaths decorated by member clubs of the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland and independent community clubs..

If you wish to visit the displays, the State House is open to the public every day from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., except Christmas and New Year's Day.

Parking is available at the Navy Marine Corp Stadium on Rowe Boulevard for a small fee. A shuttle will take visitors to the State House.

Menorah

In Observance of Hannukah



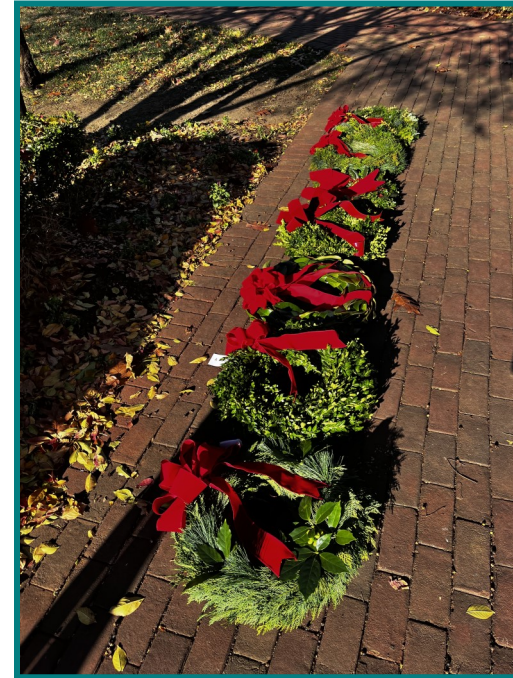
*Courtesy of
Leonard and Phyllis Attman*

Worcester County



Planting Peace Through Gardening

Worcester County Garden Club



Garden Clubs Create Wreaths for State Circle

Historic Annapolis dresses up for the holidays. Every lamp post, shop and restaurant is decorated with lighted garland and wreaths. The state building and grounds department requests donations of evergreen wreaths to decorate the lamps around State Circle. Reneé Little, Naval Academy Garden Club State Circle Chair, coordinates the efforts to have the local clubs provide these wreaths to beautify Annapolis for the holidays.

Usually about 34 wreaths are needed, but this year, with all of the construction, only 10 wreaths were needed. The following Anne Arundel County clubs donated wreaths this year: Annapolis Roads, Bayside Bloomers, Cape St. Clair, Chartwell, Crofton Village, Four Rivers, Garden Club Of Annapolis, Garden Club of Old Annapolis Towne, Moonflower, and Wardour.



Allegany County



The Great Allegany Passage
The Garden Club of Cumberland



Wicomico County



Operation We Care
Four Seasons Garden Club



Washington County



Maryland Symphony Orchestra

Town and Country Garden Club



Anne Arundel County



Anne Arundel County's Waterfront Jewels

Shipley's Choice Garden Club



Baltimore City



Celebrating 150 Years of the Preakness Stakes

Lake Hills Garden Club



Lake Hills Garden Club, representing District IV, chose a Preakness-themed tree for the State House not realizing that First Lady Moore is chairing the Preakness 150th anniversary committee.

Talbot County



Everything Oxford!

Oxford Garden Club and Talbot County Garden Club



Somerset County



Eastern Sho' Driftwood Christmas Tree
Somerset County Garden Club



Baltimore County



A County that has Something for Everyone

Glen Arm Garden Club



Calvert County



Living with the Chesapeake

The Chesapeake Garden Club of Calvert County

St. Mary's County



Celebrating the Simplicity and Abundance of our Natural Resources

St. Mary's County Garden Club



Queen Anne's County



A Waterman's Christmas Tree

Kent Island Garden Club and Queen Anne's County Garden Club



Caroline County



Caroline County 250th Anniversary

Caroline County Garden Club



Carroll County



*Rare, Threatened, or Endangered Species
of Carroll County 2024*

Mt. Airy, Carroll and Silver Fancy Garden Clubs



Prince George's County



Honoring the First Ladies of Maryland

Forest Garden Club



Montgomery County



Montgomery County Agricultural Reserve

District IV Clubs of the National Capital Area Garden Clubs, Inc.



Cecil County



Historic Landmarks of Cecil County

All Seasons Garden Club of Northeast



Charles County



100th Anniversary of the Charles County Fair

LaPlata Garden Club



Kent



Celebrating the 125th Anniversary of Fountain Park

Chestertown Garden Club



Howard



All Aboard! Ellicott's Mills

Cross Country, Dorsey Hall and Howard County Garden Clubs



Dorchester County



The Bounty of Dorchester County, Head of the Chesapeake

Dorchester Garden Club



Frederick County



Save the Bees

The Garden Club of Frederick, Green-walled and Tasker's Chance Garden Clubs

The holiday tree at the annual Maryland State House Display Exhibit in Annapolis is well-represented three Frederick County Garden Clubs. The holiday tree celebrates "Save the Bees" including native garden and plant pollinators with creative and hand-made ornaments made from charming, recycled materials. The trimmings feature various designs of colorful bumblebees and natural material hives; brightly and whimsical colored birds and decorative hand-painted bird houses; lady bugs and butterflies; various pictures of framed Maryland native pollinator flowers; and, much more beautifully displayed on the Frederick County holiday tree.

Garrett County



Celebrating 100 Years of Deep Creek Lake

Mountain Laurel Garden Club

