



# WINCHESTER HOME & GARDEN CLUB

## Meetings 2021

Please join us on Zoom!

**January 20** - Demetra Tseckares

**February 24** - Deborah Trickett

**March 17** - TBA

**April 28** - TBA

**May 19** - TBA

## Kayla Harrison's Christmas Carol

<https://youtu.be/awtRrsvYoKg>



## “Our Favorite Things” Member Slideshow

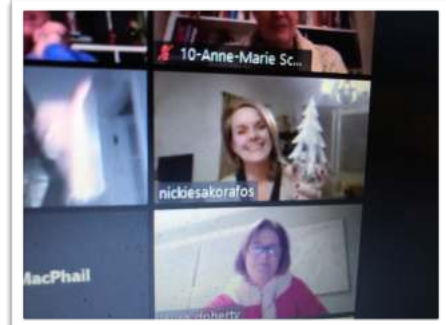
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## WHGC Zoom Holiday Party

A great virtual celebration brought many of us together on Wednesday night! Members dressed in Holiday Attire - some had sparkles, some lit up, some were “ugly” (as suggested) but all in all the night was very festive! As tradition has it, the Norma Zettler Award for Creativity was given to one of our members for her outstanding creative contributions. This year’s award went to Nickie Sakaforas. Nickie has been a very active member for 9 years taking on many board positions during this time. In addition, Nickie’s creative juices have been demonstrated in her participation as a designer in Winchester’s Art in Bloom, willingness to participate in the MFA’s Art in Bloom but most importantly in our own Festival of Wreaths. Nickie not only organizes the Festival of Wreaths but she contributes in design as well. We were able to



surprise Nickie with her gift as her daughter Oliva was in the wings and appeared with the gift just as her name was announced. Congratulations Nickie, you are very deserving of this award!

The evening was then turned over to Mai Harrison with her energetic, creative style bringing to members some fun events! Members participating in the Secret Santa gift giving were asked to open their presents at the same time. Lots of squeals and oohs



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and aahs were heard from many as they unwrapped their gifts and shared them on screen.

Secret Santa's were asked to post in the chat who gave to whom so the reveal let Members know who to thank. As tradition has it a raffle followed only this time no tickets were sold, just donations made. The winners of the raffle were: Deb Fichera (and her puppet friend) won a gift card and caramels to Studio on the Common, Carrie Fiore won a Winchester Tray, Janet Senna won a gift card to Mahoney's, Mary Grassi won a gift card to Recess and Sue Taylor won a gift card to Studio on the Common. Thank you to Liz Darby, Cathy Alexander, Rose Beecher and Mai Harrison for your donations. We have sent along the link to the lovely slide show Mai and her children put together highlighting our Members "Favorite Things about Christmas". Enjoy!

Congratulations to Kristen Ward for winning the Best Accessories, Jackie Burchard the Ugly Sweater and Laura Doherty Best PJ's. Contests always add to the fun. And the evening ended with one of Winchester High Schools finest Chamber Singers, Kayla Harrison, dressed in full costume of old – singing "Have Yourself a Very Merry Christmas" with a voice like an angel she filled our hearts with love and joy. Thank you Kayla for sharing your voice and love of performing with our Garden Club members.

*May all of you have a very Merry  
Christmas! Let's rock in the New Year!  
2021 we are ready for you!*

*Love, Cathy & Dot*

## UP AND COMING EVENTS

### Demetra Tseckares on January 20

Presentation on: **Gardens Got You Down?**

Is your front foundation overgrown and maybe boring? Is your fence line garden dull and predictable? What about the shade garden by the patio? She is here to help you revive and learn about exciting plants, attracting beautiful pollinators and birds to your space! Also offer design considerations that add dimension and scale to a garden.

### Deborah Trickett on February 24

Presentation on: **BEAUTY AND THE BEES** from the Captured Garden. When we design a garden, we want it to be beautiful—planting trees, shrubs and perennials together to create a pleasing space. But we have learned that gardening for our own pleasure can be dangerous. Colony Collapse Disorder and the plight of pollinators have made us aware that we do not garden alone. We need to design landscapes and gardens with a mindful eye to the environment around us. Garden designer and beekeeper Deborah Trickett, owner of The Captured Garden, will show us how, with a few tweaks, we can create spaces that are not only beautiful but beneficial to bees and other pollinators.





THANK YOU TO MAI  
AND ADRIENNE  
FOR PLANNING  
THE FUN EVENING!

We had 90 members who participated in  
the Secret Santa! Ho Ho Hope they had  
as much fun as we did!

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