



Happy Holidays!

FEDERATED FACTS

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023

“All the Flowers of Tomorrow are in the Seeds of Today”

Hello to All Gardeners:

This is the third year of adopting this motto for Rome Federated Garden Clubs. I just love it! It reminds me so much of all of you- all that you do today to make your home, your community, your organization, your church a much better place.

What we each do, especially noting Garden Clubs efforts, enriches us as individuals but has the wonderful effect of touching all that we come in contact with. Today we plant the seeds of caring, love, and protection and we see the flowers of happiness, joy, and confidence. In the season of thankfulness, for Thanksgiving and for Christmas, I share this quote from Douglas Pagels “**Never** forget what a treasure you are. That special person in the mirror may not always get to hear all the compliments you so sweetly deserve, but you are so worthy of such an abundance of friendship, joy, and love.”

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas!

*Anita Bridges*



Judy hard at work

Completed arrangements were presented to the Federation President, Anita Bridges, and a door prize to Mary Rolan





# BULBS

You may have questions about our bulb sale

- Where they shipped on schedule?
- Who sorted the bulbs?
- Did RFGC make any profit from the sale?
- Are any bulbs left?
- Is it too late to plant bulbs?

Attendees of the November 7 RFGC meeting could give you all the answers. Yes, is the answer. With many thanks to Caroline Alford and her team for receiving, sorting, and packaging. Yes, a profit was made and more could be made if members would step up for the remaining bulbs. The remaining bulbs are at the Garden Center and there is still time to plant. Caroline has made a beautiful poster showing the color of the bulbs.



BUSSEY'S cards are still available. \$45 for a year of very special bouquets. Jan Mendence is your contact person and you are able to get them from your garden club president.

Remember the Honey Baked Ham project. Caroline Alford has provided a direct link to the site to make it easy for your purchases.



Dates for your calendar



December 1	Most garden club awards are due
January 2	RFGC meeting, Garden Center Program: Empowering Elegance Cristin Warden, Restoration Rome
February 15	President's Report Due
February 16	Arbor Day in Rome
February 21	Capital Conservation Day
February 22	Laural Board Meeting, hosted by RFGC
February 29	Work Day at the Clock Tower Garden, 9:00 bring your gloves. clippers and any tools you might need
March 21	Community Education Workshop, Rome Civic Center

## Gardening Quotes by Authors and Poets

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.: Remember that children, marriages, and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get.

Alfred Austin: The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just the body, but the soul.

Quotes from Treehugger.com

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