



Garden Club of Inverness Board Members

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“MERRY MISCHIEF” FESTIVE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

EACH YEAR, IN DECEMBER, The Garden Club of Inverness members celebrate the holidays with a goal to raise money to support the Club’s mission of local community involvement. Efforts include the Village Gardens and Garden Therapy, and scholarships that are awarded to eligible area high school seniors and college students who major in horticulture or environmentally related studies. Since 2001, the Club has granted more than \$81,000 in scholarships. Last year the Club awarded five students with \$11,000 in scholarships. Led by Holiday Chair Janet Sweno of Inverness, the 2018 “Merry

Mischief” was a beautiful and successful event for the 150 members and guests who attended on December 6, 2018.

The festive and cheery day began midmorning at the Medinah Country Club with a Silent Auction, Ornament Sales, Diamond Bracelet Raffle, cocktails, and holiday music. Guests enjoyed a three-course luncheon and floral program complete with demonstrations. Colin Collette, of Surroundings by Colin on Grand Avenue and Mangel Florist and Gifts at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, presented the floral program and made the centerpieces for the luncheon tables. The



event concluded with holiday music performed by renowned Soprano Jacque Piccolino and Colin Collette including a Christmas carol sing-along.

Since 1941, The Garden Club of Inverness has been going strong and its members are always excited to welcome newcomers. To learn more, visit www.GardenClubofInverness.com. U



Fran Luby, Janet Sweno, and Margie Ban



The silent auction tables were fantastic!



Colin Collette



Musical program by Colin Collette and Jacque Piccolino



Helen Henderson and friend



Jane Opperman, Marilyn Bieniasz, Debbie Slattery, and Helen Meier



GCI President Linda Denison



The Merry Mischief Holiday Party Committee