



# December 2024

## **PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE:**

We had a fantastic Book-Fair in November. Bookshop West Portal presented a magnificent collection of books that are available this holiday season at their store in West Portal. It was a great opportunity to hear a brief book review of the books and get a sense of what might be a good read. Books were available to purchase at a discount, a great way to find gifts for the holidays. Our thanks to Bookshop West Portal, their presentations are informative and great fun. Thank you to **Teresa Callan** who arranged for the book show, worked on setting up books, and taking down the event.

Thank you to **Eva Monroe** and **Yen Bachmeier** for your fundraising efforts. San Francisco-Marin Food Bank donation drive was very successful this year. We raised \$2,035.00 in actual donations and with the match our donation total was \$4,070.00 this year!

Thank you also to **Mike Monroe**, and **Claudia Belshaw** for doing heavy lifting of chairs and tables. Thank you to **Eva Monroe**, **Nancy Hagosian**, and **Anna Bolechowski** for setting the tables with linens and nice arrangements. Thank you to our marvelous team of bakers: **Ingeborg McGlynn**, **Marcia Elias**, **Julia Stroud**, **Jane Gersick**, and **Ann Rieger Matthews**. Our meeting ended with a lovely afternoon tea! It was a superb way to spend an afternoon!

We have a busy December! We'll see you soon!

Thanks,  
Ann Rieger-Matthews & Claudia Belshaw

### **Meetings at the Clubhouse**

Saturday, December 7 – Wreath Making Day

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Come bring your own shears and gloves.  
Greeneries will be provided.  
Frames, decorative picks and bows will be for sale.  
Refreshments will be served.  
Chaired by **Erin Zerega**

Sunday, December 8 – Deck the Halls – Decorate for the party

10:00 am – 3:00 pm Presidents' Luncheon prepared by **Kathleen Fong**  
Hosted by **Ann Rieger-Matthews** and **Claudia Belshaw**

Monday, December 9 – General Meeting

6:00 – 9:00 pm **Holiday Dinner Party**  
Cocktail Reception  
Catered Sit-down Dinner with Live Music  
Co-Chairs: **Kathe Farrell** and **Joanne Murphy**

## **NOTES:**

### **Upcoming Events**

January 20<sup>th</sup> – Master Gardener Presentation 1:00-5:00 pm