

Osborne Homestead Museum

“Nature’s Friends”

November 30 — December 21, 2019
Thursday through Sunday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Twilight Tours
Fridays — December 6, 13, 20 – 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Originally built as a farm house in 1840, the Osborne Homestead is a two-story colonial revival house. Located in Derby, CT, it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and operates as a museum. It is historically significant for being the home of Frances Osborne Kellogg, a proponent for equal professional opportunities for women in Connecticut.

Every year in late November, the Osborne Homestead Museum is visually transformed into a holiday showcase. Talented and dedicated garden clubs beautifully decorate all the rooms in this historic home.

The Long Hill Garden Club is again participating in this annual event for the 6th year with a committee of volunteers chaired by Barbara Pezzullo. Clubs are randomly assigned individual rooms in the house that are decorated for the holiday according to a selected theme and in accordance with guidelines to preserve the museum, fine art and its furnishings. Our rooms this year are the front porch, the milk room and the office. Following this year’s theme, our rooms will honor the “lizard”. Come and see how we interpreted a holiday theme with this unlikely Christmas creature. Other animals represented in the other rooms throughout the house will be the butterfly, lemur, bee, ant, and various other pollinators.

Organizations participating this year include the Garden Club of Orange, Ye Olde Kellogg Garden Society, Derby Garden Society, Derby Neck Library and Hubbell Farm, Woodbridge Garden Club, Naugatuck Garden Club, Pomperaug Valley Garden Club, Olde Ripton Garden Club of Shelton, and Women Redefining Retirement.