

## SDGC 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Holiday Workshop

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The SDGC has an annual holiday project that is created with the 6th grade classes at Saugatuck Middle School. Each child makes 2 small centerpieces. After they are completed, they take one home for the holiday and the other one goes to our 2 local nursing facilities: Grace of Douglas on Wiley Road and Golden Orchards just outside of Fennville.

Materials used are red cups, pinecones, unbreakable ornaments, and ribbon. A wide variety of conifer branches are used, all collected and donated each year by Brendt Sheridan. All other materials used are donated by the Garden club members.

All member volunteers gather at the school by 7:45 am and get busy by trimming all the conifer branches. The SDGC volunteers help the children put the centerpieces together. A lot of fun and laughter takes place, especially trying to teach 12-year-old boys how to make a bow!