

THE GARDEN CLUB OF KENTUCKY, INC. 2021–2023 AWARDS AND RULES

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Recognition of your club's activities, projects, and other efforts creates pride and encourages members to further their hard work. What awards are appropriate for your Club? Choose from the many available awards listed below, read the instructions on how to apply, and submit your club's applications! All awards offered by The Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc. are listed here. If any changes are necessary, they will be posted on the GCKY website as well as in future issues of the Bulletin.

Award information will be made available at your fall district meeting. In addition, you can download the GCKY Award Form and information from our website at gardenclubky.org; the NGC Award Form and information may be downloaded from gardenclub.org/ngc-awards; SAR information is at southatlanticregiongardenclubs.org/awards-2/list-and-rules/

GENERAL RULES

- AWARD YEAR: November 16–November 15
**NGC has changed their Award Year to a Calendar year. If your club wants to apply for an NGC award that will be completed after November 15th, but by December 31st, please advise the State Awards Chairman that you will be applying for an NGC Award.*
- DEADLINE: November 15 (exception Scrapbooks or otherwise noted)
- SEND TO: GCKY Awards Chairman (except as noted)
- SCRAPBOOKS: Scrapbooks are to be taken to the District Meeting to be judged. Books must be picked up at the end of the meeting. **THEY WILL NOT BE RETURNED BY MAIL.**
- FLOWER SHOW AWARDS: Applications are sent to the Flower Show Awards Evaluation Chairman: Susan Leo, 601 North Gay Street, Unit F302; Auburn, Alabama 36850; Ph: (941)321-9230; Email: lundeenleo@yahoo.com
- ELIGIBILITY: The Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc. member clubs and councils.
- SUBMISSION: NGC has changed to all digital submissions, therefore GCKY will also be digital submissions.
- Note that Club Sizes per member have been adjusted per NGC.

AWARD APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

APPLICATION FORMS TO USE

FOR ALL AWARDS use the GCKY application form (available from www.gardenclubky.org or on the NGC website; except to apply for Flower Show Achievement Awards or the Award of Excellence.

- The number of the Award being applied for must be placed in the proper blank at the top of the application. (Sample award application at www.gardenclubky.org). Example: The club may apply for GCKY # and SAR # and NGC #, or only for GCKY or SAR or NGC (one application). If an item is being submitted for more than one GCKY award, each GCKY # **MUST** be submitted as a separate application.
- Information is to be submitted with a cover page (the application) + 3 pages.
- Type using “TIMES NEW ROMAN” font NO SMALLER than size “10.”
- All Awards must be submitted electronically, PDF preferred.
- The NGC website has an AWARDS HANDBOOK.

GCKY: Attach one copy of the GCKY application form. Send the Application to the State Awards Chairman (unless otherwise stated) by the deadline.

SAR and NGC: Attach one copy of the GCKY application form. The form will count as the cover page, and you are allowed three additional pages of information. Your application is simplified by writing in the SAR or NGC award number and name in the appropriate blank on the GCKY form. Do not mail directly to SAR or NGC; send the Application to the KY State Awards Chairman.

Suggestions for your Awards:

Add a caption to your photos, each page can have 6 photos.

Tell your story by words and pictures.

Check with your members if a photo release form is needed for children or adults. (form can be found on the NGC website under forms: *AMES_NGC_RELEASE_Form_with_logo__6__*)

Note that NGC has changed the size of the club members for submission.

BOOK OF EVIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

Book of Evidence documentation includes any or all of the following:

1. Publicity: Newspapers with banner and date; TV and radio letter or copy of a schedule; magazine with name and date; newsletters, etc. Photocopies are allowed and may be reduced in size.
2. Financial Statement: If applicable, income, donations (cash and in-kind) and expenses.
3. Letters of appreciation
4. Any other documentation
5. Landscape projects should include plans
6. Pictures: always include before, during, and after pictures (taken from the same location) with captions.

AWARDS and DONORS

- Donors of Monetary Awards: Clubs and individuals may sponsor awards. All sponsors will be listed on the GCKY Website following the annual State meeting, i.e., Award Number, Donor Name, and Recipient. Please print and complete the GCKY Award Sponsor Donation Form (see website) by October 30, make your check payable to The Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc., and mail to the GCKY State Treasurer- Jan Worth, 2305 Shannon Road, Paris KY 40361

- Awards: First-Place Winners will receive monetary awards. All winners will receive ribbons and certificates.
- New Awards: Prospective donors of new awards should make application to the Awards Chairman, who will submit the application to the Executive Committee for approval.
- Deletion of Awards: If no applications are received for an award, or an award is not presented in three years, that award will be automatically deleted from the awards list and the donor will be notified. Reinstatement of the award will follow the same procedure as that of a new award.

GENERAL SCALE OF POINTS: Total 100 Points

This Scale of Points is used for all awards (exceptions as noted).

- PRESENTATION (5 points) Neat, concise, all required information not to exceed three pages, or the Book of Evidence if required.
- ACHIEVEMENTS (65 points) Scope of project, need and fulfillment, benefit, accomplishment, comprehensiveness of work, activities to attain goals, evaluation of goals reached, educational, prior planning, very brief history if continuing project, financial report, other.
- PARTICIPATION (15 points) Size of club, involvement of members, community, government agencies, professionals, youth, residents in facilities, others. Not all of these have to be involved.
- RECORD OR DOCUMENTATION (15 points) Supporting data (as applicable); clear, well-labeled, and neatly attached before and after photographs if applicable; landscape plan (does not have to be professionally drawn); financial report; letters of appreciation; community awards; newspaper/magazine articles (if possible); radio or TV script (if possible); etc. Photocopies are permitted.

DESCRIPTION OF AWARDS – GCKY

#1 NANNINE C. WALLIS BIRD PROTECTION

\$20 and certificate –

May apply for SAR #2, NGC #EC-3

To the club conducting the most comprehensive and effective project for bird protection and welfare, i.e., sanctuaries, providing food, houses, and promoting law enforcement relative to bird welfare.

#2 BUTTERFLY

\$20 and certificate –

May apply for GCKY #11B, SAR #3, NGC #CE-6

To the club doing the most outstanding work in aiding and protecting butterflies. This includes gardens with special plants for butterflies, habitat protection, educational programs, identification exhibits, member participation, lists of butterflies identified, etc.

- i. Small Club: 1–20 members
- ii. Medium Club: 21–50 members
- iii. Large Club: 51+ members

#3 WILDFLOWER AWARD

\$20 and Certificate –

May apply for SAR #11, #14, NGC #CE-6

To a club, council, or group of clubs for promoting the use of wildflowers through educational programs, planting new or maintaining wildflower gardens or trails, or using wildflowers in parks, historic gardens, or other suitable locations.

#4 CHARLES LAW ARBORICULTURE AWARD

\$20 and Certificate -

May apply for SAR #1, SAR #8 NGC CE-2

To the club whose activities have educated members, youth, and the entire community of the value of trees, programs that emphasize their role in beautifying our world and our well-being.

#5 TREE PLANTING AWARD

\$20 and Certificate –

May apply for GCKY #4, SAR #1

To the club planting the most trees, 3 feet or more in height, in the current awards year. Trees must be planted by a club or club members with date, location, and species of trees planted.

#6 NATIVE PLANTS

\$20 and Certificate –

May apply for SAR #1, #11, #14, NGC #CE-6

To a club or group of clubs for promoting the use of native plants through educational programs, planting new or maintaining native plant gardens or trails, or using native plants in parks, historic gardens, or other suitable locations.

#7 GARDEN THERAPY

\$20 and Certificate per category - May apply for SAR #7, NGC #G-3

To the club sponsoring an outstanding program of Garden Therapy, whereby individuals will be able to live a more abundant life. Send plans, procedures, and achievement with application.

- i. Small Club: 20 members and under –
- ii. Medium Club: 21–50 members –
- iii. Large Club: 51 + members –

#8 CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT

\$20 and Certificate per category

May apply for SAR #4, #8, NGC #CE-8

To a club or council presenting evidence of outstanding permanent community project(s) for public benefit (landscaping public buildings, municipal gardens, sanctuaries, etc.). Landscape plan needed. No commercial project is eligible.

- A. One project:
 - i. Single member club –
 - ii. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.)
- B. More than one project:
 - i. Single member club –
 - ii. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.)

#9 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WITH YOUTH

\$25 and Certificate

May apply for SAR #Y1, SAR #Y2, NGC #YW-9

To a club that presents the most outstanding program or activity in the field of environmental education involving youth.

- i. Small club of 20 members and under – Donor:
- ii. Club with more than 21 members – Donor:

Book of evidence must include pictures and documentation of number of youth involved, list of native plants, and a copy of the program.

Scale of points: Presentation, Involvement of youth, Use of Native Plants and Environmental Education

#10 JO JEAN SCOTT DAFFODIL

\$20 and Certificate –

May apply for NGC #CE-1, CE-4, CE-5,

To the club with the most outstanding program that has encouraged the planting of daffodils to benefit those who have limited access to growing, such as those in assisted living, nursing home, or downsized living quarters. Potted daffodils are acceptable. The project may include, but should not be limited to, mass plantings in the above mentioned facilities, public buildings, Blue Star Memorial sites, etc. Applicants must submit a one-page summary with no more than three pictures of their project.

#11 SAVING THE MONARCHS

\$25 and certificate –

May apply for GCKY #2, SAR #3

Club with the greatest percentage of member certified Monarch Waystations. Certification of Waystations is accomplished through www.Monarchwatch.com. Individual member and/or club with most complete/effective certified community Monarch Waystation. Educational and youth programs are encouraged.

#14 MEMORIAL BLUE STAR MARKER LANDSCAPING

\$20 and certificate per category

May apply for SAR #14, NGC #CE-7

To the club, clubs or council for the most outstanding landscaping project. The project may be continuous, but major landscaping must be completed within two years. The project may be a replacement of a destroyed or long neglected landscape.

- A. One club –
- B. Two or more clubs, not a council –
- C. Council –

#15 PLANT IT PINK

\$25 and Certificate –

May apply for SAR #13, NGC #G-3

For the most outstanding and innovative NEW project by a club or council emphasizing the planting of PINK gardens using pink flowers and/or foliage to make the public aware of the fight against breast cancer.

#16 GARDEN TOUR AWARD

\$20 and Certificate per category

- A. To the club or council sponsoring a club member's or an individual's garden on tour. The application must evidence:
- Promotion of NGC objectives;
 - Tour assistance of a minimum of 5 percent of its members;
 - Include activities encouraging NGC membership, including a tour program of sites and a demonstration of horticulture plantings and/or an educational component.
- B. Tour of member and other gardens featuring youth member activities and involvement; must include active educational component involving children with garden club member or adult guest involvement (example: Fairy Gardens).

#17 WALLIS SCRAPBOOK

*Award will be given in each District: Audubon; Blue Grass; Dogwood; Limestone; Mt Laurel
\$20 and certificate to each district first-place winner*

To the club in each district submitting the best scrapbook. Scrapbooks are to be taken to the District meeting to be judged by the State Award Committee, then must be taken home. Awards will be presented at the annual meeting. Clubs may display Scrapbooks at the annual meeting and take home. The Award Year for Scrapbooks is October 1–September 30.

SCALE OF POINTS (100 total)

- 5 points: Title
- 4 points: Table of Contents
- 5 points: Yearbook – *should be easily removed for reviewing*
- 8 points: Yearbook Artistic Value:
 - 2 points: Neatness
 - 2 points: Beauty
 - 2 points: Durability
 - 2 points: Originality
- 5 points: Publicity
- 25 points: Balanced Programs: Actual programs presented in meetings; Birds, Civic Development, Conservation, Flower Shows, Design, Horticulture, Landscape Design, Legislation, Litter Control, Butterflies, Rain Gardens and Rain Barrels, etc.
- 48 points: Club Activities: Continuing or New projects/activities. Pictures have typed captions, neatly cut and attached, not crowded on page. Show attendance and participation at District and State Meetings.

#18 YEARBOOK

\$20 and certificate per category –

May apply for SAR #22 and NGC #MAE-4

To be presented for the best Yearbook in each category.

- i. Small Club: 20 members and under
- i. Medium Club: 21–50 members
- ii. Large Club: 51 + members

The Award Application must be filled in and attached to the Club Yearbook with a paper clip. Do not mail a 3-ring binder; instead, substitute a paper cover and so note. The application

requires the name of the club, number of members, district, award number, and name on the cover.

YEARBOOK Total Points 100

Pts	FORMAT (7 points)
2	Book Structure: Practical, convenient size, durable, neat and easy to read. Yearbooks may be stapled, spiral, or 3-ring binders. Material should be well placed with ample margins, and font size suitable for members to read.
2	Cover: Include name of club, town, state organization, year, and appealing design. If 3-ring binder cover is used, substitute with paper cover and include required information listed above, and so note.
2	Title Page: Include name of club, town, state organization, year, number of dues-paying members, and affiliated organizations (district, region, NGC, other)
1	Table of Contents: Number the yearbook pages and list topics on Contents Page.

Subsequent pages: In any order most useful to members and best fit for page placement. Information should be in logical order. National and State information does not have to be in front.

Pts	CONTACT INFORMATION (8 points)
2	Membership Roster with complete mailing addresses, telephone number(s), and email address (if applicable). Avoid crowding.
1	List of Club Officers and Committee Chairs
1	NGC Information: Name of NGC President with home and email address, theme and projects. List address and phone number of NGC Headquarters. List NGC website address.
1	Region Information: Name, address, phone number and email of Region Director. List themes for Regional Director. List website for region
1	State Information: Name, address, phone number and email of State President, State District Director, Council President (if any). List themes for State President, District, and Council. List website address for state and (if applicable) for district and council.
2	Calendar of Events: List dates and locations for district/state/region/national meetings and events

Programs: Topics should cover a variety of NGC goals and objectives such as Birds, Blue Star Memorials, Butterflies, Conservation, Environment, Floral Design, Horticulture, Therapy, Recycling, NGC and State President’s projects, etc. (Indicate if special interest club, e.g. Horticulture only, Design only, Faith-Based, etc.).

Pts	PROGRAM (50 points)
3	Meets minimum number of meetings required by state (KY requires 9)
3	List date and time of meetings, locations with address
4	List name of speaker/s, qualifications (brief), and program titles
14	Variety of program topics (theme not required)

12	Variety of styles of programs (lectures, slides, power point, tours, etc.)
14	Variety of speakers (specialists, members, panel, etc.)

Projects: Projects involve actual membership participation that benefit the community and further NGC goals and objectives. Some fundraisers (sale of bulbs, bedding plants, herbs, etc.) may help to beautify the community, as well as produce revenue for clubs. Some fundraisers may help promote NGC Member Services as well as publicize our organization and goals. Certain social activities may lead to membership increase. State such in descriptions.

Pts	PROJECTS (35 points)
15	List continuing and new projects (a club is not required to have new projects)
20	Give brief description of projects. Include location, name of chairman, how members participate, and (if applicable) list of donations, in-kind donations, plans for maintenance, etc.

Content Options: (no points given) Some clubs include bylaws, budget, fund raising, roll call, former club presidents, NGC Mission Statement, NGC Conservation Pledge, NGC Environmental Mission Statement, NGC Water Conservation Platform, Club Collect, List of Life Members in State, Region and NGC, Awards received.

Club theme, if used, should be evident throughout the book. Themes may be interpreted with monthly program topics and/or titles, graphics, quotes. Projects do not need to be limited to theme.

YEARBOOK - Club Programs – Please list speaker’s names and qualifications; Topic of Program; Style of meeting such as Powerpoint, video, slideshow, workshop, lecture, demonstration, tour, hike, social, etc.

#19 CLUB PROGRAM

\$25 and certificate –

May apply for SAR #10, NGC #MAE-3

To the club that submits the most outstanding program developed and presented by one or more members of the same club.

- A. Club Program without CD/DVD/Flash Drive
- B. Club Program with CD/DVD/Flash Drive

#20 NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK

\$20 and certificate per category –

May apply for SAR #10, NGC #MAE-5

To the club, clubs, or council for the most comprehensive promotion of National Garden Week (the first full week in June). Entry to show community awareness throughout the entire week and include local and/or state proclamations.

- A. Single club
- B. Two or more clubs or council

#21 SINGLE NEWS STORY

\$20 and certificate –

May apply for NGC #MAE-3, #MAE-4

To the club submitting the most outstanding single news story of club activity. Quality of the story, not quantity of publicity is important.

Total Points 100

- 50 points: Quality of news article. Information given clearly, event or activity well covered, pictures showing event
- 20 points: Uniqueness of the event
- 20 points: Information given is of quality and interest
- 10 points: Other (mention of local club, GCKY, or NGC in the article)

#22 PRESS BOOK PUBLICITY

Deadline November 15.

\$20 and certificate per category

May apply for SAR #23, NGC #MAE-4

- A. One club – Donor:
 - i. 20 members and under
 - ii. 21–50 members
 - iii. 51 + members
- B. Group of member clubs, councils, districts –

Requirements for preparing Publicity Press Book:

- Label on outside cover: number and name of award, category, name of clubs, city and state.
- Submit in report cover or folder: 8 1/2”x 11” or 9” x 12”. No heavy scrapbooks or oversized portfolios. There is no limit on the number of pages. Plastic page protectors may be used.
- Material must consist only of newspaper, magazine, newsletter, or any printed publication clippings with the name and date of publication over each article. Clear photocopies are permitted; reduced photocopies of large or lengthy articles are permitted. Downloading of published newspaper articles from the internet is permitted.
- Affix contents in chronological order from January 1-December 31.
- Clippings evenly cut. No loose clippings permitted.
- Each published item must contain the name of the organization and/or individuals identified as members of the organization. Underline first use of name of organization and/or member in each article.
- Articles should include who, what, when, where, etc.; publicity should relate to organization’s or individual’s projects and/or activities; promotion of NGC objectives and goals.

Scale of Points: Total Points 100

- 15 points - Presentation: Meets all requirements, neat.
- 40 points - Quality: Articles well written, publicity related to projects and/or activities.
- 25 points - Quantity: Articles for each month (take in consideration dark months), use of varied publications and media (newspaper, magazines, newsletters, journals, etc.)
- 20 points - Diversity: Local, council, district, state, national, other.

#23 PHOTO ARCHIVING OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

\$20 and a certificate –

May apply for NGC #MAE-2

To the club that creates a “Photo Bank” using digital photos of their club’s accomplishments – their best projects and/or activities using CD/DVD/Flash Drive.

#25 GARDEN CLUB MEMBER RECRUITING MOST NEW MEMBERS

\$25 and certificate –

May apply for NGC #MAE-6

To the garden club member who recruits the greatest number of new members during the club year.

#26 MEMBERSHIP

\$20 and certificate per category –

May apply for NGC #MAE-6

To the club with the largest percentage of new members as of November 15, based on club size.

- i. 20 members and under
- ii. 21–50 members
- iii. 51 + members

#27 SPONSORING NEW CLUB

\$20 and certificate –

May apply for NGC #MAE-6

To the club for the greatest number of senior clubs organized during the award period (annual meeting to annual meeting, this award only). In the event two or more clubs should organize only one club each, the winner will be determined by the larger membership the newly organized club. Apply to the State Award Chairman before the annual meeting.

#28 ATTENDANCE

\$20 and certificate –

May apply for NGC #MAE-1

To the club having the highest percentage of average attendance monthly. Record of attendance and percentage required.

#29 THREE Rs – RECYCLE, RE-PURPOSE, REMIX

\$25 and certificate

May apply for SAR #17, NGC #MAE-6

To the club, individual, or youth creating an item made of recycled, restored, re-purposed or reused materials. The winners in each category may be asked to bring the item to the State Convention in April.

- A. Club –
- B. Individual Club Member –
- C. Youth –

Requirements

- Item must be created from recycled, restored, re-purposed or reused materials.
- Expense should be minimal.
- Provide a list of materials used & their source (leftover paint, scrap fabric, or lumber, etc.) Size should be manageable, but there is no requirement.
- Before, during, and after photos are required, as well as written description of the project.

Scale of Points: 100 points total

- 25 points - Creativity
- 15 points - Usability
- 15 points - Appearance
- 15 points - Expenses
- 20 points - Environmental Savings (what didn't go into a landfill)
- 10 points - Photographic Record

Deadline February 15. Send documentation to GCKY Awards Chairman, Sharon Burcham

#33 BEST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

\$20 and certificate –

To the club with the best President's Report presented at the District meetings. The District Director will send the best report to the Awards Chairman by November 15.

#34 ROSE AWARD, in Memory of Doris Cheap, Paula Hyatt's Mother

\$20 and certificate per category –

For the most outstanding rose garden project. Landscape plan and budget should be included.

- i. 20 members and under
- ii. 21–50 members
- iii. 51 + members

SPECIAL MERITORIOUS AWARD

Certificate given by the state president to an individual for meritorious statewide accomplishments or special service in line with the State Garden Club objectives.

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE SUPERIORITY AWARD

A Certificate will be presented at the District meetings to the clubs that have totals of 300 or more points on their Club President's Report sent to the State President.

THE GARDEN CLUB OF KENTUCKY, INC., ENRICHMENT AWARD

This award shall be presented at the annual convention of the Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc. The recipient shall be an individual or organization making a meritorious contribution in our Commonwealth by furthering, in an outstanding manner, one or more objectives of GCKY. Cannot be a GCKY member. Award applications for the Enrichment Award must be sent to the First Vice President at least thirty (30) days prior to the Mid-Winter Meeting. The First Vice President will present The Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc. Enrichment Award nominations received to the Executive Committee for approval at the Mid-Winter Meeting. The actual award

will be selected by the First Vice President and funded by The Garden Club of Kentucky, Inc. with the approval of the Executive Committee.

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

Flower Show Awards are to be sent to: Susan Leo, 601 North Gay Street, Unit F302; Auburn, Alabama 36850; Ph: (941)321-9230; Email: lundeenleo@yahoo.com

FLOWER SHOW HORTICULTURE AWARD - ONE CLUB SHOW

\$20 and Certificate

To the individual member of a Federated Garden Club who, during the year, received the most blue ribbons in horticulture in one Standard Flower Show, sponsored by one federated club. A member of a federated club is not eligible to apply for this award if they have received the award twice. Ribbons won at the State Fair, plant societies, and shows sponsored by two or more clubs are not eligible for this award. Name of the club show, schedule, list of varieties, and signature of show chairman must accompany this entry. In the event of a tie, one specimen will count one point, group of three flowers to count three points, group of five flowers to count five points. Awards higher than blue ribbons are to be counted.

#51 FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE

\$20 and certificate

- A. For the Best Flower Show Schedule for a flower show presented by one or more garden clubs (not a Council).
- B. For the Best Flower Show Schedule for a flower show presented by a Council of Garden Clubs.
- C. For the Best Placement Flower Show Schedule for a flower show presented by one or more garden clubs (not a Council).

Deadline: Schedules must be received by November 15, except for Christmas Holiday Shows, which must be received by December 31.

Scale of Points (total 100)

- 10 points: Heading and Title page
- 20 points: Clearness and completeness of general rules
- 15 points: Clearness and completeness of the design rules
- 15 points: Clearness and completeness of the horticulture rules
- 10 points: NGC objectives carried out
- 15 points: Theme
- 10 points: Show committee, sponsors, and advanced registration
- 5 points: Overall attractiveness of schedule

FLOWER SHOW KENTUCKY GOLD MEDALLION EVALUATED SHOW AWARDS

For evaluation Forms, see Handbook for Flower Shows.

#52 BEST ONE CLUB SHOW

\$20 and certificate per category.

May apply for NGC #FS-1

- i. 20 members and under
- ii. 21 – 50 members
- iii. 51 + members

#53 BEST SHOW - TWO OR MORE CLUBS OR COUNCIL

\$20 and certificate

May apply for NGC #FS-14

#54 HOLIDAY SHOW – ONE CLUB

\$20 and certificate

May apply for NGC #FS-2, NGC #FS-8

#55 HOLIDAY SHOW – TWO OR MORE CLUBS OR COUNCIL

\$20 and certificate

May apply for NGC #FS-2, NGC #FS-8

#56 COUNCIL SHOW

\$20 and certificate

May apply for NGC #FS-14

#57 HOME AND GARDEN SHOW – One Club: Petite/Small Exhibits (2)

\$20 and certificate

#58 HOME AND GARDEN SHOW – Two or More Clubs: Petite/Small Exhibits (3)

\$20 and certificate

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS APPLICATION

REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE AND NGC AWARDS

Note: Application for evaluation of the show, State and NGC awards, must be made with the State Flower Show Award Evaluation Chairman, Susan Leo, who is responsible for all Flower Show Awards.

FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- To be eligible for a Flower Show Achievement Award, a rough draft of the show must be sent to the State Flower Show Schedule Consultant for critique and comments at least 60 days prior to the show date.
- Applications for Flower Show Achievement Awards (state, regional, or national) must be received by the State Flower Show Award Evaluation Chairman 30 days prior to the date of the show. (Printed application forms are available from the State Flower Show Award Evaluation Chairman or on the GCKY website.)

- The Chairman of the Flower Show Judges will appoint judges for each flower show. From this list, the State Flower Show Award Evaluation Chairman will appoint three accredited judges to the evaluation panel and send evaluation forms to each of the panel members
- The Chairman that judges will serve on their Evaluation Panel.
- The panel will notify the club(s) when they should proceed with the Book of Evidence.
- Within one week following the date of the show, each member of the Evaluation Panel must send the evaluation sheets to the State Flower Show Award Evaluation Chairman.

FLOWER SHOW BOOK OF EVIDENCE

The Book of Evidence must be received by the State Flower Show Award Evaluation Chairman within 30 days after the show, with the exception of a show held in December, in which case the Book of Evidence must be received by December 31. (For requirements for the Book of Evidence, see Handbook for Flower Shows.)

GCKY PRESIDENT’S SPECIAL PROJECT AWARDS

AWARD #1 CREATE A WILDLIFE HABITAT

Certificate and \$50 to a club in each District that presents the most outstanding wildlife habitat. The requirements for a native garden are to provide food, shelter, water and a place to raise or feed their young. Birdhouses or dense foliage should be provided. Include birdbaths, small ponds and wet rocks to provide a water source for birds, small mammals, amphibians and insects. The garden needs to have plants that provide food in spring, summer and fall to feed insects. Your garden should contain native shrubs and flowers to provide nectar, seeds and berries for birds and others that winter in your wildlife garden. This garden will be sustainable with no pesticides, herbicides or fungicides used. Your application should include a list of plants in your garden, and the wildlife they attract. If possible, provide photos of wildlife in your garden.

The application should be no more than three pages. It must include before, during and after photographs. It should include any published coverage. A crucial part of the application should explain why the club took on the project and why they chose the location. Did those participating in the project finish it with a sense of protecting and preserving the environment.

AWARD #2 CREATE A NATIVE PLANT GARDEN

Certificate and \$25 will be awarded to the best community native plant garden in each of the five districts. The survival of all native species begins with our native plants. If one person plants a garden of native plants not much help comes from it. If all gardens have some native plants then habitat is created that supports the circle of life in the area. Remember many modern hybrid flowers are bred for color and may have different size flower parts that do not feed pollinators looking for food.

The requirements for this community native plant garden award are: Plant at least five different species of native nectar plants (perennials) and three species of caterpillar host plants. Include at least one native shrub and / or small trees to provide food and shelter for caterpillars, birds and wildlife. Consider diversity of color and seasonal interest in planning and design to help attract wildlife across the seasons. Include a simple drawing of this garden with plants named (genus, species).

A list of native plants is available on the GCKY website.

SOUTH ATLANTIC REGION SPECIAL PROJECT AWARDS

Please consult SAR website for updated information:

<https://www.southatlanticregiongardenclubs.org/awards-2/special-awards/>

YOUTH AWARDS

YOUTH RECYCLABLE SCULPTURE CONTEST

\$25 and certificate –

May apply for SAR #Y-5

To a youth in grade 4–8 with the overall best sculpture made of recyclable items.

The purpose of this contest is to encourage youth to keep our planet green and to get involved with saving our planet. Contest Rules:

1. Youth in 4th grade through 8th grade will be eligible to enter the contest.
2. Width of the sculpture can be no more than 8 1/2 x 11.
3. Height should be proportional to width.
4. Entry form can be found on the NGC website, www.gardenclub.org
5. Entries should include as many photographs as can be printed on the back of the entry form but two 4"x6" photographs are recommended. Deadline: November 15.
6. Kentucky entries must be submitted to: Kentucky Youth Sculpture Chairman: Connie Pittman, 146 Cottonwood Drive, Bowling Green, KY 42103

SMOKEY BEAR/WOODSY OWL POSTER CONTEST

\$5 and Certificate –

May apply for SAR #Y-6

Awarded to the poster winners of each grade level (Grades 1–5). Only one winner in each grade level. Posters must follow the rules of NGC and the US Forest Service flyer.

Mail poster entries to GCKY Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Chairman.

Poster Rules

1. Poster must feature Smokey Bear OR Woodsy Owl and must not feature both.
2. Smokey Bear poster must be based upon and include Smokey's fire prevention message: *Only YOU Can Prevent Wildfires!* Woodsy Owl posters must be based upon and include Woodsy's conservation message: *Lend a Hand - Cure for the Land!*
3. The entry posters should encourage children to take a personal role in preventing wildfires or conserving natural resources.
 - Each entry must be 11 by 17 inches in size.
 - Materials that can be used include crayons, markers, poster paints, watercolors, etc.
 - No three-dimensional posters, computer-scanned, or electronically generated images will be accepted.
 - Please print the artist's name, address, home phone number, grade level, school, teacher's name, city, and state on the back of the poster in the lower right corner. Should school policy preclude giving students' addresses and phone numbers, please include the school address and phone number.
 - Each poster must also show the name of the sponsoring local garden club.
 - Do not use dark marker to write on back as it may show through.

Poster Tips

- A good poster is bold and simple in design.
 - Its message is delivered in both the picture and the slogan.
 - Its message is easily understood.
4. Posters are to be completed by individual student artists.
 5. Posters will be judged 20 percent each for: originality, design, slogan, artwork, and overall effectiveness of the message.
 6. Misspelled words or failure to use appropriate slogan is an automatic disqualification.

Deadline: Entries must be received by January 1.

Mail poster entries to: Martha Harkleroad, 57 Lakeside Dr. Scottsville, KY 42164

Contact: Ph: (270) 843-5404; Email mharkleroad56@gmail.com

NGC YOUTH POETRY CONTEST

\$5 and Certificate will be presented to the winners of grade levels K-9th grade and Special Education and ESL Students, K-9 –

Students must follow NGC rules.

2012-2022 THEME: *Sing with the Songbirds* -exploring the glory of nature

2022-2023 THEME: *Seed, Trees and Bees, Oh My* - celebrating the diversity of nature

Kentucky entries must be sent to GCKY Poetry Chairman by Jan. 1st. Send to: Francine Bonny, 1545 Wiseman Town Road, Irvine, KY 40336; thb@irvineonline.net

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