

DEEP SOUTH GARDEN CLUBS AWARDS LISTING 2018

1. School grounds improvement award

1A - 12 -30 member club

1B - 31 or above member club

State winners must be sent to the DSGC School Grounds /Outdoor Classroom Chairman, Jackire Wetsfield, 905 11th Street NE, Cleveland, TN 37311, jswestfield@hotmail.com. 423-458-1315 to arrive no later than January 25.

An annual cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to the overall winner. Certificates may be awarded in each category for the beautification and improvement of the grounds of any school building (old or new). They may be awarded to an individual garden club, council or group of garden clubs, a garden circle, or group of circles acting as a sponsor for this project and who are members of their State Garden Club.

2. National Gardener Award

A certificate will be awarded to the member State Garden Club having the greatest number of PAID subscriptions to the National Gardener as of October 31, calculated on a percentage basis of state membership dues paid to NGC, Inc. As of December 31, before the Deep South Garden Club Convention. **NO application is necessary.**

3. Historic Preservation and/or Restoration Award

An annual cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to an individual, a club, or group fo clubs for a Historic Preservation of Restoration Landscape project. The project must comply with the principles of good landscape design as set down in the *Handbook of Landscape Design by NGC*.

4. The National Gardener Award

a certificate will be presented to the member State Garden Club with the greatest number of **INCREASED PAID** subscriptions to the National Gardener recorded at NGC over the previous year as of October 31, before the Deep South Garden Club convention. **NO application is necessary.**

5. Public Relations Award

A certificate may be awarded in each category for accomplishments in garden club related activities with one or more non-member groups or organizations in promoting good public relations. These should be projects of the State Garden Club, Deep South Garden Club, or NGC, Inc. Competition will be judged on **ONE** selected cosponsored project in a field such as Conservation, Horticulture, Litter Control, Environment Improvement, Youth Involvement, Historic Restoration, or any other meritorious activity promoting garden club goals which will broaden the scope of public relations. **The identical project is not eligible to win this award for two consecutive years.**

6. Membership Award

A monetary award of \$50.00 will be awarded annually to the State Garden Club with the greatest percentage increase in membership during the year. Winner will be determined by official membership records of NGC as of October 31, before the Deep South Convention. **No Application is necessary.**

7. Litter Control

An annual cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to a garden club, council, or group of clubs affiliated with one of the State Garden Clubs of the DSGC for sponsoring a project in the field of litter control, encompassing such activities as waste reduction, recycling, and endeavors for a quality environment. **Youth involvement to be emphasized.**

8. Bird

An annual cash award of \$100.00 may be awarded to a garden club, group of clubs, or individual member of a club for outstanding activity in the protection or care of birds, such as establishing, maintaining, identifying, or making sanctuaries, or promotion of legislation relative to bird welfare. If sanctuary is by official ordinance (new or maintained) a copy of the ordinance must be included. If it is a continuing project, detail the plans.

9. Tree Planting Award

An annual cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to a garden club for the most outstanding tree planting project. Emphasis to be on low maintenance, quality trees suitable to local climatic and ecological conditions. **Project may be started at any time but must be completed within the award year in which application is made.**

10. Special Achievement Award

An annual cash award of \$100.00 may be awarded in each category for the most outstanding achievement in **ONE** of the following: civic development, conservation, beautification, garden therapy, or any other garden club related project. Youth involvement will be an asset. **The identical project is not eligible to win this award for two consecutive years.**

11. Horticulture

An annual cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to a garden club for the most outstanding activities in the field of horticulture. The award is given to promote planned gardening activities in the study of horticulture by club members. Membership participation shall be emphasized. Summery outlining year's plan, activities to implement the plan, goals, and results should be included in description of project.

12. Landscape Design Award

A certificate may be awarded to a garden club, council or group of garden clubs in the Deep South Garden Clubs sponsoring the most outstanding activity in the area of Landscape Design. The activity may be in the area of Landscaping Education or in actual project. - (a series of related activities / projects promoting Landscape Design).

13. Historic Preservation and Restoration Award

A certificate may be awarded to a garden club, council or group of garden clubs for the most outstanding promotion and/or project involving the preservation and/or restoration of a historic building.

14. High School Gardeners Award

A certificate may be awarded to the State Garden Club registering the greatest number of high school gardeners within the Deep South Garden Clubs, according to the DSGC High School Gardeners Chairman as of three (3) weeks before the DSGC convention. Established procedure for organizing High School Gardeners must be observed. **No Application necessary.**

15. Environmental Education Award

Certificates may be awarded in each category for the most comprehensive program in the field of environmental education with emphasis on Youth. **The identical project is not eligible to win this award two consecutive years.**

16. Butterfly Conservation

An annual cash award of \$50.00 may be awarded to an individual garden club for the most outstanding work in the field of butterfly conservation stressing community involvement.

17, Junior Garden Club Award

An annual cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to the highest scoring Junior Garden Club sponsored by a State Garden Club, which, through its own efforts, has been successful in promoting all phases of garden club work. Grades preschool through sixth.

(Please note I did not type the scale of points for this award, if you are interested please email me and I will send the rest of the information to you.)

18. Adopt-A-Park Award

A certificate and cash award of \$25.00 may be offered to an individual garden club for the establishment of city, mini, pocket, or subdivision parks and/or enhancement of specific areas in existing parks.

19. Community Action Award

A certificate may be given annually to a garden club for the most outstanding program/project relating to garden club objectives. Involvement of community is to be a major consideration. This may be a continuing project, but the major portion of worthiness must have been accomplished within the year of application. Examples: Arbor Day, activities, Blue Star Memorial Marker and or Historical Markers erection/dedication, beautification of community buildings, churches or cemeteries, etc.

20. Wildflower Award

A certificate may be awarded in each category for the most comprehensive activity in the area of wildflowers. This project shall be a concentrated effort in the protection, planting, growing and/or identification of wildflowers within the Deep South Garden Clubs. The same project is not eligible to win this award two consecutive years.

21. Historic Trails

A certificate and a cash award of \$50.00 may be awarded annually in each category to an individual garden club for a worthwhile project of lasting value involving a historic trail such as the Bartram Trail, the Natchez Trace, etc.

22. Intermediate Gardeners Award

State winners eligible for Intermediate Gardeners Award must be sent to DSGC Intermediate/Highschool Gardeners Chairman Margaret Fancher, 619 Van Buren Ave. Oxford, MS 38655, 662-234-1359. Fancherm@bellsouth.net. To arrive no later than January 25.

Class A - an annual cash award of \$50.00 may be awarded to the **OVERALL WINNER** in the Intermediate Gardeners Award sponsored by a garden club in the region for an outstanding project or program worthy of recognition.

Class B - An annual cash award of \$50.00 may be awarded to a State Garden Club registering the greatest number of Intermediate Gardeners with the DSGC Chairman as of three weeks before the Deep South Garden Club Convention. (Established procedure for organizing Intermediate Gardeners must be observed). The award is to be calculated on a percentage basis of state membership dues paid to NGC as of October 31. No application necessary.

23. Conservation Award

A cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded to the most outstanding conservation project using “Native” or “Tough Plants”. Project may be started at any time, but must be completed within the award year in which the application is made. Consideration given to appropriateness of plant material, quality of project, member participation and community involvement.

24. Deep South Club of the Year.

A cash award of \$50.00 will be given to a garden club that excels in the following categories: membership increase, service to members, club programs, projects, members attending club, district and state meetings and or sponsored programs, the garden club shall produce substantiating evidence of the club’s accomplishments in the stated categories in the Scale of Points . **A book of evidence is required, up to six pages, front and back.**

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25. Arbor Day

A certificate may be awarded to a garden club or group of garden clubs for the most comprehensive program celebrating Arbor Day.

26. Deep South Garden Clubs Life Membership Award

A certificate will be awarded to the State Garden Club with the greatest per capita increase in Deep South Garden Clubs Life Membership from March 1 to March 1. Winner will be determined by the Deep South Garden Clubs Life membership Chairman.

27. Roadside Beautification Award

A certificate and cash award of \$25.00 may be awarded for the most outstanding Roadside Beautification project in each category. The beautification project may be continuous, but must have reached an advanced degree of completion in the year of application. **This award may be given only once for the same project.**

28. Deep South Garden Club Mentor of the Year

Entries to arrive no later than Jan 25 to DSGC Awards Chairman. An award may be given to an outstanding Mentor, who as a DSGC garden club member is an individual that often goes above the call of normal garden club duties, assignments and/or activities, one who is known as a loyal member that is always available as a willing adviser giving invaluable assistance and/or support to garden club officers and members across their state and the DSGC.

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A DSGC garden club member may be nominated by any DSGC garden club member in the nominee's state by submitting a Book of Evidence of up to four pages, front and back, detailing how the nominated individual has been a Mentor in garden club work within the state. Up to three actual photographs or media pictures may be included in the book. Send to your state awards chairman by Jan 1. Each state garden club shall select one of the nominees to submit to the DSGC Awards Chairman by the DSGC deadline. An overall DSGC winner shall be selected from those submitted by the State Garden Club within DSGC.

29. Flower Show Schedule

State winners must be sent to DSGC Flower Show Schedules Chairman Janan Jones
6200 1526A Hancock road, Jasper, TN 37343, 423-774-1993, jonesjanan@yahoo.com to arrive no later than January 25.

A certificate and an annual cash award of \$50.00 may be awarded to the garden club, council or group of garden clubs submitting the highest scoring schedule for a Standard or Small Standard Flower Show, including General or Specialized. Use standard DSGC Award Application. Include completed DSGC Application form (do not answer questions) and send 1 schedule. Refer to Rules and Requirements as published in Handbook for Flower Shows, current edition.

- A Small Standard
- B Standard Flower Shows.

30. Small Standard Flower Show

State winners must be sent to DSGC Floral Design Chairman to arrive no later than January 25.

A certificate and an annual cash award of \$50.00 may be awarded to the garden club, council or group of garden clubs for the highest scoring flower show designated as a Small Standard Flower Show. Firmly clip 1 copy of the completed DSGC Application Form to the inside front cover of the Book of Evidence (10 pages front and back). Do not answer questions. Refer to rules and regulations as published in Handbook for Flower Shows, current edition for preparing Book of Evidence. Special Exhibit Division is optional, with no extra points.

31. NGC Publicity Press Book

State winners must be sent to DSGC Publicity Chairman Tove Rawlings, P.O. Box 97, Joelton, TN 37080 - 615-876-2169, info@therawlings.net to arrive no later than February 23.

Certificates may be awarded to winning Books of Evidence exhibiting quality, quantity and diversity of coverage in the print media promoting garden clubs and NGC goals and objectives.

Press Book cont.

Deadline: to state chairman by the state deadline, first place winners in each category sent to DSGC Region by February 23. Name of winning entry in each category sent to NGC March 23.

Categories:

- A. Single Member Garden Club
 - 1. Small club - 29 members and under
 - 2. Medium club - 30-59 members
 - 3. Large club - 60 - 99 members
 - 4. Extra Large Club - 100 members or more
- B. Group of Clubs, councils, district
- C. Affiliated Garden Center

Requirements for Preparing a Publicity Press Book

1. Label on outside cover: name of award, category, name of club/s, city and state
2. Submit in report cover or folder - 8 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. NO 3 RING BINDERS.
3. Material must consist of any of the following: newspaper, magazine, newsletter, notices, or flyers for one-time event, or any printed publication clippings (e.g. your state or regional official publication, The National Gardener, etc), with the name and date of publication over each article. Clear photocopies are permitted, reduce photocopies of large or lengthy articles are permitted. Downloading of published newspaper articles from the Internet is permitted.
4. No table of contents or page numbering is necessary. Affix contents in chronological order January 1 through December 31.
5. Clippings evenly cut. No loose clippings permitted.
6. Each published item must contain the name of organization and/or individual/s identified as a member of the organization. Underline first use of name of organization and/or member in each article.
7. 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.

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SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation	15 points
Meets all requirements, neat	
Quality.....	40 points
Articles well written, publicity related to projects and/or activities	
Quantity.....	25 points
Articles for each month (take in consideration dark months) use of varied publications and media (newspaper, magazines, newsletters, journals, etc.)	
Diversity.....	20 points
	Total.....100

32. Member Award of Honor

A certificate may be awarded to one member in the region whose efforts during a period of five or more years, has made outstanding contributions to club and community in one or more fo the following areas: civic development, horticulture therapy, yuth activities, conservation, landscape design, horticulture, floral design, or all-around excellence. Eligibility: any member of a State Garden Club, who has never been a member of NGC Board of Directors, including State Presidents. A Book of Evidence not to exceed 3 pages is required. Eligibility and rules are listed on NGC website. Entries are sumitted to State Awards Chairman by January 1 (see awards full detailsat www.gardenclub.org). State Awards Chairman forwards one entry to DSGC Awards Chairman by January 25, DSGC forwards one entry to NGC Member of Honor Chairman by February 20. The the eight regional winners will receive a NGC certficqate and be recognized in The National Gardener.

33. Yearbooks

Please note that the information that is required in your yearbook is listed in the Volunteer Gardener, online at TFGC, or NGC web site.

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