

THE GARDEN CLUB OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

2025-2027 STATE AWARDS

GCNC AWARDS CHAIR: SUZANNE GURSKI
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STATE AWARD RULES

1. Only members of the GCNC are eligible for state awards.
2. Only councils, all whose members are member clubs of GCNC, are eligible for awards offered to councils.
3. Any entry which does not follow the rules for application will be automatically disqualified.
4. Applicants must use the current application cover sheet form. Fillable forms are on the GCNC website: www.gardenclubofnc.org. In the Header on the home page select *FORMS*. Flower Show Awards have their own application forms.
5. There is a three (3) page limit, using only the front side of the page. The application cover sheet does not count as a page.
6. Garden Club of North Carolina, South Atlantic Region, and National Garden Club are three separate awards programs. Each requires a separate cover sheet and application and should be sent electronically to the GCNC State Awards Chairman (Suzanne Gurski)
7. An award may not be won by the same club, council or individual in two successive years.
8. When the same project is eligible for various awards, submitting exact duplication of the application is not acceptable.
9. Binders and vinyl sheet protectors are not to be used. Exception: Press Book Award PB-1.
10. If an award is sent electronically, the posted date on the email must meet application deadlines and the Category Chairman must reply that the award was received. If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation that your award has been received, please contact the category chair and GCNC State Awards Chairman (Suzanne Gurski) immediately.
11. You no longer have to submit photo releases in applications; however, you affirm that you have acquired permission and convey permission to GCNC to use the images/photos/videos, and the images, photos/videos do not violate or infringe the copyright or other proprietary or intellectual property rights of others. Releases are no longer required for photos taken at a public event or in a public space.
12. Winners of all awards shall be kept secret until announced at the Annual Meeting Awards Banquet.

AWARD PERIOD: The award period is for projects that occurred between January 1 through December 31, 2025. All award applications are for the current year's work unless stated as a two-year project.

DEADLINE: All awards are due to the appropriate chair by December 1st unless stated otherwise. Exceptions will be specified in the award description.

CATEGORIES BY CLUB SIZE: Some awards specify awards according to club size and they are as follows:

(S)mall Club	20 members or fewer
(M)edium	21 -50 members
(L)arge	51 members or more

NATIONAL GENERAL SCALE OF POINTS RUBIC

(except as noted in the individual Award Description)

THE SCALE OF POINTS EXPLAINS THE CRITERIA USED TO JUDGE YOUR APPLICATION.

PRESENTATION: 5 POINTS

Neat, concise, includes all required information on the GCNC Awards Application Cover Sheet Form. Adheres to state page limits.

ACHIEVEMENT: 65 POINTS

Scope of project defined, need identified and fulfillment, benefit, accomplishment, comprehensiveness of work, activities to attain goals, evaluation of goals reached, educational value, prior planning, very brief history if continuing project, financial report, other relevant information.

PARTICIPATION: 15 POINTS

Size of club, % of club members participating, involvement of members, community, government agencies, professionals, youth, residents in facilities, others. Not all of these have to be involved.

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; letter of appreciation; community awards; For newspaper/magazine articles and radio/TV script (if possible), etc., photocopies are permitted.

TOTAL: 100 POINTS

BOOK OF EVIDENCE SHOULD INCLUDE

- COVER** (a lightweight green report/presentation cover)
Number and name of award
Club Name
City and State
District Number (Arabic 1,2)
- INSIDE COVER**
Name of club president
Name and address of person compiling the Book of Evidence.
(Type label and attach it to the inside cover.)
- FIRST PAGE**
Name of State
Number and Name of Award
Club Name and Address
Number of Club Members
Brief description of activities
No table of contents needed.

THE GARDEN CLUB OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

STATE AWARDS LIST

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: SUZANNE GURSKI

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A-1: THE MASLIN AWARD

Given in memory of the first President of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc., Miss Edna Maslin. May be awarded to a qualified, living member of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc., who has contributed the most over a period of years to further its aims and projects. Emphasis will be based on outstanding, active participation on the state level. *APPLICATIONS SHALL INCLUDE GARDEN CLUB RELATED ACTIVITIES ONLY. *DO NOT include local garden club work! Entries, signed by the nominee's current club president, must come from nominee's club, council, or district. It must be typed, single spaced and not exceed 500 words. All requirements must be met.* Applications must be sent to the State Awards Chairman by February 25. The Awards Chairman shall mail completed, unabridged copies of all qualified entries to each member of the Executive Committee by March 15. Ballots shall be returned by mail to the Awards Chairman by March 25. The Awards Chairman will not vote except in the event of a tie. The decision shall be by majority vote. **NO BALLOTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 25.** The State Awards Chairman shall tally all ballots. The State Awards Chairman will immediately report decision to the State President only. Names of nominees, including the winner, must be kept secret. Book of Evidence Required.

A-2: MEMBER OF HONOR AWARD (NGC #SR-4 award)

A GCNC, SAR, NGC award Honors one garden club member in each District and one GCNC recipient chosen from the District winners whose volunteer efforts, during a period of five years or more, have made outstanding contributions to club and community in one or more of the following areas: Civic Development, Horticulture Therapy, Youth Activities, Conservation, Horticulture, Design, Landscape Design, and/or All-Around Excellence.

ELIGIBILITY: Any member of a State Garden Club who has NEVER served on the National Garden Club Board of Directors or as State President.

DEADLINE DATE: Each District Director shall send their District winner's Book of Evidence to the State Awards Chairman by **January 2**. After being judged by a State Awards Committee, the State Awards Chairman shall forward the State's winner's Book of Evidence to the Regional Awards Chairman by **January 25**.

RULES: BOOK OF EVIDENCE IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR. The District Director judges the applicants and sends the winning Book of Evidence to the State Awards Chairman. Book of Evidence is not to exceed 5 pages (total), must be typed and secured in a green folder. No loose pages. Include the following:

- Title Page includes:
 - Name of State Federation (GCNC) and Region (SAR).
 - Area(s) of nominee's outstanding contribution/s.
 - Name, complete mailing address, phone number of nominee
 - sponsoring club name, president's name, address, and signature
- Short, typed description of nominee's accomplishments, 1 page.
- Supporting Information
 - Maximum 3-page outline listing accomplishments of nominee (including state and local offices and chairmanships held)

- a photograph of nominee (name of nominee/complete mailing address must be on back of picture). Please secure the photo by stapling it so does not get lost.

NOTIFICATIONS:

State Winners: Each state winner will receive a certificate from their State Awards Chairman.

Regional Winners: State Awards Chairman will forward the state winner and Book of Evidence to the Regional Awards Chairman by January 25 to be judged by a panel on the Regional Level.

REGIONAL WINNERS AUTOMATICALLY BECOME THE NATIONAL WINNER FROM THAT REGION. The Regional Chairman will notify the winner and send the winning Book of Evidence to the National Member Award of Honor Chairman.

AWARDS PRESENTATION: Regional/National Winners will be presented with a certificate and pin at the National Convention and will be listed in the Awards Booklet and The National Gardener. The Books of Evidence will be returned at this time.

A-3: AWARD OF EXCELLENCE - Donor: Starmount Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to the club with the highest score per member (determined by dividing the total number of points by the number of members) on their *ANNUAL CLUB REPORT*. The District Director will submit the name of the club and the number of points per member on the ANNUAL DISTRICT REPORT to the 1st Vice-President. The First Vice-President will forward this information to the State Awards Chairman by March 15th.(NGC #SR-2) No Book of Evidence required.

A-4: CLUB OF THE YEAR AWARDS - Donor: The Garden Club of North Carolina

Awarded to clubs that best meet the objectives of the Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc., as listed in Article II, items 3, 4, and 5 of the Bylaws., which are as follows:

- To study, in all its aspects, the art of gardening, particularly horticulture, and to cooperate with agencies furthering such interest.
- To encourage environmental improvement through civic development, beautification, restoration, and the protection and conservation of our natural resources.
- To assist in educating the youth of our State in the areas of garden club activity.

Book of Evidence should be a complete report of the club's activities with supportive evidence such as pictures, plans, letters, canceled checks, receipts, newspaper coverage, etc. General rules for state awards apply. CLUB OF THE YEAR AWARDS ARE GCNC AWARDS ONLY AND ARE FOR LARGE SUMS OF MONEY, THEREFORE BOOK OF EVIDENCE IS REQUIRED

Presentation not to exceed six pages, front and back, for a maximum of 12 pages, not including the application cover form. Reports must be typed, and material must be attached to the page. No loose items will be accepted. All entries must be compiled neatly and concisely in a theme/manuscript cover. Pages must not extend beyond the binder's edges. No scrapbook will be accepted.

- (S)mall Club with membership of 20 or fewer:
 - First Place: \$200.00, Second Place: \$100.00
- (M)edium Club with membership of 21 through 50:
 - First Place: \$200.00, Second Place: \$100.00
- (L)arge Club with membership of 51 or more:
 - First Place: \$200.00, Second Place: \$100.00

A-5: SCROLL: DISTRICT WITH THE LARGEST NUMBER OF AWARD APPLICATIONS

Scroll awarded to the District with the largest number of GCNC, SAR, and NGC award applications prorated by the number of garden club members in the District (number of applications divided by number of members). Winner determined from the records of the State Awards Chairman.

A-6: CAROLYN ASHBROOK SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Donor: Marilyn Wright

\$50.00 awarded to a garden club that develops a year long innovation to increase membership. A prorated number illustrating membership increase should be included – submitting all data for this number. Example A: 30 member club increases membership by 5 new members: $5.000/30=13.3$ 13.3% increase

A-7: JAMES AND FRANCES OUTSTANDING INNOVATIVE ENDEAVOR

Donor: Carolyn Augustine

\$50.00 awarded for an outstanding conservation, or environmental project, community outreach program or significant achievement by a club not covered by any of the existing awards. (NGC #MAE-1, SAR#19)

BEAUTIFICATION

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: JO DANIELS

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B-1: DEBBY ZAVADIL BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

Donor: Beth Carlton

\$50.00 awarded to a club whose members undertake a beautification project of a military memorial, installation, or cemetery in an area accessible to the public. Application must include plans for maintenance of the area. (SAR#14/NGC #CE-7)

B-2: PAT OLEJAR HOLIDAY DECORATION AWARD

Donor: Raleigh Garden Club

\$50.00 given in memory of Pat Olejar for the best holiday decoration of a public or historic building by a garden club/s. The decoration should use plant materials and include both the interior and exterior of the building. It may be for any holiday season. NOTE: Since the award applications deadline is December 1, if the application is for the Christmas Holiday, documentation or photos may be used from previous year. (NGC CE-5)

B-3: ALL DECKED-OUT GARDEN CLUB AWARD

Donor: Two Green Thumbs Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded for the best decoration of a garden club's meeting place celebrating any holiday or special event. NOTE: Since the award applications deadline is December 1, if the application is for the Christmas Holiday, documentation or photos may be used from previous year.

B-4: VICKIE KORNEGAY AWARD

Donor: Emerald Isle Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a garden club or individual member for an outstanding entrance decoration (private home or public building). It may be any holiday season. NOTE: Since the award applications deadline is December 1, if the application is for the Christmas Holiday, documentation or photos may be used from previous year.

B-5: MOUNTAIN VIEW GARDENERS 'PLANT IT PINK' AWARD

Donor: Mountain View Gardeners Garden Club

In loving memory all North Carolina breast cancer victims and breast cancer survivors. \$25.00 awarded to the club that plants a new pink garden in any public place that best promotes awareness of the fight against breast cancer. Must be a one-year project with the plantings made in the current garden club year. (SAR #13/NGC #CE-8)

B-6: MARCY HEGE "GET YOUR GREEN ON" AWARD

Donor: Raleigh Garden Club (SAR#8/NGC#CE-8 & CE-9)

\$50.00 awarded to a garden club that creates or improves a public beauty spot with a focus on beautification and environmentally sustainable practices. The completed project or phase of the project is to be carried out by club members; no commercial project is eligible.

B-7: THE CHARLOTTE MADDOX “Notice the Small Things” AWARD

Donor: The Emerald Isle Garden Club

\$50.00 given in memory of the founding president, Charlotte Maddox, of the Emerald Isle Garden Club. Awarded to a garden club for an outstanding fresh flower design created by a garden club and used as a centerpiece on a card table for a garden club event. The criteria used to evaluate this design will be presentation, appropriateness, theme, creativity, and the use of principals of design.

B-8: STEEL MAGNOLIAS ART IN THE GARDEN AWARD

Donor: Steel Magnolias Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a garden club for artwork permanently placed in an outdoor community setting, such as a public garden. It should be hand crafted and inspired by nature. If the artwork is a commissioned piece, the submitting group must have been significantly involved with the designing of the piece. The art may be wood, stone, metal, clay or of a manufactured material. The artwork, if not permanently located, may be created specifically for, and displayed during temporary an outdoor event that lasts for a minimum of two days.

BIRDS / BUTTERFLIES / WILDLIFE AWARDS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: BETH RICHARDS

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BBW-1: FRANCES HUNLEY BIRD AWARD

Donor: Monroe Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a club conducting the most comprehensive and effective project for bird protection and welfare, such as sanctuaries, providing food, houses and promoting law enforcement relative to bird welfare. (SAR #2/NGC #EC-3)

BBW-2: JENENE CURTIS SMITH BIRD AWARD

Donor: Jenene Curtis Smith and anonymous

\$50.00 awarded to the club with the highest prorated percentage of members with bird baths, bird feeders and bird houses. One-page application must be submitted listing how many in each category and must include number of active members in club and show percentage calculation. For example: 48 bird baths, 51 bird feeders, 32 bird houses = 131 items divided by 26 (active members) gives a number of 5.03 (carry out two decimal places).

BBW-3: BRENDA CROCKER BLUEBIRD AWARD

Donor: Rocky Mount Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to the club establishing the most outstanding bluebird trail. A minimum of four bird houses is required. Photos should show the houses and surrounding area and possibly bluebirds near the houses. The accompanying report should explain the requirements for bluebird house design, placement, and maintenance. (SAR #2/NGC #EC-3)

BBW-4: THE HUMMINGBIRD AWARD

Donor: Bettie Woodard

\$50.00 awarded to a club reporting the most outstanding project promoting observation of the hummingbird for the purpose of preserving/protecting the species. Give percentage of members maintaining at least one hummingbird feeder for the season. Club programs/projects should educate members on their habits and plants to lure the birds. (SAR #2/NGC #EC-3)

BBW-5: BARBARA BLACKWELDER CONSERVATION OF BIRDS, BUTTERFLIES, AND WILDLIFE AWARD

Donor: Troutman Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a club reporting the most comprehensive and effective project for establishing a garden of native plants to attract, protect, and conserve pollinators, birds, butterflies, and wildlife. (SAR #3/NGC #EC-3)

BBW-6: KAREN SUZANNE BRENZA BUTTERFLY GARDEN AWARD

Donor: Rowena Sewell

\$100.00 awarded to the club that plants a new butterfly garden or refurbishes an existing butterfly garden.

Given in memory of Karen Susanne Brenza, (SAR #3/NGC #EC-3)

BBW-7: THE CARY GARDEN CLUB FOR WILDLIFE AWARD

Donor: Cary Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to the club reporting the most comprehensive and effective project for Gardening for Wildlife, following the guidelines of backyard habitat by the National Wildlife Federation. It can be in a public garden, school grounds, or a nursing home to attract pollinators, butterflies, birds and other wildlife. (SAR #SP-1/NGC #EC-3 & G-4)

BBW-8: GARDENING FOR POLLINATORS

Donor: Bee Keepers of the Neuse

\$50.00 awarded to the club reporting the most outstanding project for establishing a public garden for honeybees. This habit should be populated with plant life useful to pollinators. The club must show evidence of coordination and planning with a certified beekeeper as to which flowers should be included in the plantings. Plans for continued maintenance of this public garden will be included in the application. (NGC #EC-3 ad G-4)

BLUE STAR MEMORIAL AND ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: PAULA HARTMAN

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BS RD-1: ROWENA P. SEWELL BLUE STAR MEMORIAL HIGHWAY AWARD

Donor: Rowena Sewell

\$50.00 awarded to a club, council or district submitting the most outstanding report on the dedication of a new marker or further beautification of an existing marker, including copies of programs, dedication, pictures, and plantings. Consult the Blue Star Memorial Chairman for suggestions. (SAR #14; NGC #CE-7)

BS RD-2: GOLD STAR MEMORIAL AWARD

Donor: Two Green Thumbs Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a club, council, or district submitting the most outstanding report on the dedication of a new Gold Star marker and/or a yearly tribute offered to the families of Gold

Star veterans or further beautification of an existing marker. This should include copies of programs, dedication, pictures, and plantings. Consult the Gold Star Memorial Chairman for suggestions. (SAR #14; NGC #CE-7)

CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: SHERRI RICHMOND

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CD-1: TRISH SUMNERS AWARD FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Donor: Joyce Adams

\$50.00 awarded to a club or council completing the most outstanding beautification project working with Habitat for Humanity. (SAR #7/NGC #CE-5)

CD-2: VIOLA KIKER AWARD FOR CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION

Donor: Mrs. Frances Hunley and anonymous donor

\$50.00 awarded to a club completing the most outstanding civic beautification project of two-year duration.

CD-3: PUBLIC SCHOOL BEAUTIFICATION

Donor: Jenene Curtis Smith

\$50.00 awarded to a single club completing the most outstanding beautification project at a public school. The project may be of a one-year duration or a continuing project. (If native flowering trees/shrubs were used, apply for SAR #7/NGC# G-3)

CD-5: THE ROSE GARDEN CLUB AWARD FOR CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

Donor: The Rose Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to any single club of 24 or fewer members completing the most outstanding civic beautification project in a city park or recreation area in one year. (SAR #4, SAR#8/NGC #CE-5, NGC #EC-1)

CD-6: MARTHA FRANCK FRAGRANCE GARDEN AWARD

Donor: Brenda Crocker

\$50.00 awarded donated to the Martha Franck Fragrance Garden in honor of the club with the largest contribution to the Martha Franck Fragrance Garden. All contributions must be channeled through State Headquarters and determined by the State Treasurer's records.

CD-7: FRIENDS OF THE ELIZABETHAN GARDENS

Donor: Friends of The Elizabethan Gardens.

\$100.00 awarded to the club reporting the highest percentage of members that join or renew membership in The Elizabethan Gardens as verified by The Elizabethan Gardens Board. To qualify, a one-page written report should be submitted listing the total number of members who have joined or renewed in the calendar year, January through December. Membership should reflect 20% or more of active club members of that club.

CD-8: THE NORTH CAROLINA ARBORETUM AWARD

Donor: Westwood Garden Club

The purpose of this award is to inform NC residents and visitors about the NC Arboretum.

\$75.00 awarded to the club with the most outstanding program or project demonstrating a collaboration of the garden club with other civic organizations in landscaping. Any GCNC

Club is eligible for this award if the club has: completed a project whose purpose exemplifies both exhibits or themes of The Arboretum and of NGC, Inc. (and of GCNC) during the past 3 years. For instance: Bees, butterflies, any pollinators, birds, Plant America, Native Plants. (NGC #EC-1)

CLUB / COUNCIL HISTORY

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: Beverly Shearon

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CCH-1: BEST ONE YEAR CLUB HISTORY

Donor: Robin Weisner & Cindy Weisner

\$50.00 awarded to a club for the best one-year history. Book of Evidence required.

CCH-2: ERICA WINSTON BEST FIVE YEAR CLUB HISTORY

Donor: Frances G. Cain

\$75.00 awarded to a club for the best five-year history. Club History Book of Evidence required. A club history is the combination of a narrative account and a collection of pictures, newspaper clippings, etc.

A one-year history shall cover the most recently completed club calendar year. A five-year history shall cover the most recently completed years.

Contents:

1. On the cover, list the club's name, town, district (Arabic numerals, 1, 2, etc.) and period covered.
2. On the Title page, list the club's name, town, district, period covered, names, and addresses of the president, and person compiling the information. State number of members.
3. On subsequent pages, in order, list:
 - a. Purpose of club
 - b. Brief narrative of founding, including date, place, names of charter members (if available), officers and other information of interest.
 - c. List names of presidents for period covered.
 - d. List programs, speakers, and any other pertinent information for each year covered.
 - e. List projects, giving descriptions, member participation and photographs, if available. Projects listed should have benefited the community.
 - f. List awards or recognition.
 - g. List members who are, or have been, officers and/or chairmen of State, Regional, or National.
 - h. List State, Regional, and National life members.
 - i. List members who are National Garden Club, Inc. Accredited Flower Show Judges or Landscape Design Consultants.
 - j. Give a summary of each year's activities. All items should be listed in chronological order.

Limit book to 6 pages – front and back (total 12 pages)

Send Book of Evidence, with completed Application Cover Sheet to Category Chairman by December 1.

EDUCATION

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: BARBARA LUCAS

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E-1 ERMA DUFEL AWARD FOR YOUTH EDUCATION

Donor: Joan Eccard

\$50.00 awarded to a club providing either environmental awareness education or pollinator/native plant education for a youth group in any setting – classroom, daycare, 4-H or Scouts. (SAR #Y1/NGC #EC-2, NGC #YW-1, YW-2, YW-3, YW-4, YW-5)

E-2: CHARLOTTE COUNCIL EDUCATION AWARD

Donor: Charlotte Council of Garden Clubs

\$50.00 awarded for the best horticulture or environmental project/s that provides education to the public. This could include but is not limited to seminars, workshops, programs, establishment of educational programs for a group, etc. (SAR #5/NGC #EC-2)

E-3: THE SYLVIA GATZY AWARD

Donor: Chapel Hill Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a club or club member reporting the most outstanding mentoring project. This may include, but is not limited to, mentoring youth garden groups, school groups, floral designers or those interested in horticulture. (SAR #Y1/NGC #EC-2)

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: JOAN ECCARD

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EA-1: CONSERVATION AWARD

Donor: Sarah Johns

\$50.00 awarded to a club for the most comprehensive work and/or studies in conservation and promotion of conservation. This award may also be given for Energy Awareness Programs. (SAR #5) (NGC #EC-1, EC-2)

EA-2: ELEANOR YATES NATURE CONSERVANCY AWARD

Donor: Sardiswood Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to the club reporting the largest contribution by the club or an individual member to the Nature Conservancy. All contributions must be channeled through the Nature Conservancy Chairman and State Headquarters. Winner determined by Nature Conservancy Chairman and state records.

EA-3: MARGARET HOLTON ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD

Donor: Mary Lou Goodman

\$50.00 awarded to the club submitting the most outstanding program and/or project promoting protection of North Carolina water, land, or air quality. (SAR #5; SAR #15/NGC #EC-1 or EC-4 is Water Conservation)

FLOWER SHOWS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: MARY VACEK

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FS-1: GREENSBORO COUNCIL FLOWER SHOW AWARD

Donor: Greensboro Council of Garden Clubs

\$50.00 awarded to a club reporting the best Standard Flower Show and/or House and Garden Tour. **Book of Evidence required.** (NGC #FS-1)

FS-2: LAWNSDALE GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW AWARD

Donors: Lawndale Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded for the best Standard Flower Show sponsored by two or more garden clubs located near each other or a council composed of five or fewer clubs. All requirements for a Standard Flower Show as set forth in the Handbook for Flower Shows, 2023 Edition, the award description and rules must have been met by both schedule and application. **Book of Evidence required.** (NGC #FS-2)

FS-3: SHIRLEY VALENTINE CREATIVE HOLIDAY FLOWER SHOW AWARD

Donor: Waynesville Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a club or council for the best Standard Holiday Flower Show with creative staging and a creative schedule. Any holiday may be represented. Book of Evidence required. NOTE: Since the award applications deadline is December 1, if the application is for the Christmas Holiday, documentation or photos may be used from previous year. **Book of Evidence required.** (NGC #FS-3)

FS-5: SCROLL: BEST STANDARD FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE WITHOUT FINANCIAL AID

Schedule required (SAR #24) (NGC #FS-5)

FS-6: SCROLL: BEST STANDARD FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE WITH FINANCIAL AID

Schedule required (SAR #24/NGC #FS-1)

FS-7: SCROLL: FLOWER SHOW AWARD

Scroll awarded by North Carolina Flower Show Judges Council to a club or council with best entry for National Garden Club Flower Show Award NOT SUBMITTED to NGC after judging by the State Awards Committee. Scroll awarded only if merited. Awards Committee make decision from Flower Sho entries. **No additional Book of Evidence or application required.**

FS-8: MARGE COMER HORTICULTURE DIVISION AWARD

Donor: Coastal Garden Club

In honor of founding member and first club president.

\$25.00 awarded to a club for a schedule with correct scientific nomenclature of horticulture classes, number of horticulture entries and the number of correctly labeled entries. The award shall be based on percentage of entries and correct nomenclature. **Horticulture schedule required.**

FS-9: SMALL STANDARD FLOWER SHOW AWARD

Donor: North Carolina Flower Show Judges Council

\$25.00 awarded to a member club for the best Small Standard Flower Show that meets all requirements of NGC. (A Small-Standard Flower Show is defined in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, 2023 Edition). **Book of Evidence required.** (NGC #FS-5, FS-6)

GARDEN COUNCIL / CENTERS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: STEVE WRIGHT

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GCC-1: ETHEL DAUGHTRIDGE GARDEN CENTER AWARD

Donor: Rocky Mount Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to the Council/Garden Center with the most educational value to the public. This may be an exhibit space in a public area that disseminates information of benefit to the community on flower arranging, horticulture, etc. Suggested exhibit areas may be in libraries, businesses, educational centers, etc.

GARDEN THERAPY

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: JOAN ECCARD

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GT-1: LOUISE MIDDLEBROOKS GARDEN THERAPY AWARD

Donor: Shay Blakemore

\$50.00 awarded to a club reporting the most outstanding project among a group of children who have received therapeutic values in gardening or horticulture. (SAR #7/NGC #G-3)

GT-2: HERITAGE OF DURHAM AWARD FOR GARDEN THERAPY

Donor: Heritage Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to a club reporting the best garden club activity with the handicapped. Evidence must show that the handicapped have actually participated in the work. (SAR #7/NGC #G-3)

GT-3: THE ASHEVILLE GARDEN CLUB AWARD FOR GARDEN THERAPY

Donor: Asheville Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to the garden club reporting the best project of service for an activity with handicapped, shut--ins, lonely and/or sick people of all ages. (SAR #7/NGC #G-3)

GT-4: ALTA KORNEGAY AWARD FOR GARDEN THERAPY

Donor: Brenda Crocker

\$50.00 awarded to a club reporting the best garden club related program involving senior adults. The senior adults must not be members of the applying club and must participate in the program. (SAR #7/NGC #G-3)

GARDENS OF AMERICA HISTORIC PRESERVATION

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: SANDI DABROWSKI

265 MAILMAN RD KNIGHTDALE NC 27545

919-266-3507 • sandidnc@outlook.com

GA/HP-1: DISTRICT 12 CONSERVATION AND PRESERVATION AWARD

Donor: Carolyn Ashbrook

\$50.00 awarded to a club, council, or group of clubs for completion of a historic preservation project. Can be the restoration of a portion of a park, trail, cemetery, and/or grounds around an historic building. (SAR #4, #8/NGC #CE-2, CE-5, CE-6, CE-8, CE-9)

GA/HP-2: MARIE ASHWORTH MEMORIAL GARDENS AWARD

Donor: Beth Richards and Barbara Lucas

\$50.00 awarded to the club submitting the best report on a memorial garden or planting. This may be a new project or development and maintenance of an established garden or planting. (SAR #4, #8/NGC #CE-1, CE-2, CE-6, CE-9)

GA/HP-3: CAPE FEAR GARDEN CLUB 100TH ANNIVERSARY AWARD

Donor: Cape Fear Garden Club

\$50.00 for 2024; \$100.00 for 2025; \$50.00 for 2026 awarded to a garden club, group of clubs or Council for organizing and administering the most outstanding garden tour with at least five gardens. The proceeds from the tour must be used for community beautification projects. Application should include the number of gardens and percentage of club members participating.

HORTICULTURE AND COMMUNITY GARDENING

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: MARCIA DOERING

6309 PINTAIL COURT, WILMINGTON, NC 28403

No phone listed • marcia_doering@yahoo.com

H/CG-1: WESTRIDGE GARDENERS HERB AWARD

Donor: Westridge Gardeners Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to the garden club reporting the most originality in fulfilling the following requirements:

Club programs that include study of uses for herbs, history of herbs, and a visit to an herb garden with most of the membership participating and growing at least three different herbs.

H/CG-2: DOROTHY SECREST POPE AWARD

Donor: Four Seasons Garden Club of Lillington

\$25.00 awarded to the club, or individual member, using art in any form to enhance the knowledge of horticulture and gardening. Examples may include, but are not limited to, art in flower shows, student art, or art in the garden. Applications must include a description of how art was used in the project and how it enhanced knowledge of horticulture and gardening. At least two photos are required.

H/CG-3: GINNY PARKER SUCCULENT AWARD

Donor: Raleigh Garden Club

\$50 awarded to a club with the most outstanding project on the education and cultivation of succulents. The specimens may be planted in the garden or potted. The project will be judged based on attention paid to the rarity, growing difficulty, and variety of plants cultivated.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: SANDY ANASTASIO

142 SUNSET BLUFFS DRIVE, FUQUAY-VARINA, 27526

703-402-9611, slanastasio@gmail.com

(All Landscape Design awards require landscape plans. They do not have to be professionally drawn.)

LD-1: LANDSCAPE DESIGN AWARD

Donor: Maggie Larson

\$25.00 awarded to a single club for the best completed, designed landscape project of one or two-year duration. Before and after photographs, a landscape design plan, and all accomplishments should be included in the Application.

LD-2: CARY GARDEN CLUB LANDSCAPE AWARD

Donor: Cary Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to the club, 25 members or fewer, completing the most outstanding beautification project at a public school or public building in a one-year project. (NGC #CE-8)

LD-3: LAKE TRACE GARDEN CLUB LANDSCAPE AWARD

Donor: The Lake Trace Garden Club

\$25.00 awarded to the garden club, 25 members or more, completing the most outstanding beautification project at a public school or public building in a one-year project. (NGC #CE-8)

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: JO DANIELS

104 HOLLYBROOK LANE, DUDLEY, NC 28333

919-920-0637 • jdaniels@nc.rr.com

LM-1: SCROLL: DISTRICT PRESENTING LARGEST NUMBER OF "NEW" NGC LIFE MEMBERSHIPS.

**Determined from the report of the Life Membership Chairman.*

LM-2: SCROLL: DISTRICT PRESENTING LARGEST NUMBER OF NEW SAR LIFE MEMBERSHIPS.

**Determined from the report of the Life Membership Chairman.*

LM-3: SCROLL: DISTRICT PRESENTING LARGEST NUMBER OF NEW GCNC LIFE

MEMBERSHIPS. **Determined from the report of the Life Membership Chairman. (SAR #16 is awarded at the SAR Convention to the state with the most new memberships).*

LITTER CONTROL AND RECYCLING

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: BRENDA AVANT

2513 ZEBULON RD ZEBULON NC 27597

919-269-7384 • bavabt1@nc.rr.com

LC/R-1: RECLAIM, RECYCLE AND REUSE OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

Donor: Martha Sanderford

\$50.00 awarded for the most comprehensive recycling/reclamation activity/project. Report should include type of organization used to collect recyclable materials, public involvement, member participation percentage, costs, profits, and amount of materials collected for recycling with publicity photos. (SAR #17)

LC/R-2: MARGE O'KEEFE AWARD FOR LITTER CONTROL

Donor: Marjorie Castleberry

\$25.00 awarded to a club reporting the most outstanding litter control project. (SAR #17)

LC/R-3: LINDA SCHMITT HOLIDAY DECORATION AWARD

Donor: Hillsborough Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded for the best holiday decoration of a public or historic building by a garden club, using recycled/uncycled/reclaimed materials in creative and fun ways.

NOTE: Since the award applications deadline is December 1, if the application is for the Christmas Holiday, documentation or photos may be used from previous year. (SAR #17)

MEMBERSHIP

CHAIRMAN: MARILYN WRIGHT

8318 DUNES RIDGE PLACE SUNSET BEACH NC 28468

828-964-6415 • wrightmb04@gmail.com

M-1: SCROLL: DISTRICT WITH THE LARGEST NUMBER OF NEW CLUBS

Awarded to the district reporting the largest number of new clubs. This award is determined from the report of the State Membership Chairman.

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

CHAIRMAN: FRANCES CAIN

11705 PEED ROAD RALEIGH NC 27614

703-217-6975 • FrancesCain02@yahoo.com

YM-1: THE MARGE POOSER YOUTH MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Donor: Marta Cohen

\$50.00 awarded to a senior club who organizes the most innovative activities for their junior garden club. Possible activities could promote environmental awareness, opportunities for the establishment of wildlife and pollinator habitats and learning experiences within the science of horticulture. (SAR #Y1)

NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: JEAN MCDANAL

112 WHITE ASH DR PINE KNOLL SHORES NC 28512

252-808-2998 • jmcdanal@ec.rr.com

NGW-1: NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK AWARD

Donor: Sandra Dutton

\$50.00 awarded to a club or council for the most outstanding program, display or gardening activity promoting National Garden Week. Emphasis should be on community awareness throughout the week. Pictures, programs and/or other publicity should be included. (SAR #10/NGC #MAE-5)

PROGRAMS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: PATSY PRIDGEN

104 Ashcroft Court Rocky Mount NC 27804

252-985-2637 • patsy.pridgen@gmail.com

P-1: GEORGIA MIXON PROGRAM AWARD

Donor: Georgia B. Mixon

\$25.00 awarded to the individual member or members of a club submitting the most outstanding program to be placed in the Program Lending File. Program required. (SAR # 20(b))

P-2: BETTY GORRIE MEDIA PRESENTATION AWARD

Donor: Carolyn Augustine

\$50.00 awarded to the club which makes the best use of media systems to facilitate and enhance club meetings, special presentations, or special projects on a regular basis.

Applicants may send samples of their presentation – not the complete presentation.

Newsletters should NOT be submitted for this award. Those are Press Book and Publications awards. (NGC #MAE-2)

P-3: POWER POINT, VIDEO PROGRAM

Donor: Linda Snider

\$50.00 awarded to the committee or club submitting the most outstanding program with power point, or video for the Program Lending File (SAR #20(a)/NGC# MAE-3)

PRESS BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: SHELLI ROCHFORD

1301 KERSHAW DRIVE, RALEIGH NC 27609

512-796-4640 • shellirochford@gmail.com

PB-1: RUTH YARBROUGH PUBLICITY PRESS BOOK AWARD

Donor: Daylily Garden Club of Durham

\$50.00 awarded for the best publicity press book. **Press Book required. State winners will automatically be forwarded to SAR for Award #23.**

CATEGORIES:

- A. Single member garden clubs
 - i) Small Club, ii) Medium Club, iii) Large Club
- B. Group of member clubs, councils, or districts
- C. Affiliated Garden Center

DUE DATES:

To Press Books and Publication Category Chairman by **January 1st** (see contact information above)

Category Chairman to State Awards Chairman by **January 15th**

State Awards Chairman sends first place winners in each category to SAR Awards Chairman by **January 25th**

SAR Awards Chairman sends names only of first place winners in each category to NGC Awards Committee.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PREPARING PUBLICITY PRESS BOOK:

Label on outside cover: number and name of GCNC award, category, name of club/s, city, and state.

Submit in green report cover or folder; 8½ x11” or 9x12”. No heavy scrapbooks or oversized portfolios. There is no limit on the number of pages. Plastic page protectors may be used.

Material must consist of any of the following: Newspaper, magazine, newsletter, notices or fliers for one-time event, or any printed publication clippings (Example: Your state or regional official publication, The National Gardener, etc.), 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. *Judges take into consideration the difficulty in securing newspaper publicity.*

No page numbering of Table of Contents needed. Affix contents in chronological order:
January 1 through December 31.

Clippings evenly cut. No loose clippings permitted.

Each published item must contain the name of the 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.

Articles should include who, what, when, where, etc., where applicable; publicity should relate to organization's or individual's projects and/or activities; promotion of NGC objectives and goals.

RUBIC/GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATION OF PUBLICITY PRESSBOOKS:

Presentation:	30 points
Quality:	35 points
Quantity:	20 points
Diversity:	15 points
TOTAL	100 points

PB-2: MARILYN DUTTON NEWSLETTER AND MAGAZINE PUBLICATIONS

Donor: Frances G. Cain

\$50.00 awarded to a single garden club for the best entries in Categories 1 or 2. Must be published at least three times a year under one editorship or management. Publication size must be 8.5 x 11" or 8.5 x 14". Notices and flyers for one-time events do not qualify.

Submit only three issues. (SAR #18; NGC #MAE-4 A-D)

Category 1. Newsletter: 1-12 pages

Category 2. Magazine: No more than 12 pages

Eligibility for Categories 1 and 2:

Single member garden clubs

i) Small Club, ii) Medium Club, iii) Large Club

PB-3: WEBSITE AWARD

Donor: Billie Oakley

\$50.00 awarded to winner for the most outstanding website promoting GCNC, SAR, and NGC objectives. Provide the following information on the Application form: club website, address, who maintains the site, how often updated, and cost. Ease of navigation will be judged whether the site was professionally designed or designed and managed by club member(s). (SAR #21; NGC #MAE-2)

SCALE OF POINTS FOR WEBSITE JUDGING

PRESENTATION	25 POINTS
Design/Appearance; attractive, engaging, easy to view, layout	
NAVIGATION	40 POINTS
Ease of navigation, navigation system (bar, map, etc.) logical flow of pages, clear page headers, links active	
ACHIEVEMENT	25 POINTS
Club/group information present and easy to find, educational	
PROMOTION	10 POINTS
Promotes GCNC, SAR, and NGC objectives	
TOTAL	100 POINTS

SCHOLARSHIPS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: VICKI CORPORON

10808 COPPERDALE DRIVE, RALEIGH NC 27614

919-847-4219 • vcorporon@nc.rr.com

S-1: GAIL HILL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Donor: Gail Hill

\$50.00 awarded to the club providing the largest financial contribution, in proportion to the membership (amount of contribution divided by the number of members), to the Scholarship Fund. ***All contributions must be channeled through State Headquarters and determined by the State Treasurer's records.**

S-2: JUDY BARNES SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Donor: Judy Barnes

\$50.00 awarded to the club which has contributed the most money per member to a student/s attending a North Carolina two or four-year university or college, public or private. The student must be majoring in an area that meets the mission statement of The Garden Club of North Carolina, Inc. The donation may be given to the institution itself for scholarship purposes. The winner will be determined by dividing the amount of dollars by the number of members. A one-page application listing the amount/s, date of the donation/s, and the institution/s and/or student/s receiving the donation must be submitted. The year of the donation must be the academic year preceding the submission of the application. For example: An award presentation in 2021, the academic year would be June 1, 2019, to May 31, 2020.

TREES

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: STEFANIE DESPAGNI

417 LIBERTY EXPRESS PKL KNIGHTDALE NC 27545

919-449-7830 • sdespagni@gmail.com

T-1: SHIRLEY TUTTLE TREE AWARD

Donor: Statesville Garden Council

\$50.00 awarded to the club and/or individual who promotes the preservation of existing trees and/or the planting of trees other than dogwood and crepe myrtle. (SAR#1/NGC#EC-1)

T-2: HANNAH MCNEIL MCMILLIAN ARBOR DAY AWARD

Donor: Anonymous

\$50.00 awarded to a club of 25 members or less for the most outstanding Arbor Day activities. (SAR#1)

T-3: ARBOR DAY AWARD

Donor: Robin Weisner

\$50.00 awarded to a single club of 26 members or more for the most outstanding Arbor Day activities. (SAR #1)

WILDFLOWERS AND NATIVE PLANTS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: CHERYL ALLEN

549 Old City Lake Road, Winston-Salem NC 27573

336-322-0259 • cwallennc@gmail.com

W/NP-1: JACKIE DELLINGER WILDFLOWER/NATIVE PLANTS GARDEN AWARD

Donor: Marilyn Wright and Suzanne Gurski

\$50.00 awarded to an individual, a club or group of clubs planting a public or private wildflower/native plant garden. Newspaper clippings not required. (SAR#3, #SP#2/NGC #EC-5; CE-1, CE-4B, CE-6)

YEARBOOK AWARDS

CATEGORY CHAIRMAN: LINDA MCLENDON

115 CEDAR STREET DUDLEY NC 28333-9205

919-440-3314 • mclendonl@aol.com

DEADLINE:

District Competition Deadline: Set by the District or three weeks prior to the District Meeting. District Directors shall inform club presidents of the deadline and the name and address of the District Yearbook Chairman One copy of the Yearbook, accompanied by one copy of the properly completed “GCNC Award Application Cover Sheet” form is submitted to the District Awards Chairman.

State Competition Deadline: District Yearbook Chair sends first place winners with Application cover sheet, District Judging Sheet for each category, and Tally Report to State Yearbook Chair by **NOVEMBER 1st** – return all others. State Competition Deadline for yearbooks is November 1st, no exceptions! Judging is a lengthy process and deadlines to SAR must be met. Category Chairman sends first place winners in each category and Tally Report to State Awards Chairman by **January 2nd**. State Awards Chairman sends first place winners in each category to SAR Awards Chairman by **January 25th**.

*This is a GCNC, & SAR award. GCNC has more yearbook categories than SAR so all GCNC first place winners will NOT be automatically forwarded to SAR. State Awards Chairman will forward the yearbook with the highest score when the membership categories overlap.

JUDGING YEARBOOKS:

Preliminary judging for State Yearbooks takes place in the District competition. Ribbons are given to the best entries in the Yearbook Award categories listed above. (Districts provide ribbons for district competition.) District ribbon winners are announced at the district meetings. **District winners are not automatically state winners.** *PLEASE remove all ribbons before mailing to the category chair! If submitting loose pages (used in binders), please do not use a binder clip as these tend to slip off during the judging process. Please secure loose pages with either staples, or folder with brads - failure to do so will result in disqualification. Do NOT submit yearbook entries directly to SAR.

YB-1: RUSTY VAN PELT YEARBOOK AWARD

Donor: Greensboro Council of Garden Clubs

\$25.00 awarded for the most outstanding yearbook by a club of 100 or more members.

YB-2: MARGARET DAUGHTRIDGE BARNES YEARBOOK AWARD

Donor: Rocky Mount Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded for the most outstanding yearbook by a club of 99 - 70 members.

YB-3: CATHERINE WILLIAMS YEARBOOK AWARD

Donor: Phebe Kirkman

\$50.00 awarded for the most outstanding yearbook by a club of 69 – 51 members.

YB-4: ELMA K. PORTER BOWDEN YEARBOOK AWARD

Donor: Jenene Smith

\$50.00 awarded for the most outstanding yearbook by a club of 50-30 members.

YB-5: LILA PETERSEN YEARBOOK AWARD

Donor: Gail Hill

\$50.00 awarded for the most outstanding yearbook from a club of 29 – 20 members.

YB-6: BEVERLY SHEARON YEARBOOK AWARD

Donor: Beverly Shearon

\$25.00 awarded for the most outstanding yearbook by a club of under 20 members.

YB-7: MARTHA SCHELL YEARBOOK COVER

Donor: Trent Woods Garden Club

\$50.00 awarded to the club with the most innovative and creative original artwork (hand drawn) design for a yearbook cover.

SCALE OF POINT FOR JUDGING CLUB YEARBOOKS

FORMAT OF BOOK (15 POINTS)

The scale of points allows 3 points for the structure of the book and 12 points for the arrangement of contents.

A. STRUCTURE OF BOOK: (2 POINTS)

Convenient size (1 point): Practical for membership

Durability (1/2 Point): Yearbooks may be stapled, spiral or 3-ring binder.

Neatness. (1/2 point): Pleasing choice of color of ink and paper, even margins, numbered pages, identifiable headings, arranged for easy reading

B. ARRANGEMENT OF CONTENTS: (12 POINTS)

- 1. Cover (2 points): must include:** (a) name of club; (b) town and state; (c) year. May also include a club theme, if desired.

Cover design is optional and receives no points in the scoring. An attractive cover does enhance the book for the pleasure of the members and may add prestige to the image projected by the club.

For permanent binder covers, which some clubs prefer, substitute a durable paper cover for award competition, making sure that the required information is on the temporary cover. Fasten the yearbook with substitute metal rings to allow pages to turn easily.

- 2. Title page & Table of Contents (4 Points)**

Title page (2 points): is required and must show: (a) name of club, (b) town and state, (c) year, (d) number of dues paying members, and affiliated organizations (NGC, region, state, district, and council membership (if applicable). If state and national dues are paid on associate / inactive / honorary members, they are counted in total membership.

Table of Contents (1 point): Number the yearbook pages and list topics on Contents Page.

- 3. Subsequent pages (6 points):**

In any order most useful to members and best fit for page placement. Information in a club yearbook should be in logical order. National & State information does not have to be in front.

- **Membership Roster: (2 points)** Complete mailing addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses (if applicable). Avoid crowding. Suggestion to save space, “All area codes are (____) and postal zip codes are _____ unless otherwise noted”
- **List of Club Officers and Committee Chairmen (2 points)**
- **NGC Information (1 point)** Name of the NGC President, the theme of the administration and a referral to the NGC website for further information.
- **Other Information (1 point)** Name, address, phone number, and e-mail address of State President, SAR Regional Director, State District Director, and Council President (if applicable). List themes for State President and SAR Regional Director.
- **Calendar of Events (2 points)** List dates and locations for district/state/region/national meetings and events to encourage members to attend and eliminate setting of conflicting dates.

PROGRAM CONTENT (85 POINTS)

Topics should cover a variety of NGC goals & objectives. (Birds, Blue Star Memorials, Butterflies, Floral Design, Conservation and Environment, Therapy, NGC and State Presidents Projects (Indicate if special interest club such as: Design only; Horticulture only, etc.)

A. CLUB MEETINGS (50 POINTS)

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| 1. at least 7 per year – in any form | 3 points |
| 2. List date and time of meeting, location with address | 3 points |
| 3. List name of speaker/s, qualifications, program title | 4 points |
| 4. Variety of program topics (theme not required) | 14 points |
| 5. Variety of styles of programs (lectures, PPT, tours) | 12 points |
| 6. Variety of speakers (specialists, members, panel) | 14 points |

B. CLUB PROJECTS – (35 POINTS)

Involve actual membership participation to benefit community and further NGC Goals and Objectives. Some fundraisers may benefit & beautify the community and some help promote NGC Member Services as well as publicize our organization and goals. Certain social activities may lead to membership increase. State each in description.

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| 1. List: New projects | 0 points |
| 2. List: Continuing projects | 15 points |
| 3. List location of each project | 5 points |
| 4. List description of each project | 5 points |
| 5. List name of chairman | 5 points |
| 6. List how members participate in each project | 3 points |
| 7. List of donations, in-kind donations, plans for maintenance | 1 point |
| 8. Note where club meetings/programs pertain to project | 1 point |

OPTIONS (no points given)

Could fill available space: include bylaws, budget, fund raising, roll call, former presidents.

CLUB THEME (no points given)

If used, it 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.

TOTAL 100 points