

2006 GCO Awards

102 A---Civic Beautification Award

Small Club---30 members or less

2nd Place—Wyoming Hts. GC –Cincinnati District (13 members)

The decorative gas lanterns on the entrance walls to the Knolls subdivision were disconnected during the energy crisis in the 1970's. The area deteriorated over the years. This GC decided to restore the walls to their original beauty, gaslights refurbished and gardens planted.

First Place---Knolls GC—Columbus District (27 members)

102 B—Civic Beautification

Large Club (more than 30 members)

This club teamed up with the Gates Mills Horticulture School and the city service dept. to add a stone walkway from Community Center to the stone patio. Fundraisers and students funded the project. They also planted a tree in honor of their safety forces.

First Place---Highland Hts. GC—Cleveland District

103 B—Civic Improvement

Large Club

2nd Place—Laurel GC—Cleveland District

This club provided 4 programs to the community: “Madison in Bloom”; “Good Neighbor Award”; “Friendship Garden” and “Colors of Madison”. These projects involved city officials, businesses and residents. These projects provide an extended season of color throughout Madison.

First Place---Madison GC---Cleveland District

104 B—Civic Beautification Maintenance Project

Large Club

3rd Place—North Canton GC—Canton District

As its 75th anniversary project this club chose the much-needed restoration of the Gates Mills Village Arboretum. Its history was researched, safety hazards were addressed, existing species identified and the area was cleaned and pruned. Appropriate native species of trees, shrubs and wildflowers were planted. The Arboretum was rededicated September 2006.

First Place—Gates Mills GC---Cleveland District

**105 A—Horticulture / Environmental / Education Award
Small Club**

In The Little Red Schoolhouse project this club has developed a site that people of all ages would appreciate and learn from. They landscaped and introduced Hardscapes for the 1900 period to honor our military.

First Place---Willoughby Evening GC---Cleveland District

105 B—Large club

3rd Place—Highland Hts. GC---Cleveland District

2nd Place—North Canton GC---Canton District

This club with the cooperation of t he city developed the first “Rain Garden” in Cuyahoga County using native plants. The garden is located near a playground so everyone can get acquainted with the garden and its plants.

First Place—Independence GC---Cleveland District

**106 A—Beautification / Improvement of a Public Building Award
Small Club**

This 1-year-old club reshaped and revitalized the grounds around Ashland Community Art Center.

First Place---The Art of Gardening---Mansfield District

106 B---Large Club

This club updated the landscape at the 1960 Public Library. Worked with the Library Board, Louisville Public School and landscaper to install low maintenance plants and mulch for weed control and aesthetics

First Place--Town & Country GC---Canton District

**107 A—Community Enrichment Project or Program
Small Club**

This club planted and maintained the grounds at the “Outdoor Learning Environment & Gardens”. They watered, weeded and fertilized as well as train vegetables in the spiral edible garden. This is phase 1 of the plan for the 4000 sq ft area.

First Place---The Knolls GC—Columbus District

107 B—Large Club

3rd Place---North Canton GC---Canton District

This club has many projects—plantings at the Monfort Hts. Fire Station, West Fork Park Children’s Playground, St Joseph’s Villa and Monfort Hts. Elementary School. They encourage persons of all ages to appreciate the beauty of nature.

First Place (tie)—Monfort Hts. GC—Cincinnati District

This club had a wonderful Arbor Day. Students, parents, city officials and GC members were included in the program. The tree was planted and the students helped with the final touches.

First Place (tie)—Independence GC—Cleveland District

107 D—More than one club

This group of GCO clubs sponsored “Holly Pine Lane” at their Garden Center. They had about 35 Christmas Trees decorated using natural and recycled materials. It was their Gift to the Community.

First Place---GCO Clubs of the Canton Garden Center

108 A---Tree Award

HM---Town & Country GC--- Canton District

109---Garden Center Award

GC volunteers planted 6 planters located at the entrance to the Hershey Children’s Garden at the Cleveland Botanical Garden. The club also donated a large Rosemary plant for the Botanical Gardens main lobby. They also participated in the Scarecrow contest in October.

First Place---Highland Hts. GC---Cleveland District

111 A—Historic Preservation Award

Small Club

This club joined forces and finances with members of the Haines House and a few community volunteers to plant the 1st phase around this historical site. They are working at making the property as close to the period it was built.

First Place—Alliance GC---Canton District

111 B--Large Club

This GC planned and developed a kitchen garden to cover the years 1850-1900 at the Hanby House, which is now a museum, dating back to 1846. The garden contains fresh vegetables and plants for medicine and dyes as well as herbs.

First Place---Westerville GC---Columbus District

112—Historic Programs, Tours or Trails

The 1805 Log Cabin in Wartinger Historical Park fell into disrepair and was razed by the Beavercreek Parks Dept. This GC initiated a project to rebuild this cabin—a tremendous challenge for a club of 9 members. It was dedicated in May 2006 along with a Flower Show to celebrate their 50th Anniversary.

First Place---Flower Trail GC---Dayton District

120—Flora Therapy Award

Second Place---Alliance GC---Canton District

This club provides a monthly Floral Therapy project for long-term care residents at 2 different homes. They bring a creative activity to the residents through flowers and personal interaction.

First Place—flower Gardeners of Ashland—Mansfield District

121—Garden Therapy Award

Second Place---Anthony Wayne GC—Toledo District

This club teaches Flower Arranging to the residents of a senior citizen home. They have a hands-on evening and the residents take the arrangement back to their apartment

First Place—Forest Park Gardeners—Cincinnati District

122—Garden Therapy Service Award

Second---Town & Country GC—Canton District

These GC members and assisted living residents made Tussie Mussies, or their own designs, and delivered them to residents of skilled nursing units.

First Place---North Canton GC—Canton District

131---Garden Club Youth Award

This club decided they needed to be more involved in introducing youth to nature. They had a double goal—they hoped it would also encourage the moms to be interested in their garden club. They became involved with the city’s Youth Day Camp ages 5-15. The children were taught garden related crafts which they took home with them.

First Place---Highland Hts. GC---Cleveland District

(I am pleased to announce the Smokey Bear-Woodsey Owl, Posters and Poetry increased 30% this year. That is great news—keep up the good work)

Smokey Bear/ Woodsey Owl Posters:

Smokey Bear theme—“Only You Can Prevent Wildfires”

Woodsey Owl theme—“Lend a Hand-Care for the Land”

Highland Hts GC—Cleveland District Sponsored 2 student winners

1—2nd place

1—HM

Shaker Farms GC—Cincinnati District Sponsored 3 student winners

1—1st place

2—3rd place

Independence GC—Cleveland District sponsored 14 student winners

4—1st place

4—2nd place

3—3rd place

3—HM

Poster Contest

Theme was—“My Garden of Many Colors”

Mack Gardeners—Cincinnati District sponsored 2 student winners

1—1st place
1—3rd place

Shaker Farms GC—Cincinnati District sponsored 5 student winners

2—1st place
1—3rd place
2—HM

Monfort Hts. GC—Cincinnati District sponsored 5 student winners

2—1st place
1—2nd place
1—3rd place
1—HM

Highland Hts. GC—Cleveland District sponsored 20 student winners

5—1st place
6—2nd place
5—3rd place
4—HM

Poetry:

Theme was “My Garden of Many Colors”

Shaker Farms GC—Cincinnati District sponsored 4 student winners

1—1st Place
1—2nd place
1—3rd place
1—HM

Wildwood GC—Cleveland District sponsored 5 student winners

2—1st place
2—2nd place
1—3rd place

Chippewa GC—Cleveland District sponsored 8 student winners

3—1st place
1—2nd place
2—3rd place
2—HM

Highland Hts. GC—Cleveland District sponsored 20 student winners

6—1st place

5—2nd place

5—3rd place

4—HM

136—Youth Essay Contest

First place and \$100.00

Christopher R. Davis II—he attends McKinley High School

Sponsored by Mohawk Trail GC---Canton District

143—Garden Photography Award (each year the number of pictures has increased---it is tough competition)

143 A—My Garden

HM—Carole Ann Bowling—Pickaway County GC—Columbus Dist.

HM—Eva Pawlak—Highland Hts. GC—Cleveland

HM—Paula Harper—Worthington Hills GC—Columbus

3rd—Coletta Allen—Anthony Wayne GC---Toledo

2nd—Eva Pawlak—Highland Hts, GC—Cleveland

!st—Eva Pawlak—Highland Hts. GC—Cleveland

143 B—My Container Garden

1st---Eva Pawlak—Highland Hts. GC—Cleveland

143 C—Floral Close-Up

Hm—Paula Harper—WHGC—Columbus

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3rd—Carole Ann Bowling—Pickaway County GC—Columbus

2nd—Paula Harper—WHGC—Columbus

1st—Paula Harper—WHGC—Columbus

143 D—Floral Close-Up with Bird

HM—Coletta Allen—Anthony Wayne GC—Toledo

!st—Carole Flanagan—Laurel GC—Cleveland

143 E—Floral Close-Up with Insect

HM—Carole Flanagan—Laurel GC—Cleveland

HM—Paula Harper—WHGC—Columbus

3rd—Paula Harper—WHGC—Columbus

2nd—Paula Harper—WHGC—Columbus

1st—Letti Adams—Alliance GC—Canton

150 A—Publicity Pressbook—Small Club (up to 25 members)

HM—The Art of Gardening—Mansfield District

2nd—Damascus GC—Canton District

1st—Shaker Farms GC—Cincinnati District

150 B—Medium Club (26-50 members)

3rd—Aquilegia GC—Cleveland District

2nd—Flower Gardeners of Ashland—Mansfield District

1st—Chippewa GC—Cleveland District

151—Publication Award

151 B—Club Publication

3rd—Town & Country GC—Canton

2nd—Westerville GC—Columbus

1st—Flower Gardeners of Ashland—Mansfield

152—Club Newsletter

152 A—Small Club (50 members or less)

1st—Wildwood GC—Cleveland

152 B—Large Club (over 50 members)

HM—Western Hills—Cincinnati District

3rd—Westerville GC—Columbus

2nd—Chippewa GC—Cleveland

1st—Bay Village GC—Cleveland

Yearbook Award—(no application necessary—every GC in Ohio should automatically get their yearbook to the State Chairman every year)

200—Most outstanding Yearbook (membership under 20)

HM—Rolling Hills GC—Dayton District

HM—Finneytown GC—Cincinnati

3rd—Creative Arrangers—Columbus

2nd—Willowick GC—Cleveland

1st—Flower Trail GC—Dayton

201—Membership 20-29

HM—Friendly GC—Youngstown

3rd—Flower Gardeners—Mansfield

2nd—Clovernook GC—Cincinnati
1st—Leaf & Blossom GC—Akron

202—Membership 30-44

HM—Twinsburg GC—Akron
HM—Carrollton GC—Canton
HM—North Canton GC—Canton
3rd—Muirfield GC—Columbus
2nd—Chippewa GC—Cleveland
1st—Emerald Necklace GC—Cleveland

203—Membership 45-69

2nd—Anthony Wayne GC—Toledo
1st—Westerville GC—Columbus

204—Membership 70 or more

HM—Western Hills GC—Cincinnati District
3rd—Franklin GC—Columbus
2nd—Bay Village GC—Cleveland
1st—Worthington Hills GC—Columbus
1st—Avon-on-the-Lake GC—Cleveland

Linda Holzheimer, State Flower Show Chairman, will present flower Show Awards

Virginia Garver, President of Ohio Judges Council will present the Top Awards won at the OJC Convention Flower Show

At the end of her announcements on the Flower Show she will present the Dorothy Lang Award, which will go to Best of the Top Awards given at the Flower Show.

The Dorothy Lang Award is sponsored by the West Shore Arrangers of the Cleveland District—this is the 3rd year it will be given.

And now for the Award you have been waiting to hear. Have you guessed who the Garden Club of the Year is????

It is the club whose work has been outstanding in the greatest number of classifications. Decision is by the Awards Committee.

This year the honor goes to: North Canton GC—Canton District

