

#28 Newsletter Award Newsletters are a wonderful way for clubs to keep members updated on National, Regional, RIFGC, and club activities.

The winners, who each receive \$25.00, are:

Class 2 Hameho Garden Club

Class 3 Quononoquott Garden Club

Class 4 Rehoboth Garden Club

Class 6 Barrington Garden Club

#30 Website Award

Sogkonate Garden Club wins this award and \$25.00 for their professional, informative, and easy to navigate website.

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

55 years Hameho Garden Club

65 years Apple Blossom Garden Club

70 years Quononoquott Garden Club

85 years Portsmouth Garden Club

85 years Rehoboth Garden Club

85 years Tiverton Garden Club

105 years Newport Garden Club

Member Award of Honor

This award recognizes those NGC members, whose volunteer efforts, during a period of at least five years, have made outstanding contributions to club and community. This year's Rhode Island

Member Award of Honor is **Annette Jarvis** nominated by **Portsmouth Garden Club**.

CITATIONS

An RIFGC Citation is presented to **John Gwynne** and **Mikel Folcarelli** owners of **Sakonnet Gardens**, for their ongoing strong commitment to horticulture excellence and education in Rhode Island.

An RIFGC Citation is presented to **Gianna Pagliarini**, owner of **Central Nursery**, whose dedication to Civic Beautification and continuing support for RIFGC, especially at the RI Home, Flower, and Garden show is much appreciated.

COMMENDATIONS

RIFGC presents a Commendation to **Adelaide Clifford** for so generously offering her knowledge and expertise to ensure that RIFGC remains fiscally healthy.

RIFGC gives **Deb Ort** a Commendation. While RIFGC First Vice-President she willingly took on the duties of Chair of the Awards Committee.

RIFGC presents **Kathy LaRiviere** with a Commendation and a special rosette in appreciation of her tireless leadership as Chair of the very successful RIFGC Flower Show, "Dream, Discover, Design" at the 2019 RI Home Show, Featuring the Flower and Garden Show.

RIFGC presents **Elaine DiChiara** with a Commendation for Chairing the delightful special event featuring plant designer Francoise Weeks, attended by guests from RI and several other states.

RIFGC presents a Commendations to **Vera Bowen** to who provided experience and invaluable support, that was very much appreciated by this President.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Was awarded to **Sue Redden** who is retiring as the RI Flower Show Schools, Credentials and Symposium Chair after serving in that position for twenty years, has overseen and submitted countless award applications which champion our causes, and been a dear friend and confidant in supporting this President's term.

The awards program affords National Garden Clubs, Inc. and the Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. an opportunity to express their appreciation and support for all the club projects that were completed or were in progress during the past year. By honoring our clubs, we hope to promote growth and stimulate our members to plan their programs and activities for the coming year in accordance with the objectives of our organizations

89th Anniversary Awards Ceremony

April 25, 2019



**The Rhode Island Federation
of Garden Clubs, Inc.**

President – Blakely Szosz

Awards Committee:

Chair, Deb Ort

Vera Bowen

Sue Redden

Blakely Szosz

These still active clubs were among the founding members of RIFGC

Bristol Garden Club

Jamestown Garden Club

South County Garden Club

#2 Elizabeth McCaffrey Arbor Day Award

For their excellent annual program of planting trees. A tree was planted at the Edgewood Highlands Elementary School. In addition to the planting they held a program for the children to explain Arbor Day.

Edgewood Garden Club wins this award and \$25.00

#4 Gorham Award for Conservation Excellence

The members of **Barrington Garden Club** win this award for their continued preservation of the Osamequin Nature Trail in Barrington. This Garden Club and the Barrington Land Trust are now partners and together will continue to care for this beautiful natural resource. \$25.00

#5 Portsmouth Garden Club Award for Litter Control

This award is won by **Sogkonate Garden Club** for their outstanding, ongoing litter control and Earth Day projects, Members and volunteers of all ages participate. \$25.00

#7 An Award of Merit for Flower Show

Achievement is given to the **Bristol Garden Club** for its NGC Horticulture Specialty Flower Show, *"90 years and Still Growing"*. To **Hameho Garden Club** for their Small-Standard Show *"Blooms and Twigs,"* and to **Portsmouth Garden Club** for their Small-Standard Show *"Mi Casa et su Casa"*. Each club receives \$25.00

8a Barbara Spring Lownes Award and \$25.00 is given to **Hameho Garden Club** for the beautiful presentation of Horticulture in their Small- Standard Flower Show.

8b. The Horticulture Award and \$25.00 is given to a club with 29 members or less. **Hameho Garden Club** wins this award for their Small-Standard Flower show *"Blooms and Twigs"*

9. Flower Show Schedule Award and \$25.00 for a Small-Standard Flower Show is won by **Portsmouth Garden Club**.

10a The Judges' Council Award and \$25.00 for staging a flower show in a public building is won by **Portsmouth Garden Club**.

10b The Jean T. Whitaker Award and \$25.00 for their Small- Standard Home Show using mostly actual staging is given to **Hameho Garden Club**.

10c Ruth F. Anderson Award and \$75.00 is given to a club exhibiting all around excellence in a Small- Standard Flower Show **Hameho Garden Club** wins this award for their show, *"Blooms and Twigs"*

10d The In-House Flower Show Award is won by **Bristol Garden Club** for their Specialty Horticulture Flower Show, *"90 years and Still Growing"*

11 Maryellen Blount Award for Garden Therapy This award is presented to **Gentian Garden Club** for their outstanding programs for seniors, and their ongoing commitment to this project. \$25.00

Award #13 Frances Poitier Membership Award

With **nine** new members, the Membership Award goes to the **Apple Blossom Garden Club**. \$25.00

#14 Horticulture Program Award

The **Edgewood Garden Club** wins this award for their informative Horticulture program entitled *"Applying Classic Design for Contemporary Gardens."* \$25.00

#17 Youth Achievement Award

For working with the local library and holding diverse programs for youth. The **Gentian Garden Club** wins the Youth Achievement Award.

#18 Mary N. Santopietro Garden Therapy Youth

Award is presented to the **Quononoquott Garden Club** for their projects with children and senior citizens. The object of their garden therapy program is the teaching of kindness and respect for the elderly. \$25.00

#20 Edith Fricker Programs of the Year Award

Five Clubs presented outstanding Books of Evidence depicting their well-rounded year of programs. The recipients of this award and \$50.00 each are:

Class 2 Hameho Garden Club

Class 3 Quononoquott Garden Club

Class 4 Gentian Garden Club

Class 5 Edgewood Garden Club

Class 6 Barrington Garden Club

Award #21 Yearbook Awards

For their outstanding yearbooks we honor the following garden clubs in their respective class categories. They receive \$25.00 each.

Class #1 Wantoknowhow Garden Club

Class #2 Hameho Garden Club

Class #3 Cindy-Wood Garden Club

Class #4 Western Cranston Garden Club

Class #5 Sogkonate Garden Club

Class #6 Barrington Garden Club

#22 Carolyn B. Haffenreffer Award This prestigious award and \$50.00 is presented to the **Hameho Garden Club** for its outstanding, well-rounded program year, that included a Small-Standard Flower Show.

#24a The Sylvia Street Award and \$25.00 is given to the most creative arranger of the year. This year's winner is **Candace Morgenstern**, whose design was created at a demonstration she gave at a CFFA event in Florida.

#24b The Joan F. Pesola Award and \$25.00 is donated by Barrington Garden Club and is awarded to the arranger of the best design in the Traditional or Oriental manner. The winner is Kathleen Duffy, her design was created for the 2018 RIFGC Flower Show.

#25 RI Federation Project of Merit

The RIFGC Project of Merit Award is presented to the **Western Cranston Garden Club** for their exciting project that encourages children to develop an interest in gardening and floral design.

#27 National Garden Week Award

The Award is presented to **Western Cranston Garden Club**. To encourage their interest in horticulture. First graders were introduced to gardening and planting. \$25.00