



**The Garden Club  
of  
South Carolina, Inc.**

**2026**

**ANNUAL AWARDS**

# **The Garden Club of South Carolina, Inc.**



**Service & Recognition Awards**

**Youth Awards**

**SAR Awards**

**April 23, 2026**

## GCSC SERVICE & RECOGNITION AWARDS 2026

### 1. **Presidential Service Award**

Given to an individual for outstanding contributions to GCSC.

### 2. **The Garden Club of South Carolina Special Award**

The highest award given to an individual for meritorious accomplishments, which exemplifies GCSC objectives.

### 3. **State Certificate of Merit**

Given to a club that has demonstrated GCSC objectives by contributing service of unusual merit to the community in which it is located. \$25 to First Place Winners.

### 4. **Sarah Porter Smith Boylston Memorial Garden Award**

Given in honor of Sarah Boylston for her gift of the Memorial Garden. Project must describe Memorial Garden support through contributions and/or fund-raising projects.

## NON-COMPETITIVE AWARDS

No Application necessary, determined by information from GCSC data.

### 5. **National Life Membership**

To the club that lists, on April 1, the highest percentage of new National Life Members.

### 6. **State Life Membership Award**

To the club that lists, on April 1, the highest percentage of new State Life Members.

### 7. **Membership Award**

To the club with the largest increase in membership from January 1- December 31. This figure is derived by comparing the difference between members gained and lost in the calendar year from information from the President's Report.

### 8. **GCSC Garden Heroes**

The honoree receives a mailed certificate and is featured on the GCSC website and in the SC Gardener magazine. Minimum donation of \$100.

## COMPETITIVE AWARDS

First year of term January – December 2023. Second year of term January- December 2024.

### 9. Pollinator Award

For the most exceptional project conserving and protecting pollinators by creating or maintaining pollinators, pollinator sanctuaries and /or planting pollinator friendly gardens. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Leaf &amp; Petal Garden Club</b>
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Iris Garden Club of Conway</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yaupon Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Azalea Garden Club of Sumter
	HM	Pickens Garden Club
	CP	Gardening on the Cay
	CP	Greenville Garden Club
	CP	Traveler’s Rest Garden Club
	CP	Wildwood Garden Club
<b>Large Garden Club</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
	2nd	McCormick Garden Club
	3rd	Flowertown Garden Club
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club (Cemetery)</b>
	2nd	Dataw Garden Club (Butterfly Gdn)
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

### 10. Presidential Initiatives Award

The following four awards will be awarded to clubs only and will be sponsored by the President’s Project 2025-2027. In support of the 2025-2027 President’s theme - Butterflies ...“Come Flutter with Me!” four award categories have been identified. Each first-place membership category winner for each award will receive \$25.00.

#### 10 i. Creating a new Butterfly Garden

This award is given to a club that is starting a butterfly garden.

<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>
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### **10 ii. Refurbishing an existing Butterfly Garden**

This award is given to a club which has an existing butterfly garden and needs upgrading and replacement of butterfly attracting plants.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Palmetto GC of North Augusta</b>
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Wildwood Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	St. Matthews Garden Club
<b>Large Garden Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Lake &amp; Hills Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

### **10 iii. Best Butterfly Garden Club Program**

This award will be made to the club that has the best butterfly garden program.

<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Gardening on the Cay</b>
<b>Large Garden Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club</b>

### **10 iv. Best Youth Education Program about Butterflies**

This award can involve students in public or private schools, youth garden clubs, or any student group.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club</b>

### **11. Claudia Wright Lea Phelps Award**

Given to a club for the most outstanding project, involving members of the community, demonstrating GCSC objectives. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Driftwood Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Leaf & Petal Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Westcliffe Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Simpsonville Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Quail Hollow Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Azalea Garden Club of Marion
	HM	Traveler's Rest Garden Club
	CP	Four O'Clock Garden Club
	CP	Greenville Garden Club

<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Columbia Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

**12. Arbor Day Celebration**

For the best project demonstrating Arbor Day activities. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Blackville Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Carolina Hills Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Driftwood Garden Club
	<b>HM</b>	Leaf & Petal Garden Club
	<b>CP</b>	Lancaster Garden Club of
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Yaupon Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Azalea Garden Club of Marion
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Chapin Garden Club
	<b>HM</b>	Beaufort Garden Club
	<b>CP</b>	Alhambra GC of Mt. Pleasant
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>CP</b>	Camellia GC of Greater Charleston
	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Lake &amp; Hills Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Clarice Wilson Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Flowertown Garden Club
	<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

**13. Blue Star Byway/Memorial Marker Award**

Given for the beautification and maintenance of a marker. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>South Windermere Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Driftwood Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Chapin Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Loris Garden Club
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

**14. Holiday Beautification Project of a Historic or Public Building**

For the most outstanding holiday beautification project of historic or public buildings. \$25 to First Place Winners

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Palmetto Garden Club of N. Augusta</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	South Windermere Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Country Gardeners GC of Aiken
	HM	Driftwood Garden Club
	CP	Lancaster Garden Club
	CP	Seed & Weed Garden Club
	CP	Westcliffe Garden Club
	CP	West Piedmont Design Guild
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Chapin Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Simpsonville Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Greenville Garden Club
	HM	Gardening on the Cay
	CP	Four O’Clock Garden Club ( Ecology)
	CP	Four O’Clock Garden Club (Perf. Arts)
	CP	Traveler’s Rest Garden Club
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Avid Gardeners of HHI</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	McCormick Garden Club
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Columbia Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dataw Garden Club
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Florence Council of Garden Clubs

**15. Civic Achievement Award**

Given for the most distinguished civic improvement project. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Westcliffe Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Driftwood Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Seed & Weed Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Mountain Laurel Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gardening on the Cay
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Traveler’s Rest Garden Club
	HM	Simpsonville Garden Club
	CP	Chapin Garden Club
	CP	Quail Hollow Garden Club (WL Habitat)
CP	Quail Hollow Garden Club (Wreaths)	

	CP	Quail Hollow Garden Club (Round-about)
	CP	Yaupon Garden Club
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>St. Paul's Garden Club</b>
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Columbia Garden Club</b>

## 16. Club Public Program Award

To the best public program presented to the public representing GCSC and NGC objectives. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Driftwood Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Gardening on the Cay</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Azalea Garden Club of Marion
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Traveler's Rest Garden Club
	HM	Quail Hollow Garden Club
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>McCormick Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Avid Gardeners of HHI
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clarice Wilson Garden Club
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Columbia Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

## 17. Therapeutic Garden Award

For the most effective therapeutic gardening project. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Carolina Hills Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Seed & Weed Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Driftwood Garden Club
	HM	Yellow Jasmine Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Gardening on the Cay</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Greenville Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mountain Laurel Garden Club
	HM	Four O'Clock Garden
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Flowertown Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Avid Gardeners of HHI

### 18. Conservation of Natural Resources Award

For the most comprehensive project displaying conservation and protection of our natural resources. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Driftwood Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Simpsonville Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Azalea Garden Club of Marion
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>McCormick Garden Club</b>
	<b>HM</b>	Lake & Hills Garden Club
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. (Cleanup)</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. (Water Level)

### 19. Lucy B. Pomeroy Historic Preservation Award

For the completion of a historic preservation project. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Leaf &amp; Petal Garden Club (Fence)</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Leaf & Petal Garden Club (Church)
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club</b>

### 20. National Garden Week Activities Award

For a comprehensive weeklong project demonstrating the GCSC goals and objectives. \$25 to First Place Winners

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Driftwood Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Camellia Garden Club of Greer</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Yaupon Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Beaufort Garden Club
	<b>HM</b>	Lexington County Garden Club
	<b>CP</b>	Alhambra GC of Mt. Pleasant
	<b>CP</b>	Azalea Garden Club of Marion
	<b>CP</b>	Camellia GC of Greater Charleston
	<b>CP</b>	Chapin Garden Club
	<b>CP</b>	Gardening on the Cay
	<b>CP</b>	Iris Garden Club of Conway
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>McCormick Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Lake & Hills Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Clarice Wilson Garden Club

**21. Backyard Wildlife Habitat - No Awards Submitted**

**22. Wildlife Gardening Award**

To the garden club with the most notable projects or projects educating the public on the benefits of gardening for wildlife. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Simpsonville Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Gardening on the Cay
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Traveler’s Rest Garden Club
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
<b>Extra Large Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

**23. Landscape Design Consultants Award**

A project featuring a landscaped area. Sponsored and Funded by the Landscape and Design Consultants. \$50 to First Place Winners.

<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Quail Hollow Garden Club</b>
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**24. Plant It Pink**

For the most outstanding project emphasizing the use of pink cultivars promoting breast cancer awareness. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Yellow Jasmine Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Wildwood Garden Club
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Palmetto GC of Mt. Pleasant
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Avid Gardeners of HHI</b>
<b>Extra Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club</b>

**25. Juried Art / Photography**

Theme: “Butterflies – Come Flutter With Me” Award of \$100 (\$50 to Individual and \$50 to Club).

<b>Best in Show</b>	<b>Mary McCarthy (Painting)</b> <b><i>Alhambra GC of Mt. Pleasant</i></b>
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**26. Club Sponsored Youth Conservation & Natural Resources Award**

To a federated club sponsoring a youth garden club with the most outstanding work in conservation. \$25 to First Place Winner

<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Yaupon Garden Club</b>
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Avid Gardeners of HHI</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

**27. Growing Youth Gardeners Club Award - No Awards Submitted**

**28. Publication Award**

For an outstanding publication, brochure, calendar, cookbook, history, manual. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Avid Gardeners of HHI</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Lake &amp; Hills Garden Club</b>

**29. Publicity Press Book Award**

For the most outstanding book of evidence showcasing club events.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Driftwood Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Yaupon Garden Club</b>
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>HM</b>	<b>Lake &amp; Hills Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Council of Garden Clubs of Sumter</b>

**30A. Social Media/ Website Award**

For the most outstanding website page designed and managed by club members promoting GCSC and NGC objectives. \$25 to First Place Winners

<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Gardening on the Cay</b>
	<b>HM</b>	<b>Magnolia GC of John's Island</b>
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Avid Gardeners of HHI</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Lake &amp; Hills Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Florence Council of Garden Clubs</b>

**30B. Social Media/ Website Award**

For the most outstanding social media page designed and managed by club members promoting GCSC and NGC objectives. \$25 to First Place Winners

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Seed &amp; Weed Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Driftwood Garden Club</b>
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Simpsonville Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Camellia Garden Club of Greer</b>
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Clarice Wilson Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Lake &amp; Hills Garden Club</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Florence Council of Garden Clubs</b>

**31. Standard Flower Show Achievement Awards**

Certificate award for the following NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards: 5,17,18,21,22,25,30,34,35,47,57.

<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Council of GC of Greater Charleston</b>
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**32. Small Standard Flower Show Award – No Submission**

Certificate to the club with 25 or fewer members having a Small Standard Flower Show. One award per calendar year.

**33. Educational Exhibit Award**

Award funded and judged by NAJCSC. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Individual</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Karen Allen</b>
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**34. Standard Flower Show Schedule Award**

Award funded and judged by NAJCSC. \$25 to First Place Winners.

<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Council of GC of Greater Charleston</b>
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**35. SC Judges Club Ribbon Awards for CLUBS.**

Awards funded and judged by NAJCSC \$25 to First Place Winners for each category.

<b>i. Design</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Garden Club</b>
<b>ii. Horticulture</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Camellia GC of Greater Charleston</b>

**36. SC Judges Club Ribbon Awards for INDIVIDUALS.**

Not offered to the name individual 2 consecutive years. Certificate awarded.

## YOUTH AWARDS

### 37A. Litter Control Award – No Submissions

### 37B. GCSC Poetry Contest

Theme: "PLANT AMERICA for the Next 100 Years! "

<b>Grade 3</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Ruth Love</b>	- Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
		<i>A Seed</i>	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Miles Hearne	- GC of Aiken - WLC
		<i>Grow America</i>	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Amelia McMullen	- Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
		<i>Dandelions</i>	
	HM	Blair Lancer	- GC of Aiken - WLC
		<i>Apple Tree</i>	
<b>Grade 4</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Luke Bruckner</b>	- GC of Aiken - WLC
		<i>Restoration for Life</i>	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jack Parrott	- GC of Aiken - WLC
		<i>Forests Forever</i>	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ivy Bryan	- GC of Aiken - WLC
		<i>Preserve Our Forest</i>	
	HM	William Brown	- GC of Aiken - WLC
		<i>Forest for the USA</i>	
<b>Grade 5</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Lauren LeGrande Ott</b>	- Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
		<i>For Years to Come, There Will Be Tree</i>	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wesson Smith	- Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
		<i>America</i>	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Adair Moore	- The Avid Gardeners of HHI - WLC
		<i>Trees, Trees, Trees</i>	
	HM	Eleanor Fairey	- Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
		<i>Plants and Trees</i>	
<b>Grade 8</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Lynsley Nix</b>	- Seed & Weed GC - WLC
		<i>Blooms of Freedom</i>	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mary Harrison McCrary	- Seed & Weed GC - WLC
		<i>America's Garden</i>	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hadley Evans	- Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
		<i>Let's Grow</i>	
	HM	Mackenzie Stanley	- Seed & Weed GC - WLC
		<i>Fallen Nation</i>	

## 37C. GCSC Poster Contest

### 1. Smokey the Bear – “Only You Can Prevent Wildfires”

- Grade 1** 1<sup>st</sup> **Tatum Tomlinson** - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mallory Brown - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Joseph Ridgeway - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
HM Sawyer Kinard - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC
- Grade 2** 1<sup>st</sup> **Myers Collins** - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
2<sup>nd</sup> Daphne Ramirez - Clarice Wilson GC - WP  
3<sup>rd</sup> Harper Sickles - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
HM Gerardo Romero Ruiz - Clarice Wilson GC - WP
- Grade 3** 1<sup>st</sup> **Creighton Eubanks** - King Alfred GC - ES  
2<sup>nd</sup> Haynie Evans - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Emma Truesdale - King Alfred GC - ES  
HM Kennedy Godley - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC
- Grade 4** 1<sup>st</sup> **Addisyn Sighter** - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kyle Noell - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Skyler Amyx - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC  
HM Asher Ayers - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC
- Grade 5** 1<sup>st</sup> **Sophia Rose Hiers** - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jade Silva - The Avid Gardeners of HHI - WLC  
3<sup>rd</sup> Edwin Mathys - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC  
HM Makayla Douan - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC

### 2. Woodsy Owl – “Lend a Hand, Care for the Land”

- Grade 2** 1<sup>st</sup> **Addie Evans** - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grace Bingham - Quail Hollow GC - WS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sawyer Reddick - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
HM Charlie Rae Dauphinais - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS
- Grade 3** 1<sup>st</sup> **Brelynn Truluck** - Eutwa Garden Club - WS  
2<sup>nd</sup> Bailey Bates - Quail Hollow GC - WS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ava Spires - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
HM Audrey Stowers - Quail Hollow GC - WS
- Grade 4** 1<sup>st</sup> **Greer Davis** - Rose GC of St. Matthews - WS  
2<sup>nd</sup> Karter Daniel-House - Quail Hollow GC - WS  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mila Bull - Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC  
HM Maci Lee - Quail Hollow GC - WS

<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Vivian Jeffries</b>	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Elena Bokinac	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Charlotte Bingham	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>HM</b>	Blakeley Patterson	- Quail Hollow GC - WS

### **37D. Recyclable Sculpture Contest**

The purpose of this contest is to encourage youth to keep our planet green and to get involved with saving our environment. Sculptures must consist of recyclable, reused and/or reduced materials.

<b>Grade 4</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Maci Lee</b>	- Quail Hollow GC – WS
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Hirva Parikh	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Abigail Scurry	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>HM</b>	Aaliyah Gunn	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Blakeley Patterson	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Elena Bokinac	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Vivian Jeffrie	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>HM</b>	Jade Brooker	- Palmetto GC of Denmark - WLC
<b>Grade 6</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Ellich Quinn</b>	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Ashlyn Whitmer	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
<b>Grade 7</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Eva Pope</b>	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Ava Cartman	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Hannah Brower	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
	<b>HM</b>	Aria Patel	- Quail Hollow GC - WS
<b>Grade 8</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Hampton Jowers</b>	- Palmetto GC of Denmark- WLC
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Robert R. Hearst IV	- Palmetto GC of Denmark- WLC
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Rivie Fralick	- Palmetto GC of Denmark- WLC
	<b>HM</b>	Olivia Shaffer	- Palmetto GC of Denmark- WLC

### **38. GCSC High School Essay Contest**

Theme: “How can we use native plants for climate adaptation?”  
\$500 to winner.

#### **Annalia James – Quail Hollow Garden Club**

SAR High School Essay Contest Winner - \$200

### **39. Club Yearbook Awards**

<b>Under 20</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Fountain Inn Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bishopville Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Azalea Garden Club of Conway
	HM	S. Windermere Garden Club
	CP	Seed & Weed Garden Club
	CP	Upsy-Daisy Garden Club
	CP	King Alfred Garden Club
<b>20 – 29</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Yaupon Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cereus Gardeners Garden Club
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bay Blossom Garden Club
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Azalea Garden Club of Sumter
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Camellia GC of Greater Charleston
	HM	Simpsonville Garden Club
	CP	The Anemone Garden Club
CP	Blythewood Garden Club	
CP	The Garden Ellas Garden Club	
<b>30 – 44</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Azalea Garden Club of Marion</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Greenville Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Chapin Garden Club
	HM	Azalea Garden Club of Manning
	CP	Lady’s Island Garden Club
	CP	Gaffney Garden Club
	CP	Primrose Garden Club
CP	Forget-Me-Not Garden Club	
<b>45 – 69</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Gardening on the Cay</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	St. Paul’s Garden Club
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Anderson Garden Club
HM	The Avid Gardeners	
<b>70 – 99</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>McCormick Garden Club</b>
<b>100 – 299</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Dataw Garden Club</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Columbia Garden Club
<b>300 plus</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Garden Club of Charleston, Inc.</b>

**40. Council Yearbook Awards**

<b>20 -29</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Orangeburg Council of Garden Clubs</b>
<b>30 -44</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Council of Garden Clubs of Sumter</b>
<b>45-69</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Spartanburg Garden Club Council</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	North Augusta Council of GC
<b>70 -99</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Conway Garden Club Council</b>
<b>100-299</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Aiken Council of Garden Clubs
<b>300 plus</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Garden Club Council of Greater Columbia, Inc.</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Council of Garden Clubs of Greater Charleston

**41. Special Achievement Award**

For a special civic or club project demonstrating GCSC and NGC objectives and not included in any other award category. \$25 to First Place Winner.

<b>Small Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Leaf &amp; Petal Garden Club</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Seed & Weed Garden Club
<b>Medium Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Gardening on the Cay</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Camellia Garden Club of Greer
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Wildwood Garden Club
	<b>HM</b>	Quail Hollow Garden Club
<b>Large Club</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>The Avid Gardeners of HHI</b>
<b>Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.</b>

**GCSC SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS 2025 - 2026**

**Hessie Morrah Horticulture Scholarship @ \$2000**

Michael Douglas Ballard – East Low Country  
Matthew Trevor Carter – Coastal  
Lauren Elizabeth Dean – West Low Country  
Megan Imker – West Piedmont  
Carter Senf – West Sandhills  
Stephanie Szkolnicki – West Piedmont  
Grace Michelle Tharp – West Sandhills

**Babs Barnette Environmental Scholarship @ \$1000**

Claire Anne Leuthner-Barrineau – West Sandhills  
Carter Senf – West Sandhills  
Stephanie Szkolnicki – West Piedmont  
Khloe J. Turner – East Low Country

**Sandy Duerksen Award @ \$2000**

Lauren Elizabeth Dean – West Low Country

**District Scholarships @ \$500**

**Coastal District**

Michelle Emily Gough

**East Low Country**

Michael Douglas Ballard  
Mary-Esther Ward McCabe  
Khloe J. Turner

**West Low Country**

Lilly Anne McLeod  
McKenzie Ann Sanders

**West Piedmont**

Michaela Diane Boyd

**West Sandhills**

Claire Anne Leuthner-Barrineau  
Carter Senf  
Crews G. Felder  
Grace Michelle Tharp

**SAR SCHOLARSHIP – “Carrie Whitlock Scholarship” @ \$1500**

Meghan Imker – West Piedmont

**SOUTH ATLANTIC REGION AWARDS  
GCSC FIRST PLACE WINNERS**

**SAR AWARD #1 – “Arbor Day”**

- Small Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Blackville Garden Club
- Medium Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Yaupon Garden Club
- Large Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Lake & Hills Garden Club
- 2 or More Clubs – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Greenville Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

**SAR AWARD #4 – “Permanent Community Improvement Award”**

- Medium Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Clarice Wilson Garden Club

**SAR AWARD #10 – “National Garden Week Award”**

- Medium Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Camellia Garden Club of Greer

**SAR AWARD #13 – “Plant It Pink”**

- Large Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - The Avid Gardeners of HHI

**SAR AWARD #14 – “Blue Star & Gold Star Marker Landscaping Award”**

- Medium Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Chapin Garden Club

**SAR AWARD #15 – “Water Conservation Award”**

- Medium Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Simpsonville Garden Club

**SAR AWARD #16 – “SAR Life Membership Award”**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Garden Club of South Carolina, Inc.

**SAR AWARD #18 – “Newsletter Publication Award”**

- Large Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - The Avid Gardeners of HHI

**SAR AWARD #19 – “Public Relations Award”**

- Medium Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Gardening on the Cay

**SAR AWARD #21 – “Website Award”**

- Medium Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Gardening on the Cay

**SAR AWARD #22 – “Yearbook Award”**

- Small Club – HM - Fountain Inn Garden Club
- Medium Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Yaupon Garden Club
- Large Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Dataw Garden Club

**SAR AWARD #23 – “Publicity Pressbook Award”**

- Small Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Driftwood Garden Club

**SAR AWARD #24 – “Best Standard Flower Show Schedule”**

- Council – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - Council of GC of Greater Charleston

**SAR AWARD #Y1 – “Youth Education Award”**

- Large Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Place - The Avid Gardeners of HHI

**SAR AWARD #Y4 – “Youth Poetry Contest” – 1<sup>st</sup> Place**

Grade 3 – Ruth Love – Rose GC of St. Matthews

Grade 4 – Luke Bruckner – Garden Club of Aiken

Grade 8 – Lysley Nix – Seed & Weed Garden Club

**SAR AWARD #Y5 – “Youth Recyclable Sculpture Contest” – 1<sup>st</sup> Place**

Grade 4 – Maci Lee – Quail Hollow Garden Club

Grade 5 – Blakely Patterson – Quail Hollow Garden Club

Grade 6 – Elleigh Quinn – Quail Hollow Garden Club

Grade 7 – Eve Pope – Quail Hollow Garden Club

Grade 8 – Hampton Jowers – Palmetto GC of Denmark

**SAR AWARD #Y6 – “Smokey Bear Poster Contest” –**

Grade 1 – Tatum Tomlinson – Rose GC of St. Matthews – 5<sup>th</sup> Place

Grade 3 – Creighton Eubanks – King Alfred Garden Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Grade 5 – Sophia Rose Hiers – Palmetto GC of Denmark – 1<sup>st</sup> Place

**Dear Garden Club Members,**

**Thank you for all your applications and hard work. I have enjoyed reading about your accomplishments. Your clubs, whether big or small, are a source of pride in your community. The service and gifts you share are appreciated by all. Be sure to apply again next year to our award programs. We would love to see what is new and exciting with your clubs!**

**Michelene Sheehy, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP GCSC/ Awards**

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**AWARDS CHAIRMEN**

<b>Competitive Awards</b>	<b>Michelene Sheehy</b>
<b>Flower Show Achievement</b>	<b>Karen Galloway</b>
<b>Flower Show Judges</b>	<b>Karen Galloway</b>
<b>Life Members</b>	<b>Dorothy Richardson</b>
<b>GCSC Scholarship</b>	<b>Sandy Barker</b>
<b>Juried Art</b>	<b>Sherri Bardsley</b>
<b>Youth Essay</b>	<b>Jacqueline Weinzierl</b>
<b>Youth Awards</b>	<b>Alecia Elrod</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b>Margaret Graham</b>