**DEEP SOUTH GARDEN CLUBS PROJECT AWARD RULES**

**2017-2019**

**“NATIVE PLANTS & COMMUNITY GARDENS”**

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**CLASS I: CLUB COMPETITION** (States are allowed only one entry in each sub class per Category)

 **Overall Award: A certificate and a cash award of $250.00 will be offered for the most comprehensive entry in Class I: Club Competition.**

 **Category A. Planting Native Plants**

A certificate and cash award will be offered for the most comprehensive entry in each of the following sub classes:

 **Class 1. Individual Club**

 1st Place - $200.00

 2nd Place - $100.00

 **Class 2. Group of Clubs, Councils or Districts**

 1st Place - $200.00

 2nd Place - $100.00

 **Category B. Planting Community Gardens**

 A certificate and cash award will be offered for the most comprehensive entry in each of the following sub classes:

 **Class 1. Individual Club**

 1st Place - $200.00

2nd Place - $100.00

 **Class 2. Group of Clubs, Councils or Districts**

 1st Place - $200.00

 2nd Place - $100.00

 **Category C. Educational Value**

 A certificate and cash award will be offered or the most comprehensive entry in each of the following sub classes:

 **Class 1. Individual Club**

 1st Place - $200.00

 2nd Place - $100.00

 **Class 2. Group of Clubs, Councils or Districts**

1st Place - $200.00

 2nd Place - $100.00

**CLASS II: STATE COMPETITION**

 A certificate and a $200.00 cash award will be offered to the State Garden Club Organization in Deep South Garden Clubs for the most comprehensive entry in any or all of the previously mentioned Categories (A, B or C).

**CLASS III: YOUTH CLUB COMPETITION**

 Certificates and cash awards of $50.00 (1st), $25.00 (2nd), and $10.00 (3rd) may be awarded youth clubs for the most comprehensive entry in any or all of the previously mentioned Categories (A, B or C). States are allowed only one entry in each sub class.

 **Class 1. Junior (Preschool – Grade 6)**

 **Class 2. Intermediate/High School (Grade 7 – 12)**

**Submit Books of Evidence (compiled according to Deep South Garden Clubs Award Rules; Exception: Class II - State Competition may have a maximum of 6 pages back and front for a total of 12 pages) to your State Deep South Garden Clubs Project Chairman, Sherrill Sasser by December 1, 2018. That chairman will submit to Deep South Garden Clubs Project Chairman to be received no later than January 31, 2019.**

**SCALE OF POINTS**

**Participation:** ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..20

 **Club:** size of club; percentage and involvement of members, community, government agencies, professionals, youth, residents in facilities, and others. Not all of these need be involved.

 **State:** percentage and involvement of state membership; involvement of other agencies

**Achievement:** …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………65

 (scope of project; need and fulfillment; benefit to community; accomplishment;

 comprehensiveness of work; activities to attain goals; evaluation of goals reached;

 prior planning)

**Presentation of Book of Evidence**: ..………………………………………………………………………………………15

 (neat, concise, includes all required information for a Book of Evidence; supporting data,

 such as clear, well-labeled and neatly attached before and after photographs; landscape

 plan if applicable {does not have to be professionally draw}; financial report; letters of

 appreciation; community awards; newspaper/magazine articles; handouts/publications

 available at event, etc.; photocopies permitted) Not all of these are required if

 unavailable.

 **Total Points……………….100**

 LGCF State Deep South Project Chairman is Sherrill Sasser, 438 Hwy 569, Ferriday, La 71334. Email ssasser438@bellsouth.net

The LGCF State project for this award is Planting Native Trees. This project covers 2017 and 2018. Please send information and pictures of any project that your club has that involves planting native trees. This information will be due to

Sherrill Sasser by December 1, 2018.

Below is a list of some native trees:

Bald Cypress

Black Gum

Dogwood

Mayhaw

Pecan

Loblolly, Shortleaf and Longleaf Pines

River Birch

Tulip Poplar

Please plan to plant a native tree for Arbor Day, to improve school and hospital ground, and any other project that your club can be a part. We need a good participation of the clubs in Louisiana for this to be an effective project. Do not hesitate to contact me with any question.

Sherrill Sasser

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