

# The Seeder

The Newsletter of the Garden Club of Johnstown, PA  
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## “A Patriotic Summer” GCJ’s Flower Show

Congratulations to all the participants, planners and workers of the July 29 and 30<sup>th</sup> flower show. It was an affair to remember! You can see the results on the last pages of this newsletter.



## Planning for Welcome the Holidays

**There will be a planning meeting this Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM at Perkins Restaurant in Richland. All members are encouraged to attend.** We need your participation in order to have a successful fund raiser. These are the funds that we use to support the work we do in the community. Sheri Lowry is the show chairman.

**We especially need a Glamour Galore Chairman.** Our Glamour Galore Raffle features 3 packages that have traditionally been a designer purse, around the town restaurant gift certificates, and fashion and jewelry. Our members help obtain and/or donate the prizes. We ask every member to be responsible for the sale of 5 tickets which are \$5 apiece or 5 for \$20. The Chair coordinates the process, helps set up the display at our WTH event, and makes sure that contributors are properly acknowledged in our event program and thanked in writing. Tickets need to be distributed by our September meeting. Please consider stepping up to help with this vital part of our yearly fundraiser! We need your help to succeed!

The theme this year will be “Candy Cane Wishes and Mistletoe Kisses.” Andy Fedor will be our speaker and will present fresh ideas on holiday decorating.

Speaking of decorating, **a major part of our fundraising effort this year will be selling fresh holiday wreaths**, so tell your family and friends that we will be taking orders. A few committee chairmen are still needed, so please call Sheri to volunteer in this always fun activity.

There are so many ways to participate including:

- Volunteer to distribute and track our Glamour Galore raffle tickets
- Obtain a gift certificate from your favorite restaurant for our Glamour Galore raffle
  - Donate Lottery tickets
  - Purchase and/or sell your raffle tickets
- Fill a table with your friends for the luncheon
  - Volunteer to model in our style show
  - Help assemble centerpieces
- Purchase your ticket to attend and sell tickets to family and friends



## Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting 10:00AM

Our next meeting will feature Kaitlyn Mckay who is the Head of Cultivation at Hanging Gardens, the medical marijuana growing facility in Johnstown. She oversees all stages of plant life and growth.

The Hospitality team for this meeting is: Sheri Lowry Chair, Donna DeMarco, Marilyn Alberter, Rani Murali, Alice Wiedwald and Karen Rizzo.



## Somerset & Johnstown GCs Picnic/Meeting

Our clubs were blessed with a beautiful day to hold the annual joint meeting with Somerset Garden Club on July 11. It was great fun with delicious food, lots of prizes and an inspirational demonstration of the Labyrinth garden. Over 20 of our GCJ members attended. Thank you Somerset GC for a splendid day!



## Area Flower Shows

Let alone did the G.C. Johnstown have a flower show this summer, but many other area clubs are as well. It's always fun to visit other clubs and see their gorgeous shows and visit with like-minded gardeners. All shows are free and open to the public and are Standard Shows unless otherwise noted. Here's the schedule so far:

**Tomorrow, August 3,** Bedford County Garden Club, Horticulture Specialty Flower Show, "Posies on Parade," 115 East Penn St., Bedford.

September 23- Martha Washington G.C. (more information to come)

October 11 – GCFP, State Judges Council, a Petite Design Specialty Show, "Rock and Roll," 4:15-6:30, 310 Elks Club Road, Boalsburg, PA. If you are interested in entering this show, it is open to all GCFP members. Contact Charlotte for more information.



## You Can Play with Flowers at Designers Guild

The Designer's Guild meets 4 times a year to make and discuss creative floral design techniques, and you are invited! You may come to one meeting (\$5 donation) or join the group (\$20 annually) and learn techniques from some of the area's best designers. It is hands on (bringing your own design makes it more fun but is not required) and group discussion. You do not have to be a flower show judge or even a garden club member to attend. Meetings are held at 10:00 AM at The Greensburg Garden and Civic Center, 951 Old Salem Rd., Greensburg, PA. The following are the meeting dates and topics for the remainder of 2022:

August 19, Leaf Manipulation and Midollino spirial & wrapping

October 25, Mono-botanic designs (all plant components from one plant family)



## The September 12 Meeting

In September we will welcome a new member as our guest speaker, Andrew Ferdor. He will speak to us on plant selection to keep our gardens in full color during every season. Following the meeting we will travel to Andy's residence and to see how he puts his plans to work. Carpooling will be available.



## Obituaries

GCJ member, Anne Matthews, passed away on July 14, 2022 at the age of 97. Anne joined the club in 1966, a member for 56 years! Only a few of our current members remember Anne since she became an honorary member long ago, but those that do, remember her as a kind and gentle soul. We offer her family and loved ones our deepest condolences.

We also offer condolences to our club member, Sue Konvolinka, on the passing of her husband, Carl. Carl was a man of many accomplishments in and contributions to the medical field and conservation. A celebration of Carl's life will be this Sunday, August 7, 11:30-1PM and funeral with full military honors following at 1PM at the Harris Funeral Home, 500 Cherry Lane, in the Richland section of Johnstown. The complete obituary can be found at <https://www.wharrisfuneralhome.com/obituaries/carl-konvolina-md-facs>

Fondly,  
Charlotte Crissey  
GCJ President

## Flower Show Results

### Horticulture

#### Annuals

Snapdragon: 1 st Toni Callahan, 2 nd Debbie Carpenter, 3 rd Darlene Wissinger, Honorable Mention Carole Schrum

Cosmos: 1 st Debbie Carpenter

Sunflower: 1 st Debbie Carpenter, 2 nd Alice Wiedwald, 3 rd Charlotte Crissey

Geranium, GCJ Club Flower: 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Jan Wolfe, 3 rd Debbie Carpenter, Honorable Mention Charlotte Crissey, Mary Ann Efron, Gloria LaMonaca, Carole Schrum, Alice Wiedwald, Darlene Wissinger

Zinnia: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Mary Jo Gardill, 3 rd Darlene Wissinger, Honorable Mention Debbie Carpenter, Linda McCaulley

Annual-Orange: 1 st Coralie Krisko, 2 nd Mary Ann Efron, 3 rd Darlene Wissinger

Annual-White: 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Carole Schrum, 3 rd Darlene Wissinger

Annual-Pink/Red: 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Coralie Krisko, 3 rd Coralie Krisko

Coleus: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Carla Straw, 3 rd Darlene Wissinger

#### Biennials & Perennials

Yarrow: 1 st Maggie Harteis, 2 nd Carla Straw

Coreopsis: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Karlice Makuchan

Coneflower, Small: 1 st Toni Callahan, 2 nd Debbie Carpenter, 3 rd Alice Wiedwald

Coneflower, Large: 1 st Nancy Wojno, 2 nd Darlene Wissinger, 3 rd Mary Ann Efron, Honorable Mention Mary Jo Gardill, Coralie Krisko

Daylily: 1 st Barb Rushin

Sedum: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Alice Wiedwald

Helianthus: 1 st Sue Konvolinka, 2 nd Charlotte Crissey, 3 rd Karlice Makuchan  
Rudbeckia: 1 st Darlene Wissinger, 2 nd Bridget Sarosi  
Perennial-White: 1 st Mary Ann Efron, 2 nd Jan Wolfe, 3 rd Mary Jo Gardill, Honorable Mention Darlene Wissinger  
Perennial-Purple: 1 st Karlice Makuchan, 2 nd Coralie Krisko, 3 rd Alice Wiedwald, Honorable Mention Coralie Krisko  
Perennial-Orange: 1 st Sheri Lowry, 2 nd Mary Ann Efron, 3 rd Toni Callahan  
Perennial-Pink/Red: 1 st Maggie Harteis, 2 nd Charlotte Crissey, 3 rd Sharon Davidhizar  
Hydrangea: 1 st Alice Wiedwald, 2 nd Gloria LaMonaca, 3 rd Sharon Davidhizar, Honorable Mention Sharon Davidhizar

#### Bulbs, Rhizomes, Corms

Elephant Ear: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Sharon Davidhizar  
Dahlia: 1 st Debbie Carpenter, 2 nd Carla Straw, 3 rd Sheri Lowry  
Lily: 1 st Debbie Carpenter  
Gladiola: 1 st Coralie Krisko, 2 nd Maggie Harteis, 3 rd Alice Wiedwald, Honorable Mention Debbie Carpenter  
Bulb-Purple: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Mary Ann Efron

#### Herbs

Basil: 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Darlene Wissinger, 3 rd Mary Jo Gardill  
Parsley: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Carla Straw  
Rosemary: 1 st Coralie Krisko, 2 nd Nancy Wojno, 3 rd Mary Jo Gardill  
Thyme: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill  
Other Herbs: 1 st Coralie Krisko, 2 nd Mary Jo Gardill, 3 rd Coralie Krisko

#### Vegetables

Garlic: 1 st Charlotte Crissey  
Cucumber: 1 st Charlotte Crissey, 2 nd Mary Jo Gardill  
Squash-Zucchini: 1 st Toni Callahan, 2 nd Coralie Krisko, 3 rd Jackie Johnson  
Squash-Yellow: 1 st Debbie Carpenter, 2 nd Coralie Krisko  
Snap Bean: 1 st Debbie Carpenter  
Marglobe Tomato, Club Vegetable: 1 st Debbie Carpenter, 2 nd Jan Wolfe, 3 rd Charlotte Crissey, Honorable Mention Bridget Sarosi, Carla Straw  
Roma Tomato, Club Vegetable: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Carla Straw, 3 rd Bridget Sarosi, Honorable Mention Charlotte Crissey  
Rutgers Tomato, Club Vegetable: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Charlotte Crissey, 3 rd Debbie Carpenter, Honorable Mention Bridget Sarosi, Carla Straw  
Tomatoes: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Sue Konvolinka, 3 rd Nancy Wojno, Honorable Mention Toni Callahan  
Peppers: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Carla Straw, 3 rd Gloria LaMonaca, Honorable Mention Jan Wolfe  
Other Vegetables: 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Coralie Krisko, 3 rd Coralie Krisko

#### Collector's Showcase

Annual Collection: 1 st Jan Wolfe  
Perennial Collection: 1 st Alice Wiedwald, 2 nd Sharon Davidhizar, 3 rd Sheri Lowry  
Herb Collection: 1 st Charlotte Crissey  
Vegetable Collection: 1 st Coralie Krisko, 2 nd Charlotte Crissey

#### Container-Grown Plants

Bloom, Up to 6": 1 st Mary Jo Gardill, 2 nd Nancy Wojno  
Bloom, 7-12": 1 st Toni Callahan, 2 nd Debbie Carpenter, 3 rd Coralie Krisko, Honorable Mention Gloria LaMonaca  
Foliage, up to 6": 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Jan Wolfe, 3 rd Sharon Davidhizar  
Foliage, 7-12": 1 st Jan Wolfe, Honorable Mention Melissa Boring, Melissa Boring, Sharon Davidhizar  
Foliage, Hanging 7-12": 2 nd Carole Schrum, 3rd Jan Wolfe  
Succulent, up to 6": 1 st Debbie Carpenter, 2 nd Alice Wiedwald, 3 rd Carole Schrum  
Succulent, 7-12": 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Darlene Wissinger, Honorable Mention Melissa Boring  
Succulent, Hanging 7-12": 3 rd Melissa Boring

#### Combination Plantings

Terrariums: 1 st Cindy Vatauvuk, 2 nd Sharon Davidhizar, 3 rd Charlotte Crissey  
Planters: 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Sharon Davidhizar, 3 rd Charlotte Crissey, Honorable Mention Melissa Boring, Alice Wiedwald  
Hanging Gardens: 2 nd Toni Callahan

## **Design Results**

### Designer's Choice

Rockets Red Glare: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Sheri Lowry, 3 rd Angela McDonnell, Honorable Mention Karlice Makuchan  
Stars and Stripes: 1 st Darlene Wissinger, 2 nd Mary Jo Gardill, 3 rd Charlotte Crissey, Honorable Mention Rani Murali  
From Sea to Shining Sea: 1 st Carla Straw, 2 nd Darlene Wissinger, 3 rd Sharon Davidhizar, Honorable Mention BarbRushin  
Freedom: 1 st Nancy Wojno, 2 nd Linda McCaulley, 3 rd Jane Smith, Honorable Mention Tiffany Taha

#### Petite Designs

National Pride: 1 st Linda McCaulley, 2 nd Sheri Lowry, 3 rd Barb Rushin, Honorable Mention Bridget Sarosi  
Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool: 1 st Jan Wolfe, 2 nd Sharon Davidhizar, 3 rd Mary Jo Gardill, Honorable Mention Darlene Wissinger  
Unlimited Possibilities: 1 st Angela McDonnell, 2 nd Jackie Johnson, 3 rd Rani Murali, Honorable Mention Joy Thwing

### **Botanical Arts Results**

#### Crafts

Yankee Doodle-Hat: 1 st Cozette Hupkovich, 2 nd Barb Rushin, 3 rd Jackie Johnson, Honorable Mention Tiffany Taha  
National Pride-Pressed Flower Picture: 1 st Joy Thwing, 2 nd Maggie Harteis, 3 rd Bridget Sarosi, Honorable Mention Cindy Vatauk  
Let Freedom Ring-Jewelry: 1 st Sheri Lowry, 2 nd Carla Straw, 3 rd Darlene Wissinger, Honorable Mention Cindy Vatauk

#### Photography

Oh, Say Can You See: 1 st Darlene Wissinger, 2 nd Cindy Vatauk, 3 rd Mary Kay Butterfield, Honorable Mention Debbie Carpenter  
Fireworks: 1 st Karlice Makuchan, 2 nd Debbie Carpenter, 3 rd Cindy Vatauk, Honorable Mention Mary Kay Butterfield  
Patriotism Personified: 1 st Mary Kay Butterfield, 2 nd Cindy Vatauk, 3 rd Barb Rushin, Honorable Mention Karlice Makuchan

#### Education Results

Long May She Live: 1 st Sharon Davidhizar, Linda McCaulley  
Preserve Our Natives: 2 nd Sharon Davidhizar, Linda McCaulley, Rani Murali

NGC Award of Horticulture Excellence Carla Straw (Stonecrop Varieties).....

#### NGC Awards of Merit

Horticulture Section A—Annuals, Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Debbie Carpenter (Sunflower).....  
Horticulture Section B—Biennials & Perennials, Classes 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 Mary Ann Efron (Spotted Bee Balm).....  
Horticulture Section C—Bulbs & Rhizomes, Classes 13, 14, 15, 16 Debbie Carpenter (Lily).....  
Horticulture Section D—Herbs, Classes 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 Coralie Krisko (Rosemary).....  
Horticulture Section E—Vegetables, Classes 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 Charlotte Crissey (Garlic).....  
NGC Collector's Showcase Award  
Horticulture Section F—Collector's Showcase, Classes 28, 29, 30, 31 Charlotte Crissey (Herbs).....

#### NGC Grower's Choice Awards

Horticulture Section G—Container-Grown, Classes 32, 33, 34 Carla Straw (Sedum).....  
Horticulture Section H—Combination Plantings, Classes 35, 36, 37 Carla Straw (Stonecrop Varieties).....

#### NGC Award of Design Excellence

Design Sections A, B Carla Straw (From Sea to Shining Sea).....

#### NGC Designer's Choice Award

Design Section A—Designer's Choice, Classes 1, 2, 3, 4 Carla Straw (From Sea to Shining Sea).....

#### NGC Petite Award

Design Section B—Petite, Classes 5, 6, 7 Jan Wolfe (Lincoln Memorial).....

#### NGC Educational Award

Education Section A, Exhibits 1, 2 Sharon Davidhizar, Linda McCaulley.....  
GCFP Education Silver Award  
Education Section A, Exhibits 1, 2 Sharon Davidhizar, Linda McCaulley, Rani Murali.....

NGC Artistic Crafts Award

Botanical Arts Section A-Artistic Crafts, Classes 1, 2, 3 Joy Thwing (National Pride, Pressed Flower).....

NGC Photography Award

Botanical Arts Section B-Photography, Classes 4, 5, 6, Mary Kay Butterfield (Patriotism).....

GCFP Staging Award Garden Club of Johnstown.....

Holiday Excellence Award Garden Club of Johnstown.....

**A Patriotic Summer Flower Show Statistics**

Number of Garden Club Exhibitors 27

Number of Non-Garden Club of Johnstown Exhibitors 3

Total Entries 216

Horticulture Entries 162

Design Entries 28

Education Exhibits 2

Botanical Arts Entries 24 Total

Artistic Craft Entries 12

Photography Entries 12

Any non-filled Classes ALL CLASSES ARE FILLED

Note: Submissions for the *Seeder* Newsletters are welcome and are due within ten days after our monthly meeting.

(CC 7-22)