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I wanted to send out the information about the Happy Birthday Flower Show on Monday, June 19th so you would receive it before the convention and could plan on participating and/or attending. Jackie Watts, Editor



You are cordially invited to attend a "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" Small-Standard Flower Show honoring nonagenarians given by The Eastern Unit of Kansas Judges Council - Member of National Garden Clubs, Inc., Rocky Mountain Region, and Kansas Associated Garden Clubs.

Monday, June 19, 2017 @ 1:00 - 2:30pm, Ward-Meade Park (Preston Hale Room), Old Prairie Town *, 1124 NW Fillmore, Topeka, Kansas.

Free and open to the public.

Thank you! Our group is advanced by your participation!!

* Entrance sign welcomes guests to Old Prairie Town from the Clay Street parking lot. Consider enjoying one of a variety of long-established sundries in the pharmacy after the flower show in the mansion.

The Eastern Unit of Kansas Judges Council

Presents

A Small-Standard Flower Show

“HAPPY BIRTHDAY!”

to honor our nonagenarians:

Kit Carlsen, Sarah McAbee, Caroline Wittman

Ward-Meade at Old Prairie Town,
1124 NW Fillmore, Topeka, Kansas
June 19, 2017

8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Free and Open to the Public, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Member of National Garden Clubs, Inc.
Rocky Mountain Region
Kansas Associated Garden Clubs
Kansas Judges Council
Northeast District**

SHOW COMMITTEE

(All telephone numbers are area code 785, unless noted otherwise.)

General Chairman: Elaine Holmstrom, 267-6316

Schedule: Karen Booker, 841-2365

Staging: Membership

Horticulture Division

Entries, Classification, Placement: Karen Booker, 841-2365

Consultant: Irene Louk, 448-8663

Design Division

Entries, Classification, Placement: Elaine Holmstrom, 267-6316

Consultant: Floanna Crowley, 316-722-8868

Judges: Caroline Wittman, 286-1639

Clerks: Irene Louk, 448-8663

Awards Chairman: Caroline Wittman, 286-1639

Publicity Chairman: Beth Lassiter-Smith, 845-0192

Photography: Floanna Crowley, 316-722-8868

Hospitality Chairman: Beth Lassiter-Smith, 845-0192

GENERAL RULES

1. Only members of this council and invited guests may enter the show.
2. Horticultural entry cards will be available from Karen Booker on April 24, 2017 or you may call the chairman at 841-2365.
3. Entries in the Design Division must be pre-registered with the Design Entries Chairman, Elaine Holmstrom. The Design Entries Chairman will prepare all entry cards for all design classes and give them to the design exhibitors on the day of the show.
4. All exhibits will be accepted from 8:30a.m. to 10:30a.m. on June 19, 2017.
5. Judging will begin at 11:00a.m. on the day of the show. Only the General Chairman, the Classification Chairmen, and the clerks will be allowed on the show floor during the time of judging. Judging will be by the NGC Standard System of Awarding, *Handbook for Flower Shows* Revised 2007 Edition and additions found in *The National Gardener*.
6. The General Chairman and the Classification Chairmen must be available during all judging for possible consultations.
7. The Classification Chairmen for the Horticulture and Design Divisions must review all entries for proper identification and conformity to the schedule.
8. The decision of the judges is final. Awards may be withheld if not merited.
9. Plants on the Kansas endangered/conservation plant list (Running Buffalo Clover, Mead's Milkweed, Western Prairie Fringed Orchid) must be grown by exhibitor or collected in a legal manner and so identified. Noxious weeds on the Kansas invasive plant list will be so marked. Lists available at <http://plants.usda.gov/java/noxious?rptType=State&statefips=20>.
10. There must be an emphasis on **fresh** plant material. No artificial plant material will be allowed in any division.

AWARDS

The NGC Standard System of Awards.

Only one first place (blue) ribbon per class. Must score 90 or above.

Only one second place (red) ribbon per class. Must score 85 or above.

Only one third place (yellow) ribbon per class. Must score 80 or above.

One or more honorable mention (white) ribbons as merited. Must score 75 or above.

Judges will sign, date and write 90+, if merited, on entry cards that do not win a blue ribbon.

Two Best-in-Show Awards will be offered, one in the Horticulture Division and one in the Design Division. The winning exhibits must be the highest blue ribbon winners scoring 90 or above, and the winning Horticulture exhibit must be correctly named according to schedule specifications. The Best-in-Show Award is a rosette of three blue ribbons

HORTICULTURE RULES

1. All plant material must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor.
2. Exhibits must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for no fewer than 90 days.
Exception: plants grown from seed, seeding, or immature transplants, bulbs, tubers, corms or rhizomes. Combination plantings must have been grown together for no fewer than six weeks.
3. Plant material may not be altered by the application (treatment) of oil, commercial “shine” products, etc. that artificially change the natural color and texture.
4. All specimens should be correctly labeled with scientific (botanical) names or the current accepted scientific identification for their educational value. Common name may also be added.
5. An exhibitor may make more than one entry per class if each entry is a different species, variety, cultivar, type or color.
6. Cut specimens must be displayed in clear transparent bottles provided by the exhibitor of suitable size and stability. Cut specimens should not have foliage below the water line.
7. Wedging, a small, inconspicuous “plug” in the neck of a container to improve the pose of the specimen, is permitted. Wedging may be visible but must not detract from the cut specimen. Wedging must be provided by the exhibitor.
8. Double potting is permitted, but the inner pot must not be visible.
9. All entry cards should be filled out in advance, if possible, and if handwritten, should be in pencil or water-proof pen to avoid water damage.
10. The Classification Chairman has the authority to subdivide classes as necessary.
11. The Scales of Points for judging horticulture are listed on pp. 298-302 of the *Handbook*.

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE

“Gifts from the Garden!”

(All correctly named blue ribbon winners scoring 90 or above are eligible for the Best-in-Show Award.)

Section A: CONTAINER-GROWN PLANTS “Large Packages” Maximum size of container 10" in any direction.

Class 1. *Saintpaulia* (African Violet)

Class 2. Cactus or Succulent

Class 3. Orchid

Class 4. Houseplant Grown for Bloom

Class 5. Houseplant Grown for Foliage

Class 6. Combination Planting

Section B: CUT SPECIMENS “Small Packages”

Class 7. Annual

Class 8. Perennial

Class 9. Arboreal. Tree or shrub branch not longer than 30" from tip to cut end. Must contain several nodes and an apical bud.

DESIGN RULES

1. A design entered in competition must be the work of only one exhibitor and that exhibitor's name must appear on the entry card.
2. An exhibitor may enter as many classes in the Design Division as desired , but only one exhibit per class.
3. Fresh plant material may not be treated in any manner. Plant material that has been treated to alter its exterior appearance may be used only in its dried state.
4. The designer has the freedom to choose Traditional or Creative style with any design type.
5. Entries in the Design classes must be registered in advance with the Design Entries Chairman. If a designer is unable to fulfill an assignment, it is the designer's responsibility to provide a replacement and to notify the Design Entries Chairman.
6. Plant material used in designs need not have been grown by the exhibitor.
7. No artificial flowers, foliage, fruits or vegetables are permitted in the Design Division.
8. Landscapes or scenes are not permitted in the Design Division.
9. Refer to pp. 189-190 of the **Handbook** for things permitted in all design classes unless prohibited by the schedule or by law.
10. The Design Scale of Points is listed on pp. 303 of the **Handbook**

DIVISION II – DESIGN

“Let’s Celebrate!”

(All blue ribbon winners scoring 90 or above are eligible for the Best-in-Show Award)

Section A – “Let’s Party!”

Class 1 “Birthday Wishes” (Minimum 4, maximum 6 entries)

Designer’s choice of plant material and other components. Staged on a table section 30” deep and 30” wide. Tables covered with ecru skirting. Underlay and background or niche permitted.

Class 2 “Blow out the Candles” (Minimum 4, maximum 6 entries)

Designer’s choice of plant material and other components. Staged on a table section 30” deep and 30” wide. Tables covered with ecru skirting. Underlay and background or niche permitted.

Class 3 “Little Surprises” (Minimum 4, maximum 6 entries)

A small design no larger than 8” in height, width and depth, using fresh and/or dried plant material, staged on a bench at eye level with ecru covering. Underlay and background permitted.

The Eastern Unit of Kansas Judges Council sincerely thanks:

- The nonagenarian honorees for their years of service and inspiration, thus providing the occasion for this flower show;
- The Ward-Meade at Old Prairie Town Historic Site and its staff for the use of the building,
- The flower show judges for their time and expertise in judging the show,
- The exhibitors who made the show possible,
- The members of National Garden Clubs, Inc. who gave their presence, support and enthusiasm,
- And finally, the families of the nonagenarians and exhibitors for their understanding and support for this event.

IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT YOUR REGISTRATION IN FOR THE CONVENTION YET, PLEASE DO SO TODAY. WE HAVE TO LET THE HOTEL KNOW ABOUT THE FOOD.

Also if you have not contacted Linda Stahlman about a Memorial for someone in your club please do so as soon as possible. Looking forward to seeing you on the 5th of May.

Jackie