

Berne Davis Honorary Service Award

Berne Davis has committed most of her life to promoting Garden Clubs at all levels. She has given great support to our local community, and the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, Inc.

This is the application for the outstanding Garden Council Person of the Year. It is for a deserving member of a Garden Club or Society for community service, special projects, going above and beyond in a Garden Club or Society, and making a difference in advancing the goals of Garden Council.

This award will be given annually to one person.

This award may be presented to a Garden Club or Society member who has demonstrated outstanding service and leadership previous to the award year.

This award is in recognition from others bringing awareness of outstanding service and leadership qualities in the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council membership.

RULES

Berne Davis Honorary Service Award

Purpose: For outstanding and deserving member of the Garden Council whose participation, community service, and special projects, go above and beyond normal participation, truly making a difference in advancing the goals of the Garden Council.

Eligibility: Members in good standing with their Garden Club or Society are eligible to be nominated by their particular Club. Accomplishments must have occurred in the recent past to be considered. The nominee must be aware of his/her nomination by their Club. More than one member can be nominated by a Club/Society. An individual shall not be eligible to receive the same award two years in succession.

Proper Forms: All applications shall be on the Official Application Form with additional supplemental materials attached. Application Forms may be duplicated. Application Forms may be obtained from the Garden Council President or downloaded from the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, Inc. website www.fmlcgardencouncil.com

Deadline: All applications must be received **before April 1st**. The Award will be announced and presented on April 10th during the Annual Awards Luncheon at the Royal Palm Yacht Club.

Send completed application and supplemental materials* in a sealed envelope to:

Annie Babcock, HSA Chairman
5130 Williams Drive
Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931

*All submissions and applications become the property of the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, Inc. No submitted materials will be returned, do not include anything that is considered irreplaceable. Please make copies.

Judging Standard for Berne Davis Award

The President of Fort Myers- Lee County Garden Council, Inc. will choose an Annual Honorary Service Award Chairman once a year by January 1st.

Local Garden Club/Society Presidents will announce to their Clubs in March, the opportunity of nomination of the Berne Davis Honorary Service Award.

A Committee of three Garden Council members will judge the application and documentation.

All applications will be directed to the HSA Chairman and must be received by April 1. They will be reviewed before April 10 and announced at the Garden Council's Annual Awards Luncheon.

Judging Criteria: A panel of three Garden Club members will decide the winner. The following criteria will be used when judging evidence and examples of accomplishments:

- Civic Projects: explanation, length of project, research
- Demonstrates interest in horticulture
- Any special or unique project or workshops
- Promotes garden club projects in community
- Demonstrates interest in floral arts
- Active member participation of local club
- Stewardship of the land
- Conservation
- Contribution of Beautification
- Garden Therapy
- Benefits to Community and Garden Club
- Education to others in Garden Club or Community
- Organization
- Involvement with Environment
- Landscaping Designs
- Leadership

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Must be printed or typed

Nominee's Name _____ **Phone** _____

Name of Garden Club/Society _____

Address of Nominee _____

Name and Telephone Number of Person Filling Out Form

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

Deadline: All applications and supporting evidence must be in the hands of awards chairman before April 1. Mail application to:
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Documentation: A typewritten page or pages describing the person's accomplishments/projects and involvement should be submitted. Give reasons for the selection. Give a brief history with photos, if applicable, and supplemental evidence. Length of article should be between **500 and 1000** words in length with **double spacing**. All pages and evidence should be **securely fastened** together. You may use documentation from newspaper articles, newsletters, etc. Photocopies are permitted. You may use a highlighted pen to highlight pertinent data.

Be specific and include all activities and achievements in the following areas if pertinent:

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| -gardening / other projects | -teaching / instructing /exhibiting |
| -flower arranging | -landscaping |
| -official duties of Garden Council | -leadership |
| -civic improvement | -community beautification |

