



## Awards

### Archie Caple Award

The Archie Caple Award began in 1989 as a way to recognize Master Gardener volunteers who have selflessly given of their time and effort to promote the cause of successful gardening and contributed significantly to the overall success of the Minnesota Extension Service – Hennepin County Master Gardener Program. Following is a list of recipients:

1989 – Archie Caple	2003 – Connie Swarthout
1990 – Loel Bertrand	2004 – Linda Brammer
1991 – Shirley Mah Kooyman	2005 – Donn & Ruth McCoy
1992 – Ann Blumberg	2006 – Veronica Malone
1993 – Duane Reynolds	2007 – Barb Gasterland
1994 – Jack Cuchow	2008 – Carol Garner
1995 – Terri Goodfellow-Heyer	2009 – Norma Wubbena
1996 – Rita Nystrom	2010 – Larry Cipolla
1997 – Jean Houle	2011 – Kate Netwal
1998 – Jan Kohout	2012 – Janet Heidinger
1999 – Stanley Crist	2013 – Theresa Rooney
2000 – Martha Reborn	2014 – Vicki Young
2001 – Lorrie Stromme	2015 – Charlene DeStefano
2002 – Diana Anderson	

### Founders Awards

In 2006, the Hennepin County Master Gardener Executive Committee decided to honor two of our founding members, in addition to Archie Caple, who had been volunteering with the program since it began in 1977. Each created an award that fit their experiences with the program.

### Stanley Crist “Outstanding Intern” Award

Stanley came to the Master Gardener Program after having worked for a grain company. He used his vacation time to attend the Core Course which was held during the day that year. Stanley’s favorite activities through the years have been working at garden centers and answering questions on the Hotline – both activities which involve helping people. Stanley has also enjoyed meeting other gardeners, especially those who are just starting out. Stanley chose to have an “Outstanding Intern” Award in his honor as there have been “some real fine people coming into the program recently and I’d like to see their hard work in that first year honored.”

2005 – Susie Schueneman	2011 – Susan Thompson
2006 – Pam McMurry	2012 – Del Hampton
2007 – Jeanne Walsh	2013 – Mary Dahlsin
2008 – Toni Johnson	2014 – Val McGruder
2009 – Terri Roehrick	2015 – Megan Nichols
2010 – Mike DeBoer	

### Martha Reborn “Dazzling Daisy” Presenter Award

Martha Reborn began her Master Gardening as an “insider!” Martha was on staff at the MN Horticultural Society where many of the initial planning sessions and meetings took place. Martha’s interest was piqued and she took the Core Course. She chose the “Dazzling Daisy” Outstanding Presenter Award as when she first started, she did a lot of presentations to youth and adults. Her advice to interns is that “presentations are easy to do – it’s a great way to get started.” Martha also knows that community education efforts are important as “not only are we educating others, but we’re letting the community know what we’re doing.” Martha passed away in 2007.

2005 – Rita Nystrom  
2006 – Gordon Hanson  
2007 – Larry Cipolla  
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2009 – Mary Tessman  
2010 – Theresa Rooney

2011 – Mary Cichon  
2012 – Michaelleen Kruger  
2013 – Betsy Massie  
2014 – Sue Wieczorek  
2015 – Sharon Decker

### **Annual Achievement Awards**

**Community Garden Award:** honors Master Gardener volunteers who give generously of their time and talent to educate and support community gardeners throughout the county.

2009 – Mollie Dean  
2010 – Julie Dahl  
2012 – Terri Roehrick

2013 – Larry Cipolla  
2014 – Del Hampton  
2015 – Pam McMurry

**Golden Apple Award:** honors Master Gardener volunteers who go above and beyond program requirements to educate youth about horticulture.

2009 – Maret Ryan  
2010 – Judy Moran  
2012 – Betsy Massie

2013 – Rhonda Converse  
2014 – Lynn Olson  
2015 – Susan Wieczorek

**Golden Trowel Award:** honors Master Gardener volunteers not on the Plant Sale Committee who go above and beyond for the EMG-HC Plant Sale.

2012 – Jim MacKay  
2013 – Steve Rutz

2014 – Ed Juda, Joan Onffroy, Dennis White  
2015 – Charlene DeStefano

**MN Winners Major Donor:** honors Master Gardener volunteers not on the Plant Sale Committee who grew and cared for MN Winners seedlings for the Annual Plant Sale.

2013 – Jodie Loiselle

**Green Leaf Award:** recognizes Master Gardener volunteers who have greatly contributed to a successful project supporting and endorsing environmental stewardship within Hennepin County.

2009 – Debbie Wolk  
2010 – Alice Cummings

2013 – Marilyn Arnlund  
2014 – Norma Wubbena

**Outstanding Teamwork Award:** recognizes a group of Master Gardener volunteers who have worked as a team to effectively complete a project or support the work of the University of Minnesota Extension Master Gardener Program in Hennepin County.

**2009** – The OOPS Gardening Project Team:  
Mary Chichon, Julie Drake, Doris Wickstrom,  
and Veronica Malone

**2010** – The 2010 Plant Sale Planning  
Committee: Linda Brammer, Charlene  
DeStefano, Suze Diesel, Shirley Mah  
Kooyman, Pam McMurray, Christine Roth,  
Mary Yee and Vicki Young

**2011** – The 2011 Learning Garden Tour  
Committee: Stephanie Brody, Emily Everitt,  
Diane Feldman, Barb Gasterland, Rhonda  
Hayes, Amy Jonson, Michaeleen Kruger, Judi  
Martin, Kate Netwall, Deb Revier, Theresa  
Rooney, Kathy Vail, Susan Wetherall, and  
Vicki Young

**2012** – The Jr. Master Gardener Planning  
Team: Rhonda Converse, Mike DeBoer, Betsy

Massie, Mary Plumb, Ann Sorebo, Robyn  
Swenson, Kate Wodtke

**2013** – The Awards and Recognition Luncheon  
Committee: Co-Chairs Wendy Bottenberg,  
Theresa Rooney and Deb Wolk; Joanne  
Ellison, Lucinda Kircher, Anna Olsen, Carol  
Skalko, and Jill Waterhouse.

**2014** – The In-Service Education Committee:  
Chair, Theresa Rooney; Shanelle Fernandez, Jo  
Frerichs, Barb Gasterland, Darren Lochner,  
Kate Netwal, Deb Revier, Susan Scofield and  
Jill Waterhouse

**2015** – The Gopher Adventures Planning  
Team: Kathie Doerr, Betsy Massie, Susan  
Wieczorek and Kate Wodtke

**Unsung Gardener Award:** recognizes a Master Gardener volunteer who has made a great effort working quietly behind the scenes to support and promote the work of the University of Minnesota Extension Master Gardener Program in Hennepin County.

2009 – Lynn Olson  
2010 – Theresa Rooney  
2011 – Mary Chichon  
2012 – Amy Sitze

2013 – Christine Roth  
2014 – Anna Olsen  
2015 – Susan Thompson