

## **BERNE DAVIS HONORARY SERVICE AWARD CRITERIA 2024**

This is an award of recognition for an outstanding member of the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, Inc., whom over a period of at least five years has made outstanding contributions to the Garden Council, their Club/Society and their community. The nominee must exemplify quality and character in several of the areas listed below:

- Garden Council Involvement
- Gardening/other projects
- Conservation
- Floral Design /Art
- Teaching/instructing/exhibiting
- Leadership
- Community Beautification
- Civic Improvement

**Eligibility:** A current member in good standing of the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, Inc.

**Rules:** Application must consist of a title page and supporting information, described below. Use standard 8 ½” x 11” paper, numbered pages, and stapled together.

**Title page** must include:

1. Sponsoring club/society, name of the Club president, mailing address, phone and email of the nominator. (Only one entry per club/society is allowed.)
2. Name, address and phone number of the nominee
3. Name of the garden club(s)/society(ies) of which the nominee is a member

**Supporting information** must include:

1. A maximum two-page outline listing areas of participation and accomplishments of nominee (including offices and chairmanships held).
2. A maximum three-page narrative describing the accomplishments outlined above providing details and/or accompanying photos.

**Deadline Date:** March 29, 2024

Award will be presented at the 15th Annual Berne Davis Honorary Service Award luncheon Tuesday, April 23 at Fiddlesticks Country Club, 15391 Canongate Drive, Fort Myers, FL, 33912

**Mail Application to:** Mitzi Marckesano  
Chairman, BDHSA Evaluation Committee  
14554 Calusa Palms Dr.  
Fort Myers, FL 33919

Evaluations of the applications are made the by Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, Inc. Awards Committee.

**Judging Criteria:** A panel of three Garden Club members will decide the winner after the applications have been evaluated for completeness. The following criteria will be used when judging evidence and examples of accomplishments:

- Civic Projects: explanation, project length, 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