

2012 - 2013

NEW ENGLAND REGION AWARDS

The Cornelia Williamson Watson Award for Historic Preservation

A large silver bowl awarded to the West Hartford Garden Club for their restoration of the “wild” garden at the Butler-McCook House and Gardens.

THE FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF CONNECTICUT AWARDS

Civic Creativity Award

A traveling pewter bowl awarded to a club for an unusual or outstanding and creative project in the area of civic responsibility.

At the Hillcrest Area Neighborhood Outreach Center The West Hartford Garden Club has for ten years worked with a Junior Gardeners project. This year the two groups worked on landscaping the front entrance to the facility.

HISTORIC, MEMORIAL, AND PUBLIC GARDENS

Certificate of Achievement

The West Hartford Garden Club has for many years worked to restore the Victorian garden at Hartford's Butler-McCook House. The woodland or “wild” garden was in need of care, and the club has worked to rehabilitate this added treasure to the house.

HORTICULTURE

Award of Excellence in Horticulture

The “Wild Garden” at the Butler-McCook House in Hartford established in 1865, had become overrun and filled with invasive plants, poison ivy, etc. The West Hartford Garden Club, in consultation with Rudi Favretti, restored the garden to its original design by Jacob Weidenmann. They hired an arborist to deal with the trees from the 1860's, and cleared out invasive growth and self-seeded underbrush. They began in the summer of 2009, and finished in the summer of 2011, spending \$1250 of money earned in the biennial Garden Tour.

This award is a large silver plate.

NEWSLETTER

Honorable Mention

Large Garden Club category.

SPECIAL CERTIFICATE, PRESIDENT'S PROJECT

Historic Landscapes: projects that preserve and protect landscapes.