

**The Gesneriad Society**  
**2023 Annual Report to the Board (for 2022)**

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**Back up to Chair:**

No Chair currently. Committee members have been assigned tasks.

**Committee Activities/ Accomplishments During Past Year:**

- Arleen Dewell, Chair of Shows & Judging since 2011, resigned in August 2022. The Shows & Judging Committee wishes to thank her for her service and leadership while Chair of the Committee.
- Committee members met to discuss and allocate Committee tasks to be done during the year. A table of tasks with responsible committee member(s) was distributed (P. Susi). The Committee will work without a Chair at this time.
- 2022 Convention: This was the first convention held in-person since 2019, due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Committee held a judging school on July 5, 2022 at the convention in Tacoma, WA. Two morning sessions were held: a combined novice/ intermediate-advanced class and a workshop on writing comments on the score sheet. A practice judging session and a short meeting for all interested judges was held in the afternoon. Both novice and intermediate-advanced judging exams were held in the late afternoon on the same day.  
J. Niemira was Judges' Chair and was present in the showroom during judging. The Committee conducted a Judging Critique for judges and clerks who participated in the show on the morning after judging; commentary and discussion regarding judging in various classes was presented, as a learning experience.
- Approval of Society Chapter show schedules, as submitted.
- Three issues of *Appraisal*, newsletter of the Judges Interest Group, produced and distributed. There are currently 124 subscribers to *Appraisal*.
- Collection of judges' annual activity reports and submission of judges list to *Appraisal* was completed (J. Niemira).
- Convention 2023: The 2023 show schedule was written, reviewed and submitted for publication (K. Cichocki). Discussion regarding the judging school format and workshop topic.
- No changes to the Judges' Manual were noted this year.

**Current Properties:**

- Accredited student judges: 19  
Accredited senior judges: 29  
Accredited master judges: 42  
(Judges with outstanding requirements/ probationary - included in above numbers): 16  
Total number of judges (incl. probationary): 90
- P. Susi, Awards Chair, manages the inventory of awards ribbons and rosettes for the Society - on hand: 1,000 ribbons and 70 rosettes. Best in Show Rosettes distributed by J. Fischer: appropriate stock; none purchased this year; distribution of rosettes – these were hand-delivered to the requesting society shows (Long Island, National Capitol, Heart of America).
- Missing active and retired judges records (hard copy 2004-2010 and electronically 2011-2021), prior convention show entries/awards reports, blank judge record sheets (~400+ as reported in 2019); these have not been transitioned from the previous Chair and may be considered lost to the Society.

**How the Committee Works:**

- The Committee meets electronically to discuss issues and determine action items/ make decisions by majority consensus. No Chair at this time.

**Job Description/ Committee Process is up-to-date: Yes**

- Chair responsibilities are being managed by Committee members.

**Green Activities:**

- The *Appraisal* newsletter is distributed electronically.
- Judges' Annual Activity Reports are submitted electronically.
- Committee meets electronically; corresponds via email.
- The Committee decided to store relevant documents in the Gesneriad Society's DropBox (electronically) in order to strengthen Committee records retention and access.

**Future Plans/ Goals:**

- Appoint a Chair or Co-Chairs of the Shows & Judging Committee.
- Review the Judges' Manual to determine if any revision is required.

**Committee Financials 2022****Revenue:**

Income Detail	Income
*Convention 2022 Judging School Fee	680.00
Judges' Interest Group Membership Fee/ <i>Appraisal</i> subscriptions received	265.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 945.00</b>

\*Fees are part of the Convention revenue & expenses.

**General Shows & Judging Committee Expenses:**

Expense Detail	Expenses
Printing of Judging School Exams (Staples)	\$ 50.00
Postage, mailing of exams to students	15.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 65.00</b>

**Appraisal (Newsletter of the Judges Interest Group) Expenses:**

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
January <i>Appraisal</i> - printing & mailing	\$ 34.41
May <i>Appraisal</i> – printing & mailing	40.75
*September <i>Appraisal</i> – printing & mailing	10.61
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 75.55</b>

\*September copies printed at home and corresponding expense not reflected.

**Awards:**

<b>Award Line Item</b>	<b>Funds</b>
Carryover funds from 2020	\$ 1,240.00
2022 Direct (postal mail)	615.00
2022 Web	735.00
2022 – from Registration	675.00
2022- from Endowed	100.00
2022 Recurring	445.00
<b>Total on hand for 2022</b>	<b>\$ 3,810.00</b>
<b>2022 Awarded</b>	<b>\$ 2,805.00</b>
<b>Carryover to 2023</b>	<b>\$ 1,005.00</b>

- Replacement value of all ribbons/ rosettes on hand is currently \$700.

**Proposed budget for next year:**

	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
General	\$700.00	\$ 75.00
Appraisal	400.00	200.00
Awards	3,000.00	3,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,775.00</b>

**Expected convention arrival and departure dates:** July 2 – July 9, 2023

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Zinni