

NASCOE
Awards – Scholarships – Emblems
Micki Crider - Chairperson
Post-Convention report

During the breakout session, the following recommendations were discussed and will be reviewed with all of the area chairs prior to the Organizational meeting in September.

- We had 37 DSA nominations submitted this year nationwide. Wishfully hoping that we will have more nominations once the simplified DSA application is available online.
- Scholarship applications need to be submitted anonymously to the area judges.
- We are hopeful that we can increase the area winner payments to \$500 for the Open Continuing Scholarship.
- We will be adding the Association member scholarship in 2017. Associate members, children/dependents of the member or grandchildren of the member will be eligible to apply for the \$500 National Scholarship in 2017. The same membership requirements will carry over to the new Associate member scholarship.
- If no applications are received in the Adult Continuing education category for 2017, we are recommending the discontinuation of the scholarship category and reallocation of the funds.
- During the area meetings, the majority of the areas voted to send all scholarship applications to the area judges in 2017. Their hope is that the online applications and judging will make the process easier for judges.
- Deadlines for submission of 2017 DSA nominations and Scholarship applications will be:
 - January 1 to the State chairperson
 - February 1 to the Area chairperson
 - March 1 to the National chairperson, and
 - Returned to the National Chairperson by National Judges no later than April 1.
- The Scholarship auctions at National Convention totaled \$13,202.00. \$9,902 of that will go to the NASCOE. The Area rallies contributed \$3,143 to NASCOE. The emblems commission was \$4,323. This made a total contribution into the NASCOE scholarship fund of \$17,368.
- Emblems sales during National Convention totaled \$8,164.
- It was suggested that convention pre-orders be made available and brought to convention for pick up.
- The option of ordering emblems sample packs online based on expected number of attendees would make ordering for state meetings and rallies easier. We will work with Superior to make this a possibility on the website.
- The First Timers winners were: 1st - Tracy Wilson, OK, 2nd - Karen LaCour, IA, and 3rd - Lisa Zeringue, LA.
- It was recommended that we continue the Convention mentor program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Micki Crider

ASE Chairperson