

## HELPFUL GUIDELINES TO FOLLOW:

1. Properly identify your entry.
2. Carefully identify the required number of stems or blooms for the lot number you will be displaying. (See inside for explanation of stem versus bloom.)
3. Select flowers that are at their peak of maturity.
4. Remove spent blooms or blossoms from your specimen. Entries should be free of damage, bugs, and blemishes. It is okay to remove petals that detract from your entry.
5. Stems should be uniform in size, shape, and type.
6. Blooms should be fresh, symmetrical in size, and similar in color.
7. Lightly dust off debris and/or bugs from entries.
8. Remove foliage from stems that will be below the water line in the vase of cut flowers.
9. Pick the vase size that best shows off your entry.
10. When creating your floral arrangements use fresh flowers, appropriate vessels to display your entry. Carefully read the guidelines for each category.
11. If using any visual enhancements in your display (like flags, birdhouses, figurines) be sure they enhance and not detract from the overall theme.

## Rules:

1. All can participate!
2. Registration is Friday between 9 am and 11:30 am. All entries must be set-up prior to noon.
3. All exhibitors must first sign in at the registration desk to be assigned an exhibitor number. Entry tags are available for your entries.
4. The Youth Division (16 or younger) is judged separately from the adult exhibitors. Place Y behind Exhibitor Number to identify Youth Division.
5. All entry tags should have exhibitor number, correct lot number, and your name in the correct areas (see available examples).
6. Classes and lot numbers are the same for both Adult and Youth Divisions.
7. Please feel free to bring your cut flowers in a bucket. Glass vases are available to display cut flowers. You may use your own vases.
8. Each exhibitor may enter one exhibit for each lot with an exception for lots 24 & 25. (See note under Class 1: Cut Flowers.)
9. Judging begins at noon. Cash prizes for Best of Show Ribbons awarded in each classes, both Adult and Youth Divisions.
10. All entries need to remain in the Senior Center for public viewing until Saturday at 1:00 pm. Removal of entries between 1:00-2:30 pm Saturday.
11. If you do not wish to pick up items displayed, please let the registration desk know when entering exhibit that you wish to donate your items.

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CUSTER MILE HIGH GARDEN CLUB

## The Custer Mile High Garden Club Presents:

### **“The 16th Annual Caroline Hatton Flower Show”**

#### **Schedule:**

**Friday, July 17, 2024**

9am –11:30 am Entry

12 Noon—2 PM Judging

2 pm—5 pm Public Viewing

**Saturday, July 18, 2024**

9 am—1 pm Public Viewing

1 pm—2:30 pm Pick up Entries

Located at the Custer Senior Center  
535 Mt Rushmore Rd, Custer SD

**Flower Show is open to everyone!  
No charge to participate!  
Ribbons and prizes given!**

Come enjoy the beauty grown by local gardeners

### Class 1: Cut Flowers

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| 1. Baby's Breath                                     | 1 Stem   |
| 2. Bachelor's Button                                 | 3 Stems  |
| 3. Columbine   | 2 Stems  |
| 4. Dahlia  | 1 Bloom  |
| 5. Daisies   | 3 Blooms |
| 6. Daylily   | 1 Stem   |
| 7. Delphinium  | 2 Stems  |
| 8. Dianthus  | 3 Stems  |
| 9. Echinacea (Coneflower)                            | 3 Stems  |
| 10. Gaillardia                                       | 3 Blooms |
| 11. Lily   | 1 Stem   |
| 12. Marigold (Large)                                 | 3 Blooms |
| 13. Marigold (Small)                                 | 3 Blooms |
| 14. Pansy  | 3 Blooms |
| 15. Petunia (Single)                                 | 5 Blooms |
| 16. Petunia (Double)                                 | 3 Blooms |
| 17. Poppy  | 1 Stem   |
| 18. Rose   | 1 Stem   |
| 19. Rudbeckia  | 3 Blooms |
| 20. Salvia   | 3 Stems  |
| 21. Snapdragons                                      | 3 Stems  |
| 22. Wildflower (one variety<br>Correctly identified) | 3 Stems  |
| 23. Yarrow   | 3 Stems  |
| 24. Any other Annual**                               | 2 Stems  |
| 25. Any other Perennial**                            | 1 Stem   |

**Note:** Cut flowers should be grown in your garden.

\*\* Each exhibitor may enter only one item for each lot number except for lots 24 and 25. An exhibitor may enter multiple entries in lots 24 and 25 not categorized in lots 1-23 and of different varieties.

### Class 2: Floral Arrangements

1. **Teeny Tiny Arrangement**—Miniature arrangement including its container that is no taller or wider than 5 inches.
  2. **Country Kitchen**—Arrangement using a kitchen motif.
  3. **Golden Treasure**— Arrangement depicting the "Gold Discovery Days" Theme.
  4. **Surprise Me!** - Unusual container holding a floral arrangement.
  5. **"Wild" Life**—Collection of wild flowers and grasses.
  6. **"God Bless America"** — Arrangement depicting a Patriotic theme.
  7. **Color Me!** — Arrangement using shades of one color—your choice!
  8. **Other Arrangement**—Your choice
- Note:** Floral arrangements flowers can be from other sources than just your garden!

### Class 3: Potted Plants

1. **House Plant**—Green/non-flowering may be sitting or hanging.
2. **House Plant in Bloom**—may be sitting or hanging.
3. **Collection of House Plants**—Contained in planter or terrarium.
4. **Outdoor hanging plant or planter**—must be hanging.
5. **Outdoor Plant or Planter**—must be sitting
6. **Cactus or Succulents**—in any container
7. **Herbs**—One or more in a planter
8. **Miniature Fairy Garden**—planter featuring small plants, statues & accessories.

**Note:** Each potted plant exhibit needs to have been in exhibitor's possession for at least 2 months.

### CLASS 1: CUT FLOWERS

### CLASS 2: FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

### CLASS 3: POTTED PLANTS

A **stem** is a single stalk, can have one or more blooms on it.

A **bloom** is an open blossom found on a plant or stem. It may take several stems to get the correct number of blooms required for a lot number.

Each entry is judged against the flower's standard, not against the other flowers entered in the same lot.

Adult and Youth Divisions are judged separately.

Blue, Red, and Yellow ribbons will be awarded. At the end of judging, the judge will select "Best of Show" for each Division and Class.

Special Prize for Judge's Choice.

Caroline Hatton was a long time resident of Custer County. She was an avid gardener, Custer County Master Gardener, and founding member of Custer Mile High Garden Club. She was much loved for her guidance and enthusiasm that she shared willingly with family and friends. We honor her memory by dedicating this annual flower show to her.