

## **HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SPADE CLUB**

The requirements for membership in the **SPADE CLUB** are stiff. This is a prestige club within the framework of the organization. You can become a member by sharing with others the things you like to do best...GARDENING!

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Personally enroll **two new members** in TGOA/MGCA from January 1 to December 31  
**Sponsors name must be submitted when dues for a new member are paid.**
2. **To maintain** membership in the Spade Club, one must enroll 2 new members for a period of **CONSECUTIVE YEARS** thereafter.
3. If two, three, four or more members participate in organizing and chartering a **NEW CLUB**, each recruiter will receive 1 point for each member.

### **RECOGNITION/AWARDS:**

1. A Spade Club member wears a gold spade lapel pin and ribbon indicating the number of consecutive years participation in this program.
2. The pin and ribbon are mailed to the club secretary/treasurer, when names of the new members have been received and dues paid to headquarters.
3. The top Spade Club members will be recognized at the National Convention each year.
4. The top Spade Club member will be awarded a plaque at the National Convention.
5. The club with the most Spade Club members will be awarded a plaque at the National Convention.

## **HOW TO WIN A TROWEL AWARD**

The Trowel Award is reserved for **SPADE CLUB** members who have gone the extra mile helping others enjoy garden club membership.

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

Encourage **at least two** of your sponsored **new members** in TGOA/MGCA to renew their membership for the second year.

### **RECOGNITION/AWARDS:**

The Trowel Award is a gold trowel lapel pin. This pin is sent to the Spade Club member when names of at least two new members have been received and **renewal dues paid to headquarters no later than January 31.**

**First Trowel Awards given in year 2000.**

**(Spade/Trowel Club forms must be mailed to Headquarters no later than January 31)**

**THE GARDENERS OF AMERICA / MEN'S GARDEN CLUBS OF AMERICA**  
**P. O. BOX 241, JOHNSTON, IOWA 50131-0241**

**SPADE CLUB FORM**

**CLUB NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **#** \_\_\_\_\_ **REGION #** \_\_\_\_\_

These members have sponsored **two (2)** or more **NEW** members into our club during 2002 dues year.  
 (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

<b>SPONSOR</b>	<b>NEW MEMBER</b>	<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>
<b>NAME</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>1.</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP NUMBER</b>	<b>2.</b>	<b>2.</b>
<b>NAME</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>1.</b>
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Mail Spade Ribbons and pin(s) to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**TROWEL AWARD FORM**

**CLUB NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ **REGION #** \_\_\_\_\_

These members have sponsored **two (2)** or more **NEW** members into our club during 2002 dues year, and have encouraged these members to renew membership for the **2<sup>nd</sup> year**. Sponsors name must be submitted when dues are paid.

**NOTE: 2<sup>ND</sup> year renewal dues need to be received by headquarters no later than January 31 to qualify for Trowel Award.**

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Mail Trowel pin(s) to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_