

Memorandum

Community and Economic Development Department

To: Rock Island City Council

Subject: 2022 Bob Towler Memorial Residential Beautification Award

Date: January 11, 2023



Mayor Thoms and the Rock Island Beautification Commission would like to announce the winner of the 2022 Bob Towler Memorial Residential Beautification Award. This annual award honors Bob Towler through the recognition of a Rock Island resident for their exceptional attention to the overall property esthetics of their home, thus promoting and beautifying our Rock Island community.

Mr. Bob Towler worked for the City of Rock Island as Chief Horticulturist for twenty-six years where he worked continually to involve the community in both public and private gardens. He taught gardening classes as well as utilizing volunteers for the improvement of public gardens. After retiring in 2005, he continued with his activities to beautify Rock Island for an additional sixteen years. He was a founding member of the Rock Island Horticulture Club and a founding member of the Quad City Botanical Center. He was an avid volunteer for both Living Lands and Waters and Keep Rock Island Beautiful. He was also an active member of the Rock Island Beautification Commission for sixteen years and he chaired the Commission for many of those years.

There were several nominees submitted for 2022. This year's recipient has been selected by Rock Island Mayor, Mike Thoms. The Mayor and the Beautification Commission are honored to announce that Bill and Tommi Crampton's home at 7916 9th Street West is this year's Bob Towler Memorial Residential Beautification Award winner.

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1. Front yard photo of 7916 9th Street