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National Christmas Tree & Wreath Contest Winners Selected

Littleton, CO - (August 10, 2023) – The National Christmas Tree Association (NCTA) hosted the 2023 National Christmas Tree and Wreath Contest in conjunction with the Minnesota Christmas Tree Association summer meeting August 4, 2023 at Wolcyn Tree Farms & Nursery, Cambridge, MN.

The 2023 and 2024 Grand Champion and Reserve Champion growers were selected. These growers will continue the 58-year-old tradition of presenting farm-grown Christmas trees to the White House (Grand Champion growers) and Vice President's Residence (Reserve Champion growers). The huge amount of publicity generated for farm-grown Christmas trees from this high-profile NCTA program is priceless to our industry. Champion and Reserve Champion Decorated and Undecorated wreaths were also selected at the contest. The contest entries were all excellent giving the judges and NCTA members in attendance a good offering to choose among with their votes. The following winners were selected:



2023 Grand Champion Grower

**Alex Church & Amber Scott, Cline Church Nursery,
Fleetwood, NC**

Native True Fir



2023 Reserve Grand Champion Grower
Ken Olson, Happy Land Tree Farm, Sandstone, MN
Non-Native True Fir



2024 Grand Champion Grower
David, Jim & Sam Cartner, Cartner Christmas Tree Farm,
Newland, NC
Native True Fir



2024 Reserve Grand Champion Grower
Glen Bustard, Bustard's Christmas Trees, Lansdale, PA
Non-Native True Fir



Grand Champion Decorated Wreath
Amber Scott, Cline Church Nursery, Fleetwood, NC



Reserve Champion Decorated Wreath

Richard & Mary McClellan, McClellan's Tree Farm,
Middleburg PA



Grand Champion Undecorated Wreath

Ken Olson, Happy Land Tree Farm, Sandstone, MN



Reserve Champion Undecorated Wreath

Richard & Mary McClellan, McClellan's Tree Farm,
Middleburg PA

ABOUT NCTA

The National Christmas Tree Association (NCTA) was founded in 1955, it is the national trade association and advocacy organization for the farm-grown Christmas tree industry leading its public policy/governmental affairs and serving as the “voice of the industry” with the media. NCTA represents hundreds of active member farms, 38 state and regional associations, and more than 4,000 affiliated businesses that grow and sell Christmas trees or provide related services. To learn more about the NCTA, visit www.realchristmastrees.org, or call (800) 975-5920.

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