

## **YARD OF THE MONTH**

The Progressive Salem Association/Chamber would like to start a new event within the City of Salem. **Yard of the Month**. This will promote pride in ownership through a friendly competition. In recognizing and sharing our appreciation for the individuals who take pride in their home and yards, may this inspire others to enhance as well. This in turn will improve the overall curb appeal of the entire community!



### **Who is eligible to win:**

- Any property within the city limits
- Houses with “For Sale” sign are not eligible

### **Rules:**

- The property is judged on the exterior appearance of the property by its front and side yard as viewed from the street
- Upkeep of the property can be done by homeowner or professional landscaper
- Same property can only be picked once per calendar year

### **When:**

- Landscaping appearances will be nominated May through September
- Voting starts Monday, April 25, 2022 and will remain open for continuous voting.
- Each month’s winner will be notified on the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.

### **Criteria to Judge:**

- Yard, trees, and shrubs are well groomed and maintained
- Walkways and Driveways shall be in good condition, clean, and free of debris and dirt.
- Buildings, fences, porches, and patios on the property are in good repair
- Yard is free of weeds, clutter, junk, and debris
- Yard is free of junked or inoperable vehicles and no vehicles parked on grass areas
- Overall appearance is pleasing

### **How to Vote:**

- Anyone may nominate a yard, whether they live in outside the city or outside the state
- You can nominate your neighbors, your friends, your family, or even yourself
- Go to [salemsd.com](http://salemsd.com) website and vote under Yard of the Month link

### **Prizes:**

- Winner will be contacted.
- A Yard of the Month sign will be placed in the winner’s front lawn
- A picture will be posted in The Special newspaper, Facebook sites, and City of Salem’s website.
- Owner’s pride in being chosen as a shining example in our community