

OCTOPUS

I am very pleased to announce the 2014 winners of the Big Pumpkin – Giant Sunflower National Youth Gardening Contest.

Sunflower Division:

1st – Sarah Street 15 ½” head
age 8, Rome, NY

2nd – Chris Faley 11” head
age 9, Fort Wayne, IN

3rd – Cayden Faley 9 ½” head
age 11, Fort Wayne, IN

Participation – Marcy Treesh, age 11
Kendallville, IN

Container Gardening Division:

1st – Ella Faley
age 5, Fort Wayne, IN

Pumpkin Division:

Participation – Coby Treesh, age 10
Kendallville, IN

I would also like to congratulate the 10 youth that have been found during 2014 through the Octopus Outreach Program.

Ben Blumer, age 17 – for having his own large raspberry patch
Kendallville, IN

Bethany Blumer, age 15 – for having her own large strawberry patch
Kendallville, IN

Elaina O’Neill, age 12 - for growing pumpkins & sunflowers

Van Wert, OH

Marcy Treesh, age 11 – for growing sunflowers
Kendallville, IN

Coby Treesh, age 10 – for planting pumpkins
Kendallville, IN

Cayden Faley, age 10 – for growing sunflowers, & planting flowers in a pot, and planting radishes, carrots and onions in dad’s garden
Fort Wayne, IN

Christopher Faley, age 9 – for growing sunflowers, helping his sister with her container garden and watering & harvesting vegetables in dad’s garden
Fort Wayne, IN

Sarah Street, age 8 – for growing sunflowers
Rome, NY

Luke Kessen, age 7 – for having his very own square garden with flowers & vegetables
Richmond, VA

Ella Faley, age 5 – for having a container garden, growing a sunflower at her grandmother’s, and watering the vegetables and picking the carrots in dad’s garden
Fort Wayne, IN

Thanks to every club and person who encouraged and mentored these youth. Let’s try for twice as many next year.

Cheri