



The award-winning yard of Ronald and Sulli Seger

## Lawn earns national recognition

The landscaping at the South Avenue home of Ronald and Sulli Seger recently earned a national honor.

The National Merit Award from The Associated Landscape Contractors of America (ALCA) was bestowed on Hoffman Landscapes of Wilton at the 32nd Annual Environmental Improvement Awards Program.

Some 1,200 entries were submitted from across the country in this national landscape design competition.

"My staff and I are very pleased with this award," said Michael Hoffman, president. "Our goal is to provide a level of service that goes beyond the expectations of our customers. We want to achieve the highest level of professionalism, and this national award is very satisfying to receive."

The 19th century home is a

landmark to motorists and passersby.

Mr. Hoffman said the landscape design was dictated by two strong architectural features, the Victorian architectural style of the main residence and an adjacent cottage that serves as a guest house on the property.

Because there are so many features and areas of the property that have their own look and charm, Hoffman Landscapes employed numerous design techniques that incorporated formal plantings, perennial gardens, evergreens, fieldstone walls and brick walkways and more to create focal points, enhance entertainment possibilities, as well as create reflective moods in tranquil outdoor sitting areas, according to the landscaper.

"The overall effect is a timeless English garden landscape that

is recognized by all who pass," Mr. Hoffman said. "Our efforts complemented the classic architecture and woodworking details that make this home unique."

Hoffman Landscapes, founded in 1987, is a full service landscape design, construction and management company. The company's services include master design plans by a fully accredited landscape architect, supported by a staff of botany and arbor experts. The company also maintains crews of landscape contractors, gardeners and maintenance people to keep properties looking their meticulous best.

The ALCA represents more than 2,000 interior and exterior landscape maintenance, installation and design/build contractors and suppliers nationwide.