



# The Gardeners of Lima

Sprigs

August 2022

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## Upcoming Meeting

We welcome Dan Hodges from the Johnny Appleseed Park District to our upcoming meeting on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at the clubhouse in Faurot Park. Dan will lead us in exploring the topic of bugs. Young and old will delight in this program so we hope to see you there!

## President's Message

Thank you all for attending our annual July Wine and Dine. Great time and such a feast. We remembered and toasted our fellow gardeners who have gone to rest:

David Edwards (6/8/18)      Mel Kaehler (7/31/18)      Dick Hussey (6/24/20)  
Donna Maki (11/11/21)      Alice Cooley (3/1/22)

Bill and Anita Lanning were able to attend our Wine and Dine. They have been very active in the local Findlay club, & the regional and national clubs. Both are honorary members of our club. Bill is a past national president and Anita was a long time national director. Donna and I developed a close relationship with them, beginning at our national conventions.

We need help weeding and watering. The sign-up sheet will be available at the August members meeting. We have a sprinkler that has a timer so you can turn the sprinkler on for hours and leave and then come back later to do the weeding.

The August Meeting is the last time that our gardeners can enter the Big Tomato Contest. Entrants thus far are Joe Brown, Ray Brown, Steve Maki, David Rowe, and Becky Wendroth.

There are national convention schedules and information at the clubhouse for your review. Convention fee is \$220 for the first person in the family. Additional family members are \$150. The Comfort Suites is across the street from our convention site and they have reserved a block of rooms that will be available at \$129/night with full breakfast. Mention TGOA when you make your reservations at the Comfort Suites. I have sent in my convention reservation and made my hotel reservations.

Donna's flowering tree memorial will be planted in September just west of the clubhouse. Rick Stolly will let me know the date so we can hold a remembrance.

The Allen County Fair is this month: August 19th through the 27th. Will you have entries? I was planning on entering in the flower show to continue in Donna's memory, but I will be on a vacation so I will not have time to prepare the flowers for entry.

Steve

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A relaxing and fun time was had by all at our annual July Wine & Dine. Thank you to Steve for hosting us and for making Donna's delicious spaghetti and garlic bread! It was wonderful to see the completed sunroom dedicated to Donna's memory.



**Plant of the Month - Yarrow** Five fun facts about yarrow from celticrootsfarm.com:

- 1.) Yarrow is a perennial and so comes back every year
- 2.) It is easy to grow from seed
- 3.) Yarrow is deer resistant
- 4.) Bees and other pollinators love yarrow
- 5.) Yarrow makes a wonderful dried flower

It makes a lovely accent to my zinnia bouquets. My husband once used the leaves as a poultice on an injured hand and it amazingly stopped the bleeding immediately!

**Around the Yard...**



The vegetable garden is producing. (I love the color of the purple peppers!) And Mother Nature is producing some interesting fungi.



The Resurrection Lilies are blooming (far left) and a few late blooming daylilies are showing their colors.



The dahlias have started blooming and the zinnias always put on a show. Dahlias and zinnias are both in the aster family which also includes daisies and sunflowers. The single zinnia (above right) is an unusual color.

Classics like the hydrangea (left) and gladiolas (right) are a welcome sight.

