



# The Gardeners of Lima

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## Wine and Dine in July

Our July “meeting” - the annual “Wine and Dine”- will be held at the Maki’s house on July 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Steve will be preparing Donna’s special spaghetti and we’ll get to see the sunroom and plaque in her memory. Please bring a dish to share as well as some wine (optional). We always look forward to this event and thank Steve for hosting us.

## President’s Message

I am looking forward to getting together for our annual Wine and Dine at our home. We will start at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, July 12th. Many people enjoyed Donna's spaghetti, so in memory of Donna I will recreate her spaghetti as the main course. Please bring a dish to share (and a bottle of wine, if you’d like). So far we have members bringing a fruit salad, an Olive Garden inspired salad, potato salad and a dessert. Your significant other and children are welcome to attend.

Bring your swim suit if you want to swim – skinny dipping is an option if you forget your suit.

You will also see our new Florida Room dedicated to the memory of Donna. I had hoped that she would have lived long enough to see its completion.

The long range forecast for July 12th is a 40% chance of scattered thunderstorms with a high around 90. Since this is one week in the future I am sure that the forecast will change. If we have inclement weather we have sufficient space inside our home, especially with Donna's large Florida Room.

We will have a sign-up sheet at our Wine and Dine for watering and weeding at the clubhouse. Thank you to those who have gone to the clubhouse to water and weed.

At our Wine and Dine you will also be able to sign-up for our big tomato contest. Entry fee is \$5. So far we have Joe Brown, Ray Brown and Steve Maki in the contest. Will someone put an end to Ray Brown’s reign of having the biggest tomato?

Those destructive Japanese Beetles have returned and are eating Donna’s roses. So, I am doing my daily spraying.

It had been almost three weeks and no rain at our home. It takes me about six hours to water the flower beds and pots. I hope this week will bring some much needed rain.

We will resume our Home Beautification Award this year. Please keep your eye out for a home that you would like to nominate. The homeowners need to be doing the gardening themselves (as opposed to hiring a company to do the landscaping) and you need to talk to the homeowner to get their approval to be nominated.

Looking forward to our get together.

Steve

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