

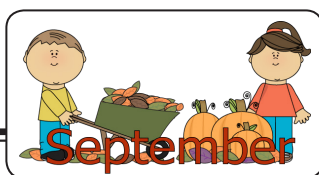
Blades and Blooms



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2023 SPGA JUBILEE CELEBRATION



Mark Your Calendar

6	9 am - 12 pm	SPGA Garden Workday.
9	10 am - 12 pm	Tree ID for Kids; Wingert Tossey Pavilion.
11	11 am - 12 pm	Publicity Cmte; Wingert Tossey Pavilion.
	7 pm	Music in the Garden - German Sauerkraut Band; Wingert Tossey Pavilion.
12	8:30 am - 12 pm	Greenhouse Pot/Tray Cleaning; SPGA barn area.
	1 pm - 3 pm	Docent Meeting; OSUE lg. conf. rm.
13	10 am - 12:30 pm	SPGA Tree Sub-committee Workday; SPGA MGV General Meeting; SPGA barn area.
	5:30 pm	
14	10 am - 12 pm	SPGA Cmte; OSUE lg. conf. rm.
15	12 pm - 5 pm	Krizner/Baker Golf Outing; Hartman Rock Garden Booth. Sign up the Pam.
	9 am - 12 pm	Clark County United Way Service Day; SPGA
16	8 am - 11 am	Tool Sharpening Workshop; Location TBD.
		Setup at 8 am - Workshop 9 am - 11 am.
18	10 am - 12 pm	Early Ohio Settler's Garden Wrap up; OSUE Lg. conf. rm.
19 - 21		Farm Science Review - London, Ohio.
20	9 am - 12 pm	SPGA Garden Workday.
21	1 pm - 3 pm	SPGA Jubilee Wrap up; Wingert Tossey Pavilion.
	6 pm - 7:30 pm	Seed Saving Workshop; SPGA Garden of Eatin'.
22	1 pm - 3 pm	Policy and Procedure Cmte; OSUE Sm. Conf. Rm.
27	9 am - 12 pm	LWN Cmte. Meeting; LWN Garden Area.
	5 pm - 6:30 pm	Community Garden Meeting; New Carlisle Community & Family Youth Initiatives Garden
28	11 am	Education Cmte. Meeting; Wingert Tossey Pavilion.
	1 pm	Recognition Banquet Cmte; Location TBD.



Master Gardener Volunteers waiting for the start of the 2023 Snyder Park Gardens & Aboretum Jubilee.



The O'Keefe Family at the Dedication of the new SPGA Entrance.

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In the Gardens...

Time flies when we are having fun.

Wasn't 2023 Garden Jubilee fun? The gardens were beautiful, mostly all of the weeds had been pulled (they grow and hide when we aren't looking), each garden area was polished and brand new, mulch was laid, rose rosette trial plants in place and watered, cultivar trial beds were blooming, everyone was ready to show off all the hard work. Weather cooperated and the new entrance was a big part of the show with garden dedications and the families appreciated for their support.

It's always a surprise when it is harvest time (already!?) as if that wasn't the whole purpose of planting initially and harvest seems to come so quickly somehow. Maybe it is aging. We are all passionate about the gardens and show it by working together to accomplish great things.

We will be asking for your thoughts about the future direction for this lovely location and would appreciate your consideration in thoughtfully answering a survey. We want to keep your interest so let us know what you think. For example, what would you like to do for fun? How can we incorporate more of the community in the activity of keeping the gardens beautiful? How do we get the word out about our unique position in the promotion of our city? Could we host fundraisers other than the plant sale and outreach in addition to the Jubilee? Please discuss with others, voice your opinions, think about alternative ways to promote the well-kept secret of Snyder Park Gardens and Arboretum. These questions are mine alone but you might have some good ones if you just put some thought into this matter.

I've tried to be in the gardens whenever there is work to do, meetings to scope out, questions to have answers to and just to generally enjoy looking at all the beauty you have all worked so hard to provide. Please think ahead to the future of SPGA and not just the immediate future but far beyond what is to what it can be. Be willing to step out to serve in additional ways as officers, chairpersons, docents, and ambassadors much like during the Jubilee.

We are all passionate about the gardens and show it by working together to accomplish great things. I thank you all for your service and willingness to step up to do what is needed and love you all more than you know.

Always thankful,
Sue Ann Dill

Pam's Posies

Say it isn't so! Summer is almost over and it's time for cooler weather. I know many of you prefer the cooler weather, but I love love love the heat of summer. This summer just went to fast, and it seems like it was busier than ever. And I didn't even travel that much this summer.

It was nice to have a couple of weeks after the extremely successful Garden Jubilee to relax and take some time off. I stayed home and enjoyed my new grandbaby Rip and the pool. Now it's back to the craziness of work. And it was indeed crazy my first week back. I drove to Marietta and back two times and to Findlay and back for MGVS Diagnostic Workshops. They were great and it's always wonderful to meet MGVS from around the state. There is one final Diagnostic Workshop in Butler County on September 12th. Watch for information coming soon on registration. If you are an Ask an MGVS your registration is free!

Congratulations to the Jubilee committee for an incredible job. It was great to hear all of the compliments on the garden and your work. The gardens are spectacular! My dad came home for a weekend, and I took him to visit the gardens on Sunday. He was impressed and couldn't believe the progress in a few years. The sidewalks were perfect as he was in his wheelchair and could easily navigate through the gardens. Holy cow – you are all amazing.

Please look in the newsletter for an upcoming SPGA committee meeting. There will be some minor changes in ordering plants for next year, to make it a little smoother in 2024. We had some pain points this past season and hopefully these changes will make it easier for all.

Don't forget that we will be training a new class of interns in 2024, beginning at the end of Jan and going through March on Wednesday's. There is a committee forming to help with the training classes (interviews, orientations, classes, snacks, etc.) We will be training at the Extension office next year as it is a bit easier on all involved. We will also have an online cohort as well. If you have friends who are interested, please have them contact Beth for details. We are just now gearing up for this.

And please be sure to mark your calendars if you haven't already for the Recognition Celebration. This is our 30th year and the committee has great things planned. I can't believe I have been doing this for 30 years! I am getting old.

Pam's Posies cont. op pg. 3

WHAT'S GROWING ON

Text from Deb Brugger this month. Pictures from Beth.



The end of July/beginning of August was high pressure for MGVs getting everything perfect for the big Jubilee celebration. But, when the going gets tough...MGVs show up! We had a good size crew who showed one morning to assemble the picnic tables for the patio and some of the benches for the garden paths. Some of us Super Women showed up as well, but soon learned that trying to help these extraordinary men was not going to benefit us, so we worked in the gardens. After a brief learning curve and some tool changes, they were off to the races, and a good time was had by all!

Pam's Posies cont. from pg. 2

Best wishes for a great football season and an enjoyable fall.

Pam

Pamela J. Bennett
State Master Gardener Volunteer Coordinator
Extension Educator, Horticulture
Ohio State University Extension

SPGA TREE SUBCOMMITTEE

On September 13 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at SPGA we will begin the process of identifying and tagging trees. Beth and I will have the list of trees that have been planted and when they were planted to help you identify these trees. I will have tags and markers so that when you identify the tree, you can tag them immediately.

All trees that were in the gardens when we inherited it are in a spreadsheet with GPS marking. Kathy McConkey, the Landscape Architect Jeannie Martin, and Pam marked the trees in the fall of 2014. What hasn't been entered into the system are the new trees that have been planted by the city. This is our goal for this fall - get them labeled and into the system. Please let your team members know if you can't make this date. You can also plan on continuing this after this date until your section is complete.

Pam

Snyder Park Gardens & Arboretum Committee Meeting

Our next meeting will be September 14th at 10:00 a.m. – noon in the large conference room at OSUE. All SPGA garden Committee Chair(s) or a representative are required to attend this important meeting. We will be discussing the process for ordering plants for 2024. There were a few challenges this past season as you all know, and I have a few ideas of how we might address this to make it much better for all. In addition, Committee Chairs need to report on their successes/challenges this past season as well as tentative plans for 2024. If you can't make it, you MUST send a note to me so that we can include this in the plans for next season. Thanks for all you do and did this past season – the gardens are spectacular!

Pam

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MITCHELL GREENHOUSE COMMITTEE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! WE NEED YOUR HELP! The annual tray and flower pot cleaning/sanitizing day will be held Tuesday, September 12th from 8:30 am until 12 pm by the SPGA barn. We need at least 3500 pots and 250 trays cleaned this year for the 2024 season. This past spring we used everything we had clean.

All are welcome to help with this annual Mitchell greenhouse event. Bring your rubber gloves and a favorite cleaning brush if you have one.

If anyone has 4" round or square pots and square trays please return them to the barn area so that we can wash them to be used next year.

The Mitchell Greenhouse chairs, Theresa Gregory, Rosalind Soles, Karen Parsons, Joyce Watson, and Linda McCann,



Pots, pots and more pots just waiting for washing.



VICTORY GARDEN COMMITTEE

This month master gardeners conducted their annual vegetable distribution at the Second Harvest. We picked and hauled two truck loads of veggies (1200 pounds) in the morning and set up in a distribution line. About 240 people went collected food with most of it gone in an hour. Four buckets of green beans disappeared in less than 30 minutes. People also appreciated the fresh sweet corn, potatoes and tomatoes. We were done in about an hour and then got a tour of the facility.

The vegetables have produced well with the exception of some sweet corn which was damaged by the wind. By the time you read this article we will have surpassed 6000 pounds of donations. Thanks to all that helped and a special thanks to Terry Gregory and Dick O'Neill, two non-MGVs who were a great help throughout the year.

Mark Finnegan, Drew Titone and Ed Wozniak

NIGHT WEEDER'S COMMITTEE

August 23 was the Night Weeders last weeding session for the 2023 season. We finished up in the beautiful Landscape with Nature beds with the bees and the butterflies, working through a very hot evening. Thanks to every single person who joined us this year, whether for an evening or many evenings. We appreciate your hard work and the fun time we were able to spend with you. We hope to see you for the 2024 weeding season!

Susan & Tom Miller
Co-Chairs

RECOGNITION CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Lets CELEBRATE!

The Recognition Committee has started planning for the 30th annual event, to be held on Monday, November 13. More details will follow, including the theme and location, as decisions are made. If you would like to join the committee, you are welcome! Our next meeting will be Thursday, Sept 28 at 1 pm, location TBD. Contact Kim Bachman, 937-206-7213, or email at gkbach20@gmail.com. The event is FREE to all MGv, paid guests are also welcome. Be sure to mark your calendars now, and watch for your invitation in the mail next month.

Kim Bachman, chair

SPGA JUBILEE COMMITTEE

The 2023 SPGA Jubilee was fabulous! It was a perfect day to showcase our new gardens, pathways, and entry. The weather was perfect-sunny with a light breeze. The gardens, thanks to a lot of last minute intensive work (pesky weeds), were gorgeous. Our new entry and walkways were completed making the grounds even more attractive and more accessible. Bubbles floated out of the flowers in the clubhouse border as if by magic, free snow cones were handed out by the Springfield Police and Fire Departments. Sparkly flowers blossomed on the arms and faces of guests and volunteers. All in all, it was a beautiful day to enjoy the gardens, have a frozen coffee drink from KG Coffee Roasters or a pita from Pitabilities, and listen to the great music provided by Amber and Noah.

We want to thank all the volunteers who helped make the 2023 Jubilee a success. The Jubilee is a big undertaking and whether your role was small or large, your participation was vital and hugely appreciated. We co-chairs have received so much support from you all- you made us look good and made our job easier.

Speaking of thanks, we have to give a special shoutout to Beth Brooks and Dennis Latimer, who time after time, go above and beyond the call of duty to ensure the success of MGV events. You guys are the best!

The wrap-up meeting is **Thursday, September 21st from 1-3** at the SPGA pavilion. It's important for us to get your feedback about what went well, what didn't, and what might be done in the future. We value your input and hope to see you there.

2023 Jubilee Co-chairs

Susan Smith, Rita Lane & Christi Lockhart



Susan Smith, Christi Lockhart and Rita Lane. 2023 Jubilee Co-chairs.

2023 BEE QUILT WINNER

The winner of the 2023 Bee Quilt was Gay Harris. The drawing was held on August 5 at the Jubilee. The quilt was made by a group of Master Gardeners and the quilt label contained the signatures of all the participants. Interestingly, Mrs. Harris had worked with two of the quilters, Susan Newell and Mary Ellen Martin, which made the quilt very special to her.

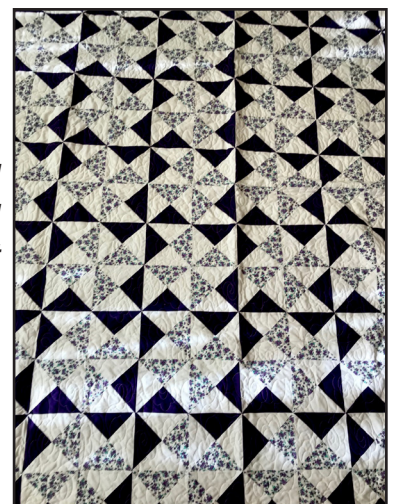
The Quilt Group is a sub-committee of the Fundraising Committee. Linda Asebrook, Beth Staas and Mary Ellen Martin are serving as co-chairs. They are currently selling tickets for a beautiful full bed sized Purple Floral Pinwheel Quilt that was pieced by Kathleen Franks, wife of Roger Franks and quilted by Mary Ellen Martin. It will be raffled next March at Perennial School. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

The quilters are organizing a future gathering at the Extension Office to make a wall hanging that will feature embroidered blocks of herbs. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Beth (bstaas@aol.com) Mary Ellen (memartin@roadrunner.com) or Linda (lasebrook@hmail.com)



Left to right: Beth Staas, quilt winner Gay Harris, Mary Ellen Martin.

*Floral Pinwheel
Quilt to be raffled
off next March at
Perennial School.*



EARLY OHIO SETTLERS COMMITTEE

The Early Ohio Settlers enjoyed sharing the garden with the public during the Jubilee, and then moved on to more activities in August. We started some harvesting for seed saving at a workday, as you can see by some of the pictures. We also harvested ground cherries for jam, to be shared at next years Jubilee. Also in the pictures, we were pleasantly surprised to see new growth on the collard greens, after pesky worms made lace of the leaves. The month was wrapped up with a program by Hank Morgan, All About Hops. Thanks to the MGV and spouses who braved the rainy weather for this fun topic.

Judy and Mark Finnegan, Kim Bachman
Co- chairs



Seed saving.

Ground cherries.



*New growth
on collard
greens.*

DOCENT COMMITTEE

The 2023 SPGA Docent Tours have been very successful! We have shared our Gardens with 79 visitors and guided 13 Tours. Each Tour was unique, thanks to different questions and comments, and the WEATHER! At the beginning, there were communication glitches through the Clark County Master Gardener Volunteers Facebook page, but through investigative skills and patience, the glitches were resolved.

Since June 16- August 28, the 13 Tours included the Four Seasons Garden Club, Fellowship Christian Church Bible Study, Bellefontaine Garden Club, Tipp City Garden Club, Oakley Garden Club, Warren County Master Gardener Volunteers, and 4 Tours for USS SAILL program. There were many accolades about the beauty and peacefulness of SPGA. We received over \$50 in donations.

The SPGA Docents attended 3 training courses before guiding a tour. Many Docents have attended any of the above Tours to observe a seasoned Docent. They have knowledge of history of Master Gardener Volunteers, Snyder Park, and the Snyder Park Garden and Arboretum. We really appreciate it when garden chairs and MGVs are in their Garden during Tours. As Docents, we acquire more knowledge when the garden chairs expound on their work of art, their individual gardens, and value their guidance. Thank you for continuing our Education!

Everyone who has attended any of the tours have been overwhelmed by each of the gardens in SPGA! They have expressed appreciation of our love and pride of SPGA. Aren't we the luckiest people in Clark County who can give back beauty and splendor to Snyder Park? We are looking for Docent Volunteers for next season....

Connie Mitchell, Co Chair

September Birthdays

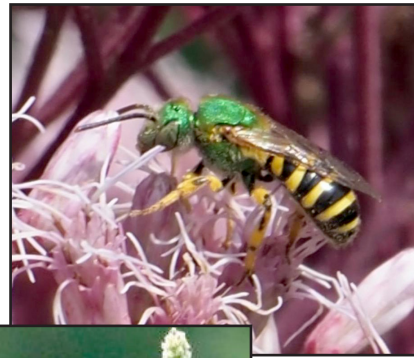
3rd Marilyn Hinderer
5th Allison Volk
8th Joyce Studebaker
11th Jane Skogstrom
12th Sandy Forstrom
13th Penny Dunbar
21st Katie Poppe
24th Janet Hannel
25th Marilyn Ryan
29th Sonya Ryhal
30th Katherine Frazier

LANDSCAPE WITH NATURE COMMITTEE

The following photographs, taken this August, show that the Landscape with Nature Garden is living up to its name. LWN practices Ecological Horticulture, in contrast to Ornamental Horticulture. The plants in LWN are chosen for what they provide: pollen, nectar, host to larvae, seeds, and shelter. Ecological Horticulture is the science of growing plants that enhance the surrounding environment for the benefit of all other life.

Visit the Landscape with Nature Garden and enjoy the presence of life!

Donna Meister, Tom Davidson, Jani Malowney



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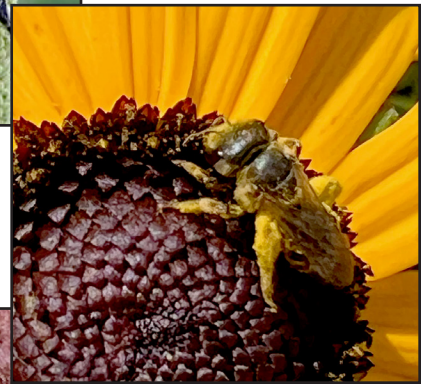
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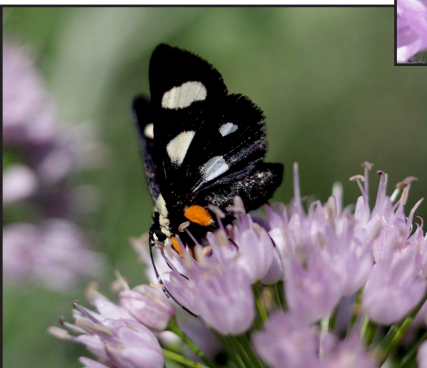
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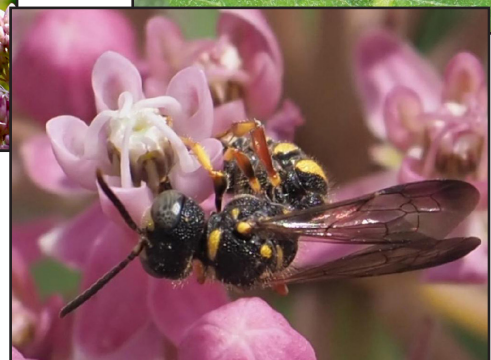
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1. Metallic Green Sweat Bee; 2. Ruby-throated Hummingbird and Gold Finch; 3. Honey Bee; 4. Eastern Tiger Swallowtail; 5. Large Carpenter Bee; 6. Hover Fly; 7. Tussock Moth Caterpillar; 8. Eight Spotted Forester Moth; 9. Monarch Butterfly; 10. Wasp

Backyard News

Were you at Perennial School in the spring? Do you remember keynote speaker Tracy Disabato-Aust saying the best place to view the garden is from the deck? She's right! In mid-August Husband Tom and I were sitting on the deck enjoying the beautiful gardens. Close up there were some minor problems – some fungus issues from the moist summer, some tired flowers at the end of their run, no doubt a weed or two, but from the deck – beautiful!

We watched as butterflies sampled the flowers. In particular, we watched as a chipper Monarch flew from milkweed to milkweed in the Mish Mash bed. Suddenly, she curled her abdomen under and – Poing! – laid an egg! We have never witnessed this miracle, and we watched as she flew around the milkweeds depositing eggs again and again. Later that day we counted about six eggs so tiny that you could barely see them, exquisitely beautiful, resting on the milkweed leaves.

Last winter Master Gardener friend Karen Titone and I read a book called “Bicycling with Butterflies” by Sara Dykman. Ms. Dykman built a bike and rode it 10,000 miles following the migration path of monarch butterflies. She wanted to see for herself and report back to us on the condition of this important migration path. We all know the state of the monarch butterfly population, so you won't be surprised to hear that this book is quite sad. I can't fix all 10,000 miles of that journey, but people like you and me can have a profoundly positive impact on our stretch of the migration path. Plant some milkweed, friends. Give milkweed gifts to your friends and family.

You say you don't really like milkweed? Did you know there are 13 kinds of milkweed native to Ohio? Surely there is something for all of us in that selection of milkweed. Many people don't like common milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*) because it can be aggressive. What about Swamp or Rose milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)? It has a well-behaved clumping form and a lovely smell to boot. We're all familiar with Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias*

tuberosa). It's very well behaved, likes dryer gardens, and has hybrid colors beyond its beautiful orange shade.

There are some more unusual milkweeds that I hadn't heard of in Ohio's thirteen varieties. Some of these plants bloom earlier in the summer. For instance, have you heard of



Poke Milkweed. Image from Prairie Moon Nursery.

Purple Milkweed (*Asclepias purpurascens*)? It looks like common Milkweed, but grows to about 3 feet, is not aggressive, prefers a little shade, and, as its name implies, is a lovely shade of (reddish) purple. It blooms late May into June.



Purple Milkweed. Image from Prairie Moon Nursery.

There is also a Poke Milkweed (*Asclepias exalta*). This beauty prefers shade or dappled shade. I didn't know there was a Milkweed for shade gardeners. It grows to five feet and has a flower that is creamy white with hints of purple. It blooms in May and June.

I'm also very interested in Green-Flowered milkweed (*Asclepias viridiflora*), which only grows to one foot tall. It prefers dryish soil, blooms in July and likes full to partial sun. I would love to try this at the front of the border. Many of these uncommon milkweed can be found as plants or seeds at Prairie Moon Nursery. Prairie Moon is also a terrific resource for information on these milkweeds and all the seeds and plants they sell.

My gardens are beginning their wind-down into fall, but you can see that I am beginning my wind-up, dreaming about new delights for next year.

Happy Gardening!
Susan Miller

Gatherings about Gardens

PEE IN YOUR GARDEN!

By John Hershey in *GreenPrints*

Urine is the Number One free fertilizer.

**CAUTION: This article contains puns.
(Yes, dear reader, urine for it.)**

Back when I had a real job, my coworkers loved it when I brought veggies from my garden to share. At least they said they loved it. Unless you think they were just being polite in thanking me for all that free zucchini? Surely not. But one day, when describing the fertile soil that produced this bounty, I happened to mention to a colleague that I pee in my compost pile. Executing a perfect spit-take with my homegrown radish, she announced that she would no longer be eating any produce from my garden.

She was just kidding. I think. But the joke works because it highlights our society's aversion to urine and our ill-conceived desire to live in a sterile environment. We're raised to fear wee-wee, a feeling reinforced by our shared traumatic experiences. From the smell of city alleys to the sight of Kevin Costner drinking his own in the movie "Waterworld," we are conditioned to be repulsed by pee.

Gardeners, our society's panic about pee has gone too far. It's time to fight back. (Our chant: Free The Wee!) Urine is a precious bodily fluid. It's full of nitrogen and also contains phosphorus, potassium, and micronutrients, in the forms most easily absorbed by plants. Yet we flush it away, turning it into a pollutant that causes algae blooms in our rivers and lakes. Sending it to the garden instead would reduce this burden and feed our plants.

Wendell Berry said when industrial farms struggle to dispose of animal waste rather than using it to improve soil and then drench their crops with chemical fertilizers, they are turning one elegant solution into two big problems. We have the power to change the world, meeting this challenge one garden at a time. Let's stop wasting our waste!

We have access to a steady stream of free organic fertilizer, but we've just been pissing it away. That's money down the drain! Tinkle irrigation makes even more sense in an arid climate like Colorado where I live: we can, as they say, make water.

We should all pee in our gardens, and not just in the compost pile, although it's a great accelerator. I use it on the fruit trees and vegetables, especially the peas and leeks, naturally. And of course I pee in the asparagus patch. That feels right, because no vegetable is more closely associated with urine.



When we eat asparagus, we're strongly reminded of it the next time we visit the loo. So payback is rich—in nitrogen!

Relieving ourselves in the garden is fun, too. Perhaps we have a primal urge to mark our territory. We love the power to write our names in the snow or put out campfires. Now we

can have the same feeling in the garden. I realize some of this applies specifically to those of us with built-in spray nozzles.

I suppose this predilection makes me a urophile, but not in a creepy way. My fetish is limited to the garden, I swear. And I'm a Europhile, too. They're way ahead of us in urine recycling in places like Holland and Scandinavia. In Amsterdam, they collect pee from urinals in a public square to water the city's green roofs.

Nowadays, whenever people enjoy something, someone will come along and try to monetize it. I'm sure when this idea catches on, the garden industrial complex will swoop in to profit from it. Soon we'll see \$12 bottles of pasteurized piddle in the garden shops, with clever names like Urine Luck or Gee Whiz or N-Pee-K.

These gross marketing efforts are sure to fail. There are some things I just will not buy on Craigslist. And the theory of trickle-down agronomics appeals to our frugality as gardeners. As with compost, we prefer to make our own. Costly synthetic fertilizers and pre-packaged pee are a piss-poor substitute for the real thing.

Of course, it pays to be discreet. Don't be a human Rain Bird out there. We wouldn't want a routine fertilizer application to lead to indecent exposure charges. I keep an old glass pitcher behind the chicken coop that I can fill furtively. I don't think my neighbors are privy to my secret.

So, let's all answer nature's call, go in the garden—and wet the beds!

About the end of Summer:

"The crickets felt it was their duty to warn everybody that summertime cannot last forever." ~~ E.B. White

"What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness." ~~ John Steinbeck

"Summer ends, and Autumn comes, and he who would have it otherwise would have high tide always and a full moon every night." ~~ Hal Borland

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"August slipped away like a bottle of wine." ~~ Taylor Swift

"I love fall! Fall is exciting.
It's apples and cider.
It's an airborne spider.
It's pumpkins in bins.
It's burrs on dog's chins.
It's wind blowing leaves.
It's chilly red knees.
It's nuts on the ground.
It's a crisp dry sound.
It's green leaves turning
And the smell of them burning.
It's clouds in the sky.
It's fall. That's why..."

"I love fall." ~~ Author Unknown
Til next time, Judy Finnegan



MGV Docents lead a tour of the Landscape with Nature Garden for a United Senior Services group. LWN committee members were on hand to help with the tour and spread the word about pollinators and native plants.



A repeat visitor to our SPGA Jubilee.



The 2023 SPGA Jubilee



More SPGA Jubilee





Fallen Log Garden and the Thistle Removal Warriors.



Kyleen Downes performs at Music in the Gardens.



Planting the rose research beds along the walkway to the Trial Gardens.



Clean up in the Hydrangea Gardens.





**CLARK COUNTY
SERVICE DAY**
September 15th, 2023



This year, Clark County's Service Day will be held during the month of September in honor of the 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance.




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September 15th, 2023

HOW TO VOLUNTEER:

Individual Volunteer

-Sign up to volunteer on Service Day! Find a nonprofit you are passionate about and help us make a positive impact on our great community!

Do a Good Deed

-9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance focuses on doing Good Deeds in our community. Join us for Service Day by doing more good works throughout your daily schedule.


Team of Volunteers

-Get a group of friends, family or coworkers together and volunteer with us on Service Day!

Blood Donor

-Want to be involved but cannot sign up for a project? No problem! Sign up to be a Blood Donor! -The Community Blood Center will have a mobile unit at the Clark County Public Library - Main Branch in the parking lot.

Instructions on how to sign up as a volunteer, team of volunteers, blood donor and a list of good deeds can be found on www.uwcmc.org.



United Way of Clark, Champaign & Madison Counties

**UNITED WAY SERVICE DAY
TO BE HELD AGAIN – WE ARE
PARTICIPATING**

The UW Service Day is going to be held in conjunction with the 9-11 Volunteer event around the country. We will be a participant at SPGA. It will be held on September 15th, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. We need about 10 MGVS who will serve as team captains for the tasks that the community volunteers will be doing. They will be spread out around the gardens according to the projects that need the most work. Please let Beth know if you can be there around 8:00 a.m. to receive your assignment for the morning. We don't know how many volunteers will be signing up for SPGA but we want to be prepared for them!



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Cookies given out at the SPGA Jubilee to celebrate Clark County MGV's 30th birthday.

**SPGA Garden
Clean Ups are
September 6th
& 20th
9 am - 12 pm**

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