

# OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

August 2018

## EVENTS

- August 18 – A Day in the Woods: Family Day
- August 27 – Master Gardener meeting
- September 14 – Timber Harvesting – Zaleski SF
- October 12 – Fall Treasures – Vinton Furnace



## Growing Native Plants

The Wistendahl volunteers enjoyed showing off the garden in June to the Master Gardeners. Judges from America in Bloom visited the Wistendahl Garden. They are an independent organization whose mission is to promote beautification through education and community involvement by encouraging the use of flowers, plant, trees and other environmental and lifestyle enhancements. We await their comments and will share with everyone when we hear.

One of the goals of the Wistendahl Garden is to create, in conjunction with the Children's Garden, a bit of a corridor for butterflies and bees. Having seen a Monarch in the garden last week gives one hope in the synergistic effect of our two pollinator gardens.

The plants are producing seeds and seedlings now and we will be gathering both on our Tuesday mornings. The plan is to share with the Athens Garden Club and the Master Gardeners. We will announce a date and time when we have collected enough to give out.



## BUGS AND BLOOMS



Time to divide those daylilies

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## AUGUST GARDEN

Plant –All month

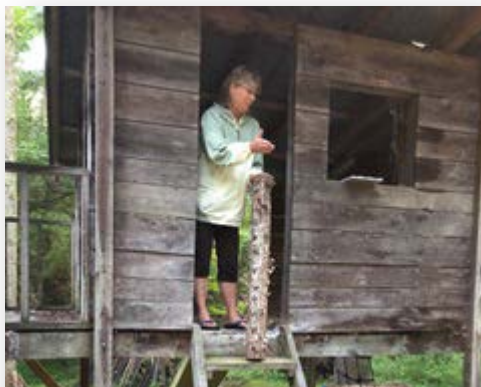
- Cucumbers
- Southern Pea
- Squash (summer)

Before August 20

- Beans (bush, wax)
- Sweet Corn
- Tomatoes

After August 15

- Broccoli
- Brussel Sprouts
- Cabbage
- Cauliflower
- Collards
- Lettuce
- Mustard



## Plant of the Month



*Lycoris squamigera*  
'Naked Ladies'

**Naked Ladies** are an August delight, popping up throughout yards in the Midwest and Southern US. Also known as **surprise lilies**, **nekkid ladies**, **resurrection lilies**, **magic lilies**, or **hardy amaryllis**, the *lycoris squamigera* is in the amaryllis family, and is believed to have originated in Japan or China. In June, elongated leaves sprout and grow, then die back. In mid-late summer, flower buds appear and, within 4-5 days, are in full bloom on long, leafless stems. The fragrant, large multi-blooms will only last a few days, but will be back next year.

Submit your September Plant of the Month to [brown.6000@osu.edu](mailto:brown.6000@osu.edu)

## Dawes Arboretum Trip



Part of being a Master Gardener is taking fun and educational field trips. The latest trip was to Dawes Arboretum in Licking County.

## Digging Deeper

On July 23, the Master Gardeners gathered at the home of Rhonda and Steve Koch to wait for the rain to stop. The rain stopped punctually after the meeting and we proceeded to take a tour of Rhonda's many gardens. While the primary purpose of our visit was to see Rhonda's Square Foot Gardens and how square foot gardening can be developed and successfully worked, our tour became an educational free-for-all on multiple aspects of gardening. Including the square foot gardens, we also saw Rhonda's mushroom growing method, her beautiful and varied terraced flower gardens, blueberry and fruit growing areas, and the remarkable layout of her home and property.