

Garden CLIPPINGS

September 2022

Avon-on-the Lake Garden Club

Plant America...share our vision

1930-2022

2021-2022 OFFICERS

Avon-on-the Lake Garden Club

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Community Council	Elaine George
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Awards	Pam Hoffmann
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Wildflower	Anita Webb/Jennie Jones
Library Butterfly	Elaine George
Fence Garden	Jane Kozey/ Diana Wyrock
Beach Park Point	Barbara Nahm/Marianne Stern
Walker Rd. Butterfly	Marianne Stern/Bev Stives
Old Firehouse/OZONE	Jennifer Fenderbosch
Blue Star Memorial	Lynn Medders

President's Message

Elaine George

"Summer should get a speeding ticket!"
-unknown author

Isn't that the truth? So here we are saying goodbye to August, hopefully full of wonderful memories of a lovely Summer, ready to enjoy a beautiful Ohio Fall! Our gardens are still full of color thanks to the Dahlias, Mums, Sunflowers, Anemones not to mention some lovely Fall Sedum! This is also a great time to plant those perennials that you have always wanted in your garden!

I want to thank everyone for the wonderful response to the Bags 4 Beds project that we are doing this year. It has been overwhelming! So much so that the ladies at the Methodist Church in LaGrange can't possibly use all the bags we are sending their way. In order to continue this project, we need to find more organizations that are making the sleeping mats – or start making them ourselves! No? I didn't think so. I will let you know if I find some more recipients. Stay tuned! See you in October!

Invocation September 1, 2022

Promises to Keep

I will do more than belong, I will participate.
I will do more than care, I will help.
I will do more than believe, I will practice.
I will do more than forgive, I will forget.
I will do more than teach, I will inspire.
I will do more than dream, I will work.
I will do more than give, I will serve.
I will do more than earn, I will enrich.
I will do more than live, I will grow.
I will do more than be fair, I will be kind.
I will do more than be a citizen, I will be a patriot.

I will do more than be friendly, I will be a friend.
-William Arthur Werd

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Excerpt from **The Nature Conservancy**
report dated March 22 which ALGC contributes to.

Submitted by Pam Hoffmann

Humanity is facing a crucial crossroads. Our planet faces the interconnected crises of rapid climate change and biodiversity loss. We have years, not decades, to address these existential threats. As one of the world's largest conservation organizations, The Nature Conservancy has an obligation to meet these urgent demands. The science is clear: We must act now to halt catastrophic climate change and biodiversity loss.

What we do between now and 2030 will determine whether we slow warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius—the level scientists agree will avoid the worst impacts of climate change. Our actions will also determine whether we conserve enough land and water to slow the rapid acceleration of species loss. If we do both, we will safeguard people from the disastrous effects of these crises.

So much can occur in a single lifetime. Three quarters of the carbon dioxide emissions driven by humans have occurred since 1950. We have seen a nearly 70% average decline of birds, amphibians, mammals, fish and reptiles since just 1970.

There is no time for delay.

Goals:

- 1. Save enough healthy land to cover India Twice**
- 2. Take 650 million cars' worth of emissions out of the air every year**
- 3. Conserve more than 10 percent of the world's ocean.**
- 4. Restore enough river to stretch around the globe 25 times**

Read all the goals at:

Guess Who Came for Dinner?

Sue Jagoda

It's been a while since I've visited with my cousin Lou, so when I got the Facebook message that he was going to be in the area and wanted to spend the night, I was happy to agree. But what I didn't know was, besides his fiancée Heidi, he was traveling with a llama, an alpaca (Zoolander), and four dogs (Fergus, Ellie May, and Cooper). Of course, bring them I said.

The garage was empty at the time due to the remodeling, and the llama and alpaca would enjoy some of the grass in the backyard. The llama and alpaca were included on the journey to provide company for the female llama they were picking up near Columbus. From there, they were traveling north for a visit with my aunt and uncle (Lou's mom and dad) on the family farm.

They arrived on August 14 with the entire menagerie and made themselves at home. The humans enjoyed the chicken paprikash I made for dinner and the **Belgian waffles** for breakfast. By early Tuesday they were ready to head out. The backyard bush that was the one I wanted trimmed got trimmed, and Lou added a bunch of llama dung to my compost bin (added nitrogen he said). The backyard smelled like a farmyard after they left, and our dog Belle spent a lot of nosing around the area. A great visit with lasting memories!



Belgian Style Waffles

Sue Jagoda

King Arthur Baking Company

My cousin asked for the recipe, and he made it as pancakes for his family. Enthusiastically received!

You can choose to prepare the batter for these waffles and cook it after an hour, but we prefer to let the batter rest overnight in the fridge, where it develops a real yeasty and rich depth of flavor. If you aren't fond of a slightly fermented, sourdough-like flavor, just add 1½ teaspoons of baking powder to the recipe (in addition to the yeast), and cook after just a 30-minute rest; don't refrigerate overnight.

Ingredients 4 Belgian style 7" waffles
1½ cups (340g) lukewarm milk
6 tablespoons (¾ stick, 85g) unsalted butter, melted
2 to 3 tablespoons (39g to 57g) maple syrup
¾ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 large eggs
2 cups (240g) unbleached all-purpose flour
1½ teaspoons instant yeast

- Combine all the ingredients in a large bowl, leaving room for expansion; the mixture will bubble and grow.
- Stir to combine; it's fine if the mixture isn't perfectly smooth.
- Cover with plastic wrap and let rest at room temperature for 1 hour; the mixture will begin to bubble. You can cook the waffles at this point or refrigerate the batter overnight to cook waffles the next day.
- Preheat your waffle iron. Spray with nonstick vegetable oil spray, and pour ¾ to ¾ cup batter (or the amount recommended by the manufacturer) onto the center of the iron. Close the lid and bake for the recommended amount of time, until the waffle is golden brown, about 5 to 6 minutes on a standard 7" Belgian-style (deep-pocket) waffle iron.
- Serve immediately.

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Observations

Bobbe Rudge

A little critter crawling on my porch yesterday caught my attention. I called Karen Moran and she came over and we examined it closely - please note I said "examined - not touched". It is confirmed as an American Dagger Caterpillar (*aricta americana*).

He feasts on alder, ash, elm, maple, oak, willow and other hardwoods. As "cute" as he is, don't touch. Notice the black spikes. He is native to the Midwest, but according to reports, he is rather rare, but he certainly is obvious.

Dagger moth caterpillars are fuzzy with medium length yellow, yellow green, or even white setae. They also have four, elegant, slender, black "pencils" of setae that extend out from the first and third abdominal segments. A fifth pencil of black bristles extends near the rear of the caterpillar. It is reputed that these pencils may break off and become embed into skin. Toxins supposedly inside the hairs are reputed to cause a stinging sensation that may develop into a rash. Caterpillars may grow as long as 2 inches and are often found on the soil near their host trees from July through late October.

He does turn into the American Moth, apparently with the same stinging capacity.





Miller Park Fence Garden in Summer

Susan Prehoda

Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club members, Jane Kozey, Anne Lyon, Diana Wyrock, Susan Penning, Pat Kilbane, Kate Merriman, Susan Prehoda, and myself tend the beautiful fence garden in front of the historic Miller House Museum at Miller Park. It is definitely something to be proud of thanks to these ladies.

As we were leaving our last garden spruce up session, members spied monarch butterfly eggs on the milkweed plants as we passed by. The eggs were scooped up and taken to their new rescue monarch butterfly huts where they will be protected, raised and released. How wonderful!

Exploring Clematis

Sue Jagoda

I've been fascinated by clematis since I moved into our Avon Lake house 16 years ago and discovered that prolifically flowering plant on the north side of the house was a clematis. It's a great plant, requires little attention except for trimming it back in the fall. We have planted a couple clematis at the Gazebo Garden and await the year when they, too, bloom abundantly.

During my last trip to visit my daughter Rachel and family in West Linn, Oregon this past June, I found there was a public garden devoted entirely to clematis not too far from their home. So, on a day when the granddaughters were all busy at day camp, Rachel dropped me off at the Rogerson Clematis Garden where I was able to indulge my clematis fascination.

While there I talked to one of the volunteers and learned that at this garden clematis is pronounced KLEH-much-tuhs not Kleh-MAH-thus (the way I was used to). I spent several hours wandering around, sitting in the shade of a 100-year-old beech tree, and taking lots of photos. I met the author of *The Plant Lover's Guide to Clematis*, Linda Beutler, who signed the copy that I purchased. (If you're interested in perusing it, I will bring it to a future general meeting). I also came home with a Vagabond clematis (name seemed appropriate) for my daughter to try her hand at growing.

All in all, it was a great experience, and I highly recommend a visit if you're ever in the Portland, OR area. Here is the website if you'd like more information.

<https://www.rogersonclematiscollection.org>



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Award Writer's Instructions

Pam Hoffmann, Awards Chairperson

Log on to : www.gardenclubofohio.org You will find award info (including application) at very top of page in a green band (GCO Awards).

Your award brief (3 pages) goes to the ALGC committee member working with you by **October 1** (we'd be delighted to have them sooner). I've already received two drafts.

The number of club members is **63**

Photos or copies of publicity received are very important so be collecting them as you begin the process. They should be clearly labeled to explain the part of your project they represent.

Our web site (Thanks, Sue Jagoda) has a section on each garden and many activities so that is an excellent resource for photos as is Monica Kimmell or Ann Lyon. If you need help formatting the photo page Nadge Herceg or Monica Kimmel can offer assistance.

If you want a layout of your garden, the city webpage under parks and recreation is a resource. Jennifer Fenderbosch can help, but only in September. October is booked.

Photography awards are listed on the GCO awards website. These awards are the responsibility of the individual and are mailed individually. Many club members have participated and are better resources for you than our Awards Committee.

Awards Application Instructions

- The Awards Application Form is limited to three printed pages, front of pages only.
- NO REPORT COVER OR BINDERS ALLOWED. NO PLASTIC SHEETS ALLOWED unless indicated on your specific award.
- Do not use a font size smaller than 10 point to fill out the application form.
- Please use the Example Application Form as a guide. The Awards Application **form is located on the website as a Word document and as a PDF.**

Miller Road Gazebo Chrysanthemum

Gazebo Gals



Petitti Garden Center Avon

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Our local nursery has a multitude of educational videos on their website:

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