



Gardeners of the Bluffton Pandora Area

August 27, 2019

Garden Tour:

Tuesday September 3, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. we will be having a tour of Nancy Mistovich's garden at 110 Polo Dr. here in Bluffton. Nancy is a Master Gardener Volunteer for Allen County. She has helped me out at the Swiss Historical Society garden a few times, so I think her garden should be a nice one to see. Here is what Nancy has to say about her place "My house is called the Herb and Stone Snuggery. A comfortable place in a garden sculpted with evergreens, herbs, rocks, and silliness.". You should come and see what Nancy has created and enjoy the evening with gardening friends.

If you want to go to Nancy's place by yourself Polo Dr. is the last street in Bluffton as you head north on Bentley Rd., her home is the first house on the north side of the street. I think that we should have nice weather. I hope to see you there and we have a good turnout to tour Nancy's garden.



This picture of a beautiful Tiger Swallow Tail was caught on one of Betty Flinn's zinnias at the community garden by Anita Darnell. See you can help nature just by planting a few sources of nectar for insects and hummingbirds.

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Butterflies:

Tim Brugeman gave us a presentation on butterflies, more specifically Monarchs. In as we have a Monarch waystation in our community gardens he praised our efforts in helping the Monarchs in their migrations both north and south. He also discussed other insects that take benefit of the plantings. Tim was impressed with the variety of plants that all sorts of pollinators that frequent the area and said he hopes that we keep up the effort to maintain the garden plantings.

Calendar for the Year:

March 12th meeting will be on seed starting. The presenter is Marilyn Beltz;

April 2nd meeting will be Spring Vegetable and Flower Garden Planning. The presenter is Laurie Laird;

May 7th meeting will be on Backyard Habitats. The presenter is Beth Theisen;

June 4th meeting will be on native plants. The presenter is Dave McPheron;

July 2nd meeting will be on propagating through cuttings of leaves/stems/roots. The presenter is Betsy DeFrancesco;

August 6th meeting will be on Monarchs & Pollinators. The presenter is Tim Brugeman;

September 3rd meeting will be a tour of Nanci Mistovich's garden in Bluffton;

October 1st meeting will be on plating garlic. The presenter is Ray Person;

November 5th meeting will be on forcing bulbs. The presenters are Marilyn Beltz and Cheryl Miller;

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