

Loretta & Mike Piggott

Loretta and Mike Piggott of 1439 Woodland Avenue are the winners of the October 2013 West Lafayette Beautification Award. They bought their home in May of 2007 but did not move in until October 31 2007; in the interval they completed substantial renovations to the interior of their home. The garden incurred much damage as the interior renovations were implemented.

The original plan was to make comprehensive improvements done on the garden, but, only in stages. The side and back garden were damaged when the garage was expanded. The original multi-stage plan was changed to do a complete reorganization of the garden at the same time as the interior renovations. They kept most of the existing large trees and added evergreens, decorative trees, perennials, a fence and stonework. The goal was to integrate the indoors with the gardens. The large family room looks out on the fenced back garden that includes a planting area for their twin daughters; the garden also integrates Loretta's favorite day lilies and Mike's favorite trees. The garden is still a work-in-process and at least one more tree will be added. The mix of mature trees, Japanese maples, evergreens, perennials and stonework make for a lovely garden where the Piggott family and neighborhood walkers enjoy the view.

