

Beautification Award Winner  
October 2014

Mary Jo and Dick Schwartz are the winners of the October, 2014 West Lafayette Beautification Award. Mary Jo and Dick moved into their large home on 1210 Tuckaho in 1986. For the first several years after moving in they just maintained their gardens by mowing the lawn. After Dick retired they spent more time enhancing the garden. The front garden faces Tuckaho and is a mix of shade and sun; Azaleas, holly and hostas fill the shady areas and decorative grasses flourish in the sunshine. The back garden faces Northwestern Avenue, has more sun and includes black-eyed susans, iris, day lilies, sedum and a crab apple tree. This variety of plantings provides three seasons of blooms and much winter interest. Mary Jo and Dick are modest gardeners and say their favorite plants are “ones that do not need any care.” The Beautification Committee appreciates the visibility of this garden and its appeal to everyone driving on Northwestern Avenue.



