Horticulture Report June 2023

3 currently blooming shrubs & perennials in the garden:

Itea virginica Henry’s Garnet (Virginia Sweetspire)

Near perfect shrub; deer resistant, grows in sun or shade, few pests, 3 season interest. May & June fragrant white blooms which attract bees and butterflies. It flowers on old wood. Sumer provides shinny green foliage, and fall foliage turns red, purple, orange, and yellow.

Aruncus diocious (Goatsbeard)

Can easily be confused with Astilbe. Grows 4-6’ tall in sun of shade in rich, moist soil. Attracts bees and butterflies. Host plant for Dusky Azure Butterfly. Native to Eurasia.

Digitalis grandiflora (perennial Foxglove)

Short-lived, clump-forming perennial native to woods and streams. Self seeding. Grows in sun or shade and blooms early summer.