Driving through Country Club Hills, there is no doubt that Spring is in bloom: the azaleas are bursting with a plethora of flowers, dogwoods are starting to flower in shades of pink, and there is lots of color all around! And when you see neighbors out working in their yards, you know it's time for this year's Beauty Spot awards to begin.

Congratulations to Yanji Lama and Chad Hurley of 10124 Spring Lake Terrace—we've had our eye on your yard for years and are delighted to award you the May 2019 Beauty Spot of the Month!

We especially love the plantings on the hill on the left side of the walkway. There is a large evergreen that anchors the upper left corner of the bed. The rest of the hill is an assortment of perennials interspersed among white quartz stones, giving the appearance that the plantings all grew there on their own, in a very natural, organic manner. Clumps of garlic chive, blooming with purple flowers, sway in the breeze along with the ornamental grass at the top of the hill. There are native geraniums, lambs ear, sedum (both as a mounding plant and another variety as a ground cover), and creeping jenny.

In the bed to the right of the walkway, in front of the house, a metal container is planted with some vegetable, and there's a whiskey barrel full of strawberry plants. A beautiful fuschia azalea is in bloom, and there are plantings of daylilies, variegated hostas, sedum, astilbe, and variegated liriope.

To add further interest, there are decorative pots with japanese painted fern, cactus, and annuals.

A stepping stone at the bottom of the hill on the left reads, "The Earth Laughs in Flowers." This little stone hints at the magic that happens every year in this yard. Keep watch for the mass of delicate pink flowers that bloom later in May. It is a wonderful surprise and delight for the eyes.

Stop by and see this beautiful yard!

Respectfully submitted,

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