in conjunction with the school and its association with The Cooperative Sanctuary program.

On June 27, 1997 I received a phone call from Pam about the goings on at Butterfly Extreme. The host plants had successfully nourished the eggs and larva, and provided shelter for the pre-emerged butterflies. The timing was impeccable.

School ended for the year on June 12, and the butterflies emerged between June 5 and June 10 as though they were a gift to the children.

Pam was checking the garden, although she has the summer off, and couldn’t resist calling me today to tell of the caterpillars again on the host plants. The Queen and Monarch butterflies had returned to lay their eggs and the cycle is repeating.

Butterfly Extreme has established itself as a butterfly garden. The children will be pleased and they will most likely have an increased interest in and appreciation for the butterflies upon their return to school in the fall.

Certification Update
Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses

The certification process for golf courses has been updated to lessen the turnaround time for reports. These changes will better define the program and encourage more participation.

1. The Resource Inventory and Environmental Plan have been combined.
2. There have been questions added to the certification workbook, and some questions have been reworded for clarification.
3. Minimum requirements have been established for all categories, and checklists are provided to ensure your request is complete.

These changes were effective June 25, 1997. If you have not received this information, call Audubon International, (518) 767-9051 to request the updated forms.

• Remember, when you join the program, you will receive the Resource Inventory/Environmental Plan. You will not receive the certification workbook until you have returned the Resource Inventory/Environmental Plan.

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