

**Remember, there will not be a meeting on Thursday, August 11.
Instead, our meeting will be part of the Mini Tour on Saturday, August 13.**

August Mini Tour & Meeting – Saturday, August 13

The August mini tour will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the pond and garden of Pat Johnson. We will move progressively as a group from one place to the next with one half hour stops at each of the first three gardens.

When it is time to leave each of the first three gardens, there will be a drawing for a prize. You must be present to win.

At the last garden, we will have an old fashioned ice cream social. Several people have volunteered to make ice cream, but if you would like to make some as well, you are certainly invited to. Also, if you would like to bring a dessert, appetizer or fruit, please do. You might also bring along your lawn chair for the last house.

This will also be our meeting for the month. Therefore, we have invited Kyle Grozinger as our guest speaker. He will be demonstrating and giving us information about adding sound to your garden area. Kyle works for Audio Acoustics, a long time local company specializing in all types of sound equipment.

Tour Directions

Pat Johnson – 1225 West Lasalle Street – Arrive at 5:00 p.m. – Leave at 5:30 p.m.

Located east and west between Campbell and Kansas *Avenue* and between Walnut Lawn and Republic Road north and south. From Campbell and Republic Road, go west on Republic Road to Broadway and turn right. (Just past Park Crest Baptist.) Take the first left onto Lasalle. The house is on the right. (If you should need to call Pat her number is 417-827-0583.)

Bill & Beverly Burton – 3223 West Sunset – Arrive at 5:45 p.m. – Leave at 6:15 p.m.

From Pat's go west on Lasalle to Kansas Avenue and turn right. Go to Walnut Lawn and turn left. Go to Kansas Expressway and turn right, then left on Battlefield, then right on Golden. Turn left onto Sunset, the home is on the right.

Debbie Collins – 3624 West El Castile – Arrive at 6:30 p.m. – Leave at 7:00 p.m.

From the Burton's, go back to Golden and turn right. Go to Republic Road and turn right again. Take the second right onto El Salvador and then the third left onto El Castile. The home is on the left.

Jim Silzell – 2214 W. Vincent – Arrive at 7:00 p.m. – Sit back and enjoy!

From Debbie's go back to Republic Road and turn left. Go to Cox Road and turn right, then turn right on Vincent. The home is on the left at the corner of Vincent and Park Avenue.

Tour of Tables Tea

Since you are coming out for the Mini Tour already, be sure to stop at the Tour of Tables first. Word has it that our table will be quite the "fiesta." You will have to see it to know what we mean.

Rose Fuller, Phyllis Donnelly, Doris Woodard and Janet Wreath are putting together the table. Rose will also have another table of her own. There will be 20

individually "themed" tables set up by various garden clubs, businesses and individuals. This is a fund raising event for the Ever Green Garden Club. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and Rose Fuller has tickets available. At the door tickets will be \$6.00. Hours are noon to 4:00 p.m. Sweet and savory treats will be served with recipes for sale till they run out. Cameras are welcome.

Recap of July Meeting

If you missed the July meeting, you really missed a great meeting! It was hot, but not *that* bad..... Faye Pfister brought several examples of her very creative pottery and gave us a demonstration of just how she does it. Rather than using a pottery wheel for precision perfect pieces, Faye rolls out her clay and then presses leaves firmly into the clay leaving behind a clear imprint of the leaf. Then she goes on to form all kinds of shapes to fit the character of the piece. She makes everything from bowls to wall hangers. Each and every one is truly unique and beautiful. Thank you again Faye for a wonderful evening!

More About the Tour

This will be the second time Pat Johnson's pond has been on tour. The first time was last fall for our Tiki Tour. At that time, she had just completed several things around her pond and I'm sure she has been hard at work ever since. Can't wait to see the changes a year has made!

Bill & Beverly Burton live in a patio home with a small backyard, but wait til you see it! It has a stream and pond with tiered beds and pathways and amazing rock work. They were on our 2008 public tour.

Debbie Collins is a relatively new member of SWS but she and her daughter attend our meetings faithfully. Here is her description of her little piece of heaven.

The property includes a cute arbor draped by deep pink and red roses as well as an autumn clematis. Under the arbor is a delightful swing that

Japanese Fall Festival

As usual we will have a table at the Japanese Fall Festival which runs Friday, September 9 thru Sunday, September 11. Hours on Friday are 5:30 - 10 p.m., Saturday 11 - 10 p.m. and Sunday 11 - 6 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to man our table. This is a fantastic opportunity to let the general public know that we exist and to offer memberships to new people. Peggy Redfearn, in particular, did a tremendous job of greeting the public last year and we acquired numerous new memberships as a result.

Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand 06/23/2011	\$ 3,483.05
Balance on hand 07/28/2011	\$ 3,083.11
Expenses:	
Garden makeover	\$ 194.00
Refund pond tour ad money	100.00
Name badges	94.34
Service charge	1.00

allows for quaint sitting to enjoy the summer breeze and hear the wind chime over head. From the arbor you can follow the brick pathway around to the back viewing a small Chinese pagoda. The back garden is a small oasis including lots of annuals and perennials. The garden showcases lots of whimsical garden art and includes a bubbling water feature in addition to a small container water garden. Come sit and relax on the back covered deck while sipping on a ice cold beverage. You might even spot a hummingbird whizzing by!

Most of us have enjoyed Jim Silzell's garden and home on numerous occasions, but in case you haven't, you sure don't want to miss it! His small garden is full of sculpture and the most awesome concrete bench you will ever find!

Bring your lawn chair and come enjoy music and ice cream!

September Tiki Night

Remember our Tiki Tour last September? It was absolutely fabulous with visits to the "waterfall house" and on to Pat Johnson's and Jim Silzell's with food and fun at each stop.

Well, this year's big fall event will be on Saturday, September 17 at the home and gardens of Alan & Pat Ware in Billings. The ponds and gardens are illuminated with dozens of solar lights of all kinds. Tropical waterlilies should be in top form.

The specifics will be in the next newsletter, but be sure and mark this date on your calendar. We will be going all out to end our summer season with an eventful evening.

Dates to Remember

★ August meeting	Meeting will be held in conjunction with Mini Tour on Saturday, August 13	
★ Tour of Tables Tea	Saturday, August 13	1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
★ August Mini Tour	Saturday, August 13	Begins at 5:00 p.m. at Pat Johnson's
★ September meeting	Thursday, September 8	Meeting at Ken & Mimi Grozinger's
★ Japanese Fall Festival	Friday, September 9 Saturday, September 10 Sunday, September 11	5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
★ Tiki Night	Saturday, September 17	At Alan & Pat Ware's
★ October meeting	Thursday, October 13	At Botanical Center
★ November meeting	Thursday, November 10	At Botanical Center

Welcome New Members .

Bill & Neva Schroder
Mansfield, MO

Ernest & Mary Lou Braswell
Ozark, MO

Fred & Faye Pfister
Branson, MO