

## A Garden for the senses

### Accessibility for all is goal of two-phase Sensory Garden

### Fall membership picnic includes kickoff for \$300,000 fund-raising campaign

Friends of the Garden members, now more than 800 strong, are invited to a hot dog and all-the-fixins' picnic, from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 16, during the weekend celebration of the first-year anniversary of the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center. R.S.V.P. to Voicemail at 417-425-9859 to attend the free family event.

Guests can join us when they buy a \$25 Friends of the Garden membership.

When Dr. Bill Roston designed the Sensory Garden at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park eight years ago, he dreamed of a setting to accommodate those with physical, visual and hearing disabilities so they could experience the five senses of sight, smell, sound, taste and touch. Now that dream is about to become real.

"We live in an age of anti-depressants. Our lifestyle creates stress and anxiety," says Dr. Roston. "Gardens are therapeutic, that is, therapy without pills. Our Sensory Garden will put the tranquility gears in your brain to work."

An osteopath for 43 years, Roston envisioned raised beds with braille labeling, wide paths and shady nooks – accessible to all.

Nancy Hopkins heads a fundraising committee to raise the nearly \$300,000 needed to construct Phase 1 of the Sensory Garden.

"I feel strongly about how this barrier-free green space will soothe, stimulate and comfort all those who visit this plant-rich accessible environment," said Hopkins, a retired educator. "Not only through the senses, but also through the sixth sense – the reflectiveness and nostalgia that comes from engaging with our natural habitat."

A vine- and ivy-covered pergola anchors the Sensory Garden's center and provides an area to grow vining plants that will attract butterflies and hummingbirds.

Artist's conception is by Master Gardener Steve Butts, a landscape designer for New Seasons Landscaping in Ozark.



### What the Sensory Garden will include:

- A dozen separate raised garden beds, all wheelchair height.
- Wide-paved paths to allow two wheelchairs to pass easily.
- Braille-labeled plants and flowers.
- Fruit-bearing trees and shrubs.
- Babbling brook, waterfall and koi pond.
- Moss flower bed garden.
- Hummingbird feeders, wind chimes and rustling grasses.
- Shady nooks with comfortable seating and scenic views.
- Hanging baskets, vertical wall gardens.
- Outdoor classroom for demonstrations and hands-on activities.
- Phase 2: greenhouse, pavilion, restrooms and sound room.

The fundraising campaign will officially kick off at the Friends of the Garden membership picnic during the one-year anniversary festivities at the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center.

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### Profile: Susan Boswell

**Page 2:** Her quiet generosity and fund-raising savvy helped us turn the page at Botanical Center.



### Fundraiser features flautist

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# AboutFOG

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Friends of the Garden is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation founded in 1999 to develop the Close Memorial Gardens, located at 2400 South Scenic in Springfield, home of the Botanical Center. We seek a dynamic relationship with other organizations working to benefit the garden parks. This newsletter is now published five times a year in print through GREENE Magazine and delivered online as well to members. Past issues and other information can be found at [www.FriendsoftheGarden.org](http://www.FriendsoftheGarden.org).

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## Our Mission:

To inspire the discovery, understanding and appreciation of nature, by creating and maintaining the gardens at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park and by supporting the mission of the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center and Park Board.

# Susan Boswell

Giving back is what she does best

There are those who shout about their contributions and seek headlines. Susan Boswell – volunteer, gardener, artist, interior designer, painter, compassionate human being – is not one of those people.

She's a "blessing to the community," says her neighbor Nancy Hopkins. "Whatever she is passionate about, she throws her whole heart and soul into it."

She doesn't advertise her giving or seek the spotlight. She just gives – of both funds and her time. Susan became a member of the FOG board of directors six years ago and is completing her second three-year term.

Almost a year ago, Susan prevailed on Jeanne Duffey to follow her as chair of the Friends of the Garden Development Committee. "She was instrumental in helping raise millions of dollars (along with \$400,000 from Greene County and \$3 million approved by voters in 2006) to help build the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center, and then, as icing on the cake, donated funds and designed a horticulture library housed inside the center in memory of her mother.

The name on the new library at the Botanical Center reads, "Lois K. Boswell Memorial Library," in honor of Susan's mother, but it is also a tribute to an entire family's way of giving back.



Photos courtesy of [www.ozarksgardens.com](http://www.ozarksgardens.com).

**Above, Susan Boswell gets an assist from a young volunteer during Bluegrass & Blossoms. At top, Susan Boswell explains a newly designed brochure about the Botanical Center.**

"Susan's unwavering enthusiasm and determination as Development Chair for FOG made the dream of a few, the strong desire of many become a reality for everyone as the Botanical Center was completed," says Marthe Close.

"She never lost sight of that goal and her generous gifts of time, energy and resources were a major component of the successful community campaign. "Susan wanted to be certain that every donor, regardless of the size of the contribution, felt ownership of the fantastic Botanical Center."

Now a Red Oak mantle, literally a "wall of donors" in the Atrium names every donor and celebrates hearth and heart.

Susan's comfortable, but not noisy, about doing good – whether it's making a little boy happy or helping provide residents of the entire area with a wonderful facility that enhances Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park.



# Garden Notes

## other good stuff



**Kitty Lipscomb with the hand-painted patio umbrella she donated to Friends of the Garden. It was on display for all to see at the third annual Butterfly Festival.**

## Board will be nominated at September meeting

The **FOG Nominating Committee** chaired by **Marthe Close** will deliver its report on nominations for the board of directors at the membership meeting on Sept. 8. Voting will follow at the Oct. 6 meeting, and terms will begin immediately.

New officers will be nominated in November and elected in December before taking office in January.

The board has also received recommendations from the Bylaws Committee to make several changes, among them the creation of an Advisory Board.

Other changes include renaming of the Development Committee as

the Marketing and Fundraising Committee.

A copy of the current bylaws is at [FriendsOftheGarden.org](http://FriendsOftheGarden.org). Questions and comments are welcomed by Bob Kipfer.

### Membership tops 800 and climbing

Membership in Friends of the Garden continues to increase incrementally as interest and support for the gardens continues. President George Deatz reminded members who have not renewed to do so.

Although private donations and services are vital, memberships are what make the gardens grow. "It's your dues that fund the purchase of plants and materials to keep these

## Around & about the Gardens

### "Who takes care of this beautiful garden?"

I was at the Redbud Garden recently when an older gentleman leaving the gazebo asked, "Who takes care of this beautiful garden?"

I explained that Friends of the Garden along with a number of other community organizations or Park Partners work hard to build and maintain most of the gardens in Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park. (See a complete list of more than 25 Park Partners at [www.friendsofthegarden.org](http://www.friendsofthegarden.org).)

We have a special working relationship with the Springfield-Greene County Parks Department. Members of the dedicated hard-working parks staff help with the "heavy lifting," mowing, delivering mulch, tree trimming and the general operation of heavy or power equipment for a number of park projects. This is in addition to the parks department employees staffing the Botanical Center building. Some 250 volunteers do most of the rest of the work needed to keep the majority of the gardens looking their best while assisting in and around the Botanical Center.

Volunteers designed, constructed and maintain gardens and other assets such as the Bill Roston Native Butterfly House. The volunteers do what they do for the community. Their reward is to see people respond when they visit and hear the comments on how much they enjoy what Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park has to offer. Especially the educational benefits from the garden's plant material, the Butterfly House, Gray Campbell Farmstead and Host Lions Club History Walk. Also many educational programs are offered through the Botanical Center by the Master Gardeners of Greene County, additional Park Partners and other community organizations.

We have a list that outlines possible community service projects from the obvious garden planting and weeding to being a docent in the Butterfly House, to serving on one of the many committees that plan and guide our progress. For a list of opportunities to volunteer, visit [www.friendsofthegarden.org](http://www.friendsofthegarden.org) or call me at 417-840-5472.

This year we have had community businesses and area groups that assisted with work days including Expedia, Kraft, Ozarks Regional Young Marines, Good Samaritan Boys Ranch and Kids Across America. Even with the excellent help from these special groups, there are still more projects than we have regular volunteers to complete.

Many people say, "What can I do now, I don't have time to invest in being an active volunteer." My answer is, we understand, for example just your membership in Friends of the Garden enables us to purchase plant material, irrigation systems, etc., while funding general operations including some contract labor if there are not enough volunteers. In addition to being a supporting member, **tell a friend** about our mission and what the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Gardens & Complex means to the growth and education of the community. Please invite them to join Friends of the Garden Together we all have a lot of community work to do.

*George Deatz is president of Friends of the Garden. You can reach him at [News@FriendsOftheGarden.org](mailto:News@FriendsOftheGarden.org).*



**George Deatz**



## Laser engraving machine will help identify plants for visitors

As the gardens become a favorite destination throughout the Ozarks and beyond, FOG and Master Gardeners of Greene County have teamed up with the Springfield/Greene County Botanical Center to address one of our most challenging



chores: Keeping the thousands of plants properly labeled so they can serve as a resource they were intended to be.

By splitting the purchase of a \$12,800 laser engraver between the two groups, we all benefit. The Botanical Center will cover the cost of materials, and labeling can begin. This investment is expected to save

thousands spent outsourcing signage, and has the potential for bringing revenue to the organizations.

For those of you who like to know what's under the hood, we're talking about the VLS3.50 Laser Engraving and Cutting System with 24 x 12 inch engraving/cutting field, 30-watt laser cartridge, air assist, standard 2.0" focal length lens, motorized automatic Z-axis adjustment, X-Y beam positioning system, self-adjusting spring loaded sealed bearings, stationary processing table, shielded optical components, interchangeable focusing optics, flash upgradeable electronics, unlimited job file storage and on-screen file preview, job complete indicator, system status indicator, re-locatable origin, enhanced vector cutting and rubber stamp mode.

We've expressed the notion that the gardens are a kind of library of plants. Soon you will be able to identify plants by popular and Latin name whenever possible, and select your own garden cultivars while you enjoy a walk in the park. Special thanks to **Hannah Renner**, who not only maintains the Ornamental Grass Garden, but has taken on the challenge of identifying the various cultivars for labeling.

At [Friends the Garden.org](http://Friends the Garden.org), you'll find an entire virtual community and garden resources that should satisfy your inquisitive side. And, of course, we're on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/Friends the Garden.org) by the same name.



Led by the brightest adult butterfly in the park, Robin Lee leads the contestants in the Butterfly Festival Costume event through the gardens during a parade. These particular butterflies may not fly, but their spirits soared for all to enjoy.

## Festival attracts 4,000 to gardens

An estimated 4,000 visitors attended the third annual Friends of the Garden Butterfly Festival and Bluegrass Concert on July 16 and 17.

All told, at least 10,000 have so far toured the Butterfly House so far this season, in spite of a month of insatiable heat (including the festival weekend).

**Cindy Willis**, chair of the festival, issued a special word of thanks to the 26 vendors and more than 100 volunteers who spent much of their weekend Saturday and Sunday welcoming visitors. Revenue from donations to defray the cost of the event grew from \$600 last year to \$1,700 this year.

### Monarch contribution level:

Ruth Arneson  
Chipotle Mexican Grill  
Hannah Renner  
Ozarks Screen Printing  
Springfield Seed & Supply (Hummert International)

### Painted Ladies contribution level:

Amberg Entertainment  
Children's Orchard  
CoxHealth  
Greater Ozarks Hosta Society  
Home Pride, Inc.  
Perkins Restaurant and Bakery  
St John's Health System

### Special Thanks:

Action Tent Service  
Black River Imaging  
The Botany Shop/Mike Shade  
The Butterfly Palace and Rainforest Adventure  
City of Springfield Solid Waste Management  
Cherry Court Garden Club  
Dillons Floral, West Battlefield Location  
Earthworks Designs & Creations

Federated Garden Clubs  
Gray/Campbell Farmstead Association  
GREENE Magazine/George Freeman  
Christie Heaton  
Patricia Higham  
Hiland Dairy  
Bob and Barbara Kipfer  
Iris Society of the Ozarks  
Lawrence Photo & Video  
Master Gardeners of Greene County  
Missouri Department of Conservation  
Missouri Prairie Foundation  
Steve Wood, Outback Steak & Oyster Bar  
Ozark Daylily Society  
Ozark Piecemakers Quilt Guild  
Ozarks Regional Young Marines  
Praxair Distribution, Inc.  
Anita Roberts  
Southwest Missouri Camera Club  
Springfield Eagles 4-H Club  
Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center Staff  
Springfield-Greene County Parks and Recreation  
Wickman's Garden Village

## Piecemakers Quilt Guild sponsor quilt block contest

Winners of the Quilt Block Contest sponsored by the Ozark Piecemakers Quilt Guild at the Butterfly Festival are as follows:

- **1st Place: Karen Jones.**
- **2nd Place : Valeta Hensley.**
- **3rd Place: Sandy Sutton.**
- **Honorable Mention: Marilyn White, Valeta Hensley and Linda Orr.**
- **Viewers Choice Awards: Carol Hansen and Sharmayne Brown**

Blocks eventually will be made into a quilt for donation to Friends of the Garden.



# Feedback:

## Rave reviews for Third Annual Butterfly Festival, parks

### Barnharts provide Festival a priceless gift

Friends of the Garden Volunteers provided a priceless gift to our community with another Butterfly (and Moth!) Festival.

Their reward was seeing the wonder and appreciation reflected in the faces of our visitors, young and not so young. For many, it was their first awareness that we have these wonderful animals in the Ozarks and there are some things they can do to help their survival. Volunteers repeated many times, "These are all native butterflies and moths, and the caterpillars are eating the plants that they need to become adults."

It was successful because of the work of many, but I'd like to give Chris and Deb Barnhart a special thank you. Without the living creatures they provide, we'd have much less to share. Doing that is a year-long process. Because of their knowledge and work they are able to cover the tables of the Caterpillar Petting Zoo with many examples of eggs, cocoons, chrysalides, caterpillars and moths.

Early each Saturday of the festival they pack them up, unload and display them, provide food for the caterpillars, answer innumerable questions, patiently guide excited children through the "Zoo" and teach novice volunteers. At the end of an exhausting day, they cheerfully pack everything up, take the critters home and tend to their needs before they can take care of their own. Then they do it again on Sunday! Thanks so much, Chris and Deb, for teaching and amazing so many of us.



**The Barnharts**

*Barbara Kipfer  
Springfield*

### Memories made will keep us close

We had a great time with the grandchildren at the butterfly festival...and made memories that will keep us close even though they had to leave for home today.

*Judith Clark  
Springfield*

### Butterfly Festival provides useful knowledge

I just want to thank all involved in the Butterfly Festival. I can see so much work and preparation went into this event. It was my first time ever attending and will be on my calendar each year now. Everyone I met was so very helpful and so friendly. I came away with so much new knowledge to use here on our property to attract butterflies. I can't express enough how I much I enjoyed it. Just wished I was a little child so I could have had the fun of releasing a butterfly. It was fun to watch the kids' reactions to releasing those butterflies. I will try to get my pictures posted.

*Kathleen Gilchrist Garrels  
Springfield*

### A wonderful event despite the heat

(The Butterfly Festival) was a wonderful day, in spite of the noon heat-up, and I was happy to have spent my time in the inviting peace of the gardens (I only regret that I wasn't able to get over to say a "hello" to my mother's memorial brick, but that will save for another visit.)

I'm looking forward to my return visit to the gardens next month; I've been trying to make a personal appearance randomly once a month, and bring someone new each time. I so enjoy the peace of presence while I'm there, it's well worth the drive.

Thanks again to everyone in collaboration for their hard work to make the gardens and these events possible.

*Bonnie Wilson  
Lebanon*

### Jewelry design will be back next year

Wow, thanks so much for featuring so much of my handmade artwork and jewelry. We'll be back next year.

*Fara Rose  
Springfield*

### Garden wedding priceless, even in heat

We wanted to thank you for being so helpful for our recent rental. Our son had his wedding at the Hosta Garden and the reception was in the Botanical Center meeting rooms. The garden was beautiful. Even though it was hot outside, it was shaded and had a slight breeze. The ceremony at the garden with the fountain going was breathtaking.

We are so thankful for all the volunteers who work in the garden. The reception was just wonderful. All the staff were very helpful. Having the warming kitchen and the audio visual equipment was so nice. Food was served and with the A/V slide show was done, including a touching father/daughter dance, (followed) by the bride and groom dance. I have already recommended the gardens and botanical center to a few that I know with weddings and anniversaries coming.

A final note: We had also purchased a brick and it looks amazing on the brick path.

*The McEntires*

### Shell Knob Dogwood Trails Garden Club

After a busy spring of garden work that included a garage sale fundraiser, maintaining the Welcome Stone north of town and Shell Knob School gardens as well – and then completing a highly successful flower show, we treated ourselves to a day of touring and admiring the beauty of the 26 gardens at Close Park.

The Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center has a lot of surprises for first-time visitors. One of them is a gentleman named Peter Longley. When you see the sparkle in his eye, listen to his lively Welsh brogue, and watch his animated descriptions of the various gardens he is sharing with you, then you know you have seen a real horticultural interpreter at work. Peter is a man in love with life and the work he is doing. The Botanical Center in Springfield is a special place to visit and that is what the Shell Knob Dogwood Trails Garden Club did last Tuesday.

Peter Longley was guide and tram driver as well. His presentations of the various sites included a history of each garden, the benefactor's donation, and information on plans for each one.

The building is a green facility and among a variety of ecological capacities collects rainwater through its roof. The tour included a visit to the Butterfly Garden where resource individuals provided information on the butterflies that were hatching and flowers that were grown there to feed them.

*Shell Knob Dogwood Trails Garden Club*

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# New and renewing\* members, memorials, tributes, garden donations

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## Tribute Benches

Averett, Judy

## Tribute Bricks

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## Events&News:

### Greater Ozarks Hosta Society plans, auction, garden tours on Sept. 3

The Greater Ozarks Hosta Society is preparing for the Giant Hosta and Plant Auction from 3-6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 3, at the pavilion just outside the entrance to the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden. There will also be tours of the Hosta Gardens from 2-3 p.m., with a huge sweets table for everyone to enjoy.

"Four of our long-time members, Lee Coates (Peggy's Flowers), Oscar Cross (Hilltop Farms), Page Forsee, and Bill Roston (Garden of Dreams), have generously donated many wonderful hostas," says Tom Lakowske, GOHS president. Old favorites, minis, collectors' hostas, and even some rare, hard-to-find hosta varieties will be available.

Along with prize drawings (including a chance to win a Japanese maple) there will experts to answer just about any question about hostas that you can think to ask.

"We are inviting all GOHS members, Friends of the Garden members, and Master Gardeners," says Tom, who has led a resurgence in the Hosta Garden that includes a new arbor, hundreds of new plants, border updates and more, so that if you haven't visited one of the oldest attractions in the Close Memorial Gardens, this is a perfect opportunity.

"Please invite your gardening friends," Tom asks. "Bring a friend, a sweet dish or dessert for the sweets table and don't forget a chair. And, a lot of money!"



Young Marines at work in the Hosta Garden.

Plant donations are welcome. Bring either a hard-to-find hosta, or a large clump of a more common cultivar. Just be sure the hosta you bring does not have nematodes (indicated by brown streaks between the leaf veins). You can also bring other plants, perennials, shrubs, even trees.

"The more plants we have, the more fun we can have! If you have a question, please call Tom at 417-860-4959.

### Young volunteers do some heavy lifting

If you've been to the gardens this summer, chances are you've seen one or more groups of young people hard at work. These young volunteers are just what we so often need for heavy lifting, planting, digging and weeding. The Ozarks Regional Young Marines not only work, they also drill for exercise. These young men and women can turn just about any project into a team-building exercise with a can-do spirit that's hard to match.

The young men at Good Samaritan Boys Ranch are completing a second year of volunteering each Tuesday from May through mid-August when they return to school for the fall semester. The board approved an honorarium to the ranch in recognition of their efforts.

Kids Across America, of Branson, also came during the summer to work. If you know of a group looking for a work project, there's always plenty to do in the gardens.

We welcome notice of events for publication pertaining to the mission of the Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Gardens & Park. Write us at [news@friendsofbegarden.org](mailto:news@friendsofbegarden.org). Include your name and e-mail address or phone number so that we can be in touch. Write us at Friends of the Garden, P.O. 8566, Springfield, MO 65801.



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- \*excluding the Japanese Fall Festival in September*
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- ☐ in the gardens
- ☐ in the FOG office
- ☐ festivals & events: FOG booth
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- ☐ children's activities
- ☐ butterfly house docent
- ☐ marketing & development
- ☐ hardscaping & construction
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- ☐ \$1,000 Platinum
- ☐ \$ 500 Gold
- ☐ \$ 250 Silver
- ☐ \$ 150 Bronze

### LASTING DEDICATIONS

Tribute gifts are an excellent way to honor a friend, colleague, loved one, to mark a special occasion – celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, an engagement or wedding, a graduation, Mother's Day and Father's Day, a holiday, a special memory, or simply to say thank you – while supporting the mission of Friends of the Garden.

- ☐ \$500 Plant a New Tree
- ☐ \$250 Plant a New Shrub
- ☐ \$50 Inscribed Brick Paver



# Flautist returning to gardens for concert

Bettine Clemen, a flautist who has appeared in more than 85 countries, will perform at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Botanical Center.

Admission to the concert is \$25 per person. Tickets are available in advance at the Botanical Center gift shop, beginning on Sept. 1, from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m., Monday-Saturday, and from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday. Tickets will be available at the door, but seating is limited to 120.

This fundraiser, which benefits Friends of the Garden, "expresses the interconnectedness of all life and how music as the universal language can bring us all closer together – humans, animals, plants, trees and all life forms into harmony," says Clemen.

"We are grateful to Bettine for offering to do this concert," says Nancy Hopkins, who chairs the committee to raise funds to build the Sensory Garden at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park. "Her concerts are multi-sensory,

just as the Sensory Garden will be, a tranquil, accessible place for everyone, but especially for those with physical, visual and hearing disabilities."



**Bettine Clemen**

Clemen combines light classical, pop, jazz and ethnic music. She has performed in the U.S., Jordan, China, Japan, South America, South Africa, Sri Lanka and Russia.

"Be prepared," she says, "to meet at least 80 elephants, thousands of penguins, a very ancient turtle, many camels and other exotic animals," serenaded on seven different flutes.

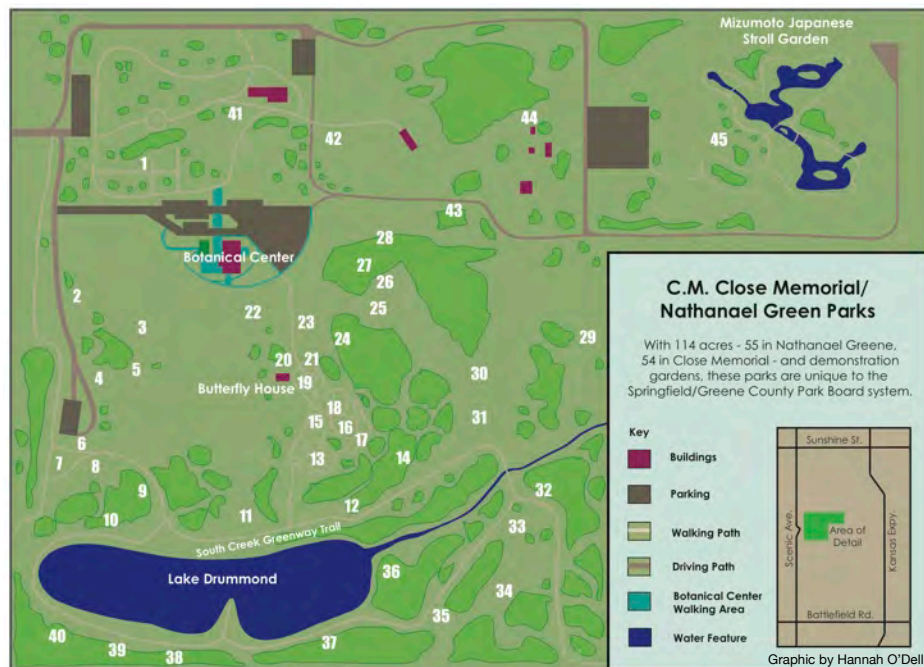
A native of Bavaria, Clemen has played more than 300 concerts in the U.S., recording a dozen CDs and DVDs and writing a book,

"Open Your Ears to Love." She has also performed and taught in Shanghai and Beijing. Her film, "Flutasia: A Love Song for a Planet," was shown twice on PBS stations in the Midwest. Clemen lived in the Ozarks south of Seymour

## Upcoming Events\*

- 🕒 **Sept. 2:** Tablescapes (Tuscan Summer), Botanical Center.
- 🕒 **Sept. 7:** Gettin' Out series (Biking Trails), with Sue Schuble.
- 🕒 **Sept. 8:** FOG board meets at 5 p.m. The public is invited.
- 🕒 **Sept. 9-11:** SSCA 16th Annual Japanese Fall Festival.
- 🕒 **Sept. 16-17:** Annual Ozarks Country School Association.
- 🕒 **Sept. 17-18:** Gray-Campbell Farmstead 1860s Lifestyle Exposition.
- 🕒 **Sept. 24:** Brentwood Garden Club 50th Anniversary Flower Show.
- 🕒 **Oct. 1:** Monarch tagging & closing of Butterfly House.
- 🕒 **Sept. 7:** Gettin' Out series (Hiking), with Sue Schuble.
- 🕒 **Oct. 6:** FOG election of board during board membership meeting. The public is invited.
- 🕒 **Oct. 14:** Tablescapes (Formal Feast), Botanical Center.

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## Guide to the gardens

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17. Peony Garden
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31. Pendula Garden\*
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44. Heritage Garden
45. Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden

\*Planned gardens

## Take the right turn to get to the gardens

Visitors to Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park and Arboretum describe the experience as an unexpected adventure. But of course you've got to get there to enjoy it, and that can be a bit challenging. This map, which includes directions to the parks (inset map) as well directions for convenient parking, will help. If you are new to the gardens, you can locate each garden numerically at right. Those with an asterisk\* are planned but not yet under construction. A "Guide By Cell" tour of the garden parks is now available by calling 417-213-3016. After a brief introduction, callers may dial a garden code on each sign followed by the # key (For example, 34# is the White Garden) for information on various gardens. Introductions for every garden and the Butterfly House (46#) have been recorded, with signage in place listing the numbers for each garden.