

Fourth Annual Butterfly Festival Don't miss a full day of convivial activities, now all on Saturday

Imagine yourself surrounded by children of every age age, passing through a transparent house filled with two dozen varieties of Missouri butterflies (and moths), serenaded by music, entertained and educated by scientific endeavors to expand the mind.

If there were such a place, you would want to be there, so mark your calendar now for Saturday, July 21, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., because missing the Fourth Annual Friends of the Garden Butterfly Festival could put your inner child in a grumpy frame of mind.

By now, the Butterfly Festival has been tested by time, tweaked and streamlined – and this year condensed into one day. Do not for a moment think the festivities have been diminished.

It is, however, an important accommodation to the increasing number of volunteers, as well as the vendors who often travel long distances to join us. Plus, if you want more, the Butterfly House will be open both Saturday and Sunday to accommodate several thousand visitors.

There will be crafts, games, storytelling and face-painting. And a silent auction inside the botanical center that should delight your inner shopper (*see*. *related story on page 4*).

At the Caterpillar Petting Zoo, you might just have an experience that will change the way you look at nature.

Earn your butterfly antennae or better yet, come prepared to enter our children's costume contest at Noon, follow by a parade (*see page 7*).



Led by Roy and Kathleen Thompson, a future generation of lepidopterists gets an early start on the season in the butterfly house.

In seminars, Master Gardeners will share gardening to attract butterflies; and photographers will offer tips to for better butterfly photos. There will also be award-winning "Nature in the Park" photographs to enjoy, a live butterfly release, seminars, gardening vendors and more. It's all free – although donations will be cheerfully accepted as you step into the butterfly house for the time of your life. And, of course, there will be food for people as well as butterflies. Even now, you can almost hear the sound of caterpillars chowing down on host plants. Plus:

The Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden will be open from9 a.m.-7:30

p.m. Admission to the garden will again be free during festival hours.

The Gray-Campbell Farmstead will be open from 1-4 p.m. each day.

If you're not there, it just wouldn't be the same, which is why Friends of the Garden wants you to come, bring a friend, invite your extended family, and spread the word

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Friends of the Garden is a nonprofit 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 park gardens. 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.

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*Elected Oct. 13, 2011

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.



Protile: **Ed & Ruby Miller**

Ed is a master electrician. Ruby is wired to work tirelessly in every phase of the gardens. Together as volunteers, they are inseparable.



Above, Ed and Ruby Miller beside the sign that Ed constructed just outside the **Butterfly House. A master** electrician. he has also helped bring electrical power to several gardens.

When it comes to volunteering, many couples go their own way, but not Ed and Ruby Miller. Even though their talents are entirely different, you can nearly always find them working side by side at the gardens, often sharing a laugh at the expense of the other one.

"My best friend's husband, who was Ed's boss, introduced us," says Ruby. "We both had lost our spouses about five years before. I had always had a garden, and had tested roses for Jackson and Perkins for five years and owned Southgate Floral & Gifts for 12 years. Ed is a Master Electrician, now retired. We have been married for six years."

For most of that time, they have been Master Gardeners, and Ruby has served on the board of directors. "We came to a FOG meeting and enjoyed the people and just fell in love with the Gardens."



Together with Avis Holloway, Ed and Ruby maintain the new Dwarf Conifer Garden, which they helped create. But that's only a small piece of their portfolio.

"Ed has installed electricity to several areas in the park free of charge," says Nancy Hopkins, FOG president. "Ruby also makes flower arrangements for parties. They might be most famous for living in the house that was driven through during a high speed chase in February."

Ed has constructed several projects, including the sign that welcomes visitors to the butterfly house, and a trellis in the Hosta Garden. When Ruby discovered there was no window in the FOG office, she painted one (at left).



For their many efforts, Katie Steinhoff recently bestowed on the Millers her tongue-in-cheek "silver duct tape award for being able to fix anything and everything around the park." Ed suffers from macular degeneration, and yet he continues to pursue all his previous activities with a wry smile and a joke.



'Golden Garbage Grabber' and other gems of voluntarism

The Springfield-Greene County Parks recently celebrated the successes of the 2011 garden season during National Volunteer Appreciation Week. Registered volunteers who reported their hours to the parks were recognized for their hours served and special talents during a breakfast April 11 at the Botanical Center.

Volunteers reported nearly 10,000 hours of service to the Botanical Gardens found at the 114-acre Nathanael Greene/ Close Memorial Park in 2011.

While we think of their work as priceless, the estimated dollar value of volunteer time for 2010 is \$21.36 per hour. "Doing the math, that is more than a \$200,000 value given back to the community," estimates Katie Steinhoff, coordinator of the complex.

Volunteers contribute to the care and upkeep of 20 themed gardens, 15 collection gardens, five natural areas, and seven playgrounds, including The Dr. Bill Roston Native Butterfly House and the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden. Volunteers also serve as education resources. Master Gardeners responded to more than 2,000 questions and requests for information about plant heath and home gardens. The Gray-Campbell Farmstead volunteers, Butterfly House Docents and Springfield Host Lions Club also assist with interpretation and guided field trips. Awards are as follows:

Golden Garbage Grabber Award to Nancy Hopkins for

being able to handle all forms of garbage from every angle.
Cultivator Award to Christine Chiu for cultivating new groups, new partnerships and community involvement.

 Golden Gloves Award to Don and Nancy Schmidt for most likely to be getting their hands dirty.

• Golden Kneecap Award to Dr. Bill Roston for working on his hands and knees.

 \bullet Golden Trowel Award to Stan Horsch for planting the most flowers.

• Golden Stone Mason Award to Frank Mason for garden stonework.

• The Cross-Check Leveler Award to Bob Childress for keeping the park partners level-headed.

• Golden Water Gun Award to Cindy Arrowood for watering the Master Gardeners Demonstration Gardens and Daylily Gardens.

• Golden *Post-it.* Award to Vaughn Skaggs and Iris Wylie for answering the most phone calls at the Botanical Center desk and Master Gardener Hotline.

•Golden Clippers Award to J.J. Averett for her ability to cut the drama and just work.

• Golden Screwdriver Award to George Deatz for tightening the loose screws.

• Golden Hammer Award to Herb Batson for all the hard work on the Gray-Campbell Farmstead.

• Silver Fix-it Duct Tape Award to Ed and Ruby Miller for their ability to "fix" anything and everything. (See facing page)

• Craftiest Scissors Award to Avis Holloway for bringing hands-on memorable craft activities to garden events.

• Golden Artist Award to Buck Keagy for the Windrider Butterfly, Instar donation box and atrium stairwell artwork.

• Weeder-in-Chief Award to Major Close.

• Golden Garden Award to the Hosta Garden and Tom Lakowske for the most improvements in the past year.

Around & about the Gardens

Turning your action into the fruit of your action

Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you, too, may become great.

- Mark Twain

I came across this quote a few days ago and immediately thought of Major Close, the benefactor of Close Memorial Park. No doubt when Major began his "plan" for a park filled with beautiful gardens, a lake and a place for families to come walk and picnic, he ran into some naysayers. After all, 114 acres of farm land is a lot to turn into pristine gardens. The soil being what it is in our area did not scream, "Plant in me, plant in me!"

But Major just kept coming out to the park and working away, often aided by friends. As I understand it, he really wasn't a horticulturalist and didn't have grandiose visions for the park. He just wanted a place for people to enjoy the outdoors and gardens free of charge. Putting one foot in front of the other, day after day has brought the Springfield Botanical Gardens to the glory it is today.



Nancy Hopkins

Of course, we are not anywhere near where we want to be. The "plan" has been established by Friends of the Garden. New gardens are being built and drawn out constantly. The gardens have become a destination for many people, both inside our community and from areas far away. A lady stopped me in the garden today and asked how many acres we had. I told her. She asked how many volunteers we had and I told her that as well. I was so proud to say that all of our gardens are maintained by a very dedicated group of volunteers. She was much impressed. It brought my thinking back to the quote. Our visitor was a gardener as well. She made me feel great about what we do here. She will return to visit us again and see what is blooming next week or next month.

My invitation to you is to become involved somehow; risk being turned down when you ask for underwriters or donors. Look for those who can connect to the gardens and seek their approval. Small people (maybe gnomes) might belittle our grandiose dreams for a future conservatory, 3.5 acre Sensory Garden, outdoor classroom and edible kitchen garden, but the great ones want to be a part of our dream and see it to fruition.

If you haven't considered volunteering or serving on a committee for FOG, please do so. You will join a group of hard-working, fun-loving, nature and plant people. As always, I would love to talk with you, show you our present gardens and share our future plans. Call me at 425-9859.

Nancy Hopkins is president of Friends of the Garden.



New 'Butterfly Host Garden' benefits from silent auction

What do you call a butterfly with an appetite? Well, for a couple of weeks, the answer is a very hungry caterpillar.

Feeding countless freshly hatched caterpillars intent on eating their way to becoming butterflies isn't easy.

Ask Butterfly House coordinator Lisa Bakerink:

"The females must lay their eggs on the few plants we have in the house, often covering an entire plant. When these caterpillars hatch and begin eating, we can literally be out of food overnight."

That means we need a reliable source of host plants, and thus a "working" garden, estimated to

cost about \$1,800. "After the last FOG meeting, we were given a \$500 gift toward constructing this garden and we are working to raise

the rest," adds Bakerink. "We hope the remaining \$1,200 can be raised during the auction."

The Silent Benefit Auction has been added to the activities in conjunction with the Friends of the Garden Butterfly Festival from 10 a.m. to Noon. With hundreds of visitors, the hope is for some spirited bidding.

Already, the list of donors and items impressive. In the food category, there will be gift cards from Perkins, Missouri Beverage Co., DiGiaCinto, Twilight Grille, Avanzare, and Papa Murphy's. Art work includes jewelry from local and national artists including a hand-turned cherry bowl from Dr. Stan Horsch. Acclaimed equine artist Susan Sommer-Luarca, Ruth Keeling, Marie Scarpa, Sherry Householder and Ann Townsend have all donated items to be auctioned along with Waverly House Gifts and Gallery.

Autographed items include books from Ann Rice and Peter Longley as well as a handmade quilt, plants and flowers from Teal Greenhouses, Ruby Miller and O'Quinn's Water Gardens. Health care products have been offered from the ClipJoint Spa and Salon and Dr. Tania Reavis along with Varsity Salon and Success Naturally yoga sessions.

Ball caps with the Friends of the Garden logo as well as two tickets to the Bettine Clemen "Flutes and Flutes" concert on Aug. 25 (see story at right). Many more items from the Botanical Center Gift Shop will be added as well.

Flutes & Flutes

Bettine Clemen's return engagement

Bettine Clemen definitely has a fondness for the Ozarks and Friends of the Garden.

On Saturday, Aug. 25, for the second time in less than in a year, the renowned floutist will perform in concert to raise funds for the planned Sensory Gardens/ Kitchen Classroom, this time at Christ Episcopal Church, 601 E. Walnut in Springfield. The concert begins at 5 p.m. followed by a reception featuring a sampling of sparkling wines afterward if you are so inclined. Cost is \$30 for the

concert and \$20 for the reception. Clemen's last performance here was Oct. 16, 2011, in connection with the first anniversary of the botanical center. It also was to benefit the Sensory Garden.

Clemen is certainly no stranger to the Ozarks, having lived here for seven years when not on tour in one of the 85 countries she has visited thus far. And yet, here she comes again to serenade Springfield with mellifluous sounds that seem to waft like the scent of flowers on a summer breeze that leave audiences wishing they could take the feeling with them. And, in fact, if you're reading this online, you can get a sampling of her music at www.joyofmusic.com.

Often referred to as the "First Lady of Flutes," Clemen hails from Bavaria originally, and is considered one of the finest flutists in the world. She made her early reputation as a soloist with such prestigious orchestras as the Munich Bach Orchestra, the Mozarteum Orchestra of Salzburg, the Prague Radio Chamber Orchestra and the Belo Horizonte Symphony.

In a review, *The New York Times* described her music as "one of those events that smiles out from the stage."

Her performances routinely include the classics of Bach, Mozart, Bizet, Rossini, Beethoven and Brahms. However, her unique concerts merge many different styles of music ranging from light classical to pop, jazz and ethnic arrangements. But it is her affinity for animals that perhaps sets her apart, as evidence by the video presentation that serves as a backdrop. Among her



performances

is a unique musical production for PBS called "Flutasia, a Love Song for a Planet."

The Sensory Garden will truly be a place of therapeutic reflection and enjoyment of the senses. It will be completely accessible for all and will included an outdoor kitchen studio and "edible" garden.

Evoking the healing power of music, Bettine Clemen seems the perfect artist to help us imagine the healing power of our future Sensory Garden.

"Flutes & Flutes" will benefit the Sensory Gardens/Kitchen Classroom, which combines vertical and raised gardens with an outdoor pergola and kitchen studio. Cost of the entire project is estimated at \$500,000. So far \$35,000 has been raised. More detailed information and plans are available. Contributions to this garden may be mailed to Friends of the Garden, P.O.Box 8566, Springfield MO, 65801. Please note "Sensory Garden" on the memo line. Your investment will help us reach our objective of starting phase one.



Just how many gardens are there?

Just how many gardens are there at the Springfield Botanical Gardens? Inquiring minds often ask, and the answers can be as varied as the latest weather forecast, give or take a dew point or two.

Katie Steinhoff recently provided both an updated count and a means to categorizing the gardens.

Themed gardens

One that reflects a culture, a period in time, tells a story, changes seasonally and contains more than one of the main garden elements: plants, water, stone, wood, seating, structures, statuary, light/reflective.

- 1. White Garden
- 2. English Garden

3. Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden

- 4. Winter Garden
- 5. Master Gardener vegetable
- potager garden
- 6. Master Gardener herb and trial garden 7. Master Gardener turf demonstration 8. Master Gardener shrub and
- 9. Master Gardener native
- plants garden
- 10. Federated Garden Club
- Perennial Garden
- 11. Heritage Garden at the Gray-Campbell Farmstead 12. Roof Garden Plaza

 Woodland Garden
 Entrance Garden to Close Memorial Park
 Butterfly Garden
 Dr. Bill Roston Native Butterfly House
 "Windwider" the Planted Butterfly
 Meditation Garden
 within the Japanese Stroll Garden
 MSU Trial Gardens (in old iris beds)
 Dwarf Conifer
 Garden

Collection Gardens

Reflects a collection of one type of, OR one genus of plants. 1. Rose Garden 2. Hosta Garden 3. Ornamental Grass Garden 4. Viburnum Garden 5. Redbud Garden 6. Dogwood Garden 7. Azalea Garden 8. Columbine Garden 9. Iris Garden 10. Daylily Garden 11. Lily Garden 12. Peony Garden 13. Flowering Shrub Garden 14. Ethnic Trail of Trees 15. Arboretum

Natural Areas

A restored or recreated landscape to reflect the beauty of the Ozarks. Includes plants



Above, members of the Pink Dogwood Garden Club plant the White Garden. Below left, Robin Coulter Crabb works in the Hosta Garden. Below right, a sneaky goose on the loose among the hostas.

indigenous to this region prior to 1860s as well as important wildlife viewing areas 1. Kickapoo Edge Prairie 2. Native Wildflower Garden (East of Butterfly House) 3. Native Shrub Garden (East of Butterfly House) 4. Rain Garden (adjacent to the Botanical Center) 5. Wetland /South Creek

waterway / Lake Drummond Playgrounds

I. Nature Trail includes signage and activities for families. Start at the Botanical Center/Walk down toward the Butterfly House, around Lake Drummond. Includes butterflyies, Leaves, trees, mushrooms and Dragonfly teeter totter 2. Nature Grounds Play area

(ages 5-12) 3. Toddler Play area (ages 2-5) near pavilion

Pending Gardens

• MENDS Garden – under walnuts near hosta garden • Peace Garden, an elemental garden room within the future Conifer Garden

• Sensory Garden and Kitchen Classroom – includes several garden rooms and facilities.





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

Memberships

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Stucke, Cara & Gilmore, Mike Thompson, Roy & Kathleen Uptergrove, Lance & Claudia* Wegmann, Larry & Linda* Wenzl, James & Judy* Wilbers, Chris & Colette* Williams, Nancy* Wilson, Donnie & Susan* Wrickle Holly. Wrinkle, Holly Yocum, Diane

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Memorial Donations: Kay Cummins Finnie Memorial Dogwood Garden Donations Community Foundation of the Ozarks

Connie Eichholz Moss, Gary & Kay **Peace Garden Donations** Caldwell, Helen Mariel

*Since the last newsletter. If you see an error, omission or correction, please bring it to our immediate attention at News@FriendsofGarden.org

Events&News:

Master Gardeners, Water Gardeners host tour of homes, greenhouses

Master Gardeners of Greene County and the Southwest Missouri Water Garden Association are co-sponsoring a Garden Tour from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 9.

This event is a fund-raiser, open to the public, featuring 12 beautiful private gardens. This year the gardens include shade, water, greenhouses, vegetable beds, mushroom beds, garden art and more.

Tickets may be purchased for \$10 each at the Master Gardener Hotline office in the Botanical Center at 2400 S. Scenic Avenue and at these sponsoring businesses: Wickman's Gardens, Steinert's Nursery and Maschino's in Springfield, Garden Adventures in Nixa, and Family Farms in Ozark. They may also be purchased on the day of the tour at the following gardens: 428 Timberview Road in Highlandville; 716 West Osage Drive in Nixa; or 2839 Covington Circle in Springfield.

Friends of the Garden is pleased to publicize timely events in the Botanical Center or public gardening events of regional interest as space allows. For more events, please visit our web site or find us on Facebook. Sign up for a weekly summary of events and activities (including a list of gardens in bloom) by sending us your e-mail address. E-mail us at News@FriendsoftheGarden.org.

Proceeds go Master Gardeners and the Water Garden Association. For more information, please call 881-8909, Ext. 320, or visit the calendar at mggreene.org or friendsofthegarden.org.

Lily Show combines display, tours of public gardens

The Ozark Regional Lily Society will be host its 26th Annual Lily Show on Saturday, June 23, at the Botanical Center, 2400 S. Scenic, Springfield. The show is free and open to the public from 1-5 p.m.

Horticulture exhibits and floral designs with lilies will be on display. The theme of this year's show is "Dancing through the Lilies." And in keeping with the theme, the designs to be shown include:

- Hip Hop: Gangsta Rap
- Ballet: Enpointe
- Jazz: All That Jazz
- Ballroom: All Dressed Up
- Square Dance: Hoe Down
- Line Dance: I Walk the Line

If you are interested in entering a floral design, please call Shirley McCarthy at 881-4632 before June 14 for information and to register your design. Horticulture entries need not be registered, but should be brought to the Botanical Center between 8-9 a.m. Judging begins at 10 a.m. As an added attraction, many gardens at the Springfield Botanical Gardens should be in bloom



Grow With Us! Become a Friend of the Garden

We're individuals & families who support the **Botanical Center** & **Gardens** in its mission to provide outstanding botanical, horticultural and environmental education opportunities for people of all ages. Anyone with an interest or appreciation in nature who wishes to support the progress of the gardens is encouraged to join. Your interest in being a member is the first step in making a lasting difference in the ongoing development of the **Botanical Center** & **Gardens**. As a member, you're a partner in the future of the gardens.

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Feedback:

What fans are saying about Friends of the Garden



The party hosted by Nancy Dornan and the Maschino's gang to benefit FOG was a huge success. Thank you to all of you assisted in volunteering at the event, donated items, bid and bought items and kept us in your thoughts.

We received \$712.50 from the party and made new friends and reacquainted with some we hadn't seen in a while. I greatly appreciated all those who donated items to the silent auction and the grand prize drawings. They are all truly Friends of the Garden. The following businesses contributed to the party being such a great success: Maschino's, Clean Cut Lawns, Invisible Fence, Springfield Pool and Spa, Butler Rosenbury and partners, Wickman's, Cast Stone Outdoor Art and Decor, Outdoor Electronics, Wood Renew, Four Seasons Sunrooms and Outdoor Escapes, Classic Lawns, Elite Irrigation Services, Accent Curbz and KPC Tile and Stone. Please stop by their places of business and thank them. Sabrina Brown

They said it:

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving." ~ Albert Einstein

Upcoming Events*

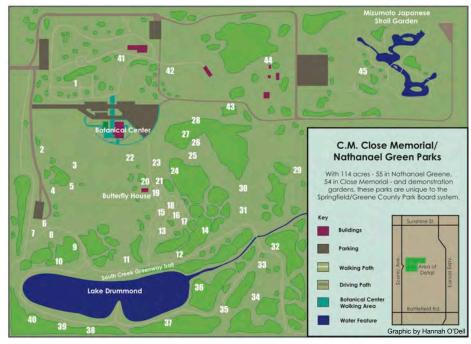
- May 30-June 1: Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri Flower Show School, The Library Center.
- June 9: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Garden Tour sponsored by Master Gardeners of Greene County, and Water Garden Society. Twelve locations will be available (see story on page 6)
- July 21: Fourth Annual Friends of the Garden Butterfly Festival.
- June 23: 26th Ánnual Lily Society Flower Show, 10:30 a.m. -5 p.m.
- June 30: Deadline for 'Nature in the Park" Photography Competition.
- Aug. 25: 5 p.m., Christ Episcopal Church; Bettine Clemen Concert. Reception at 6:30 p.m.
- Oct 7: FOG Picnic.

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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, 35# is the Hosta Garden) for information on various gardens. Introductions for every garden, including the Ornamental Grass Garden (39#) have been recorded, with signage in place listing the numbers for each garden.

Guide to the gardens

- Master Gardener Demonstration Garden
- 1. 2. Winter Garden
- 3. Freedom Garden*
- 4. Viburnum Garden
- 5. Flowering Shrub Garden Entrance Garden
- 6. Rose Garden
- 7. 8. White Garden
- 9. Hosta Garden
- 10. Sensory Garden*
- 11. English Garden
- 12. Victorian Garden*
- **Ornamental Grass Garden** 13.
- 14. 15. Terrace Garden* Iris Garden
- Daylily Garden 16.
- Peony Garden 17.
- 18. Lilv Garden
- Butterfly Garden 19.
- Columbine Garden 20.
- Wildflower Garden 21.
- 22. Rain Garden
- 23. Bulb & Tuber Garden*
- 24. Native Shrub Garden
- 25. Magnolia Garden*
- 26. Japanese Maple Garden*
- 27. 28. Cercis (Redbud) Garden
- Dogwood Garden
- 29. Kickapoo Edge Prairie Garden 30. Flowering Tree Garden*
- Pendula Garden 31.
- 32. Rock Garden*
- 33. Dwarf Conifer Garden
- 34. Conifer Garden*
- 35. Perennial Garden* 36.
 - Wetland Garden*
- 37. Woodland Garden
- Fragrant Garden* 38. 39.
- Fern Garden* 40. Secret Garden*
- 41. Federated Garden Clubs Garden
- 42. Biblical Garden
- 43. Azalea Garden
- 44. Heritage Garden
- 45. Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden

*Planned gardens

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