

# The Bimonthly Journal of the Friends of the Garden

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## Above the parks by drone

If you were a bird, a bug, a bat perhaps, or in this case, a drone, this is what you would see from high above the Springfield Botanical Gardens, as viewed from the on-board camera of Tyler Tracy, a new Friends of the Garden member whose hobby should be obvious by now. Tyler took the photos and shared them online, where there are available for your enjoyment through the FOG Blog. There are additional photos inside, along an updated map of the gardens and an updated membership application.



## Make it a date to join us for a year of celebration in 2015

It would be easy enough, at this busy holiday time of the year, if you neglected to mark your calendar for Jan. 8 for the Friends of the Garden Annual meeting, our first formal meeting of 2015.

Join us as we begin a year of celebration. We'll be announcing a new partnership involving the Bill Roston Native Butterfly House and Missouri State University, recognizing the ongoing support of Dr. Chris Barnhart and Deborah Barnhart. Also planned:

- The fifth anniversary of the Botanical Center.
- The 15th anniversary of Friends of the Garden.
- The 30th anniversary of the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden.

•The 20th anniversary of the Springfield Water Garden Society.

Each of these special occasions will be the focus of celebration in the year ahead. And each will require extraordinary planning and effort by many of us as Friends of the Garden refocuses our efforts on special events. If you have ever considered stepping up your involvement in our activities, this is the perfect time.

Planning is key, but we need your ideas, suggestions and feedback. We also plan to begin the year by recognizing those who have worked mightily over many years to bring us to a point of national acclaim as well as local participation, including the first honorary designation of a lifetime membership.



The doctors are in: Chris Barnhart shares a restful moment with Peter Raven at the Native Butterfly House.

Make no mistake; we'll have a great time of it, as our many park partners know.

But we'll also be giving back to our record number of members through a Garden Symposium, with something for nearly everyone with a passion for gardening.

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### Profile: Don Snyder

**Page 2:** Don Snyder passion for gardening began on his grandmother's knee. Now you might find him on his own knees, volunteering in the gardens.



### Photos: A Summer of Fun

**Page 6:** As seasons change, so do the themes in the atrium, after a fall of festivals and dedication of Liberty School

If you're reading this newsletter online, many items are hyperlinked to the Internet for further information.

# 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 Springfield/Greene County Botanical Center. We seek a dynamic relationship with other organizations working to benefit the park gardens. This newsletter is now published six times a year in print through Ozarks Living Magazine and delivered online as well to members. Past issues and other information can be found at [www.FriendsoftheGarden.org](http://www.FriendsoftheGarden.org).

## Officers:

President: Lisa Bakerink  
Vice-president: Bob Childress  
Secretary: Avis Holloway  
Treasurer: Brent Bothwell-Palmer

## Board of Directors:

### Terms ending October 2015:

Chris Barnhart, Carla Beezley, Susan Boswell; Kim Chaffin, Bob Childress, George Deatz, Jeanne Duffey, Mike Rankin, Betty Shook.

### Terms ending October 2016:

Jack Crabb, Tom Finnie, Tom Lakowske, Mike Sidebottom, Don Snyder.

### Terms ending October 2017:

Lisa Bakerink, Jessi Beauchamp, Brent Bothwell-Palmer, Susan Cardwell, Marthe Close, Dr. Pam Duitsman, Christie Eden, Cathy Gutridge, Avis Holloway, Pat Ware, Christy Yoakum.

## Advisory Board:

Don Akers, Deanna Armstrong, Ruth Arneson, Patrick Byers, Major Close, George Freeman, Stan Horsch, Bob Kipfer, Bob Lovett, Heather Parker, Dr. Bill Roston, Jacklyn Skaggs

### Ex-Officio:

Katie Steinhoff, Botanical Center coordinator; Peter Longley, Botanical Center horticultural interpreter.

## Our Mission:

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



“Don has done the greatest job in the conifer garden – always there for anyone who needs help. FOG is lucky to have him.”

Don Snyder says he was influenced to become a gardener sitting on his grandmother’s knee in Iowa. Now you’re likely to find him on his own knees.

Don’s commitment to Friends of the Garden has grown since he first grabbed a garden spade as a volunteer more than two years ago at the urging of Ed and Ruby Miller.

A retired Senior Site Manager for Advanced Technology Service of Peoria, Ill., he previously worked for more than 33 years in equipment maintenance with Chamberlain Manufacturing, Marathon Steel, and Frigidaire, having earned a degree in Management from the University of Northern Iowa.

Don and Patricia have been married for 37 years, have six children and 11 grandchildren. The Snyders’ current home flower and vegetable garden is on 1.7 acres in northwest Greene County.

“Don is always cheerful, always willing to do what is needed,” says Lisa Bakerink. “... and always a well-spoken ambassador not only for FOG, but for the many park partner organizations who contribute to the beauty of our gardens.”

Don has worked in most of the gardens, participating actively as a member of the Garden Committee. He is responsible for the Dwarf Conifer Garden, but he works in the Japanese Stroll Garden and volunteers during the Butterfly Festival activities as well as recruiting new members.

He is active in the Greater Ozark Hosta Society, Iris Society of the Ozarks, Ozarks Day Lily Society, Springfield Water Garden Society and member of American Horticulture Society. He was a 2013 member of Master Gardeners of Greene County and now sits on the MG Board Membership Recommendation Committee.

“He is always there to help out without asking,” says Ruby Miller, who helped create the Conifer Garden along side husband Ed. “Don has done the greatest job in the conifer garden – always there for anyone who needs help. FOG is lucky to have him.”

*Friends of the Garden is made up of more than 1,200 members with many skills and talents. If you know of an active volunteer you would like to see profiled in the newsletter, please send your suggestion to [Info@FriendsoftheGarden.org](mailto:Info@FriendsoftheGarden.org).*



# Garden Notes

from your friends



## Slate of board members takes office; annual meeting in January

Friends of the Garden now has a new class of board members, each one serving a three-year term. They were formally elected by a unanimous vote. Officers are elected by the new board in December for terms beginning in January. Board members may serve two consecutive three-year terms before taking a break.

The annual membership meeting will be Jan. 8, 2015. We hope you will plan to attend this special meeting as we begin our 15th year.

**Terms expiring:** Board Members with terms that expired in 2014 include Deanna Armstrong, J. J. Averett, Lisa Bakerink, Patrick Byers, Brent Bothwell Palmer, Heather Parker, Susan Cardwell, Marthe Close, George Freeman, Avis Holloway, Kaileen Volentine and Cindy Willis.

**Elected to the board for 2014-2017:** Elected to a first time: Dr. Pam Duitsman, Jessi Beauchamp, Christie Eden, Cathy Gutridge, Pat Ware and Christy Yoakum. Elected to a second term: Lisa Bakerink, Brent Bothwell Palmer, Susan Cardwell, Marthe Close and Avis Holloway.

**Elected to the Advisory Board, 2014-2017:** Don Akers, Deanna Armstrong, Ruth Arneson, Patrick Byers, Major Close, George Freeman, Stan Horsch, Bob Kipfer, Bob Lovett, Heather Parker, Nancy Schmidt, Jacklyn Skaggs, Kaileen Volentine, Ann Webster, Gabrielle White and Cindy Willis.

## Master Gardeners elect two new board members for 2015

The board elections are over and we congratulate the following new and returning board members. New to the board for 2015 are Patty Garrett and Margo Shull. Re-elected were board members Melissa Sanford and Dellene Nelson. They join Bob Childress, George Deatz, Gail Wright and Mike Sidebottom to form the 2015 board.

## Demo garden plant labeling project

Master Gardeners are already focusing on 2015 year for labeling in the demonstration garden – and asking for assistance. In order to further its mission of providing horticultural information and training to the public, volunteers are needed to meet with Bedheads to fill out forms on plants.

One member who makes labels reports that she learned about plants in the process of making labels. Volunteer hours will be counted toward Demonstration Garden.

## From the president:

### Share a gift that keeps giving year-round

Suddenly the holidays are upon us again; familiar tunes are playing; and the challenge is on to find the right gift for someone who has everything. It's a time of celebration – and stress.

Maybe we can help.

It may be that the most thoughtful gift you can give someone this year is right in your hands as you read this. Increasingly, our members are realizing what a great holiday gift we have to offer.



Lisa Bakerink

A membership in Friends of the Garden is unique. It opens doors and pays back dividends. And what else keeps on giving year-round, even as we support our public gardens? Best of all, you can do it online, on your cell phone or even the old-fashioned way – by U.S. Mail.

As a benefit of membership, every member receives a subscription to Ozarks Living, mailed to your home (or business). Tucked inside each issue is this Friends of the Garden newsletter.

We deliver timely information, beautiful photographs, local stories and insights into relevant issues. Members benefit from useful information about plants and their importance to butterflies and birds, cooking, regional travel, profiles and advice from our own members and important services from the businesses that support a common-sense greener lifestyle.

We can't all live in the Ozarks, of course. But we can share a taste of our special way of life that is truly like no place else. Membership includes access to more than 270 public gardens throughout the United States (including two passes to our acclaimed Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden as we get ready to celebrate 30 years in 2015).

If you're new to Friends of the Garden, welcome. This may be your first newsletter. A gift membership is an important way you can "pass forward" our message to someone special. Imagine if each of us did so for just one friend or relative, doubling our membership. Now that *would* make a joyful noise.

The Springfield Botanical Gardens receive assistance from an incredible parks staff, leaving our own volunteers to do many of the gardening chores. As we observe our own 15th anniversary (and the fifth anniversary of the Botanical Center), planning is underway for a important and fitting garden symposium and celebration.

Together with our park partners, we maintain existing gardens, plan and create new gardens. Just a few days ago, volunteers planted several thousand assorted jonquil bulbs to bloom next spring. Even this newsletter, our daily blog, the online FOG calendar, news announcements and the special messaging we do throughout the year are all the work of volunteers. You will also find us online at [FriendsoftheGarden.org](http://FriendsoftheGarden.org), as well as on Facebook and Twitter.

As you turn through our pages, we hope we make you smile as you learn a trick or two about what you can do to live greener and perhaps make your back yard a sanctuary. Now about that stress – don't you feel better already?

Lisa Bakerink is president of Friends of the Garden. Reach her by e-mail at [info@friendsofthegarden.org](mailto:info@friendsofthegarden.org) or at 417-891-1650.

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

## Memberships:

Archer, Sandra  
 Awbrey, Diane & David\*  
 Baggett-Spears, Sue  
 Bailey, Elbee  
 Baird, Cindy & Bill\*  
 Baker, Paul & Jennifer\*  
 Bane, Rosemary S.  
 Barnett, Elatia  
 Beard, Jaretta\*  
 Beckner, Dan & Zoe\*  
 Beckwitt, David  
 Beecharmer Farms\*  
 Beiserna, Georgeanne\*  
 Beisner, Judy  
 Bennett, Eleanor L.\*  
 Berner Christiansen,  
 Stephen & Carol  
 Booth, Anne  
 Bossi, Linda & Joe  
 Brannock, William  
 Bray, Susanne  
 Broadbent, BobbiJo  
 Broadnox, Angela  
 Brown, Maria\*  
 Buckner, Jo Ann\*  
 Burton, David\*  
 Canlas, Mario & Emily\*  
 Cannefax, Donna  
 Cantrell, Jeff  
 Carson, George\*  
 Carter, Susan  
 Champion, Norma  
 Charles, Kathryn  
 Claxton, James & Nancy\*  
 Copeland, Ada\*  
 Courtney, Trudie  
 Cowens, Kathleen & Dave  
 Cox, Jan  
 Crabb, Jana  
 Crouch, Liz\*  
 Culbertson, Dixie\*  
 Cunningham, Sandy\*  
 Davis, Matthew Scott  
 DeMoss, Tom & Lori  
 Denney, Jason A.  
 Denouden, Tom & Beth\*  
 Dobard, Mary  
 Dogwood Trail Garden  
 Club  
 Dohard, Mary F.  
 Dowell, Kathleen  
 Eisele, Mildred\*  
 Everett, Judy\*  
 Fallone, Lorana

Fear, Randy & Liz\*  
 Findley, Jacqueline\*  
 Fithian, Janet A.  
 Folk, Janet  
 Forman, Fran  
 Fowler, Tommy\*  
 Giedd, Joanne  
 Gist, Mona  
 Hagood, Helen  
 Halford, Linda\*  
 Hall, Phillip & Barbara\*  
 Hamilton, Mary L.  
 Harris, Carolyn\* Harris,  
 Marjorie\*  
 Hart, Elise & Steve  
 Hatch, Jerry\*  
 Hazelton, Margie  
 Heinz, George &  
 Kathryn  
 Hende, Robin  
 Heydt, Matthew &  
 Kristin Heydt, Sydney  
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 Hilton, Dorothy\*  
 Himes, Joanne  
 Holmes, Mary Lynn\*  
 Hurley, Opal & Ron  
 Hymer, Tina  
 Jahnke, Dave & Tammy\*  
 Jenkins, Max & Peggy\*  
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 Johnson, R. Bruce\*  
 Jones, Donna  
 Joslyn, Dottie\*  
 Jungers, Mike & Gayle  
 Keith Jr., Elvin & Carrie\*  
 Kipfer, Barbara & Robert\*  
 Klos, Patricia\*  
 Knauer, Marti & Kenny  
 Kohr, Julie & Michael\*  
 Kristi Kittleson & Tom  
 Cornett\*  
 Kruk, Jerry & Charlotte  
 Lankard, Sylvia & Carl\*  
 Larson, Larry\*  
 Lauer, Janis  
 Lee, John & Janice\*  
 Lejeune, Wendell\*  
 Letson, Sandra & Donald\*  
 Libke, Ellen  
 Loungrath, Mark & Mary  
 Lucks, Barbara J.  
 Lynn, Julian  
 Madenouald, Margaux  
 Mallonee, Nan

Manis, Danny & Tanya\*  
 Mann, Theresa  
 Mathis, Alicia  
 Matulunas, Dorothy  
 Mauer, Linda  
 Mauldin, Jim\*  
 Mazzella, Alora  
 McAfee, Gordon & Marilyn\*  
 McDonald, Shirley  
 McGowan, Brent & Kelly\*  
 McIntosh, Dale  
 McIntosh, Denise  
 Meadows, Sammye\*  
 Metzelthin, Krystal  
 Mills, Marianne  
 Milne, Jay & Susan  
 Morriset, Marcia\*  
 Myers, Rachel  
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 Nickell, Robert  
 Niewald, Earl  
 Niewald, Nancy  
 Odom, Minuen\*  
 Owens, Anna\*  
 Palen, Dan & Suanne  
 Patterson, John &  
 Lawver, Rhonda  
 Patterson, Richard  
 Peacock, Linda\*  
 Phillips, Charles & Charlotte\*  
 Placzek, Ellen\*  
 Potts, Annette & Ray\*  
 Primm, Cathy & Alex  
 Raborar, Art & Josie\*  
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 Reichert, Janeth\*  
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 Saxon, Lanis  
 Schwab, Jane\*  
 Scott, Yuriko Mizumoto\*  
 Shaw, Bob  
 Shayne, Howard E.  
 Shayne, ML  
 Simpson, Kathy  
 Singer Foster, Judith  
 Singer, Harold\*  
 Skaggs, Jacklyn  
 Slagle, Kris  
 Smith, Jennifer  
 Smith, John & Ann\*  
 Steinhoff, Daniel &  
 Michaeline\*

Stephens, Bob & Cindy  
 Stewart, Phyllis  
 Street, Donna  
 Street, Shannon  
 Sullivan, Suzie  
 Symington, Anne\*  
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 Taylor, Vanessa  
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 Trantham, Tammy &  
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 Turner, Susie  
 Van Dusen, Barb  
 Vinson, Russell & Rose\*  
 Vinson, Thad\*  
 Wade, VoAnn  
 Wetzel, Vicki & Stu\*  
 White, Rebecca  
 White, Selena  
 Willis, Cheryl.  
 Witte, Bill & Becky  
 Wood, Dr. Mrs. Victor  
 Wood, Steve  
 Woodfin, Teresa\*  
 Wreath, Janet\*  
 Wydrzynski, Jim & Vivian  
 Young, John & Beverly\*

## Bricks, Benches, &

## Shrubs:

Anderson, Wanda  
 Beezley, Carla & Robert\*  
 Close, Major & Marthe\*  
 Deatz, George & Linda\*  
 Lowman, David  
 Merritt, Jonathan  
 Mills, Ellen  
 Nelson, Dellene\*  
 Passeri, Marcia  
 Roseman, John

## Miscellaneous

## Donations:

Holloway, Avis &  
 Wallace

## Sensory Garden:

Chaffin, Kim  
 Susan Boswell  
 Foundation Inc.

## Gator Purchase:

Caldwell, Mariel

## A wish list of goals for the gardens for the years to come

“...a permanent production greenhouse and home for horticulture is needed for protecting tropicals, growing plants large enough for displays and producing high end horticulture displays throughout the year.”



### A Parks Perspective **Katie Steinhoff**

The Springfield Botanical Gardens have been the backdrop for many people's memorable experience and set the stage for their hopes and dreams of the future. Not only the weddings, baby showers, birthdays and anniversary events we host, but the community still has hopes and dreams for an authentic botanical institution for Southwest Missouri.

Some of our volunteers and financial supporters have very vivid and ambitious dreams, but before we lose our minds with lists of gifts we want for our park, I thought we should reflect

upon the 2014 season and I will share some thoughts about what we need for the next stage in the gardens' growth.

Gardens are theater, and like every good theater house, there is a back stage, or behind the scenes aspect to the experience. Currently, the backstage often resides in volunteers' car trunks, a corner of a couple offices, and some storage buildings around the park.

However, a permanent production greenhouse and home for horticulture is needed for protecting tropicals, growing plants large enough for displays and producing high end horticulture displays throughout the year. The production greenhouse would be just one of the facets of the Sensory Garden, which would allow us to expand our programming throughout the year.

While we do hope to start on phase 1 of the Sensory Garden this spring, we will still be somewhat limited in providing hands on horticulture experience every day without a greenhouse.

What a unique experience for an internship with the Dr. Roston Native Butterfly House! Imagine a living museum, a bug zoo with flowers and education for all ages rolled up into one. A college intern with an interest in entomology, horticulture, environmental education, or even recreation would have an unforgettable learning opportunity for their future career. With more than 26,000 visitors strictly on

limited hours offered by volunteers, imagine what a gift it would be for our citizens and visitors if we could keep the Butterfly House open daily. If someone could fund a stipend for 40 hours per week for even 10 weeks out of the year, it would cost \$3,200-4,000 per season.

Nature has approved our park and the blue bird houses have been well-loved and worn... The Greater Ozarks Audubon Society needs replacement blue bird boxes with predator guards and easy cleaning access that doesn't require a



**Above, Kevin Firth and Amy Short plant host plants in the butterfly house. To expand the hours the house is open, more volunteer docents and even an intern are needed. At right, the dedication and flag-raising at the Liberty School at the Gray-Campbell Farmstead.**



screwdriver.

We were extremely fortunate to finally see Liberty School added to the Gray-Campbell Farmstead attraction to the botanical gardens in 2014. Volunteer Herb Batson has begun to plant some black berries and would like to plant an heirloom variety orchard with apples, pears and grapes to enhance the interpretation of our ancestors' close connection with the land and plants.

The Public Works Lake Drummond Spillway enhancement has definitely reduced the flooding problems under Scenic Ave along the South Creek Greenway Trail. Clearing out invasive





## Change of Seasons:

Summer turns to fall festivals, including the Pioneer Lifestyle Expo at Gray-Campbell Farmstead

Fall is now becoming winter, leaving behind memories of special events at the Springfield Botanical Gardens



At top, teachers and students from Sherwood Elementary School cut the ribbon to formally open Liberty School. Above, their most reliable means of transportation. Above left, re-enactors dry laundry the old-fashioned way.



With each season, a new theme takes over at the Botanical Center. Most recently, dozens of poinsettias have been added in the atrium to compliment the annual holiday train Ozark Garden Railway Society. Both will be in place through the end of the year, along with appearances from Father Christmas. The atrium is often at its best with photographs, paintings, sculpture and more, but nothing is more beautiful than the art of Mother Nature.

Photos by George Freeman



# Feedback:

## Raves reviews on Trip Advisor, Facebook about stroll garden, butterfly house

I recently moved to the area but discovered the stroll gardens on a previous visit. Last year and this year, my fiancée and I attended the Japanese festival that takes place here. While the festival is great fun and well worth going to in its own right, the gardens are all amazing! Beautifully designed, tons of fantastic photo ops, and a very relaxing atmosphere. Highly recommend for couples, but it's very family-friendly, or just a wonderfully peaceful place to visit when you need to get away on your own for a bit!

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My family loves going to the celebrations at this Springfield treasure. The events here are awesome with great food, entertainment and the scenery is as pretty as you will ever find in MO. The stroll garden is so beautiful, calming and just a joy to visit!

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I am always amazed when visiting this local jewel. Experienced the wonderful Japanese Fall Festival last weekend and was overcome by the beauty of the grounds. Exquisite

flower beds, koi ponds, waterfalls, trees and lovely architecture throughout including bridges, and stroll paths. Hands down one of the most beautiful and photogenic garden in the area...do *not* miss Mizumoto. My daughter loves the geese, birds and lush surroundings and elects it her favorite place also. There is also an area for weddings which is quite intriguing, as I am renewing my vows again... might just be the winning idea.

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What a gorgeous place! The plants and trees are graceful and well-nurtured, and the rock Zen garden is such a charming and peaceful place to sit for a few mindful minutes. The pond is beautiful..and the heron who lives there put on a bit of a show with a flight up to the top of a short pine tree, and later swooped over us on the way back to the water. Maybe a few too many geese wandering around, but they do stay out of your way. In Sept. there's a Japanese festival that is really interesting and great fun for the whole family.

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I love that this is a native butterfly house. Exotic butterflies are spectacular, but when people see native butterflies and find out that if they plant the plants butterflies need they can enjoy butterflies in their own yard, I can't think of anything cooler than kids discovering and enjoying butterflies.

## Join Friends of the Garden!

We are a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide outstanding botanical, horticultural, environmental and educational opportunities for people of all ages. These activities are made possible by your membership and donations. You are a valued member of our volunteer team.



### Your Membership Benefits begin the day we receive your form.

- Subscription to Ozarks Living Magazine which includes the Friends of the Garden Newsletter
- Complimentary admission to the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden (excluding the Fall Festival)
- Discounts at the Botanical Center gift shop and select local businesses
- Free or reduced admission to hundreds of public gardens across America
- Invitations to special gardening events

### I would like to volunteer:

- ☐ in the gardens at the park
- ☐ in the Friends of the Garden office
- ☐ in the Botanical Center
- ☐ at events: Friends of the Garden booth
- ☐ at events: activities
- ☐ at children's activities
- ☐ as a Butterfly House docent
- ☐ in marketing/development
- ☐ in landscaping/construction
- ☐ at whatever you need!

I have a special talent for:

Thoughts/Questions:

## Sign me up as a Friends of the Garden member!

### I choose this Annual Membership Level:

- ☐ \$35... Individual
- ☐ \$45... Individual (includes one person's ticket)
- ☐ \$50... Family (three or more)
- ☐ \$100... Garden Friend (includes access to special garden gift membership)
- ☐ \$250... Garden Contributor (includes access to special garden gift membership)
- ☐ \$500... Garden Ambassador (includes access to special garden gift membership)

### I choose this Corporate Sponsorship:

- ☐ \$500... Red Admiral
- ☐ \$1,000... Twirly Empress
- ☐ \$2,500... Royal Frillfly
- ☐ \$5,000... Monarch
- ☐ Additional Donation

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## JOIN ONLINE

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Become a member today!

• **The "Springfield Botanical Gardens Blog" by Peter Longley.** The "Springfield Botanical Gardens Blog" keeps you informed on what is happening around the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center & Gardens at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park. It includes information on events and programs including the Master Gardeners of Greene County, MU Extension Greene County, Friends of the Garden and our other Park Partners who notify Peter of their events and programs. There are usually two issues each week, Monday and Friday. If you would like both issues sent directly to your email inbox twice a week please send your email address with a note to Peter: [plongley@springfieldmo.gov](mailto:plongley@springfieldmo.gov). It is also a regular feature of the Friends of the Garden's "Daily News FOG Blog" at [www.friendsofthegarden.org](http://www.friendsofthegarden.org). Click on the "Daily News FOG Blog." Monday, February 9, 2015 and lasting 12 weeks we will have the Potting Shed University. Presented by the Master Gardeners of Greene County. A series of 12 diverse garden topics for you to hone your skills to become a better gardener for years to come. Check out our website [www.mggreene.org](http://www.mggreene.org) for more information.

• **Feb. 27-28, March 1, 2015:** The Lawn & Garden Show at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds offers a series of seminars hosted and taught by Master Gardeners of Greene County. These classes are free to the public with their admission ticket. Daytime classes are held Friday, Saturday and Sunday and wide range of topics, such as: Integrated Pest Management, Container Gardening, Raised Bed Gardening, Plant Selection, Soil Amendment and more. The Lawn & Garden Show continues to be a valuable tool for Master Gardeners to promote public awareness of the University of Missouri Extension as a source of unbiased, research based gardening information. Come by the Master Gardener's booth and enter to win a free prize. Ask us about gardening in the Ozarks! For more information on speakers go to our website: [www.mggreene.org](http://www.mggreene.org).

• **Coming Saturday April 25, 2015 7:30-11:30 or until sold out, rain or shine.** 18th annual Master Gardeners of Greene County plant sale, at Springfield Botanical Garden Center, 2400 S. Scenic. Arrive early as plants do go quickly. Cash, checks and credit/debit cards accepted; Master Gardeners will be on site to answer questions. More information is at [www.maggreene.org](http://www.maggreene.org) for more information.

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1. Master Gardeners Demonstration Garden
2. Winter Garden
3. Freedom Garden\*
4. Viburnum Garden
5. Flowering Shrub Garden
6. Entrance Garden
7. Rose Garden
8. White Garden
9. Hosta Garden
10. Sensory Garden\*
11. English Garden
12. Victorian Garden\*
13. Ornamental Grass Garden
14. Terrace Garden\*
15. Iris Garden
16. Daylily Garden
17. Peony Garden
18. Lily Garden
19. Butterfly Garden
20. Columbine Garden
21. Wildflower Garden
22. Rain Garden
23. Bulb & Tuber Garden\*
24. Native Shrub Garden
25. Magnolia Garden\*
26. Japanese Maple Garden\*
27. Cercis (Redbud) Garden
28. Dogwood Garden
29. Kickapoo Edge Prairie Garden
30. Flowering Tree Garden\*
31. Pendula Garden\*
32. Rock Garden\*
33. Dwarf Conifer Garden
34. Conifer Garden\*
35. Perennial Garden\*
36. Wetland Garden\*
37. Woodland Garden
38. Fragrant Garden\*
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
46. Ethnic Tree Trail Memorial Garden

**\*Planned gardens**

Visitors to Springfield Botanical Gardens often describe the experience as an unexpected adventure. But of course you've got to get there to enjoy it. This aerial map will help you get around Nathanael Greene Park and the adjoining Close Memorial Gardens, located at 2400 S. Scenic. 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 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 have been recorded, with signage in place listing the corresponding numbers to hear about each garden.