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'Give Ozarks' offers online fund-raising for Sensory/Kitchen Garden

Friends of the Garden will again benefit from the second annual online *Give Ozarks* event conducted by the Community Foundation of the Ozarks.

Proceeds given on behalf of Friends of the Garden during the 24-hour online fund-raising marathon on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, will go to help fund the planned Sensory/Kitchen Garden.

About 200 non-profit agencies in the Ozarks, up from 150 the first year, are participating in the marathon to raise both money and awareness of philanthropy.

A year ago, FOG received \$15,790 in contributions during the 24-hour period. Of that, more than \$10,000 came from our own members. FOG received 224 total

gifts, the fifth highest of the 150 agencies.

Out of all the participating organizations, FOG was 15th in total donations. All told, the event raised more than \$1 million for the participating agencies.

You can support our efforts by making a secure donation at GiveOzarks.org/FriendsoftheGarden, anytime from midnight to midnight on May 3, 2016. FOG supporters, event sponsors, and all agencies will have the opportunity to win additional cash prizes throughout the day.

All gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Gifts of any amount



will be appreciated. *Give Ozarks* is one of dozens of crowd-sourced non-profit online fundraising marathons being hosted by community foundations across the nation on May 3 during *Give Local America Day*.

Presenting sponsor is BKD Wealth Advisors. Platinum sponsors include The Musgrave Foundation, The Commerce Trust Co./Coover Charitable Foundation and Ron and Janice Penney as well as numerous other sponsors.

You can help share our story on social media using your Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or e-mail. Even the old-fashioned way (word of mouth), can help build enthusiasm for the marathon.

Peace Through People Pavilion

Work is continuing just beyond the main park lot of the Botanical Center, work is continuing on the "Peace Through People Pavilion," the first joint project between Sister Cities Association, Friends of the Garden and the Springfield/Greene County Park Board. For details, please turn to page 5.



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Profile: Susan Cardwell

Page 2: As a board member, Susan Cardwell attends to many of the details that make events a success. She's also a prairie preserver.



Come fly your kite:

Page 4: Kites will be soaring above during the Cherry Blossom Kite & Piñata Festival on April 2. Bring yours or build one.

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.

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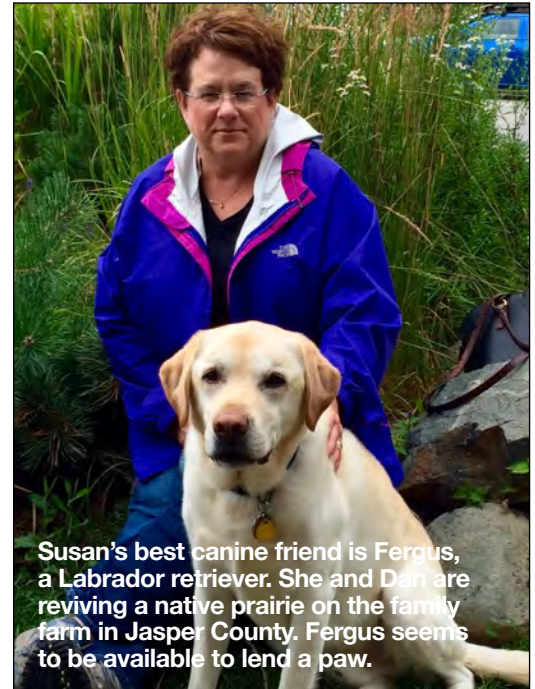
Lisa Bakerink, Executive Director; Katie Steinhoff, Botanical Center coordinator; Peter Longley, Botanical Center horticultural interpreter; Kelly McGowan, Horticultural Educator.

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.

Profile: Susan Cardwell

As a board member with Friends of the Garden, Susan Cardwell is dedicated to taking care of the details that make our events a success.



Susan's best canine friend is Fergus, a Labrador retriever. She and Dan are reviving a native prairie on the family farm in Jasper County. Fergus seems to be available to lend a paw.

“Susan has been a great support to the leadership team on many occasions.”

– Lisa Bakerink

With any project and inherently with running an organization, it is the details that matter a great deal and can be quite time consuming. That's when Susan Cardwell steps up to lend a hand as a board member who gets it done.

“As a board member, Susan has been instrumental in coming alongside and assisting with the details whether it be event planning or food and hospitality,” says Lisa Bakerink. “Susan has been a great support to the leadership team on many occasions.”

In addition, Susan, along with her husband, Dan, have been great financial supporters of Friends of the Garden

through in-kind and monetary donations throughout the last several years. Especially noteworthy is their sponsorship of our annual Butterfly Festival the last three years. They are also active in prairie preservation through the Missouri Prairie Foundation at their family's farm in Jasper County.

Adds Kelly McGowan:

“Susan has not only been a great asset to Friends of the Garden, but has played a pivotal role in the success of the Butterfly Festival over the past several years. Her commitment to the festival has made the event not only grow in

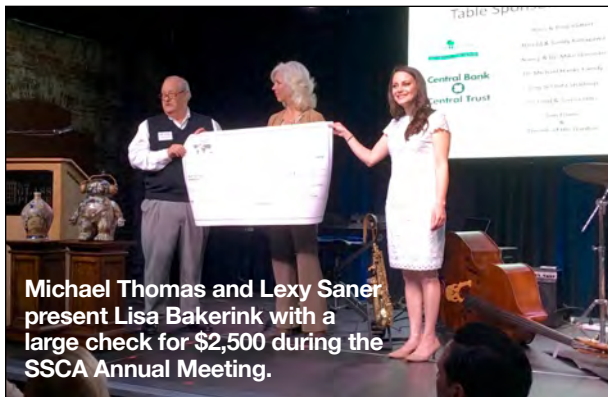
attendance from the public, but her behind the scenes work has helped to ensure that festival volunteers are taken care of, have a good experience and are excited to help out again in the future.”



Susan Cardwell, left, and former board member Kathy Sheppard, serve cake during the five-year anniversary of the Dr. Bill Roston Butterfly House.

Garden Notes

from your friends



Michael Thomas and Lexy Saner present Lisa Bakerink with a large check for \$2,500 during the SSCA Annual Meeting.

Trip to Mexico raises \$2,500 from Sister Cities Association

The relationship between Friends of the Garden and the Springfield Sister Cities Association continues to grow.

On March 11, Michael Thomas, president of SSCA, presented Executive Director Lisa Bakerink with a very large symbolic check for \$2,500, proceeds of a recent excursion to Tlaquepaque, Mexico. The trip included members of both organizations, with a visit to the winter home of Monarch butterflies as part of the adventure into Central Mexico.

"This is an exciting partnership that should benefit both organizations as we continue to sponsor trips like these together," Lisa wrote in an e-mail.

The following week, it was also announced that beginning in May, Cindy Jobe, Executive Director for SSCA, will have an office at the Botanical Center.

"This presence of SSCA at the Botanical Center will certainly serve to strengthen this new partnership and is very appropriate with SSCA's long term involvement."

If you are new to Friends of the Garden, for the past 20 years, SSCA members have hosted the Japanese Fall Festival each September to celebrate our relationship with Isesaki, Japan. Proceeds from the festival support the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden, which celebrated its 30th year in 2015.

A trip to Isesaki to celebrate the 30th anniversary of our relationship is being organized to begin Oct. 21, 2016. The signup deadline is fast approach if you are interested.

Cherry Blossom Kite & Piñata Festival April 2

Springfield's relationship with Isesaki and Tlaquepaque is in full flower; hence annual visits between the two cities. Further celebration is planned during the Cherry Blossom Kite & Piñata Festival Saturday, April 2, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., when there will be kites soaring above the Great Lawn.

Visitors to the garden are invited to fly their own kites, or build one with us. You can also try to whack a piñata, check out free Mexican and Japanese crafts for kids at the Botanical Center, and tour the gardens on the solar tram. There will be folk dancing, craft tables, hands-on learning

From the Executive Director:

The differences that people like you make

When you're in the business of horticulture and gardens, the primary focus may appear to be on the many tasks of garden maintenance and in delivering a beautiful product, in our case, the Springfield Botanical Gardens. People who stop by the Botanical Center often comment that it must be great to work in such a beautiful place.

With this wonderful building and 112 acres of gardens, attractions, naturalized areas, and playgrounds to explore, I would agree with them 100 percent. However, I've found an equally great benefit of my work are the people and organizations I am privileged to work with and the partnerships that have been formed with so many.

FOG's recent partnership with the Springfield Sister Cities Association (SSCA) on the February trip to Tlaquepaque, Mexico afforded many members to not only tour one of the monarch butterfly sanctuaries in central Mexico, but it offered the opportunity to make friends with very talented artisans and musicians who live and work in this sister city to Springfield. This FOG-SSCA partnership also allowed our group to embrace the culture of this quaint Mexican city and to experience real life in real time with our new-found southern friends. I can't wait to go back.

Another partnership to acknowledge at this time of year is with the many members of the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri (FGCM). The FGCM and the local garden clubs belonging to this organization have been major partners of the Springfield Botanical Gardens in providing funding for the Redbud Garden and in caring for the colorful perennial garden east of the Master Gardener Demonstration Garden. Springfield will host the 2016 FGCM state convention May 16-18 where FOG will be one of many participating vendors.

Finally, the Master Gardeners of Greene County are partnering with FOG volunteers to offer two great events in one! Young Sprouts in the Garden, a free event which offers hands-on gardening adventures for children, will join the line-up of activities at the popular Butterfly Festival. This combined event will take place on Saturday, June 25, 2016. Along with Roston Butterfly House tours and butterfly magic from the Fishin' Magicians, there will be face painting, crafts, a pollinator costume contest, metamorphosis crawl, and a caterpillar petting zoo! This fun for the whole family also includes a variety of vendors selling wares to inspire your gardening lifestyle and to celebrate our native butterflies.

I am thankful and blessed to work with great people who are passionate about *celebrating the beauty of the Ozarks* at the Springfield Botanical Gardens. A complete list of Park Partners can be found on our website.

Lisa Bakerink is executive director of Friends of the Garden. Reach her by e-mail, Info@FriendsoftheGarden.org, or at 417-874-2952. You can also follow her on Facebook at Friends of the Garden or on



Lisa Bakerink

Come fly a kite, whack a piñata at Cherry Blossom Kite & Piñata Festival

Don't have a kite? Build your own and decorate it for only \$5. There will be all kinds of kites soaring above the Great Lawn. You can take a whack at a piñata, watch folk dancing, create craft, and learn about our sponsor partners: Kizuna (Japan American Friendship Club); Kickapoo Japanese Language Club; Friends of the Garden Japanese Garden Committee; and Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Saturday,
April 2

Newsletter produced by FOG board member George Freeman, Editor of Ozarks Living Magazine and OzarksLiving.com.

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 hardscaping/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 plus one person & guest
- ☐ \$50...Family (three or more)
- ☐ \$100...Garden Friend
(includes option to give one additional gift membership)
- ☐ \$250...Garden Contributor
(includes option to give three additional gift memberships)
- ☐ \$500...Garden Ambassador
(includes option to give six additional gift memberships)

I choose this Corporate Sponsorship: (includes gift memberships for clients and/or employees)

- ☐ \$500...Red Admiral
- ☐ \$1,000...Tawny Emperor
- ☐ \$2,500...Regal Fritillary
- ☐ \$5,000...Monarch
- ☐ Additional Donation _____

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Become a member today!

'Peace Through People Pavilion' will be a partnership among many friends

The latest partnership between Friends of the Garden and the Springfield Sister Cities Association (SSCA) has been approved by the board, so that construction can begin by late spring.

The "Peace Through People Pavilion" already has an obvious footprint just east of the Botanical Center parking lot where site preparation began late last summer. (See graphic on front page.)

SSCA is funding half of the project and Friends of the Garden is funding half through a memorial established by Tom Finnie in memory of his wife, Kay Finnie.

In memory of Kay, Tom has taken an active role in developing the pavilion adjacent to the Dogwood Garden. He has served as president of both organizations.

"This is not a stand alone building," explains Tom. "It is part of the Botanical Gardens."

Tim Rosenbury is the architect for the pavilion building. Frank Zanaboni Jr., a landscape architect who designed the project, described the setting in detail, referring to a conceptual drawing on the front page of this newsletter. The Master Plan Committee has approved, as has the

FOG board. Among the obvious highlights is a commitment to trees and shrubs as well as hardscape.

Seating could accommodate 400-500 persons for a wedding or concert or other events.

SSCA and FOG have been cooperating on both projects and events.

"Sister Cities does have a different mission, but there is plenty of room for overlap," says Cindy Jobe, executive director, whose office is relocating to the botanical center in early May. You can reach her at cjobe@springfieldmo.gov.

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

Membership

Ailor, Jennifer*
Albers, Lolita*
Arrowood, Max & Cindy*
Averett, JJ*
Baltz, Jon
Banks, Catherine*
Bayless, Jean*
Bernhardt, Jane
Bird, Ann
Bohannon, Darin & Kristi*
Bollinger, Jon & Roxie*
Bower, Mark & Janet*
Braswell, MaryLou & Cheryl*
Brill, Wilbur & Lorene*
Brown, Beverly B.*
Cantrell, Jeff
Caplinger, Nancy*
Chenevert, Don & Elizabeth
Coambes, Lina
Conine, Susan*
Cook, Charles F.*
Copeland, Ada*
Cunningham, J. Scott*
Davis, Ruth I.*
Dogwood Hill/Teen
Weeny Ranch*
Eckert, Robert & Debbie
Findley, Jacqueline*
Flanagan, Tom & Judy*
Fuller, Sue*
Garbarino, Ken*
Garoutte, Don & Cassandra*
Gerdes, John & Carolyn*
Green, Stephanie
Grogan, Linda
Hageman, Win*
Halford, Linda*

Hayward, Kaitlyn
Herman, Mary*
Hicks, Pamela*
Holdren, Carolyn*
Holmes, Sue*
Ingram, Sandra*
Janeczko, Gregory*
Jones, Ray & Pam*
Keith Jr, Elvin*
Kelly, Margaret*
Kyle, Rick*
Lawler, Alisa
Mason, Frank & Kay*
Mayer, Ric & Jeanie*
Meyer, Tom
Myers, Kay*
Nance, Jon & Jill*
Nelson, Edie & Ron*
Nesbitt, Debbie & Bill
Nickels, Glyna*
Overall, Paulette
Parker, Heather*
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Paynter, Peggy
Riley, Carol
Roberts, Bill*
Sammon, Elizabeth
Sheets, Doris F.
Simino, Kathryn*
Smith, Connie J.*
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Stewart, Charles & Roberts*
Strothkamp, Pat & Donna
Swackhamer, Pat*
Symington, Anne*
Taylor, Carol*
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Thompson, Jennifer & Jay*
Touhey, Terry Ann*

Trout, Marlin*
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Washburn, Jean
Wilson, Donnie & Susan*
Wilson, Lori*
Woods, Virginia & Kenneth*

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Christiansen, Stephen & Carol*
Foltyn, Steve*
Fry, Mary Quinn*
O'Reilly, Charlie & Mary Beth*
Pearson, Brad & Trish*
Stafford, Jess & Vicki
Welde, David & Glenda*

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O'Reilly, Larry

Tribute Brick Pavers

Arneson, Ruth
Boswell, Rose
Deal Storms, Ruth Ann
Deal, Eileen
Deatz, George & Linda
Earnhart, Jane & Bruce
Federated Garden Clubs of MO
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Halley, Randall & Janet
Hignite, Mike & Lisa
Scott, Kerry
Shoemaker, Phyllis
Wichmer, Nancy

Gift Membership Donors

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Chaffin, Kim & Keith
Foltyn, Steve
Mauldin, Jim

Gift Membership

Recipients

Howard, Debbie
Martin, Rebecca
Preninger, Stephanie
Steury, Joan

General Gifts

Ever Green Garden Club
Parker, Heather
Shipe, Frank

Restricted Gifts

Cunyngham, Jen
Justice, Marcia W.
Scott, Yuriko Mizumoto

David Michael Welch Memorial Donations

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Bailliff, Jackie
Beasley, Bruce & Glenda
Benson, Jerry & Linsa
Brower, Sue
Brown, Donald & Janet
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Bylander, Cynthia L.
Byrd, Bennie & Clementina
Chalfant, Nancy
Creson, Rick & Jill
Crow, Cheryl
Davis, Deborah A.
Dick, Ted & Debbie
Dooley, Janice
Eckels, Robert & Linda
Fields, C. Ansu & family
Garges, Janice
Haney, Laura
Hoefgen, Steven
Hoefgen, Velma
Hogan, Rebecca K.
Johnson, Mark & Cheryl
Johnson, Shae

Kotter, Mary
Langley, Terry & Lisa
Lund, Jack & Carol
Mace, Mary
Marler, Linda
McDonald, Julie
Melton, Charles & Deborah
Melton, Michelle Welch
Millsap, Paula
Overby, Joyce & family
Parker, Rhonda
Parrish, Stan & Susan
Penaherrera-Norton, Ruth
Pettijohn, Linda & Charlie
Ramey, Stephen & Sharon
Ramsey, Cynthia
Reed, Jack & Leea
Reynolds, Robert & Linda
Robinson, Venus
Royal, Greg & Janell
Sallee, Raylene
SBRC, Inc.
Schenk, Kay
Schuble, Sue
Scott, Don & Linda
Selsor, Douglas & Deborah
Sharp, Stella
Shields, Randy
Simmons, Kurt & Carol
Smith, Doyle & Lois
Taylor, Cecil & Betty
The Nest
Walsh, Kelly
Waschick, Walter & Jane
Welch, Regina
Welch, Tom & Rana
Wolfe, Jerry & Rickie
Yeagain, Lynne
Young, Melody

You can do much more than fill in the blank to celebrate with FOG volunteers

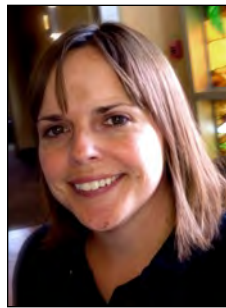
Here's what you missed from Facebook... it was "National *fill in the blank* Day!" Before social media, I never knew how many special designations were established for virtually every day, all year long.

We are getting to that time of year where there is something happening outdoors and worth celebrating almost every day for the next several months.

The Springfield/Greene County Parks Department definitely does not miss a chance to participate in "National...Day." In this article, I'd like

to share some of the upcoming events and opportunities to participate in parks.

For those of you who have come to one of the Friends of the Garden's board meetings, you will know that the heading for the agenda each month includes the Friends of the Garden's mission and vision as well as the Springfield-Greene County Park Board's mission statement: *...committed to provide the highest quality of leisure opportunities, to offer programs for relaxation as well as stimulation and to encourage personal and community enrichment for the citizens of Springfield.* This statement fits the Botanical Gardens just as much as it fits the parks' family centers and other



A Parks Perspective:
Katie Steinhoff

special facilities.

The Botanical Garden is a great place for quiet meditation, learning, as well as exercise and our volunteers find personal enrichment by maintaining our public gardens. However, the Springfield Botanical Gardens is more than just a garden, so let me share more about what else you can do:

- **April is National Kite Flying month.** You can fly a kite almost any day at the gardens, we take the first Saturday of April to celebrate the annual re-opening of the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden with the Cherry Blossom Kite Festival. The gardens are open for free on this day and the Springfield Sister Cities Association hosts a variety of activities on the Botanical Center roof plaza and great lawn between 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, April 2 (see page 4).

- **April 10-16 is National Volunteer Appreciation week.** We can't say enough about how much we appreciate our volunteers. Last year, they reported more than 22,000 hours of service to the gardens. We traditionally recognize them with a lunch and program on the last Friday in April. This gathering fits nicely as many of our volunteers are in the park that day setting up for the Plant Sale and it coincides with National Arbor Day.

- **Earth Day on April 22,** and this year, Kelly McGown and I are planning a special volunteer experience. We will invite existing volunteers, the general public and local businesses to give back to the Earth by removing invasive species, protecting our streams from run-off by replacing mulch and pea gravel, and plantings. The



Kevin Firth, a longtime volunteer docent in the Roston Native Butterfly House, shows young fans how to tag a Monarch butterfly before releasing them for their long annual migration to Mexico.

day will begin with an orientation about the gardens and then they will get a chance to have a garden experience. I think it will run from 9 a.m. until noon. The general public will get a chance to get their hands dirty on a project that will be good for the Earth and good for our gardens.

- **May 3 is Give Ozarks Day** (learn details in a story on page 1 of this newsletter) as well as National Mediate in a Garden Day. If you remember from last year, it was a chance to support Friends of the Garden, Greene County Extension and the Springfield-Greene County Park Board, along with a number of non-profit organizations to build their endowments and other funds through the Community Foundation of the Ozarks.

- **May 6 is National Public Gardens Day.** We've made a point to open the Dr. Roston Native Butterfly House on that day as well as provide a member event for Friends of the Garden and Garden tours.

- One of the finest amenities that specifically allow the Springfield Botanical Gardens to fulfill the park's mission is access to more than eight miles of linear park via the South Creek Greenway Trail. This National Recreation Trail designated by the National Parks Service is a great place to spot birds and wildlife. Bike, rollerblade, run, walk or jog, Ozark Greenways is another important partner with the Springfield-Greene County Parks, celebrating its 25 year in 2016.

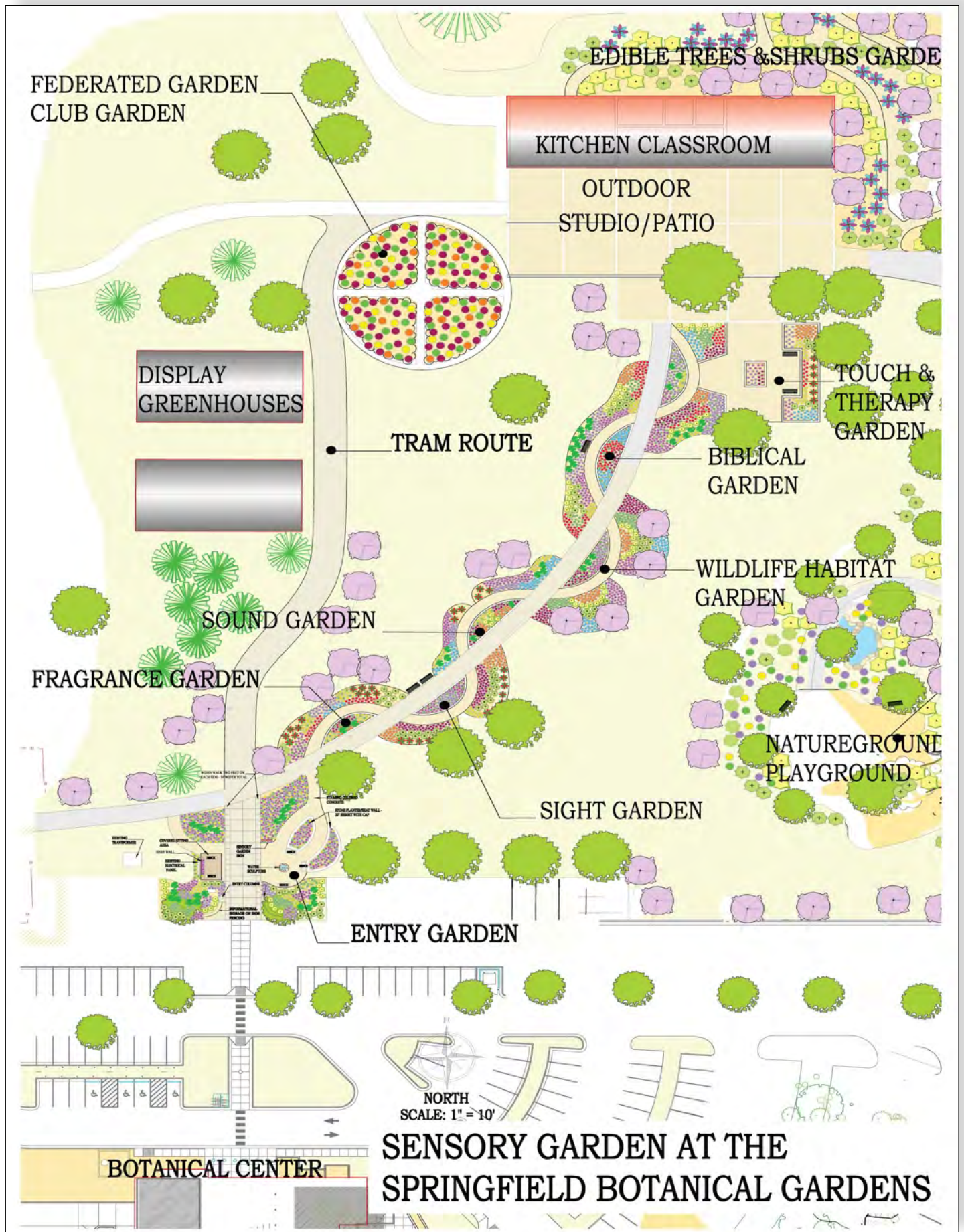
- **May is National Bike Month.** Within that month, there is a Bike to Work Week, May 16-20.

- **June 4th is National Trails Day** and we will be celebrating Ozark Greenways 25th anniversary with the new connection between the Wilson Creek Trail and the South Creek Trail.

Whether you take time to participate in any of the upcoming activities or not, just remember we have a great park system that you can enjoy daily from sunrise to sunset! Love our Parks.

Katie Steinhoff is coordinator of the Springfield Botanical Center at the Springfield Botanical Gardens, 2400 S. Scenic, Springfield, Mo., and an ex-officio board member of Friends of the Garden. Contact Katie Steinhoff at ksteinhoff@springfieldmo.gov or 417-891-1515.

Landscape architect's conception for Sensory/Kitchen Garden



Take the right turn to get to enjoy the Springfield Botanical Gardens



Events of interest to Ozarks gardeners so you can 'save the date'

- **April 1:** 9 a.m.; Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden opens.
- **April 2:** 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.; Cherry Blossom Kite & Piñata Festival.
- **April 2:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Native Plant Sale, Conservation Nature Center
- **April 14:** 5 p.m. Friends of the Garden board meeting.
- **April 20 & 23:** 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Butterfly House Docent Training (repeated 10 a.m., April 23).
- **April 29:** Noon, Volunteer Appreciation Event.
- **April 30:** 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Master Gardeners of Greene County Annual Plant Sale.
- **May 3:** 24-hour online Give Ozarks Campaign (see front of this newsletter for details)
- **May 6:** National Public Gardens Day/Opening of the Roston Native Butterfly House.
- **May 12:** 5 p.m., FOG Board meeting.
- **May 17-18:** 8 a.m-Noon; 2-7 p.m.; Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri Conference, Oasis Conference Center.
- **June 25:** Eighth Annual Butterfly Festival & Young Sprouts in the Garden.
- **Aug 19:** 6:30-930 p.m., Insect-O-Rama, Springfield Nature Center.
- **Sept. 9-11:** Japanese Fall Festival in the Mizumoto Stroll Garden.
- **Sept. 17-18:** Gray-Campbell Farmstead 1860s Lifestyle Expo.
- **Oct. 2:** 11 a.m.-1 p.m., FOG Membership Picnic.
- **Oct. 14-15:** 7-9 p.m., Romance in the Garden, Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden.

* Unless otherwise noted, all events are at the Springfield Botanical Center. Reach us with your garden-related events by e-mail at News@FriendsOfTheGarden.org, or find us on Facebook and Twitter, or at www.fogcalendar.com. On each Friday and Monday, "Springfield Botanical Gardens News" helps keep you informed on what's happening around the Springfield-Greene County Botanical Center & Gardens. To receive the latest news, send your e-mail address to plongley@springfieldmo.gov. Friends of the Garden's "Daily News FOG Blog" is at www.friendsofthegarden.org.

At right is a list of our gardens, coincides with a "Guide By Cell" number. An example is the Dr. Bill Roston Butterfly House 46#. As you tour the gardens, or wherever you may be, you may call 417-213-3016 and enter the garden guide number following the name of the garden shown at right, followed by the # sign, for a brief overview of each of the gardens. Enjoy.

Arboretum	79	Iris Garden	41
Asiatic Lily Garden	44	Magnolia Garden	53
Audubon Trail & Bubbler	82	Master Gardener Demonstration Gardens	4
Azalea Garden	75	Meditation Garden	96
Blue Star Memorial Garden	29	Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden	78
Botanical Center Gardens	1	Mosaic Garden	32
Butterfly House	45	Native Shrub Garden	52
Butterfly House	46	Ornamental Grasses Garden	39
Butterfly Windrider Garden	47	Peace Garden	71
Caterpillar Café Garden	98	Peony Garden	43
Columbine Garden	48	Rain Garden	50
Daffodil Bulb Garden	51	Redbud Garden	55
Daylily Garden	42	River of Mums Garden	100
Dogwood Garden	56	Rose Garden	33
Dwarf Conifer Garden	62	Succulent Garden	40
Edge of the Kickapoo Prairie Garden	58	Viburnum Garden	30
English Garden	37	Vietnam Memorial Garden	99
Ethnic Life Stories Trail of Trees	81	White Garden	34
Federated Garden Clubs Perennial Garden	72	Wildflower Garden	49
Fern & Moss Garden	70	Winter Garden	28
Flowering Shrub Garden	31	Woodland Garden	66
Founders' Garden	60		
Gray/Campbell Heritage Garden	77		
Hosta Garden	35		