



MISSISSIPPI VALLEY GARDEN CLUB

AUGUST 2014

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SAVE THESE DATES

August 21, Thursday

Jane's Garden
Alton
6:30 pm

August 25, Monday

Board Meeting
Debbie's home
7:00 pm

September 13, Saturday

Bus Trip
St. Genevieve, MO
Details to TBA
(No Thursday meeting
this month)
8am(departure)– 5pm

October 16, Thursday

TBA
Bethalto Senior Services

December 4, Thursday

Christmas Banquet

August garden visit: This month we are back in town for our garden visit. We will be going to Jane's garden. She has flowers all around the house that you may check out. Jane will provide ice tea and cookies. Please bring a chair. There will be shelter if there is light rain. Jane is located in Alton. It is between Henry St and Liberty St. Her street is 2 blocks from Duke's Bakery. Plenty of street parking. If you need assistance with directions contact, Jane 462-1215 or Susan (466-5892).

Elephant ear birdbaths/ flat garden stones: Some members had expressed an interest in learning how to make the birdbaths using the elephant ears as a mold and flat garden stones. Debbie "Lucky" has offered to facilitate a class. The elephant ears are at their prime. The class can be held in the evening due to the heat. Anyone interested please contact Debbie "Lucky" at 618-567-7275.

Fall bus trip: Bus trip is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 13. We will be going to St. Genevieve, MO. Details will be presented at August garden visit. Please check your calendars. If you are not able to make the August garden visit be sure to email me and let me know if you plan to go. The bus trip will be in lieu of the September meeting. Guests are welcomed. Members \$10, guests \$18. Susan, gardenfriends@hotmail.com

Officers/ board members: We will be in need of officers and board members for the 2015 year. Positions that will be available : president, vice president, community projects and board members. Please consider volunteering for a position. A club is only as strong as its active members. If interested or need to know responsibilities please contact Debbie. 531-9655 or hours@metrorph.com

JULY GARDEN VISIT: It was a beautiful evening at Juanita and Monte's home and gardens. After a nice little jaunt through the country, we were treated to beautiful display of gardens and great food.

Their home is lovely. A beautiful setting with a lake. They hauled in several tons of rock from the quarry. I'm sure there were many bumps, bruises and sore muscles from working with the rock.

The gardens are a surprise around every corner. There are fairy gardens, arbors, metallic sculptures, all surrounded by colorful flowers and plants. There is a gargyle that traveled many miles, from Illinois to Michigan and back to Illinois. There is a gourd bed that was planted by the birds. Thank you for allowing us to come visit. Also, thanks to Joyce, Edith and Melissa for helping with the food.

