

# CHECK IT OUT!

## **Gorgeous Garden Tour Returns!**

Summer is in full swing, and one of the events we are looking forward to help us celebrate the season is the Friends Tour of Gorgeous Gardens of Plymouth. Five beautiful gardens are featured in this self-guided tour, which will take place on Sunday, July 16, from 11 AM to 3 PM. Tickets for the tour are available at Bachman's Plymouth location, 10050 6th Ave N, Plymouth, MN 55441. The tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 if purchased on the day of the tour. This year we are offering a discount to groups of 10 or more; tickets for those groups will be \$9 each, purchased in advance. Children ages 12 and under are free. Tickets may also be purchased at individual gardens on the day of the tour. Proceeds from the tour benefit the Plymouth Library.



Our first garden is on the corner of 50th Ave. N. and Schmidt Lake Road. The hosts invite you to meander through their established native gardens, try to count the variety of hostas and perennials, or sit for a moment by the relaxing waterfall. Creative use of natural stone & reclaimed historic street pavers can be found throughout the property in the patios, paths, a one of a kind stone wall & the driveway!

The hosts of the second garden describe it as whimsical and full of color with some vintage items thrown in! Don't miss the fairy garden in the wheelbarrow! This garden is on the corner of Northwest Blvd. and 55th Ave. N.



At garden number three, which is located on the corner of Pineview Ln. N. and 58th Ave. N., you can enjoy walking the paths in several areas which are a perfect balance of shade, flowers, and luscious plantings, creating wondrous views of the beauty nature can provide.



The fourth garden, near Zachary Ln. N. and 39th Ave. N., is 21 years old and features a pond with koi and a waterfall. The house is surrounded by native plants and perennials, with a rain garden in the front yard and hosta gardens on either side of the house.





The last garden features both sun and shade plants, with many hostas and plants that attract butterflies and bees. It is located near Zachary Ln. N. and 36th Ave. N.

The tour will be held rain or shine!

#### Who Are We?

The Friends of the Plymouth Library (FPL) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our mission is to support the Plymouth Library by providing resources, promoting programs and services, and strengthening community. FPL volunteers also assist library staff with many activities throughout the year. Membership is open to all.

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All members are welcome at Board Meetings, which are held at the Plymouth Library on the second Thursday of each month from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

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### Even Little Free Libraries Have Gardens



Molly, who hosts this Little Free Library at 10585 52nd Ave N., Plymouth, received it as a gift on the occasion of her retirement in 2015 from the library staff and Friends at the Champlin and Rogers libraries where she was a children's librarian. She says:

"At my LFL I do try and have items for adults, teens, grade school kids and little ones. I've discovered the best place to find books for my LFL is at the Plymouth Friends book sales. Books are always in great condition and priced fairly. I do get donations in the LFL itself from users too."

Molly's LFL is not too far from the sites in the Garden Tour. The owners of the first garden described above also host a Little Free Library in their front garden.

What more can you ask for - books and flowers!