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**Tour Secret Gardens, See Elegant Table Settings**

Get a rare glimpse at a fresh set of private gardens and collections at the second annual "Secret Gardens of Stanley and Elegant Table Settings" on Tuesday, July 11. Beautiful gardens you never knew existed will be open to the public and many collections of china, glass and tea sets will be displayed gallery-style at the Sibyl Center.

The event begins at 4:00 at the Center with a complimentary hospitality table where you may pick up your garden tour tickets and maps. Enjoy your refreshments and browse theme tables, private collections and family heirlooms before heading off on the six-garden tour from 5:00 – 9:00 PM. You will see tranquil beds of perennials and statuary at one location, while the vignettes at another will give you a glimpse into the owner's passion for the whimsical. Don't miss the cleverly decorated kitchen at yet another location as well as the country gardens that are certainly worth the short drive. A restored farmhouse recently opened as a lodge is an inspiring look at rural life and is a fitting addition to the tour.

The 15 table settings are a unique look into the cabinets of area collectors. Sets range from modern to antique vintage and each table is a grouping celebrating each owners passion for a well-set table. Several pieces of children's tea sets will also be featured alongside such famous names in glass and china as Fostoria and Homer Laughlin, with themes like Christmas, Mexican Fiesta and Fruit.

Be sure to stay in Stanley for supper after touring the gardens. The Two-Way North restaurant will serve a special soup and salad bar, including beverages, fresh rolls and fruit in their Banquet Room, from 6 PM to 10 PM. The newly-opened Painted Pony Café on the southwest corner of Stanley also anticipates being fully operational in time for the event.

Tickets for the tour and table settings are \$8.00, available day of event at the Sibyl Center, 301 1<sup>st</sup> St SW. This event is sponsored by Foundation for Life Enrichment, a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing arts and culture in NW North Dakota. For more information call Lucy at 628-2670 or visit [www.sibylcenter.org](http://www.sibylcenter.org) .

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