

**St. Louis Hosta Society  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 17, 2013**

Meeting began at 1:00 pm.

This was our Potluck meeting; we had plenty of good food and desserts. Approximately 50+ members attended the meeting.

Club plant orders are due by the March meeting (March 17). Plant pick up will be at Martha Lafata's garden in Webster Groves on May 19 at the usual meeting time of 1:00 pm. Jean Hudson is our club plant chair person this year.

Phyllis Weidman discussed the idea of having an Open Hosta Garden Day sometime in early June. The idea originated at the Winter Scientific meeting in January. Anyone with a hosta garden is asked to open their gardens to friends and neighbors with the goal of getting more people interested in hostas. A sign up sheet was available at today's meeting for people to sign up. More details and a firm date will be forthcoming.

Various volunteer projects for the society were discussed. Sign up sheets were available for people to volunteer. Projects include the Open Hosta Garden day, garden walks, help with holiday party, help set up the plant sale at MOBot, work the MOBot plant sale, and help with the auction in July.

Phyllis Weidman received a letter from the AHS asking for contributions for nematode research. It is a two year project at Ohio State University. They need \$100,000 total but have a match of \$50,000. Dave Poos made a motion to donate \$2,000, Pam Wolkowitz second the motion. The motion was approved by the membership. Our treasurer, Cindy Michniok, will issue a check for the contribution. We will get updates from the AHS on the progress of funds that they collect.

A hosta wish list was also available to the membership. Members can write down hostas that are on their wish lists in hopes that someone will bring those plants to the auction. The list will be at every meeting prior to the date of the auction.

Jeff Hall won the attendance prize of a \$10 hosta bucks gift certificate good for either the MOBot sale or the members auction.

Dave and Joan Poos organized a fun hosta trivia game. First place prizes were \$10 hosta bucks gift certificates for the winning table.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Submitted by:

Kelly Hall, Secretary