

**St. Louis Hosta Society
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2013**

Meeting began at 1:05 pm.

Phyllis Weidman began the meeting with an invitation from member Mike Schmitt to go to the Missouri Botanical Garden Glow as a group. The club chose either December 5 or December 6 as the date. Price for nonmembers is \$15 each and members are \$11 each. Phyllis will let Mike know and more details will be posted on the website and in the newsletter.

There will be a board meeting at the Weidman's home on November 3 at 1 pm. Lunch will be served at noon. Please RSVP to Phyllis if you plan to attend.

There are 6 signup sheets in the back of the room for various volunteer functions. Please sign up to pitch in and help the club.

The holiday party will be on December 8. Sign up now, reservations are required by Nov 23. No gift needed for the new game. The Pairings will be the caterer. Cost is \$12 per person.

Dave Poos introduced today's speaker, Ted Piekutowski, a past president of the Bonsai Society of Greater St. Louis. Ted gave a presentation and demonstration on the art of bonsai entitled "Bonsai Basics". Ted pruned a small Alberta spruce during a very entertaining presentation. The tree was then given as an attendance prize (to Mary Lou Farrow). Ted will keep the tree (alive) for a year and then demonstrate how to prune the roots at a future meeting. Mary Lou will get the bonsai tree next year.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Submitted by:

Kelly Hall, Secretary