

**St. Louis Hosta Society
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2012**

Potluck gathering. The club provided sandwiches and drinks; members brought side dishes and desserts.

Phyllis Weidman, President, announced that the club received a thank-you letter from the American Hosta Society for our donation of \$1,000 for Virus-X research.

The date of the hosta auction has been changed to July 22 (instead of July 15). Mike Schmitt is the auction chair this year. He is seeking volunteers to help.

The speaker on October 21 will be Larry Tucker from Memphis, TN.

A weekend bus trip to Champaign, IL is being planned for August 4-5, 2012. More details will be in future newsletters.

Dave Poos announced that Bruce Buehrig will be our speaker on March 18. The presentation is entitled "Elements of Shade Gardening". Also, the Buehrigs are having a garden walk at their garden on June 23 at 6 pm.

Hosta Finders are available through the club for \$14.

Phyllis thanked the following people for their contributions to the club: Dave Poos (Vice-President and Programs); Kelly Hall (Secretary and website); Cindy Michniok (Treasurer); Joan Poos (newsletter editor); Barb Moreland and Linda van Deven (hospitality); Spence Sorenson (vendors day); Phil Brammer (photography); Martha Lafata and Karen Frimel (holiday party); Rose Hall (new members reminders); JoAnn Rawson (new member packets); Rick Clarkson (2012 club plants); Jean Hudson (2013 club plants); Jim Weidman (name tags); Mike Schmitt (auction); and Phyllis (MO Bot plant sale).

Spence Sorenson announced that he has six vendors scheduled (so far) for Vendors day on April 15.

Phyllis stated that we will have unusual hostas available for a silent auction at various meetings this year.

Phyllis presented images from the 2011 AHS convention in New England.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.