



# *Show Me Hostas Newsletter*

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## **Pot Luck Meeting and Slide Show**

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM**

**At Creve Coeur Government Center  
300 N. New Ballas, St. Louis 63141  
(Ballas Rd. between Ladue Rd. and Olive)**

Our first meeting of 2006 will be our annual Pot Luck dinner at Creve Coeur Government Center. Be sure to join us! As in the past, the club will supply the meat, cheese, bread, and beverages for the meeting. If your last name begins with A - L, please bring a dessert; M - Z, please bring a side dish.

During this event we'll also enjoy a slide show of the 2005 National Convention presented by Arlie Tempel, and a brief meeting about upcoming events.

### **2006 Calendar of Events**

<b>February 19</b>	<b>Annual Pot Luck Dinner and Slide Show 1:30 p.m. (**Plant Orders Due**)</b>
<b>April 23</b>	<b>Vendor Day and Plant Pick-Up</b>
<b>May 21</b>	<b>St. Louis Hosta Society Garden Tours</b>
<b>June 14-17</b>	<b>2006 American Hosta Society National Convention (Philadelphia, PA)</b>
<b>-----</b>	<b>MoBot Plant Sale (Date to be determined)</b>
<b>July 13-15</b>	<b>2006 Midwest Regional Hosta Convention (Milwaukee, WI)</b>
<b>July 23</b>	<b>Hosta Auction</b>
<b>September 17</b>	<b>St. Louis Hosta Society Meeting (Program/Speaker to be announced)</b>

All St. Louis Hosta Society meetings are held at 1:00 PM at the Creve Coeur Govt. Center, 300 N. New Ballas, 63141 (between Ladue Rd. and Olive), unless otherwise noted.

# St. Louis Hosta Society Club Plants - 2006 Order Form

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**Keep this page of the order form for your records**

All plants will be given out at the plant pick-up and Vendor day on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006. All plants will be bare root (unless otherwise noted).

See pages 2 & 3 of this order form for a brief description of each Hosta. For a full detailed description of these Hostas visit [www.naylorcreek.com](http://www.naylorcreek.com).

**Plants Ordered:**

Alex Summers	_____	Maya Swingtime	_____
Bell Bottom Blues	_____	Orange Marmalade	_____
Chickadee	_____	Queen of the Seas	_____
Lakeside Shore Master	_____	Silver Bay	_____
Magic Fire	_____	Velvet Moon	_____

**Deadline for ordering plants is February 19, 2006**

Please bring your order (Page 2 of this form) and payment to the Feb. 19 meeting or mail to:

Pat Payton  
361 S. Maple  
Webster Groves, MO 63119

***\*\* Remember, plant pick up will be at the April 23rd Vendor Meeting. \*\****

Complete and return this page with your check made payable to: **St. Louis Hosta Society**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill in quantity ( ) and cost. Bare root plants (unless otherwise noted).

Height Indicators: [mini]=dwarf 3-6" [S]=small 6-12" [M]=medium 12-24" [L]=large 24-36"

- 1) **'Alex Summers'** [M] (Santa Lucia) .....( ) x \$6 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
This vigorous grower and rapid multiplier is named after one of the founders and the first president of the American Hosta Society...a sport of H. 'Gold Regal' with dark green leaves framed with a wide bright gold margin. Leaves have heavy substance and are held upright which creates an elegant vase-shaped clump that is topped with lavender flowers in midsummer.
- 2) **'Bell Bottom Blues'** [L] (Walek) .....( ) x \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Kevin Walek shares a new all blue sport of H. 'Jewel of the Nile' with us that we like very much...same great shape, same great substance and same vigorous growth rate. Color tends to be a more intense blue than the parent and the fountain-like clump gives us a new and unique upright blue hosta to work into the landscape. Near white flowers on slightly pinkish scapes.
- 3) **'Chickadee'** [Mini] (Avent) .....( ) x \$9 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Tony Avent now brings us a reverse variegated sport of H. 'Dixie Chick'...very unique in that the creamy-yellow centers of the leaves have greens flecks throughout. The leaves have a nice wide dark green border and great substance for a mini. Lavender flowers appear in late summer.
- 4) **'Lakeside Shore Master'** [L] (Chastain) .....( ) x \$9 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Another really nice hosta...leaves emerge blue and almost immediately develop yellow centers that improve and brighten with time. The blue margin is quite wide and the leaf is divided into about three equal parts. Very vigorous and topped with near-white flowers.
- 5) **'Magic Fire'** [L] (Jan van den Top) .....( ) x \$15 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Jan has been so gracious as to let us introduce his wonderful sport of H. 'Sagae' in the US for 2005. H. 'Magic Fire' has thick, deep green leaves with a wide yellow border that streaks toward the center creating a visual feast. The leaves twist and fold and form a dense clump that is topped with lavender flowers in midsummer. This is one hosta that will stand out in any garden! We've all been waiting for this one.
- 6) **'Maya Swingtime'** [M] (Scheer) .....( ) x \$21 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Alttara Scheer of Connecticut now shares the first of several new hybrids that will come to market in the near future. A vigorous vision of rippled edges, H. 'Maya Swingtime' emerges pale chartreuse with a blue bloom and deep blue veins that fade as the leaves turn a glowing yellow. Good substance, white backs and a charming twist to the leaf tips all add to a dazzling display. Does well when grown in lots of sun...in fact, Alttara says she grows it in full sun. The Best of Class winner in the "yellows" category at First Look 2003.
- 7) **'Orange Marmalade'** PPAF [L] (Solberg) .....( ) x \$11 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
A fantastic sport of H. 'Paul's Glory' from Bob Solberg...the center of the leaf is a bright gold when it emerges in spring and lightens to a rich yellow. This plant is a real "looker" and holds well all season. Same substance as its parent and topped with pale lavender flowers midsummer
- 8) **'Queen of the Seas'** [L] (Seaver) .....( ) x \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mildred Seaver outdid herself with this hosta...many have lusted after H. 'Queen of the Seas' since it was first "exposed" at the 1997 National Hosta Convention and won "Best of the Show". Large, thick, blue-green leaves are heart-shaped and have a heavily rippled and serrated margin. The clump will be topped with near-white flowers in early summer and will reach a size of 24" high by 48" across. Plants offered are 2nd yr tissue-cultured plants that are rooted well and growing nicely so please do not expect mature plants. Available at last!

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9) **'Silver Bay'** [M] (Dean) .....( ) x \$11 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

From Don Dean of Minnesota comes this wonderful H. 'Blue Moon' hybrid...intense silver-blue leaves make a flat mound about 14" tall. The leaves are quite round with some cupping and good corrugation. Clump is topped with pale lavender flowers in July. Will make an outstanding specimen for that special spot.

10) **'Velvet Moon'** [L] (Hans Hansen/Naylor Creek Nursery) .....( ) x \$10 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

We think you will like this new sport of H. 'Abiqua Moonbeam' that originally came from Hans Hansen and we are introducing. Thick large dark green leaves have a very wide golden-yellow border...at least 1 1/2" wide! H. 'Velvet Moon' has a similar growing habit as its parent and same great vigor. Topped with pale lavender flowers in July. Stands out from a distance and will make a nice addition to any garden.

Total # of plants \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$\_\_\_\_\_

## A Note from the President

I hope you all have gotten your winter projects finished because spring is here. If you are a list maker, I have a number of items I would like to have you add to your lists. Start thinking about how you might like to get more involved with your Hosta Society. I am always amazed by how much talent you all have, but because you do not have a sign on your back, saying I can do this or that, we do not get you involved. Every year two or three people come forward and we get to know more about you.

Here are some ways many of us can get to know each other better:

- Plan to donate plants and help sell plants to the public at MBG hosta sale. This is a chance to spend time together, visit, and talk hostas.
- Get involved in our Garden Walk program. What we have been trying to do with garden walks is to visit members' gardens. The procedure has been for visitors to bring their beverage of choice to drink, and a snack to share. Garden hosts have provided a couple of tables for snacks and some seating, but it is best for garden walk visitors to bring your own chairs. Talk to Dave Poos about hosting a garden walk in your garden. Times and dates are open, but, so far, the two most popular times have been Sunday afternoons and Friday evenings.

Dave is also Chair of Garden Tours, so start thinking about having your garden on tour and talk to him.

Our February program will be an AHS National convention Hosta Heartland in Cleveland Ohio 2005 Photo CD presentation. Tom Peters, Chair of our 2008 National Convention in St. Louis, will be bringing us up to date on our convention plans. And, best of all, you can place your order for club plants 2006.

See You All Soon,  
Arlie

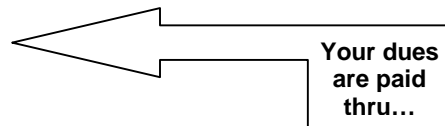


**Remember: In the months in which the St. Louis Hosta Society meets, those meetings are held on the third Sunday of that month (unless otherwise noted in the newsletter's Calendar of Events).**



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### **Are Your Dues Due?**

To determine if your St. Louis Hosta Society membership dues are due, check the two digit number appearing after your name on the address label of this newsletter. Your membership dues are paid through the end of the year appearing after your name. For example, if "06" appears after your name, your dues are paid through the 2006 year. Membership dues are due before January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. To renew your membership, please send your check (payable to St. Louis Hosta Society) to Pat Payton, 361 S. Maple, Webster Groves, MO 63119-3841.

### **Membership Information**

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Contact: Sandie Markland  
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Dues: Individual \$25 per year, Family \$29 per year

#### **Midwest Regional Hosta Society**

Contact: Scott Hildebrandt  
1020 Redwood Dr.  
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Dues: Individual \$10 per year

#### **St. Louis Hosta Society**

Contact: Pat Payton  
361 S. Maple  
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Dues: \$7 per year, \$18 for three years  
Family or Individual