



*The Lily Pad*  
*The Topeka Area Water Garden Society*  
**Published Monthly – February to November**  
*The objective of the society is to encourage a greater appreciation and interest in water gardening and aquatic plants, to disseminate information about those interests and to help our members stimulate the study and culture of water gardens.*

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**TAWGS Minutes 11-14-07**

TAWGS held their November meeting a week early because of Thanksgiving. It began with a delicious potluck meal provided by the members.

President Duane Eberhardt opened the meeting with self introductions. It was good to see both new and old members in attendance. A list for refreshments for 2008 was passed around for members to pick a month for refreshments. There were no additions or corrections to the October minutes as printed in the Lily Pad so they stood approved as printed. Duane then called Floyd Gruver up front where he presented Floyd with an appreciation plaque for his service as vice president for the past two years. In turn, Floyd presented Duane with a railroad cap since Duane has insisted for the last three years that he has been railroaded in to being president. Of course, this would be the time that I didn't have a camera to record these presentations.

Doug Peterman said that he would like to have a committee meeting of those that have volunteered to help with the display at the 2008 Topeka Lawn and Garden Show. They will meet at his house at 7:00 p.m. on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Doug said that he has visited with Jerold Binkley and Jerold has indicated that TBA would be willing to work with TAWGS again on the display. Since the county will not be helping this year we will have a much smaller space, 1/3 to 1/2 the size of last year's display. The theme for the show is "Soar into spring." Thanks to Betty Karnes, who has again agreed to make calls to help line up the volunteers to work during the show.

Don Taliaferro said that Eric and Trina Wood had asked him to convey their sincere thanks for all the support and help that TAWGS members have given them over the years and especially this last month by volunteering to work at the store. They have really appreciated everyone who has helped them during the liquidation sale of Puddles-N-Pads.

Floyd Gruver thanked everyone for their help and support the last two years that he has been vice president. He encouraged everyone to consider holding an office. He said it is a great experience.

Diane Gruver said that she will need someone to take the minutes at the February and March meetings as she will be out of town. Diane said that she is planning to do the newsletter on her laptop while she is gone and needs somebody to e-mail the minutes to her. Duane said that he would find someone to do it since nobody

**Monthly Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., Wed., Feb. 20, 2008**  
**Historic Old Prairie Town**  
 (Formerly Ward Meade Park)  
**Spring Start-up**  
**Deb Spencer – Waters Edge**

volunteered.  
 Treasurer Jim Green reported that we have \$6,877.00 in the checking account and \$1,198.89 in the savings account for a total of \$8,075.89. We still have \$3,271.05 committed to Lake Shawnee that has not been spent. Several dues were paid last month.

Don said that he again had talked to the tennis association about TAWGS building a pondless waterfall at the tennis courts. Bob Saathoff moved and Jim Green seconded that we give the tennis association our commitment that we will build the pond next spring. Motion carried. Floyd Gruver moved and Jim Green seconded that we allow \$1,500 for Don to spend on the supplies. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned for further visiting. The next meeting will be February 20, 2008.

**Refreshments 2008**

February	Duane & Mary Eberhardt
March	Don and Sandy Regier
April	Bill Clark
May	Don Taliaferros and Saathoffs
June	Connie and Allen Ellis
July	Mary and Tom Blubaugh
August	Tom and Pat Routh
September	Floyd & Diane Gruver
October	
November	Potluck

It would be helpful if we could have at least two couples for each month so that it isn't such a burden on one. Also, as you see, we still need volunteers for October. Please call Duane Eberhardt at 785-246-0240 if you can volunteer.

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## Calendar of Events

Feb. 16-18 – Topeka Lawn and Garden Show  
Feb. 20 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
March 19 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
April 16 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
May 21 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
June 14-15 – TBA Garden Tour  
June 18 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
June 28 – 29, 2008 – Topeka Pond Tour  
July 16 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
Aug. 20 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
Sept. 17 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
Oct. 15 – Monthly TAWGS Meeting  
Nov. 19 - Potluck

***If you are able to help Doug Peterman and his committee with the display at the 2008 Topeka Lawn and Garden Show please let him know by calling 785-478-1988. If you can help volunteer a few hours during the show please call Betty Karnes at 785-266-5620.***

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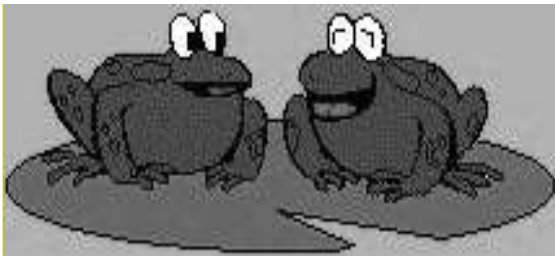
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## **THE TOPEKA AREA WATER GARDEN SOCIETY**

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Diane Gruver Holton	Secretary 785-364-3046
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Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at Old Prairie Town (Ward Meade Park) unless otherwise publicized. Dues are \$15 per single or \$20 per family and can be sent to Jim Green, 5701 SW Arrowhead CT, Topeka, KS 66614.



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