

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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Diane's 2 1/2 cents

I am going to send the newsletter early this month to avoid the postage rate increase January 22. Each time the postage goes up I ask if anyone would be willing to get the newsletter on the website to please let me know so that we can save printing and postage costs. E-mail me at fdgruver@embarqmail.com.

President Don Taliaferro is still looking for someone to chair the 2012 Pond Tour. I know that we have several people who are qualified to do the job and I also know that there are people who are willing to help with the tour. PLEASE STEP FORWARD! We need you!

A committee has been meeting for the display for the Lawn and Garden Show which is February 17 - 19. They need workers to help set up the display Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, February 14 - 16 and people who can man the display Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 17 - 19. Call Don at 785-272-8348 or e-mail him at dontal@swbell.net.

Please note that we are starting our February meeting early (6:30) a week early in February (8). We will also meet a week early in November to avoid Thanksgiving week.

Minutes 11-16-11

Don Taliaferro called our meeting to order. After self introductions we enjoyed a delicious pot luck.

Jim Green reported we have \$2,654.91 in the bank. Jim said the bank we have our money in has changed names and that it will cost \$21.00 for deposit slips. Diane Gruver made a motion to keep our account at the same bank. Don Taliaferro seconded. Motion carried.

Bob Saathoff reported that the lilies have been cleaned out of our pond at Lake Shawnee. Anyone who would like to volunteer to take care of one of the flower beds at the lake next year, please let Bob know.

Jeff & Cindy Whitley recently donated some koi for the pond at V.A.

Don Taliaferro is still looking for chairperson for the Lawn and Garden Show which is the 3rd weekend in February. Also for the Pond Tour. The TBA Tour is 6-23 and 6-24.

Bob Saathoff reported the following nominations

Feb. 1, 2012

Monthly Meeting 6:30 p.m., Wed., Feb.8

Please note change of date and time

Historic Old Prairie Town 124 NW Fillmore

Rita Arnold

"Exciting new perennials for 2012"

for 2012: Don Taliaferro - president; Bob Saathoff - vice president; Amy Thompson - secretary; and Jim Green - treasurer. Diane Gruver made a motion to accept the nominations for officers. Don Regier seconded. Motion carried.

Diane Gruver suggested that our February meeting be the second instead of the third Wednesday so we can meet before the Lawn and Garden Show. Don Taliaferro will see if this is okay. Also, Don said TBA would like to do the Lawn and Garden Show with us like we did last year. Don read a letter from Old Prairie Town that said anyone wanting to come to Old Prairie Town's decorating party on 11-21-11 from 9:00 - 12:00 is welcome.

Bob Saathoff asked if anyone had any ideas for speakers or videos for our meetings next year. Give him a call if you do have.

Tom Routh made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Phil Thompson seconded. Motion carried.

Display for L&G Show discussed

Lee Schick, previously a Horticulturist with the City of Topeka Parks and Recreation Department, will discuss the Plan for the TAWGS and Topeka Beautification Assn. Garden Display at the Kansas Garden Show.

Lee, who is our Garden Display Planning Chairman, will have a larger scale model of the Display Plan and will discuss various Display features along with work opportunities and schedules. Please attend and get an early peek at what is in store for our garden display for 2012.

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Calendar of Events

2012

Feb. 8 Monthly Meeting March 21 Monthly Meeting Monthly Meeting April 18 May 16 Monthly Meeting Monthly Meeting June 20 **TBA Tour** June 23-24 Monthly Meeting July 18 Monthly Meeting Aug. 15 Sept. 19 Monthly Meeting Oct. 17 Monthly Meeting Nov. 14 Potluck and Monthly

Meeting

Your Dues are Due if your label reads Any time in 2011 or 2-12

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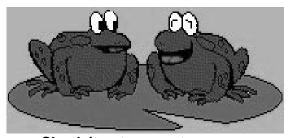
Send dues to Jim Green, 5701 SW Arrowhead CT, Topeka, KS 66614

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2012 OFFICERS:

Don Taliaferro President Topeka 785-272-8348 **Bob Saathoff** Vice President Topeka 785-272-7125 Amy Thompson Secretary Topeka 785-273-7005 Jim Green Treasurer Topeka 785-272-7139

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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The Lily Pad encourages submission of articles pertaining to water gardening from the membership and other interested parties. Deadline is the third weekend of each month. Address input and/or questions to:

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