



## Mid America Regional Lily Society Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2014

The Educational meeting was opened by President Don Kelley about 9:30 A.M. on Saturday, 2/22/14, at Missouri Botanical Gardens' (MBG) Beaumont Room. Ten MARLS members were in attendance.

A Get Well card for Jean and Fred Winterowd was passed among the members as both Winterowds recently had surgery.

The January 11, 2014 Board Meeting minutes taken by Secretary Pro Tem, Lynn Slackman and published on the MARLS web site were approved.

Treasurer Audrey Ringhausen distributed a financial summary to members:

1/11/14 Checking Account Balance		\$3617.74
Money received, 1 membership	\$10.00	
Expenses, web site, Go Daddy	\$49.60	
Checking Account Balance		\$3578.14
Certificate of Deposit		\$4007.56
2/22/14 Balance		\$7585.70

Membership Chairman Kim Peterson reported eleven members have paid 2014 dues. Unpaid members have been reminded.

Spring Bulb Sale Chairman Kim Peterson reported there are three bulb substitutions for the sale. Kim and Lynn will get the on-line list updated. The sale is March 29 & 30 with packing party and set-up Friday March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Show Chairman Bob Snider reported we can begin show set-up Saturday afternoon, 2:00P.M. June 21<sup>st</sup>. Horticulture, design, and photo entries can be accepted at this time. On Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup> entries, judging, public viewing and afternoon

dismantling will take place. There will be one People's Choice award given though people may vote their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place choices. Debra Pratt, assisting Bob, is seeking volunteers for Saturday and Sunday to set-up, run, and tear-down the show. A post show Award Meeting location will be decided later.

MARLS members voted Pat Kelley and Debra Pratt to be Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Don Kelley expressed MARLS' appreciation to outgoing Mary Lou Snider and Audrey Ringhausen for their many years of service. The transfer of authorized financial signatures of MARLS representatives to the current Treasurer Debra Pratt and President Don Kelley will be done in the future.

For today's (2/22/14) educational meeting the public and our members first heard our speaker, Sophia Warsh. Afterward each person was invited to pot and take home one of fifty MARLS Pollyanna Asiatic lilies or one of the other bulbs donated by Bob.

The members agreed proceeds from fall bulb sales have been disappointing. Accordingly we will not have a fall bulb sale. Suggestion for a fall supper meeting received little membership response. Debra Pratt's framed flower photo door prize was won by Kim. The meeting closed at 10:15A.M.

After a short break, and refreshments provided by Marlene Belew, Lynn introduced Sophia Warsh of MBG. Her program title was "MBG Bulb World". In words and illustrations she presented a tempting array from the thousands of growing plants throughout MBG. Very informative! After Sophia's formal presentation, Bob Snider successfully encouraged the general public to join our members' pot a lily group. Concurrently, Sophia Warsh was answering questions and sharing plant information with various MARLS members. Over 60 bulbs were potted and distributed.

Pat Kelley, Secretary