



## Mid America Regional Lily Society

### Minutes of January 14, 2012

News from the Board  
By Mary Lou Snider

#### **Minutes of January 14, 2012 Meeting**

Don Kelley opened the meeting at his and Pat's house, with 11 members present.

Audrey Ringhausen gave a financial report. We had a loss of \$42.57 from the Fall Lily Bulb Sale. We have \$583.17 in checking and \$7,752.82 in C/D'S, for a total of \$8,335.99. There was a discussion about not having enough money in the checking account. With several expenses coming due, Mary Lou Snider made a motion to cash in the smaller C/D., which is for \$2,977.57 and Lynn 2nd it. The board passed the motion.

Lynn Slackman gave a report on the Web-Site. The Site has doubled the visits this year from last year. We had 4,633 visits last year compared to 2,577 in 2010. Outside of the website referrals from major search engines, most referrals to the MARLS website come from MBG. We had visits from all 52 states and 92 countries/territories.

Kim Peterson gave a report on membership. On 11-8-11 we had 39 members. On 4-15-10 we had 44 members. And on 3-13-09 we had 39 members. So it's been pretty consistent.

Bob Snider made a motion to send Carol Bales a Thank You card for all her time and hard work. Carol has resigned from being editor of the Lily Trumpet. We will not have a Lily Trumpet any more. All news and information will be on the Web-Site.

There was a discussion about a different place other than the Garden to have our Lily Show and our Bulb Sales. Debra Pratt will do some checking about price and availability.

Our Educational Program will be Saturday, February 25th. There will be a meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Beaumont Room. Mike Heger, from "Ambergate Gardens" will be the speaker. The title of his talk is "Landscaping with Perennials and Bulbs" We will have a Free Potting Bulbs Lab afterwards. Our theme will be "Go home with a Free Bulb".

Debra and Pam will be co-chairs of the Spring Bulb Sale Saturday, April 21st and Sunday, April 22nd. It was agreed to buy 600 bulbs for the sale. Also, we will put pictures and prices of the bulbs on the Web-Site After much discussion, Pam made a motion to cancel the Lily Show this year. Audrey 2nd it and the Board passed it.

Kim Peterson volunteered to host the Annual Mini Show and Luncheon this year. She will confirm a date soon. We will have a meeting at 11:00 a.m. Bring a dish, lilies and your own vases.

Pam made a motion to give \$25.00 to MBG for a memorial for Shirley Pupillo, Fred 2nd it and it passed. Pam also made a motion and Don 2nd it to give \$200.00 to NALS in memory of Linda K. Smith for their Internet Trust Fund. The board passed the motion.

Pam wants to do a template for each event. So it will be easier for the new person taking over that event.

Debra talked about taking a Bus Tour or Car Caravan to view gardens in the area. More on this later.