

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13th, 2009

AUGUST MEETING

Program: "Annual Nursery Day"

Kemper Center – Missouri Botanical Garden

St. Louis, MO

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

- 1) Meeting called to order at 12:40 P.M. Roll call (via attendance sign-in sheet) (Sandi McDonald)**
- 2) Welcome/Opening Comments (Sandi McDonald)**
- 3) Secretary Report (Lance Dauw)**
 - a. There were no comments reported by the membership regarding the minutes from the July meeting. Members can visit the web site for the minutes from the previous meeting.
 - b. Second Readings of applications for membership (applications available upon request):
 1. Allied: **Starscape Landscape Lighting** (Landscape Lighting/Design), Wildwood, MO (Kat Lampe)
 2. Allied: **Evergreen Seed** (Distributor Wholesale Seed), Stockton, MO
 3. Associate: **Gil Mohesky** (Riechers' Truck Body & Equipment Company), Washington, MO
 4. Active: **Cat's Gardens Nursery** (Retail Garden Center/Wholesale Production Nursery), St. Louis, MO (Catherine Ragland)
 5. Associate: **Dawn Frierdich** (Landscape Designer/Construction Services/Horticultural Consultant/Public Speaker), St. Louis, MO
 6. Honorary: **Illinois Green Industry Association** (Green Industry Association), Springfield, IL
 - c. Membership voted to accept 2nd Reading Applicants as members.
- 6) Treasurer Report (Bill Ruppert) - None**
- 7) Program Committee (Craig Pisarkiewicz) - None**
- 8) Finance and Audit Committee (Sandi McDonald) - None**
- 9) Membership Committee (Craig Pisarkiewicz) - None**
- 10) Scholarship and Education Committee (Jamie Granger)**
 1. Announced the recipient of the 2009 John L. Masek Ornamental Horticulture Scholarship is Amanda Wolfgeher.
 2. Jamie is waiting to hear from the St. Louis Community College if the "Landscaping For Homeowners" class, sanctioned by the Association, will have the enrollment necessary to be taught this Fall.
- 11) Public Relations and Marketing Committee (Bill Ruppert)**
 1. Bill will invite Georganne Nixon, Missouri Governor Jay Nixon's wife, to tour horticultural highlights of the St. Louis area. The proposed tour will represent all aspects of the horticulture field and take place in Mid to Late September.
- 12) Community Enhancement Committee (Sandi McDonald) - None**
- 13) History Committee (Bill Ruppert) - None**

14) Horticulture Co-op Representation Report (Bill Ruppert)

1. The 2009 Hort Co-op Holiday Gathering will be held at the Jewell Box in Forest Park in St. Louis on Monday, December 7th.
2. Nominations for the 2010 Hort Co-op Officers are being taken.

18) New Business - None

19) Industry Events

- a. **The Independent Garden Center Show**
August 18th-20th, Navy Pier, Chicago, IL
- b. **2009 Farwest Show**
August 20th-22nd, Oregon Convention Center, Portland, OR

20) Next Meeting/Program

Monday, September 14th – PROFESSIONAL TOUR. Please visit web site for details of this event. Tour will include walking tours of the grounds at Bellerive Country Club and Triple A Golf Course, as well as lunch at Forest Park.

21) Meeting Adjourned at 1:00 P.M. (Sandi McDonald)