Minutes of Meeting February 2, 2009, 7:00 p.m. Throckmorton Hall, KSU

Social time 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

- 1. President Carla Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a welcome to fellow incoming officers Ernie Minton, Vice President; Steve Thien, Treasurer; and Ruby Zabel, Secretary. Approximately 35 members were in attendance. Carol Bishop, Evelyn Lacey, Faye Yoder and Gayle Walker were welcomed as new members.
- 2. Carla provided an agenda for members but indicated her intent to e-mail future agendas and to provide only a limited number of paper copies at meetings.
- 3. Minutes of the September 28, 2008 Meeting and Fall Banquet were approved by members after a motion and second from Gary McKenzie and Wendy Dunafon.
- 4. Steve Thien provided a Treasurer's Report detailing transactions for the months of December, 2008 and January, 2009. Current balance is \$13,464.35. Members accepted the Treasurer's Report after a motion and second from Jo Lyle and Kent Kimmins.

5. Committee Reports:

Meetings and Programs-- Ernie Minton reported that due to preparations for the July Region 11 meeting, no program will be planned for the June meeting. April's meeting will include numerous plant drawings so there will not be an additional program. Members were encouraged to provide input on possible programs for both the August meeting and the Fall Banquet.

Daylily Bloom Show, Grower's Tour and Buying Trip, and Member Garden Tour are all on hold this year due to hosting the 2009 Region 11 Meeting.

Fall Daylily Show—Irene Johnson, chairman, had nothing to report at this time.

Fall Banquet—Norman Benton has agreed to chair this committee again.

Refreshments—Maureen Thien will chair again. Tonight's refreshments will be provided by Kay Hummels, Carla Bishop, and Maureen Thien. Maureen will provide water and coffee at all meetings.

Membership—Jo Lyle will administer the Courtesy Policy as defined in Article VI of our Bylaws. Mentors—New members seeking FHDS mentors, or members willing to act as mentors, should notify Jo Lyle.

Manhattan Area Garden Show—Ernie Minton reported that it will be held February 28 and March 1 at Pottorf Hall in CiCo Park. FHDS will provide a promotional booth. Members were encouraged to sign up and reminded that their participation would count toward eligibility for the hybridizer program drawings. Carla has promotional materials including AHS brochures, the Daylily Journal (purchased by the club), and Region 11 "Prairie Promenade" 2009 Region 11 bookmarks.

MoKanOk Daylily News—Ruby Zabel submitted an article for the Winter 2008 edition.

Region 11 Meeting—Steve Amy, Chairman, reported that meals for the Region 11 meeting will include a boxed sandwich lunch at the hotel on noon Saturday; chicken Marsala, pot roast, or tortellini Saturday evening; and an "All American" picnic buffet on Sunday with hamburgers and hot dogs. Registration fees for FHDS members will be approximately \$60 to cover meal costs at the hotel. Registration forms will be printed in the Spring 2009 edition of The MoKanOk Daylily News. Ernie Minton will act as Bus Chairman. Based on Wichita's 2008 meeting, with three buses we will need approximately 120 registrations to break even.

February 2, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

All FHDS members were encouraged to sign up and volunteer at the Region 11 Meeting. Steve will email a list of Region 11 Meeting committees after sign up is complete. Members should also notify Steve if their gardens can be advertised as an Open Tour Garden.

6. Old Business:

Member Shirts—Maureen Thien provided pricing and options from GTM for several styles of shirts. After polling member preferences, the majority agreed on a poly/cotton "Performance Mesh" Polo shirt in red with FHDS Manhattan embroidered in white. Orders, with a minimum of 36, must be placed prior to the April meeting. Payment of \$17.25 will be required prior to ordering. Silk screened T-shirts can be ordered at the June meeting.

7. New Business:

Our club's role in the maintenance of the Stoneybrook daylily bed was discussed. This is not a public garden and is the only garden maintained by FHDS club membership. Members were asked if this was something they wanted to continue. Discussion toward a decision was tabled until our April meeting.

Jane Amy raised the question of whether FHDS planned to continue donating Stout Medal Winner daylilies to the KSU gardens. No action taken.

A motion was made and approved at the September 28, 2008 Meeting to increase yearly dues to \$10 per single membership and \$15 per couple/family. Per FHDS Bylaws, Article IV. Amendments, Steve Thien made a motion to revise yearly dues effective February 3, 2009. After a second from Jo Lyle, the motion carried.

A motion was made and approved at the September 28, 2008 Meeting to increase the maximum purchase price for daylily drawings at each meeting from \$200 to \$300. Per FHDS Bylaws, Article IV, Amendments, Steve Thien made a motion to increase this to \$300. After a second from Maureen Thien, the motion carried.

Wendy Dunafon then suggested that this be raised to \$400 because members are reimbursing to the club a portion of that purchase cost. Terry Tabb made such a motion, and Trevor Nekuda seconded it. Members may finalize approval at the next regular meeting.

Julie Lea made a motion that FHDS provide a \$30 contribution to AHS in memory of long-time member Caryl Jones and after a second from Steve Amy, members approved.

8. Program:

Ernie Minton provided an introduction for Chris Parsons, a local hybridizer and fellow FHDS member. His Power Point program showcased his hybridizing efforts—lots of UFOs, large blooms, green throats. Well done Chris! Thank you!

9. Drawings:

Steve Thien distributed tickets and conducted the daylily drawing.

10. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Zabel, Secretary Flint Hills Daylily Society

Minutes of Meeting April 20, 2009, 7:00 p.m. Throckmorton Hall, KSU

Social time 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

- 1. President Carla Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Approximately 48 members were in attendance. New members Carol Bishop, Alia Collingwood, Stu Warren and Judy Willingham were introduced. Welcome!
- 2. Minutes of the February 2, 2009 Meeting were approved after a motion and second from Julie Lea and Jim Morrison.
- 3. The Treasurer's Report was overviewed by Treasurer Steve Thien. The bulk of expenditure items, \$1625, was for Auction Plants for 2009 Regional Meeting. Current balance is \$10,911.99. Members accepted the Treasurer's Report after a motion and second from Steve Thien and Jim Morrison.

4. Committee Reports:

Meetings and Programs—Ernie Minton reported that there would be no formal program in June, as 2009 Regional Meeting approaches. He has made a preliminary contact to a regional hybridizer regarding our August meeting.

Daylily Bloom Show, Grower's Tour and Buying Trip, and Member Garden Tour are all on hold this year due to FHDS hosting the 2009 Region 11 Meeting.

FHDS Farmers Market Sale—Rick and Irene Johnson. Date will be set with consideration of when the Topeka Daylily Sale is being held as well as KSU Football home games.

Publicity—Pat Freeman asked for a rundown of what her duties were as Publicity Chairman.

Fall Banquet—Norma Benton reported that our Fall Banquet will be held Sunday, September 27 (tentatively from 4-7 p.m.) at the Presbyterian Church, 8th and Leavenworth. There will be a potluck meal in Fisher Hall and the traditional daylily drawings.

Refreshments—Maureen Thien thanked Julie Lea, Chris Parsons, and Jeanette Schuler for providing the evening's refreshments.

Stoneybrook Daylily Bed—(see Old Business)

Membership & Mentor—Jo Lyle has a list of members who have agreed to serve as mentors to new or inexperienced daylily growers. Let Jo know if you are interested. She also reminded us to notify her when Get Well cards, etc. should be sent to FHDS members.

Manhattan Area Garden Show—Ernie Minton reported that attendance was up at this year's weekend event, with nearly 1800 visitors. FHDS gained two new members—Alia Collingwood and Judy Willingham, at the Garden Show.

Media Specialist-Librarian—See Marian Quinlan for available media.

2009 Regional Meeting—Steve Amy, Chairman. (See Old Business) Reporter (MoKanOK)-- Ruby Zabel, Spring issue arrived in the mail today.

5. New Business:

AHS National Convention-- will be held in May 20-24 in Florida. Check The AHS Daylily Journal for details or go to www.daylilies.org

MoKanOk-- Julie Lea made a motion that FHDS send \$300 to MoKanOk for publication costs. After a second from Gary McKenzie, members approved. Chris Parsons also suggested that members might e-mail their compliments of the MoKanOk publication to the new editors Harry and Sharron Gregory—well done!

Refreshments—Lois Morrison and Jo Lyle will provide refreshments at the June 1, 2009 meeting.

6. Old Business:

Stoneybrook-- President Carla Bishop has contacted Stoneybrook and has plans to work on cleaning the daylily bed tomorrow. Mardi Finn volunteered to continue maintenance as she has in past years. The Stoneybrook daylily bed was designed by Tom Hittle and is a memorial to Leon Delmez, founder of the FHDS Society.

FHDS Shirts—Forty-one shirts, for 2009 Region 11 Meeting, were ordered by members. Individual shirts can still be purchased through GTM. Thank you Maureen for coordinating this effort!

Stout Medal Winners to KSU Gardens-- Jane Amy inquired about continued placement of Stout Medal Winners in the KSU Gardens for public viewing. Recent years should include 2006 Ed Brown, 2007 Lavender Blue Baby, and 2008 All American Chief. Steve Amy made a motion to continue this tradition; Jo Lyle seconded. Members approved. Stu Warren will find out if this is acceptable with KSU.

August FHDS—Scott McElwain, Director of KSU Gardens, was suggested as a possible program for August.

Daylily Drawings—Bylaws change will increase daylily drawing purchases from \$300 to \$400 beginning in 2010, since plants have already been purchased for 2009. Steve Thien noted that typically these purchases have been worth almost double resale price because of the generosity of the hybridizers.

Leon Delmez Memorial Daylily—Members who have extra fans of this daylily are encouraged to bring them to our Fall Banquet so they can be shared with all new members.

Yearbook Committee—Tabled.

Announcements-- Included activity and meeting dates for several local clubs (Audubon, Wichita Daylily, Salina Daylily, Topeka Daylily, Town & Country Garden) as well as the KSU Gardens Iris sale to be held July 25th.

Page 3
Flint Hills Daylily Society
April 20, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Regional Meeting-- Steve Amy solicited all members; there will be jobs for each and every member at the Region 11 Meeting. We will need people to deadhead in the gardens; provide homemade cookies, breads, fruits and veggies; and man the hospitality room, etc. Sue Sauvin will circulate a signup sheet for 'goodies'.

Ernie Minton, Bus Chair—Anticipates use of 3 buses (to accommodate 120). A preliminary agreement has been made with Arrow Stage Line in Kansas City. There is the possibility of "sharing" a bus from St. Louis or from Oklahoma. Several slots are still open for Bus Captains.

Registration forms for Region 11 Meeting are printed in the MoKanOk Daylily publication. Registration cost is \$105, but FHDS members get a reduced rate of \$55 (if they are a club member by April 2009 and if they have signed up and work at the Region 11 Meeting).

Membership dollars and the online daylily auction are the main income support for the MoKanOk publication which costs about \$12,000 per year (\$4000 x 3 times).

The benefits of joining AHS were overviewed. The \$25 membership to AHS provides a \$25 voucher toward daylily purchases from vendors to new members or members upgrading their membership, as well as four issues of the AHS "The Daylily Journal".

Topeka Daylily Club has donated \$400 toward 2009 Regional Meeting expenses. It was noted that the garden of Frank Schmeidler and Ralph Diaz will be a 2009 Region 11 tour garden instead of Mardi Finn's garden.

Marian Quinlan has secured registration bags from Wal-Mart. Bags will include Chamber of Commerce information packets as well as other goodies. Marian Quinlan is still collecting 'items'.

7. Announcements:

Our next meeting will be June 1, 2009 in Throckmorton Hall, Room 2002. Social time 6:30 to 7:00; meeting at 7:00 p.m.

(Steve Thien) Dues must be paid prior to tonight's daylily drawing!

8. Drawings:

After a 15 minute break for refreshments, Steve Thien distributed tickets and conducted the Club Participation, the Hybridizer, and "returned" daylily drawings. A big thank you Steve, for a lot of work!

9. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Zabel, Secretary Flint Hills Daylily Society

Minutes of Meeting June 1, 2009, 7:00 p.m. Throckmorton Hall, KSU

Social time 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

- 1. President Carla Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Approximately 40 members were in attendance. New members Carol Bishop, Faye Yoder and Gayla Walker were recognized in attendance.
- 2. Minutes of the April 20, 2009 Meeting were approved after a motion and second from Jim Morrison and Jo Lyle.
- 3. The Treasurer's Report was overviewed by Treasurer Steve Thien. Members accepted the Treasurer's Report after a motion and second from Steve Thien and Jim Morrison.

4. Committee Reports:

Meetings and Programs—Ernie Minton reported that Scott McElwain, Director of KSU Gardens is a tentative speaker for our August program and Robin Calderon, Earlybird Daylilies, Garden City, for our September Banquet program.

Daylily Bloom Show, Grower's Tour and Buying Trip, and Member Garden Tour are all on hold this year due to FHDS hosting the 2009 Region 11 Meeting.

FHDS Farmers Market Sale—Rick and Irene Johnson. August 22 is the date, with the traditional Friday potluck preceding.

Publicity—Pat Freeman. No report.

Fall Banquet—Norma Benton confirmed that our Fall Banquet will be held Sunday, September 27 (tentatively from 4-7 p.m.) at the Presbyterian Church, 8th and Leavenworth. There will be a potluck meal in Fisher Hall and the traditional daylily drawings.

Refreshments—Maureen Thien thanked Marian Quinlan, Duane & Norma Benton, Jo Lyle, and Jim & Lois Morrison for providing the evening's refreshments.

Stoneybrook Daylily Bed—Thank you Mardi Finn for your continued care of this Bed! A suggestion was made that we consider replacing some of the plants with others, perhaps plants from the Farmers Market Sale.

Membership & Mentor—Jo Lyle reminded us to notify her when Get Well cards, etc. should be sent to FHDS members. Bobbie Kromm asked that members keep Sue Sauvain close in thought as she will begin chemo treatments soon.

Manhattan Area Garden Show—Ernie Minton. No report.

Media Specialist-Librarian—Marian Quinlan. The label-maker has been returned. 2009 Regional Meeting Chair—Steve Amy. (See New Business)

Reporter (MoKanOk)—Ruby Zabel. No report.

5. Old Business:

KSU Gardens & Stout Medal Winners—Traditionally the FHDS has provided Stout Medal Winner plants to the KSU Gardens, but we have several years of catching-up to do. Amy's, Johnson's and Thien's will provide plants if possible.

Yearbook Committee—No discussion.

Page 2 Flint Hills Daylily Society June 1, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

FHDS Shirts—Shirts can still be purchased through GTM. Irene Johnson solicited orders for cotton t-shirts from Ballards. If interested, e-mail size(s) to Irene.

6. New Business:

Garden Judge Ballot. Discussion.

CobraHead Tool. Promo offered as club moneymaker. No action.

2009 Regional Meeting. Steve Amy reported that Registrar Jane Amy currently had 31 registrants from Missouri, 2 from Oklahoma, but only 9 from FHDS. Working members can still register at half-price (\$55) which includes Saturday lunch and dinner, and Sunday lunch as well as bus transportation to the gardens.

Coleen Hampton and Kay Hummel will co-chair the Hospitality Room duties.

Open Gardens will include Tom Hittle and Jackie Rawlings, Wendy Dunafon; Jim and Nancy Parker, and Marian Quinlan. Ruby Zabel asked that her garden be removed from the list.

Refreshments—Bobbie Kromm thanked members who signed up to bring cookies and bread. Freezer space is available at Bobbie's (2825 Virginia Drive) on Thursday, at Colleen Hampton's (917 Pierre) anytime before that, and at Maureen Thien's (3400 Windsor Court).

Bus Captains-- Ernie Minton still needs two bus captains.

Speaker John Shooter—Sue Brown will chauffer our speaker to and from the KC airport.

Boutique—Robin Calderon will have numerous plants available for purchase. Bidding at the Silent Auction will be by Registration Number.

Registration Packets-- Will include a preliminary schedule of events, Clarion Hotel maps, Friday's Auction list of plants, and maps to Open Gardens and to local garden centers.

Daylily Awards—Pinwheels will designate cultivars eligible for The Mavis (best clump) Award; Blue Flags will designate cultivars eligible for Region 11 Hybridizer Award, with the Oscie Whatley seedling patch at Schmidt's Garden.

Bus Rules—Everyone should remain on the bus until the Garden Host/Hostess boards the bus and welcomes visitors.

Decorations—Jeanette Schuler asked members to bring daylily scapes Sunday morning for banquet table decorations.

7. Refreshments, then Announcements:

Our next meeting will be August 3, 2009 in Throckmorton Hall, Room 2002. Social time 6:30 to 7:00; meeting at 7:00 p.m.

8. The meeting adjourned following DAYLILY DRAWINGS.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Zabel, Secretary Flint Hills Daylily Society

Minutes of Meeting August 3, 2009, 7:00 p.m. Throckmorton Hall, KSU

Social time 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

- 1. President Carla Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Approximately 25 members were in attendance. Carol Bishop introduced Karen Trail from Axtell as a guest.
- 2. Minutes of the June 1, 2009 Meeting were approved after a motion and second from Marian Quinlan and Kent Kimmins.
- 3. The Treasurer's Report was overviewed by Treasurer Steve Thien. Checkbook balance is currently \$14,579.24. Our AHS Region 11 Conference had 164 registrants and garnered a profit of \$475.21. Members accepted the Treasurer's Report after a motion and second from Steve Amy and Ann Redmon.
- 4. Ernie Minton, Vice President, introduced Scott McElwain, Director, K-State Gardens and presenter of the evening's program. Mr. McElwain provided information relative to the history of the Gardens, recent renovations, and a \$62 million fundraising campaign planned for future expansion and enhancements to the Gardens.
- 5. Refreshments—8:00 to 8:15.

6. Committee Reports:

FHDS Farmers Market Sale—Irene Johnson, co-chair, overviewed the event and distributed digging, cleaning and tagging guidelines and an informational 1,2,3 (dig, potluck, sale) flyer. Help with digging can be arranged by calling Irene. Gary McKenzie solicited help with digging at Sue Sauvain's. Julie Lea and Chris Parsons will publish the event locally.

Annual Banquet—NOTE: Change of date to Sunday, October 4, 4-7:00 p.m. Will be held at the Presbyterian Church, 8th and Leavenworth, in Fisher Hall. Robin Calderon, Earlybird Daylilies at Garden City, will be the guest speaker. Members can bring and exchange a daylily.

Refreshments—Maureen Thien thanked Ann Redmon, Bernie Schmidt, Bobbie Kromm and Colleen Hampton for providing the evening's refreshments.

Membership & Mentor—Karen (John) Trail has joined FHDS. Her contact information is P.O. Box 14, Axtell, KS 66403.

7. Old Business:

Steve Amy expressed his sincere THANKS! to everyone who helped make the 2009 AHS Region 11 Conference a huge success. Carla Bishop presented Steve with a card and gift of appreciation from FHDS for his leadership as Chairman.

Mention was made of forming a Yearbook Committee. No discussion or action.

8. New Business:

Publication costs of the Region 11 MoKanOk Daylily Journal are supported by plant donations to the Internet Daylily Exchange Auction. This Auction is the largest money-maker for Region 11, and typically starts mid-July and runs 6-8 weeks. The Auction at Winter Gathering also provides another funding source. Steve Amy reported that additional funding support will be needed should we continue publication of the Journal three times yearly. This may mean alternative promotions of the Auction, or perhaps local funding sources.

Carla Bishop suggested that an FHDS informational and membership brochure might be something to consider. Distribution could be, perhaps, through the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce, Manhattan Area Garden Show booth, and FHDS Farmers Market Sale.

Steve Thien distributed a Daylily Clump Sale flyer. Steve and Maureen will offer entire clumps for sale on August 15th as they are down-sizing.

Maureen Thien offered to sell one last Men's Large FHDS shirt for \$8.00. Sold! Gary McKenzie reported that he had an offer from a daylily grower in Michigan to ship plants to our club for resale. It was a general consensus that we should decline the offer as our Region 11 Tour Gardens will be reducing their clump sizes and inventory considerably now that the Region 11 Tour is over. Many of those plants will go to the Farmers Market Sale. A suggestion was made that they be shipped to the new Bluestem Daylily Society in Salina.

The question was then raised as to the fate of any leftover sale plants. Irene Johnson said they would/could be taken to the Wednesday Farmers Market at CiCo Park but that any leftovers from that would be composted.

9. Daylily Drawings:

After a reminder from Steve Thien that we all need to get our Fall Banquet donation plant potted up soon, the drawings began. Even with a current year budget of only \$200 per meeting for drawing plants, the value of the plants for the evening's drawings were almost \$1,000. Thank you hybridizers (and thank you Steve)! Next year our daylily drawing budget, per meeting, will increase to \$400.

10. The meeting adjourned following Daylily Drawings, approximately 9:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Zabel, Secretary Flint Hills Daylily Society

Minutes of Meeting October 4, 2009, 4:00 p.m. Fisher Hall, Presbyterian Church

- 1. President Carla Bishop called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. following a pot luck meal with approximately 25 members in attendance.
- 2. Ernie Minton, Vice President, introduced Robin Calderon as the evening's guest speaker.

Robin, owner of Earlybird Daylilies and Iris, an AHS Display Garden in Garden City, Kansas, says her first real introduction to daylilies was in 1992 when she attended a National AHS tour with a friend. She has since acquired over 1900 varieties. One collection particularly special to her includes nearly 70 of hybridizer Frank Kropf's daylilies—Robin believes Frank to be the "king of layered doubles" and plans to introduce several of Kropf's seedlings within the next few years. Robin says "you come for the daylilies and stay for the people". How true!

- 3. New member Judy Mayberry was introduced.
- 4. It was noted that honorary member Glenna Clarke would like a 2010 FHDS Yearbook.
- 5. Bobbie Kromm reported that funeral services for FHDS member Sue Sauvain will be held Tuesday, October 6, 10:30 a.m. at the Glasco Christian Church. FHDS By-Laws specify a \$30 Memorial contribution as well as a \$30 AHS contribution in the event of the death of a FHDS member. Irene Johnson made a motion to initiate both contributions and, after a second from Ann Redmon, members approved.
- 6. Minutes of the August 3, 2009 minutes were approved.
- 7. Treasurer Steve Thien reported a current balance of \$20,008.71. Ernie Minton made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and, after a second from Marian Quinlan, members approved.
- 8. Irene Johnson, Co-Chair of the Farmers' Market Sale, extended her thanks to members for their support in digging, washing, tagging and selling daylilies at our annual money-maker. In spite of the current economy, sales exceeded \$5,000.
- 9. Carla Bishop, outgoing President, thanked officers and committee chairpersons for their part in a successful year. A thank-you card was also read from Steve Amy for the club's recognition of his role as 2009 Region 11 Summer Meeting Chairman.

Minutes of Meeting October 4, 2009, 4:00 p.m. Fisher Hall, Presbyterian Church

- 10. Publications available for pick-up: Bob Scott catalogs and Region 11 Program Books.
- 11. Following the meeting, Treasurer Steve Thien will collect pre-orders from members for 2010 Eurekas. Cost will be \$35 payable to FHDS, with a club order to be sent to the Topeka Daylily Society. Steve will also collect FHDS dues for 2010.
- 12. End-of-year business included election of FHDS officers for next calendar year. First Carla Bishop thanked fellow committee members Maureen Thien and Jane Amy for helping put together a Slate of Officers. There being no additional nominations from the floor, Jo Lyle made a motion to elect the slate of officers by acclamation. Chris Renner seconded the motion and members approved. FHDS 2010 Officers: Ernie Minton, President; Frank Schmeidler, Vice-President; Ruby Zabel, Secretary; and Irene Johnson, Treasurer.
- 13. Steve Thien suggested that, in light of the fact that the current Treasury balance exceeds \$20,000, the evening's daylily drawings be FREE to attending members. Jo Lyle made such a motion and, after a second from Jim Parker, members approved.
- 14. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. following Daylily Drawings and the traditional Daylily Exchange.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Zabel, Secretary Flint Hills Daylily Society