

Hosta Horizons

Newsletter of the

Russ O'Hara Hosta Society

October 9, 2022

Fall Hosta Meeting

Leonard Good Community Center 513 W. Walnut Street

Ogden, Iowa 50212

Noon set up eat, at 12:30 pm



Access the ROHS website at
www.rohs.org

The Russ O'Hara Hosta Society is an educational society open to all those interested in the genus Hosta. It's purpose is to promote the growing and enjoyment of Hostas. Including their use in landscape design, the cultivation and development of new cultivars. The goals of the society shall be in keeping with those of the American Hosta Society.

Hello Everyone,

Hope your summer has been enjoyable; your gardens have lots less weeds than mine; there was an escape for adventure this summer. My Hosta survived the heat better than I did.

We will be meeting at the Leonard Good Community Center 513 W. Walnut Street Ogden, Iowa 50212 on October 9th. Exit Hwy 30th on the west side of Ogden at County E 51 Rd. Take the north turn at the break in divide (from west turn left or from east turn right) and the center is a modern brown building on the right. (map p2)

We will be meeting in upper level, so use front door. I will open the building about 11 am because chairs and tables need to be setup. Any strong individuals to assist would be welcome.

Our 2023 Hosta Convention Committee as well as other members traveled to Minnesota and returned with better understanding and supplies to assist us with assurance that 2023 Iowa Hosta Convention has a future of success. We hope to share some ways, the 2022 Minnesota Hosta Convention provided Hosta information, entertainment, and renewing friendships at the fall meeting.

Iowa Arboretum had the Hosta House Reopening on September 23, 2022, from 1pm to 4pm. The Hosta House was damaged in the 2020 derecho storm when two trees were uprooted and fell. The program included some history by verbal recall and original plans to view that added interest to celebrating the new beginnings.

Hope you can join us for the potluck. Gather at Noon and eat at 12:30. Dan Boelman will present a program on Poison Ivy. I hear this plant has joined some HOSTA areas in some gardens.

Peggy Moody, President

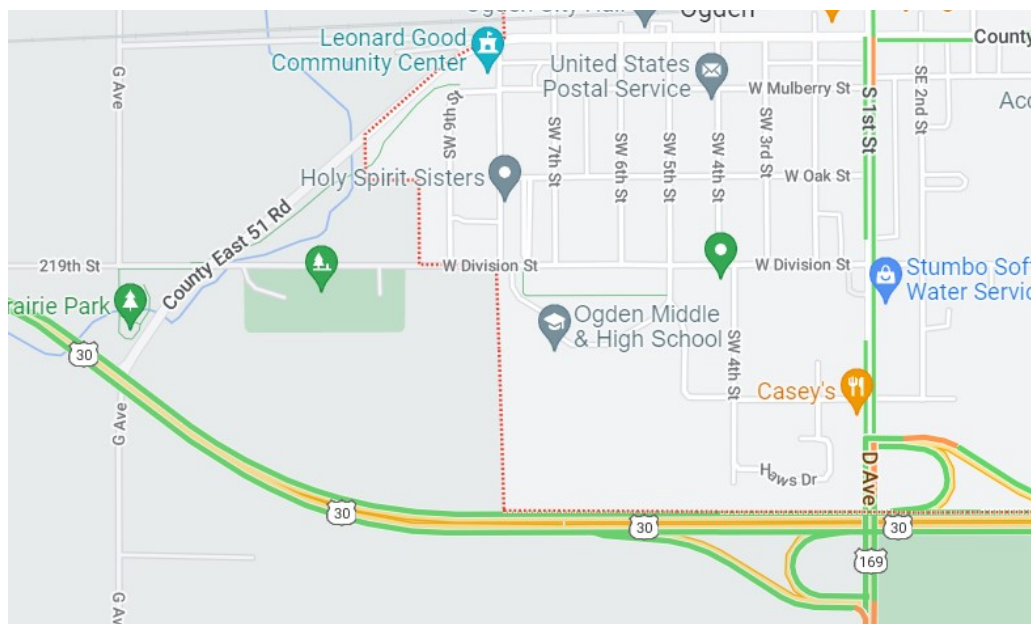
GUEST SPEAKER - Dan Boelman - "Poison Ivy Management & Eradication"

Dan Boelman, RN, BSN is our guest speaker scheduled to present a very interesting, informative, and entertaining session at 2pm that will not leave you itching to know more about this horticultural and landscaping foe. You will learn almost everything there is to know about poison ivy! Dan brings 12 years of experience working with poison ivy, studying the ecology of poison ivy in landscapes, and his extensive experience in prevention and treatment of poison ivy rash. You'll learn about the different types of poison ivy, distinguish between other toxic plants often confused with poison ivy, how to prevent exposure, how to manage exposure to the toxin oil and reduce or eliminate rash reactions, and eradication of poison ivy plants. He will bring Zanfel samples for attendees and discuss his work with that Des Moines-based company. He is the owner and chief eradication technician of the only Iowa-licensed poison ivy eradication business, "Iowa Poison Ivy Removal" which provides services primarily to central Iowa, but also is available statewide.

2022 SUMMER TOUR AND AUCTION SUMMARY

Two, (19), 31, 3, 3, 90, 0, 1, 1144, 67, 9, 115, 2, 10, 3, 1, 2, 7, and 1 are the numerical references to the 6/26/2022 Summer Garden Tour, Lunch, and Auction event. After TWO years of covid-(19) interference, it was wonderful to have the experience of hosta garden tours, catered lunch, and an interesting auction of various hosta, companion plants, and a garden art object. THIRTY ONE people registered at the event, including THREE guests, who toured THREE wonderful gardens. Thanks to Dean Koob & Ken Outzen, Kris & Tom Jurik, and Dyke & Cindy Hicks for all of their work in preparing their splendid and varied gardens for us to enjoy on a beautiful day that hit 90 degrees with ZERO precipitation. Thanks to Gary Garles, the ONE auctioneer, and his assistants in conducting the auction which resulted in \$1144 gross receipts from 67 plants and garden art items. Thanks also to the NINE donors (Gary Garles & Nancy Wells, Lisa Swanson, David & Peggy Moody, Donna Miller, Frank & Ellen Glasgow, Kat & Gary Hoard, Don Draper, David Dettmann, and the Pocket Garden hosta recovery team) and 23 bidders! Gary Garles/Nancy Wells donation of 'H. Roderick' yielded the top auction bid amount of \$115. Thanks to the TWO people who donated above their purchase prices, adding \$10 to the auction total. It was great to have THREE new members and ONE renewal of membership occur at the event as well. Welcome to NEW members Dyke & Cindy Hicks of Ames (one of the 2022 garden tour hosts), Sara Davis of Des Moines, and Jill Tobin of Des Moines! Much appreciation to the hospitality team of TWO people: Donna Miller (who did all of the catering arrangements) and Lisa Swanson for their usual splendid job of refreshments, etc. "Watcha Smokin?" BBQ catering had only about a SEVEN mile drive to the Iowa Arboretum, and did ONE fine job. Amazing that a BBQ place can create a vegetarian option of burnt sweet potato ends! While the numerical references likely won't produce a lottery windfall, it was a winning 2022 ROHS garden tour and auction! Thanks to everyone involved, and apologies to anybody I forgot to mention.

Submitted by David Dettmann, Treasurer



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ROHS Spring Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2022

Business Meeting

Gathering at the Iowa Arboretum , President Peggy Moody called the meeting to order at 1:13 p.m.

All present introduced themselves, where from and something about gardening at their house.

Kris Jurik spoke of lifetime, current and charter membership.

Officers Reports

Hospitality – No report

Secretary – Minutes of the October 10, 2021, meeting were published in the newsletter and on the website. Motion to approve the minutes as published was made by David Moody and seconded by Ken Outzen. All ayes.

Treasurer – David Dettmann reported a current balance of which is not for publication.

Membership report 46 current, 5 renewals, 1 new member, active members are 53.

Get well card sent to Audra Wilson.

2021 expenses

Iowa Arboretum \$75.00

Deratio \$250.00

Meetings expense (2) \$100.00 each

Newsletter \$91.20 and \$93.86

Web sit hosting maintenance \$220.00

Liability insurance \$267.00

Ted Davidson scholarship \$250.00

2021 income

Interest earned \$15.88

Membership renewals \$280.00

Old Business

We still need a Vice President.

Election of officers at fall meeting.

Dorothy Lewis spoke of ROHS cards and brochures and passed out to members for review.

Don Draper spoke of convention and gardens for tour, and spoke of Hosta beds at Iowa Arboretum.

ROHS summer tour and auction scheduled for June 26.

President Moody spoke with Josh Spece as web master for ROHS and she will contact Josh again to check if he requires assistance.

New Business

Kris Jurik discussed convention at Gateway Hotel in Ames. Also discussion of musician cost of \$500.00

Motion made by Donna Miller for ROHS to donate \$500.00 for musician, seconded by Nancy Wells, motion passed. Check to be made payable to American Hosta Society.

Donald Lewis spoke of summer tour and auction at Iowa Arboretum on June 26.

Dorothy Lewis suggested our club go back to programs and speakers at each meeting.

National convention update by Don Draper stating many outstanding speakers scheduled (Don has the list).

Next meeting scheduled for October 9, 2022, with location open.

Speaker

No speaker scheduled.

President Moody adjourned the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Marilyn P. Gliem

Secretary