

Daylily Club Minutes January 31, 2026

12p.m - 3:00p.m. at the Schoenbaum home.

Present: Missy Schoenbaum, Elaine Spencer, Dave Bowden, Ellie Dvorak, Holly Gordon, Curt Snowden and Dolores Furman, Jonathan and Susie Poulton, Jon Weiss, Deb Browne, Suzanne Thomas, Cathy Chiavetta

Members who brought guests: Missy (Bonnie), Ellie (Gina) and Holly (Chelsea) will all receive a daylily from Dave.

Susie called the meeting to order after we all enjoyed a scrumptious potluck meal. Thank you, Missy, for hosting.

Minutes from November 15, 2025 were approved following a motion by Holly, seconded by Missy.

Treasurer's Report

Our current balance is \$4,888.39

We awarded Jonathan \$160 for his photo contest winnings. We reimbursed Cathy \$60 for cash prizes to the other winners.

We reimbursed Susie Poulton \$212.75 for the website fee to GoDaddy. We need to discuss the value of website expenditures before next year's payment is made in October.

Old Business

2025 Recap. Susie noted our 2025 accomplishments including: the addition of new members, Ellie Dvorak and Jon Weiss, the display garden was maintained and looked great, a new sign was added to the display garden, tours of member gardens, visit from Region 9 director Dwayne Booth, plant swap, and the inaugural photo contest.

By-laws. Holly motioned and Elaine seconded that the by-laws be approved as written in the attachment to the meeting without a second reading. A line can be added later by amendment to say that officers may be removed by $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of membership. Motion passed.

Digital updates. Holly has been tracking traffic on our website. Everyone is encouraged to subscribe. Jonathan reported the old facebook page has been purged. The new one has 36 members. Jonathan is always adding photos and encourages everyone to submit photos for consideration.

New Business

A Tentative 2026 Calendar was presented by Susie.

January 31 12:00 p.m. Winter Potluck and business meeting at Missy's house.

February 28 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Educational presentation - "*Photographing Flowers*" (pending confirmation) and business meeting at Loveland Fire Station #6 - 4325 McWhinney Blvd, Loveland

March 7 "Daylilies- A Worthy Addition to Your Perennial Garden" presented by Jonathan Poulton 2:00 p.m. Berthoud Library, open to the public. Volunteers needed.

March 21 10:00 a.m. Educational Presentation – "*Pests and Diseases in the Perennial Garden*" by Alison O'Connor, Professor of Horticulture, CSU Extension and a business meeting.

April 11 or 12 Spring clean-up of GOSC daylily bed – volunteers needed. Need to do clean-up early to minimize leaf streak spore dispersal. Should we divide plants at this time?

April 18 Possible Educational presentation (*Plant Select*) and business meeting.
Early May Possible Divide and sell daylily divisions at Farmer's Market.
June 14 (some time in the week of June 14) Possible Club Field trip. Wyoming was suggested.
Mid-June to Mid-August Deadheading at GOSC – volunteers needed.
July 11 Member Garden Tours. Possible Flower Show at the public library.
August 29 Plant Exchange – Poulton's home
Late August Divide plants at GOSC and sell at Farmer's Market.
September 26 Possible Educational presentation and business meeting
September/October Fall clean-up of GOSC daylily bed - volunteers will be needed
October 17 Hybridizers' Forum and business meeting, at a public library meeting room
November 21 Photo Contest at a public library meeting room or other public venue

Visibility

Susie shared ideas from Cherri Robb about increasing club visibility and proposed a goal of 8-10 new members. Selling daylilies at the Gardens on Spring Creek spring sale and at farmers market was discussed. The goals would be visibility, attracting new members, and revenue. The general consensus was that August would be the best time to sell bare root daylilies. A computer and or a display board with the daylilies in bloom would help buyers decide. We may want to staff an information booth at the Gardens spring sale, if allowed.

Other ideas included asking the Gardens if our display garden could be included in a tour, having a flower show and adding daylilies to the CSU Trial Gardens.

Jon Weiss reported on his discussion with Chad Miller of the CSU Trial Gardens about planting daylilies there. The club would buy, plant and maintain the daylilies and signage. The impact of having a new garden to take care of should be considered. CSU would run drip and supply the water. Jon, Susie and Jonathan will meet with Chad in February to discuss further. If we decide to do this, criteria for deciding which varieties to plant should include price and availability from the perspective of the garden visitor. Walters Gardens (wholesale) and Oakes were suggested as good places to check for availability to garden centers and online to consumers. Suzanne and Dave noted that broken color might be the next trend in hybridization.

Door prizes were distributed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m. following a motion by Holly seconded by Missy.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Chiavetta