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A Letter from our Director

by Martha Seaman

Recently, some of us have returned from the 2000 AHS Convention in Philadelphia and the Region Two 2000 Annual Meeting in Chicago. Both of these were wonderful meetings—beautiful gardens, which would be difficult to see at other times—interesting speakers, fascinating workshops, and, best of all, the renewal of old friendships. You see many of the same people at these yearly meetings and, I suspect, it’s because once you’ve attended one, it becomes something you want to do again. Those of us who are in the habit of going to these annual events, eagerly look forward to them. I’m surprised that more AHS members don’t take advantage of these “mini vacations.” They are easy to fit into a busy schedule since they are mostly on weekends; they are relatively inexpensive, considering what you receive; and they give pleasure that lasts all year. If you haven’t tried one of these annual AHS meetings, you’re missing something very special!

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Martha Seaman

Looking ahead at the National Convention Calendar

2004 .......... The Greater St. Louis Hemerocallis Society, St. Louis, MO ....................... June 30-July 3 ............... 2004

AHS Daylily Dictionary is On-line

by AHS Publications Committee Chair
Melanie Mason

AHS is proud to introduce a new chapter to its already wonderful web site, the new DAYLILY DICTIONARY. If you have access to the internet, do yourself a favor and pull up the AHS web site, http://www.daylilies.org.

On the right side, you’ll find written in red, “New Feature: Daylily Dictionary.” Clicking on those words in red color opens the forward link to the dictionary. Then, click on the words “Go to Terms Page” in the black bar at the top. Here’s a list of all those odd-ball words that daylily fanatics exchange in elevators at conventions and in the back seat on the way to meetings that you may have been too shy to ask about. The Dictionary offers entries from “Alkaloid” to “Zygote,” and it works much like consulting an encyclopedia, showing drawings or images to illustrate the meaning of the selected term. Within the text pages, embedded links may lead the reader to other terms or associated articles.

Perhaps you’d heard “tarnished plant bug” being bandied about as a possible cause of Spring Sickness; perhaps you’d heard someone discussing the veining of a particular flower, or perhaps you just wondered about the difference between... (continued on page 30)
I t is hard to believe that the year 2000 is almost over – in terms of gardening. We were very thankful for the abundance of rain we received in our area in May, followed by an adequate rain in June.

At one point it felt as though we would be as much as three weeks ahead of our normal peak bloom season, but things quieted down and, at best, we ended up about one week ahead of schedule.

The most interesting weather related item was that we never hit 90 degrees in West Michigan, not even in August when things can get very warm and humid leaving us all running to our air-conditioned homes and cars.

As I reflect over the last four years of serving the AHS and the Region Two membership, I wish to express my deepest gratitude to all of you who donated plants for, and purchased plants at our auctions keeping our Region Two treasury in a healthy financial condition. Our goal of having adequate funding that would carry us into 2002, a time during which we would not have the usual meeting/auction for the purpose of raising funds to publish the newsletter, has been met.

Then, there are those who gave their time and energy to carry out our AHS Region Two mandates: The annual summer meeting hosts (Ohio Daylily Society, Grand Valley Daylily Society, Metropolitan Daylily Society, and the Chicagoland Daylily Society), exhibition clinics (Lu and Orville Dickhaut and Richard Ford), and garden judges workshops (Phyllis Cantini). With the assistance from those volunteers, we were treated to great garden tours and an increase of 9 AHS members who gained exhibition judge status and some 40 Students in Training, of whom some will reach exhibition judge status in 2001. Our region made a net gain of 28 garden judges with the possibility of 10 more new garden judge applicants by the December 1, 2000, deadline.

Our Region Two membership numbers grew from mailing the newsletter to 1,043 households in the spring of 1997 to 1,478 households as of September 2000. We also experienced a gain of 7 new clubs within the region.

Our daylily ambassadors, Region Two AHS Display Gardens, increased by 20.

All of this is a result of you, the volunteers, who gave of your time and effort. THANK YOU on behalf of everyone in the region.

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A special Thank You to those board members who have served countless hours keeping the region’s books (Gene Dewey 1997/2000), region records (Virginia Myers 1999/2000), publishing a newsletter (Gisela Meckstroth 1999/2000), and our publicity director (Ed Myers 1999/2000) who served double duty working on the 1997 and 1999 annual summer meetings in conjunction with his normal duties during his 1995/96 and 1999/2000 tenure on the board.

In January 2001, the baton will be handed off to Greg McMullen who will bring with him new energy and ideas for serving AHS and Region Two.

This year our board was pleased to have the support from the membership in funding the planned Region Two web site that Greg will be playing a major role in establishing. Your support for Region Two and Greg is essential to the continued growth of this region. (See page 31 for more information about our Region Two Web Site.)

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The nicest gift a “mom” received this summer was coming home from the national convention to a yard that had been deadheaded by her son who has no interest at all in daylilies. He reported that it took six hours and no golf that day. I hope that at the end of next summer I can say that my weeding and deadheading will be “up to snuff,” and that I will be able to enjoy seeing peak bloom in my own yard.

Thanks to all of you for the wonderful memories, garden tours, and support you gave during the last four years!

♦ March 2, 3, 4 Region Two 2001–A Daylily Odyssey, Cleveland, Ohio.
♦ June 29–July 1 Region Two Summer Meeting hosted by the Greater Cincinnati Daylily & Hosta Society, Cincinnati, Ohio.
♦ July 18–22 National Convention, Boston, Massachusetts
Ed Myers

I hope everyone in Region 2 had a great summer and that your favorite daylilies bloomed well.

It was a very fast summer for Virginia and me as the AHS National Convention and the Region Two Summer Meeting were both during peak bloom season, plus judging several daylily shows, which took all the weekends from the end of June through July.

Any member who has not attended a regional meeting or a national convention, should try to do this at the first opportunity. The next regional will be held in Cincinnati, June 29, 30, and July 1, 2001. Not only will the gardens be at their best, but you will be able to meet and enjoy the company of many daylily enthusiasts from all over the country or should I say, from all over the world.

As I step down from this office as your RPD, I hope you will support the new RPD by sending more information on club activities and most importantly, that you will encourage all of your AHS club members to do a better job of participating in the popularity Poll. This year, we received 213 ballots, which is up slightly from last year’s entries.

The winners of the three daylilies in the Popularity-Poll drawing were:

Charles Ray, Plainfield, IL ................. COPPER ROYAL
William Kelly, Chicago, IL .............. STREET URCHIN
Carole Reich, Westmont, IL ............ LADY ARABELLA

Thanks to all of you who did participate in this important poll.

Gisela Meckstroth

It’s been a wonderful experience serving for two years as your editor. Thank you so much for contributing your time and your effort to bring the news to our members.

Our spirit of volunteerism is the same one that makes our many local clubs successful. On every level of our daylily organization people with a shared interest contribute as much or as little of the talents which we, as individuals, possess. Jill Yost from Pataskala, Ohio, for example, contributed the seedpod drawings you see in this fall-winter newsletter.

Staying in touch with article writers and daylily-event organizers, gave me an additional incentive to attend our annual events, and I found many opportunities to make new friends and to renew old friendships.

A big thrill for me, tagged as a computer enthusiast by some friends in our local daylily circles, will be to see this newsletter and the three previous issues linked to our new Region 2 web site (see page 31 for more information). For all who have stumbled around the pot-hole-peppered hi-tech highway as long as I have, it will be a rewarding moment when we can click on the newsletter link and see color photos on the inside pages (and for you, who want a full-color copy, you will be able to print the pages to your own color printer).

When I began as editor, I read all past issues of our newsletter. A few days ago, I reread them again. I am surprised by some changes related to the ways in which we communicate. I am sure that most of you grew up with a telephone in your homes. I did not, but since 1953 I spent most working years in a field that involved using the up-to-date communication methods (teletype and internet/e-mail). As I reread the past issues, I noticed that the inside covers of the Spring-Summer 1998 newsletter listed not one AHS or regional officer or committee member with an e-mail address, and not one of our—then—23 local clubs was listed with an e-mail contact. In this issue, all but one of our regional committee members have an e-mail-address (and the one who does not have one listed on the page, does have a privately listed one). Fourteen of our—now—27 local clubs list the e-mail address of a contact person, and most of the other clubs have at least one club member who has e-mail capability. The list of AHS Region 2 members who have an e-mail address is too long to print in our newsletter! Changes in the way we communicate are happening fast. As always, some changes are good, and some are not so good for most of us.

Again, thank you for all your help. Next year, I hope to be able to serve in another capacity.

Gisela
Minutes of the 2000 AHS Region 2 Annual Meeting

The July 22, 2000, annual meeting of AHS. Region Two, held at the Best Western Hotel, Burr Ridge, Illinois, was brought to order by RVP Mary Milanowsky.

Regional Vice President Mary Milanowski welcomed all in attendance. Mary then introduced those present, including national and regional officers, liaisons, out-of-region guests, and youth members. A thank you was extended to Co-chairs Pat Bell and Charles Kirin and to the garden owners who so graciously opened their gardens to the 195 attendees.

Region 2 Director Martha Seaman greeted the attendees and gave a brief report on the changes to the new AHS bylaws. The yearly dues will remain the same, Life Membership dues will increase to $500.00, $250.00 for the Dual Membership so that the membership will continue until the death of both members. A new award category has been approved beginning 2001, the R.W. Munson, Jr. Patterned Daylily Award.

RVP Mary Milanowski then recognized the various clubs, their presidents, and members in attendance.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the 1999 Region 2 Annual Summer business meeting since they appeared in print in the Fall 1999/Winter 2000 edition of the Region 2 newsletter.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to dispense with the reading of the 1999 Treasurer’s report since it appeared in print in the Spring/Summer 2000 edition of the Region 2 newsletter.

Region 2 Treasurer Gene Dewey gave a brief update on the Region’s financial status as of June 30, 2000.

Ways & Means Co-chair Don Williams gave a report about the 2000 E-Mail Auction and requested donations by August 15 for inclusion of the cultivars in the Fall newsletter.

RVP Mary then reported on the future A.H.S. national conventions and the future Region 2 meetings. The meeting dates can be found in the 2000 Fall/Winter 2001 newsletter.

Garden Judges Liaison Phyllis Cantini reported that more Garden Judges are needed in Region 2.

Exhibition Judges Liaison Richard Ford reported that more Exhibition Judges are needed in Region 2.

Regional Publicity Director Ed Myers asked for items for the fall newsletter, and also reminded those present to send their Popularity Poll ballots to him by September 1, 2000. The Popularity Poll can be sent by e-mail to: edvamyers@aol.com

Newsletter Editor Gisela thanked all for their help in writing up the gardens and for contributing articles for the newsletter.

Harold Steen reported for the RVP Nominating Committee: Greg McMullen has been elected as the new Region 2 Vice President for the years 2001-2002.

AHS Region 2 Honor & Awards Liaison Jerry Benser from Wisconsin, reported several awards were given to Region 2 by the American Hemerocallis Society. Detailed information about these will be found in the 2000 Fall/Winter 2001 newsletter. Jerry then presented the Englerth Award to Leo Sharp for his seedling #23-S-234-96. Phyllis Cantini, member of the Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society presented the Howard Hite Award to John Benz.

RPD Ed Myers gave a report on the projected cost of a Region 2 Web Site, then made a motion that Region 2 develop a web site, and that the Region appropriate $450 for the first year and $300 a year thereafter to fund the web site. A steering committee is to be appointed to manage the site. The motion was seconded by Don Williams and the motion was passed by the attendees.

RVP Mary asked for volunteers for the steering committee’s web site, to be established with a member from each of the five state areas.

Jerry Williams from the Greater Cincinnati Daylily & Hosta Society invited everyone to attend the Region 2 meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio in 2001. Jerry then gave a quick slide show of the tour gardens.

The meeting was adjourned and turned over to Co-chair Charles Kirin, who introduced the speaker Robert Ellison.

Respectfully submitted by
Virginia Myers, Region Two Secretary
What a delightful time was had by all July 21-23 at the Region 2 Meeting in the Chicago area. Beautiful gardens, meticulous planning by the Chicagoland DS, and the pleasure of being with old and new friends helped make the meeting a tremendous success.

Thanks to the many individuals involved in this immense undertaking.

We were pleased to have three enthusiastic youth members present at the Region 2 Meeting. Attending were Davis Drumm from Charlotte, Michigan, Victoria Vinke from Frankfort, Illinois, and McKenzie Williams from Evansville, Indiana.

Davis, a senior this fall at Maple Valley High School, gardens with his dad, David. They have around 200 daylily varieties, and he indicated EL DESPERADO as one of his favorites. Living on a 40-acre property, they certainly have room to expand. Not only do Davis and his father collect and hybridize daylilies, they are also interested in unusual animal species. At the present time they raise finches, exotic pheasants, fish, and chin-chillas, to mention just a few.

Davis plans to attend Michigan State after graduation and major in a field relating to animals.

Victoria Vinke is thirteen years old and will be in the eighth grade this year at Heritage Christian School. She has her own garden containing 30-40 daylily varieties. She mentioned DOMINIC, PUDGIE, and BROOKWOOD OJO POCO as some of her favorites. Victoria has a penchant for miniature daylilies, and Grace Stamile’s popcorn doubles are at the top of her wish list. She is trying her hand at hybridizing. At the current time she has 30-40 pods maturing in her garden. When she is not gardening, Victoria enjoys playing volleyball with friends.

It was great to see McKenzie Williams return for her second Region 2 Meeting. She was one of two youth members who attended the meeting in Columbus last year. McKenzie is eleven and will be a sixth grader at St. James Catholic School. She has her own garden containing around 30 different daylilies. DIAMONDS AND PEARLS is one of her favorite flowers, and she has assigned LOUNGE LIZARD to the #1 place on her wish list.

This is McKenzie’s first year to try hybridizing, and she is excited to have some cultivars set pods. Her dad is her gardening partner.

The youth members met on Friday afternoon before the banquet. They were delighted to receive two new plants each for their garden. Region 2 provided disposable cameras for them to use during the meeting, along with pads and pens to record details of the photos taken. They also received an album in which to display the developed photos.

At the Friday meeting they traced a daylily and their names onto a dried and drilled birdhouse gourd. My husband, Ken Blanchard, and I grow these in our garden every year, and they make wonderful wren houses.

After I arrived home, Ken and I burned the tracings into the gourds, and then stained and sealed them. Davis, Victoria, and McKenzie received their finished birdhouses in the mail about a week later.

It is a pleasure to see young people excited about daylilies. Involving them in the Region 2 Summer Meeting is a wonderful way to encourage and stimulate their interest. Hopefully, we will see Davis, Victoria, and McKenzie again next year along with additional youth members. I have served as co-chair Youth Liaison for the past two years, and I have enjoyed working with the youth members during the meetings. I have also enjoyed reporting to you through the Region 2 newsletter. Carol Hauenstein, my co-chair, will be taking over full responsibility for this position in 2001.

Thanks for your support these past two years!
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2001
1:00 - 4:00  Visit the Greenhouse at Chattanooga Daylily Gardens and Workshop - Converting Daylilies - Each Hour  Dan Trimmer - Florida
1:00 p.m.  Hospitality - The Gallery Meeting Rooms
6:30  Dinner as a Group - Not Included  Buffet at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2001
9:00-11:30  Visit the Greenhouse at Chattanooga Daylily Gardens and Workshop - Converting Daylilies - Each Hour  Dan Trimmer - Florida
9:30 a.m.  Garden Judges Workshop - Part I
9:30 a.m.  Exhibition Judges Clinic - Part I
9:30 a.m.  Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic
1:00 p.m.  Wineception and Internet Robin Social  The Gallery Meeting Rooms  Tom and Kathy Rood - New York
5:30 p.m.  Build Your Own Sandwich Buffet (Included)  Cash Bar
The Hybridizing Programs of:
6:15  Jeff Salter - Florida
6:30  Mort Moss - Florida
6:45  Bob Carr - Florida
7:00  Steve Moldovan - Ohio
7:15  Weeds from A to Z  David C. Kleinschmitz - Lesco, Inc. - Tennessee

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2001
8:15 a.m.  Welcome and Introductions  From the AHS  Kay Day, AHS President - Texas
8:25  Daylily Dreaming: The Never Ending Story  Ted Pett - Florida
9:30  Container Growing Daylilies  Jim Stauffer - Pennsylvania
10:00  Stretch Break
10:30  Hydroponic Daylily Seedlings  George Doorakian - Massachusetts
11:15  Invitation to attend the 2001 AHS Convention  Bobbie Brooks - NEDS - Massachusetts
11:30  Research With Pharmaceuticals  Darrel Apps - New Jersey
11:45  Lunch on Your Own
1:15 p.m.  The AHS Youth Program  Nicole Jordan - Virginia
1:45  The Creative Gardener  Lynn Purse - Pennsylvania
2:30  Spiders and Unusual Forms: Emphasizing New Introductions and Hybridizing Trends  Ned Roberts - Colorado
3:15  Stretch Break
3:30  Converting Daylilies  Dan Trimmer - Florida
4:00  2001 Introductions - A Slide Program  Jay Turman - Tennessee
5:00  Adjoin - Region 10 Business Meeting

SATURDAY EVENING
6:15 p.m.  Fellowship - Cash Bar
7:00  Dinner (Included)
8:00  Daylily Auction - Jeff and Jackie Pryor, Tennessee

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2001
8:30 a.m.  The Species  Gus Guzinski - Michigan
9:30  Marketing Daylilies for Retail  Jim Stauffer - Pennsylvania
10:00  Stretch Break
10:15  Breeding Rebloom Daylilies for Northern Gardens  Darrel Apps - New Jersey
11:00  What the Future Holds - A Slide Program  Dr. Bob Carr - Florida
12:00  Adjoin

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An Interview with Richard Ford

by J. Gus Guzinski

Gus: Richard, how did you become interested in daylilies?
Richard: One time, I was down at my mom’s in Greenfield, Illinois, and she suggested that I visit her cousin Nona (Ford) and see her daylilies. I was looking around—they were beautiful things—and out of the blue I said, “You know, I am hunting a creative outlet besides music. Everything I do is related to music. I need to do something else that is creative.” She said, “Well, why don’t you hybridize daylilies?” She gave me my first course in *How to do it*, and she presented me with a collection of sixteen cultivars, most of which were up to date. She even gave me LAVENDER ILLUSION and the tetraploid version of LAVENDER ILLUSION. They were identical except one was a diploid and one was a tetraploid. That’s who started me; she gave me the daylily “bug.”

Gus: Were you, at least, gardening before then?
Richard: Yes, somewhat. When we moved into the house in St. Petersburg, Illinois, there was nothing there. The redbud tree was about four feet tall and the hard maple a little taller. There were some awful sweet peas; I managed to get rid of those. The ones on the fence are still there, but they don’t belong to me. Every thing else expanded from that. I started a small island bed around that small maple tree, and that once small bed is now a gigantic island.

Gus: You said music. What is your profession?
Richard: I teach general music; but, I’ve taught Kindergarten through 6th grade, class piano, junior choir, senior choir, sixteen musicals, eleven madrigal dinners. I used to direct beginner band, and I’ve recently become assistant marching band director.

Gus: Have you registered any of your daylily seedlings?
Richard: Yes, I’ve registered four. Ever since I got into it—after the first year—I knew I wanted to hybridize for late blooming daylilies. So, I started to try to find lates—and there weren’t any. There were only mid-lates by (Brother Charles) Reckamp. I tried to get as many of those as I possibly could. After my second year, I joined AHS and called up Pat Stamile, who was heading the Round Robins. He put me in the Late Bloom Robin, which had just started at that time (today it is called the Season Extenders Robin). He was part of it. Don Marvin was part of that robin, and so was Bob Sobek. Don, Bob, and I are still in it.

From there I started finding other plants. We started hunting with another small group, that included Gene Foster, trying to find cultivars that bloomed late; that is, cultivars that always and dependably bloomed late. We started to keep FFO (first flower open) lists and found that there were certain cultivars that were always in the same order of bloom. This gave us markers to use for bloom seasons. From this search came more cultivars to use in expanding the gene pool for late daylilies. It is still very difficult to find late and very late daylilies that are dependably late.

Gus: What is late for you? How do you define mid-late and late?
Richard: Over the years we found that dates don’t mean much. What happens in Oregon or even in Indiana, is not going to occur on the same date in my garden. However, the sequence of plants’ blooming times is often the same. We found that it has gotten very complicated to find out why some cultivars are dependably late and why others vacillate. The mid-late marker is FRANDEAN; when it starts to bloom in your garden, that is the beginning of the mid-late blooming season for your garden. The late marker is AUTUMN SHADOWS. The very late marker is SANDRA ELIZABETH. If you have anything that starts blooming after SE, you definitely have something very late.

Gus: In central Illinois, when does very late actually start, usually?
Richard: Toward the last of July, somewhere in there. It differs from year to year; that is why we use marker plants.

Gus: That’s peak season for me.
Richard: Oh, yes. Latitude makes a big difference. However, if you look at the USDA maps, climate zones are really compressed in some areas, and they spread out in others. My zone is almost like Bob Sobek’s (who lives...
An Interview with Richard Ford (continued)

in Graniteville, MA) on the map, but his plants still do not behave the same as mine. Water, temperature, how much sun you have in the spring—all have a big effect on when things get started. A late, cool spring can be followed by a hot, sunny summer and, then, all the seasons get smashed together without an early season. Some of the mid-lates will decide to bloom early and some later; there are so many variables and so many combinations!

Gus: Since you’re interested in lates and obviously grow more lates than most people, what percentage of the cultivars that you grow are actually late?

Richard: I have about 400 hundred cultivars of which only about 50 of them are late. I have more late seedlings than are named late cultivars.

Gus: In my garden, when I used to keep FFO records on all my daylilies, I found that 85 to 90% of all daylily cultivars started to bloom within a two week period. I was already trying to collect early blooming cultivars then.

Richard: Yes, there is a peak. When you first start recording in summer, you have a small list, and then it suddenly expands so fast that you have three pages of names in a day. Then, it very quickly drops down to the point when almost nothing is starting to bloom.

Gus: What is Nona (Ford) up to these days?

Richard: Nona is doing pretty good. She is still hybridizing. She is really not interested in getting things out and winning awards, although she has won a couple already. She is still introducing a lot of things that are really wonderful. She has some unusual seedlings. She calls one of them “Weird” because it starts out in the morning sort of a red with green below it, but by the end of the day it has gone blotchy and mottled. It is bizarre. She probably won’t register it because of the problem of how to describe it. The color changes throughout the day.

Gus: You have been involved in AHS Itself, pretty much from your beginning in daylilies.

Richard: Yes. I joined immediately after Nona got me started.

Gus: How long before you joined a committee or became a judge or liaison?

Richard: It was couple of years until I went to my first regional meeting. It was in Indianapolis. I went to the garden judges and the exhibition judges clinics. In fact, I took my test at Marge Soules’ place. It was maybe 103 degrees, and the scapes were outside. We had to hurry and judge them before they wilted. As a matter of fact, they were wilting right in front of us, and the instructors were urging us to hurry, because what the panel of judges had judged was not going to be what we were going to see. It was rather sad. I knew that if I was going to get into breeding daylilies, I was going to get into all parts of daylily activities. I really wanted to do it and I have done it.

Gus: You were Youth Liaison for Region 2?

Richard: I was for a couple of years. That is rather tricky because you get maybe three kids coming to the regional meeting. Trying to get clubs involved just doesn’t happen. Nobody replies to you. You give them ideas, but you don’t get feedback. When the Dickhauts decided to drop being liaison for the exhibition judges, I took that position over.

Gus: Why don’t we have more exhibition judges?

Richard: I think it is related to why we don’t have more garden judges. People think it is more difficult than it really is. It’s not. The more you get into daylilies, the more you realize that you think, “I like this one because...” You are already starting to judge daylilies. Your likes and dislikes are developing. In garden judging, you have to look at everything whether you like it or not. Being an exhibition judge asks you to go a step further, to drop all kinds of prejudices and to focus on certain qualities, and to look for specific things while trying to focus your thoughts on trying to come out with the same results as all other exhibition judges. Most of the time when judges in a panel don’t agree, it is because prejudices come forward.

Gus: An exhibition is judged more on horticulture, or scape maintenance, or what?

Richard: Exhibition judging is really a game for the people exhibiting. Judges are the middlemen between the club putting on the show and the public. If, for example, we—as judges—see a cultivar and mark it down because it is the wrong size, the public won’t know that and won’t understand that. Many times the club members themselves don’t understand that. We end up in the middle trying to explain that we look for cer-

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Richard Ford and Betty Thomsen

tain things. We judge the scapes against their registered standards. The game really begins when the people exhibiting suddenly realize what they have to do. Suddenly some people start winning all the awards, and the others get mad at them. They have figured out how to play the game; they have learned what a winning scape is.

Gus: Do you often get ungroomed scapes from people who simply don't know what is a showable scape?

Richard: Oh, yes. I once had a person exhibit a scape without any open flower on it, only buds. You could see that these buds would open the next day. The other exhibition judges and I could only smile. It was such a contorted idea of what to exhibit.

Some people don't realize that you have to clean the scape before exhibiting it. The idea is that you need to exhibit something as perfect as you possibly make it for the public showing. You are doing this for the public. As judges we come along and say “this is really done well by the exhibitor.”

GREEN FLUTTER is one cultivar that you can bring right from the garden, and it will be perfect. If you can pick it when it first starts blooming, you don’t need to do anything to its scape. I won Best of Show with one. I had looked in The Daylily Journal to see which plants won most often, and that was my pick.

Gus: Actually, an exhibition judge once asked me in a garden if a cultivar was correct. GRAPE VELVET had white edges on its petals. She had never seen it blooming that way. I told her it was a result of lack of water. That is why I have difficulty with the wording “true to cultivar.”

Richard: That is also why exhibition judges have to get out just as much as garden judges. They must constantly see everything. What is a certain cultivar going to look like when it has been dry and hot during the growing season? What is it going to look like at the end of its bloom season? There are some shows when the date ends up much later in the bloom season than expected. Exhibition judges have to take into consideration that the summer was hot and dry, and that most flowers are going to be at the end of their bloom cycle. When judging, you have to be aware of such things and take all that information into consideration.

Gus: The point system would still give them credit?

Richard: You have to know to back off and take all criteria into consideration. You have to take everything that has come from outside in the gardens into consideration. That just takes a lot of experience of looking at things and watching what happens in gardens and then coming to the display table and saying, “Well, this is what will affect daylilies.” The color might be slightly off. Yet, you may be surprised that someone will bring in an exhibition scape that is perfect because this has to do with garden culture as well. If exhibitors grow them well in the garden, they will look good on the display table.

Gus: What about those “miniatures” that keep blooming at three and a half inches?

Richard: This has always been a problem and always will be. Suppose something is registered as 3.5 inches, and it comes in at 4 inches and is displayed as a miniature. The only thing an exhibition judge can go by is what the hybridizer has said in the cultivar’s registration. You, as exhibition judge, have to assume that the hybridizers grew the cultivars as best as they could in the garden, and that the hybridizers know what the plants can do. When the cultivar gets into commerce, it should be pretty much the same bloom size in every location. As an exhibition judge, you should know how plants do in your region. Most times you judge in your region, and you know if it is going to vary or not. It gets really difficult when you judge a show in another region; plants sometimes grow differently down South than they do here. Colors are different; sizes are different; branching is different.

Gus: If a flower is registered as 2-1/2 inches but always grows 3-1/2 inches, and you see it displayed that size as a miniature—which it must be—does it still get full points?

Richard: No. You really can’t give it the full amount of points. You have to go back to what its registration says and what the public is going to see. If you are going to give a purple ribbon to something that is big but that is exhibited in the miniature class, the public is going to get the wrong idea. It sometimes might not seem fair, but it is also up to the exhibitor to be knowledgeable as to what is appropriate to show.

Gus: If someone brought in an 8-inch BARBARA MITCHELL, it would lose points?

Richard: Yes, that is correct. An 8-inch BARBARA
MITCHELL blossom would indicate that the grower went beyond normal gardening practice, and that this grower had been trying too hard. If an 8-inch BARBARA MITCHELL was exhibited next to a normal size specimen in the same class, the normal one would still be rated higher because it was “true to cultivar.” That is what people know as BARBARA MITCHELL. This assumes that all the other required qualities were present.

I have seen a garden with artificially constructed soil, entirely artificial soil! Hostas in it were so large that they did not look like they were the correct plants. They were not “real.”

Gus: I always wondered how far “true to type” should be carried.

Richard: Exhibition judges can’t know all flowers. When only one judge at a show says he/she knows a plant, you have to assume this is true. If not, the only information you have to go on is the registration. Judges have to hope that the hybridizer described it correctly. It is difficult to know if a flower is even correct when registration says “purple” and you see a brownish, red-purple flower.

Gus: Any other comments on hybridizing?

Richard: I have been working for about fifteen years to create lates and very lates. It has been very slow, mainly because I am a teacher. I don’t do this full time. School ends right at June; well, daylilies have already started to bloom by then. I get way behind. I don’t have as good a seedling patch as I want. It takes a long time for seedlings to bloom. Evaluation is just as slow. I learned this years ago: Drop the anxiety, don’t worry about it. There are years in which I’ve taken all my seedlings and thrown them away and not thought anything of it because you can’t worry. If you don’t get a plant, you don’t get a plant. Next year you can do crosses again. Next time, you might have even better plants to work with. Stay relaxed. This is supposed to be fun.

Gus: Think twice, pollinate once?

Richard: It is very hard not to hybridize in all seasons. I still have a lot of early, early things that I have been working on for years. I have one continuous bloomer. It is hard to resist the urge to work during mid season on mid-season blooming things because that is where most people are breeding.

Gus: That is where the most beautiful flowers are.

Richard: Yes, I can’t produce those beautiful flowers—and I don’t necessarily want to. It takes a lot of your time.

Gus: So, are you working for that mythical “pink Stella” and that mythical “red Stella” that I keep hearing about?

Richard: No. Well, yes. I have a peach one. It came from HOLLYWOOD DAILY x (MIDGET x LATE ADVANCEMENT).

Gus: Of course, that would bloom early. (Laughter)

Richard: LATE ADVANCEMENT is a late blooming pink. I used it on MIDGET and got a seedling that is not orange; it is peach. This seedling did not rebloom much, so I used it on HOLLYWOOD DAILY, and now I have a continuous bloomer and it’s not gold or yellow. I am using it with other colors hoping to double up on the genes which give continuous bloomers.

Gus: Did you use STELLA DE ORO as I and many others did, trying for rebloom?

Richard: No. Others told me that it does not give rebloom to its seedlings. I used THREE SEASONS from Bob Sobek in the “Late Robin.” He actually does try for more rebloom than he does for late bloom. My seedlings out of THREE SEASONS are mostly nocturnals. I think that is perfect with early bloom because the flowers will open on cold mornings.

Gus: I’ve grown it for some time but never used it.

Richard: It’s produced some interesting things. Not overly so, but what cross produces a lot of good stuff?

Gus: Unless they’re all the same. Look, I’ve produced two hundred identical, wonderful flowers!

Richard: From the same cross!

Gus: From the same seed pod!

Richard: I just go forward and enjoy what I find in the seedling patch. Rip out a bunch of old ones, throw them away, and plant some new ones. It’s fun. It really is. Evaluating has also become interesting over the years.

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Richard Ford during last year’s summer.
Iconoclast’s Corner
Why Hybridizing Daylilies is Tricky

By Jim Shields, Indiana

Daylilies are beautiful flowers. Seemingly simple things, the plants are but a few arching green leaves and a straight, tall stem with which they hold their rainbow chalices high. Everyone knows where beautiful daylilies come from: “Pretty begets Pretty,” as testified by the folklore of daylilies. Surely, creating new daylilies must be a heavenly pursuit for innocent souls. Well, “innocent souls” may be a bit of a misstatement. The fables of daylilydom always seem to include in the fine print: “She ruthlessly discarded every plant that did not excel!” Hybridizers are in fact heartless and cruel.

Now don’t look at me; I never get rid of those old seedlings until my wife threatens to hire a farmer to plow the whole garden under.

A skilled, professional daylily hybridizer will probably keep somewhere between one seedling out of every 300 to 3000 plants. This assumes that she or he has a reliable breeding line established. The rest of us should probably throw away 30,000 of our seedlings for every plant we keep and name.

The Devil Is in the Details

Let’s begin with diploid daylilies. Each cell in every diploid plant contains 22 chromosomes, which can sort themselves into 11 pairs. That is what is meant by the notation \(2n = 22\), because \(n = 11\), the number of pairs. Each grain of pollen and each egg cell gets only one chromosome from each pair, so the chromosome complement of a pollen grain or an egg cell is just 11 chromosomes, barring mishap.

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(This is not to imply that, for instance, any chromosome of pair 2 is the same as any chromosome of pair 3.)

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Well, you get the idea. There are \(2^{11}\) possible pollen grains for one diploid daylily flower, which amounts to 2,048 ways of assorting 11 pairs of the diploid genome into half-pairs or “haploid” sets. This is just the pollen parent! The pod parent has the same number of options, 2,048. These numbers are multiplicative when you cross egg X pollen, so if you multiply 2,048 X 2,048 you get about 4 million combinations. Actually, there are exactly 4,194,304 possible unique pairings of pollen with egg cell. To exhaust all the possibilities of a random diploid cross, you will need to grow at least one of each of those 4 million variations. This is assuming there are no chromosomal rearrangements, which probably is not going to be true among 4 million seedlings from the same parents. Mother Nature is a wily old devil.

We should digress here into tetraploids for just a second, to illustrate why diploids are so much simpler to work with when you are looking at the genetics. There are \(2^{22}\) or 4,194,304 possible sets of unique pollen grains for a tetraploid daylily. There are 4,194,304 X 4,194,304 = 1.76 X 10\(^{13}\) (one “helluva” large number!) possible unique pollen + egg combinations for a tetraploid cross. In many tetraploid crosses, that number will be reduced because of redundancy in the chromosomes, but that’s a story for another day.

Maybe we ought to go out and repeat that cross of IDA’S MAGIC x ADMIRAL’S BRAID one more time!

The Color of Purple

So you want to breed a good purple daylily, do you? Great! All you have to do is figure out where “purple” comes from, put that into the pot, and fire it up. I will give you a hint to start with: purple color comes...
from pigments in the anthocyanin family, and every
daylily knows how to make anthocyanins. Lest you be
thought less clever than a daylily flower (especially a
purple one) I will suggest how this works.
You start with some normal, colorless metabolic start-
ing material (X) and process it with a series of enzymes
until you get to the color purple (D).

\[ X \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \]

Each one of the arrows signifies one or more enzymes
at work. Since a fundamental rule of molecular ge-
etics is “One enzyme, one gene” we are looking at
several genes playing in concert to produce purple pig-
ment.
For more details of pigment genetics, you can visit the
web site of a family of South African Clivia breeders.
The URL is http://users.iafrica.com/c/cl/clivia/
index.htm

Purple the Hard Way
If one of the intermediate enzymes is defective, you
won’t get your purple even if all the other enzymes
(read: “genes”) are present and in working order. If
the step \( X \rightarrow A \) is not working, probably because the
gene for that enzyme is defective, then there will not
be any purple color.

\[ X \ldots A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \]

In ADMIRAL’S BRAID, the gene for one of those early
enzymes in the path to purple is defective.
If you cross ADMIRAL’S BRAID with another non-
purple daylily, say a pink, which has the following de-
fective path to purple,

\[ X \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \ldots \rightarrow D \]

then in a certain percentage of the offspring, the
defective step \( C \ldots \rightarrow D \) in the one parent’s pollen and
eggs will be compensated by the perfectly good \( C \rightarrow D \)
in ADMIRAL’S BRAID, and vice versa for the
defective \( X \rightarrow A \) by the good gene for \( X \rightarrow A \) in the
other parent. So you will have crossed a near-white
parent with a pink parent and produced some purple
daylilies. Congratulations!

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opinions of your own, but if not, you are wel-
come to borrow mine.”

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  Last year only four persons participated in the mail-in portion of the Region 2 Winter Auction; therefore, the auction this year will be solely an e-mail auction. Bidding will start live on Monday, February 5, 2001, at 9 am CST. Bidding will be concluded at 9 pm CST on Sunday, February 25, 2001.

  Once the bidding is concluded, e-mail notices will be sent to the winners. We must receive checks within one week after notification is sent. If a check is not received within the allotted time, the plant will be offered to the next highest bidder. Make checks payable to AHS Region 2.

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  Once the auction has started, please call Lea Ann Williams at 812-922-5288 and give her your bids. She will post your bids, notify you by phone each time you are outbid, and she will give you the opportunity to raise your bids.

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■ TWIST AND SHOUT .......................................................... Benz 1995

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■ COYOTE MOON .............................................................. Kirchhoff D 1994
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Don Mary Milanowski, Region Two Vice President

Thank You Don and Lea Ann Williams!

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Approximately 90 percent of the generated revenue from the various Region Two auctions support the publishing and mailing of this newsletter twice a year. In 1999, Don and Lea Ann Williams from Lynnville, Indiana, and the Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society injected new life into our annual mail-in auction introducing a new concept by placing the auction on-line as an e-mail auction. The results in the first year were tremendously successful. We hope you will all participate in this Winter Auction 2001.

We sincerely appreciate all the time and effort Don and Lea Ann have given as the Region Two Ways and Means co-chairs.

Mary Milanowski, Region Two Vice President
Region 2 Summer Meeting Tour Gardens
Yes, it was a “Once Upon A Millennium–Chicago 2000”

by RVP Mary Milanowski

Region Two Summer Meeting host, the Chicagoland Daylily Society, sincerely hopes that all attendants enjoyed the before-and-after open gardens and the tour gardens during the great July weekend. We are grateful to those garden owners, and we value the cooperation they showed in preparing for this event. We especially appreciate the hospitality of The Fields and the breakfast they served to our guests, and we hope that everyone had an opportunity to view the elaborate daylily floral arrangements prepared by their staff. Our special thanks go to Pat Bell and Charlie Kirin, co-chairs of Once Upon a Millennium – Chicago 2000, to all Chicagoland DS members who donated bus plants for the Region 2 Summer Meeting, to Phil Brockington and Howard Reeve for lining out and growing the bus plants, and to Leo Sharp for donating the CHICAGOLAND MILLENNIUM (Leo Sharp 2000) gift plant for each “household” attending this meeting.

For those of you who missed attending this year’s annual meeting, the following garden tour write-ups and photo gallery will summarize a picture-perfect event.

The Fields 2000 Display Garden

by Julie Gridley from Merrill, Wisconsin

The second day of the summer regional meeting saw a change from touring private gardens to visiting commercial nurseries. The first of these was The Fields, near Joliet, IL. Owners Greg Neuman and his wife, Diane Hucek, treated us to a fabulous, boxed breakfast, which we were able to enjoy sitting on benches scattered among their display beds (or perched on the seats of the golf carts they provide for customers!).

The Fields is a 200-acre nursery which has been selling daylilies wholesale for six years. Greg bought the farm in 1987 in order to start his own landscaping business.

His interest in plants was originally sparked when his father opened a small nursery in his retirement years and enlisted Greg’s help. That business stayed in the family and grew, but eventually Greg decided to strike out on his own. While searching for a niche that would allow him to succeed without directly competing with the rest of his family, a trusted horticulture professor suggested he try daylilies. And you could truly say that the rest is history!
The Fields Display Garden (continued)

The Fields is now the world’s largest grower of STELLA DE ORO, and it has satellite nurseries in Lexington, KY, and on the island of Sardinia near Italy. On their three farms, they grow just under one million STELLA DE ORO’s every year! They also sell about 80 varieties of daylilies to their wholesale customers. These are classic, reliable cultivars that make good landscaping plants, and before they are available for sale, they must have increased to at least 20,000 divisions. As you can imagine, there were rows of daylilies stretching as far as the eye can see!

They also sell potted and bare-rooted daylilies to their retail customers. Their display beds have been an official AHS garden for the past two years, and about 300 different varieties are grown there in huge clumps along with many other perennials. Greg’s display area began as a place to put those trees left over from his landscaping/nursery business. He wanted his customers to have the chance to see how the trees would look at maturity and how much room they would need. Greg continues to grow and sell 50 different varieties of trees, most of which he hand grafts himself, so each display bed was anchored by at least one beautiful, interesting tree.

Greg and Diane are both landscape architects, and about ten percent of their business continues to be landscape design. But, their main job seems to be as daylily ambassadors to the Chicago area! From the middle of June to the beginning of August, the public is invited out to the farm for their annual “Flower Show”. During the show, people can view the daylilies blooming in the display beds and visit their retail building which features many large photographs of daylilies along with lovely arrangements of daylilies in vases.

Greg’s garden center manager, Minnito, has developed this area into a very attractive spot which must surely whet the appetite of its visitors for our favorite flower. Greg and Diane have also been very generous in their assistance to the Chicagoland Daylily Society, allowing them the use of their facilities when they are preparing plants for their annual daylily show and sale. In fact, generosity seems to be the secret of success to the Fields’ business. We met a woman who was doing an internship in horticulture there, and she described Greg as a caring, generous employer who encourages entrepreneurship. His seasonal employees are given garden plots to care for and if they are interested, Greg helps them learn all aspects of the business and gets them started on their own. We are truly fortunate to have Greg and Diane, with their many talents and gifts, in the business of promoting daylilies!
**The Sevetson Daylily Garden**

by Ed and Virginia Myers, Canal Winchester, Ohio

As the tour bus pulled up to the home of Diane and Bill Sevetson on a residential street in Western Springs, Illinois, we were met by Bill and his big friendly smile. You could not help but notice the AHS Display Garden sign and the strip garden along the driveway. Even though the daylilies were in the final stage of bloom, they were doing their best to put on a beautiful show for us.

As we entered the back yard garden, we were amazed at the amount of blooms this late in the season, much more than most gardens on the tour had left. This abundance of blooms had to be the results of Bill’s selection of cultivars for the garden.

There were daylilies from most of the well-known hybridizers, but the large collection of Dr. Branch’s daylilies was stealing the show, especially the large blooms of SMUGGLER’S GOLD DOUBLOON. Bill told us he has all cultivars in the Smuggler’s series by Dr. Branch, except SMUGGLER’S TEMPTATION.

Also blooming this day, was a huge clump of JANICE BROWN in this well laid out garden, which had a nice Ash tree to furnish shade for the glassed in patio. A very friendly garden with expertly placed shrubbery, perennials, and ornamental grasses in the landscape. All this equaled an inviting garden to visit and enjoy.

Diane and Bill have lived at this location for 28 years and have steadily added daylilies until they now have over 600 cultivars planted around their home. Their property is 187 feet deep and due to the excellent layout of the beds and the flowers, it does not seem crowded, just a very pretty color scheme.

We also were treated to a delicious selection of snacks to satisfy our hunger and thirst.

**Thank you Bill and Diane for inviting Region 2 to your lovely home and garden.**
The Chuck and Pat Bell Garden

By Theda Losasso from Ohio

As we got off the bus, Pat and Chuck Bell greeted us and welcomed us to their lovely garden. We viewed many beds filled with 400-plus daylilies, many perennials, and many annuals. We especially liked the shade garden that meandered among the many old bur Oak trees. It was a very restful setting that showed off many varieties of hostas and ferns. Several different ground cover were also present in the shade garden and along the various walkways and paths. The garden also held many decorative art pieces which complimented the plants in their settings. None of us like snails to be near our hostas, but the shade garden had a cute concrete snail tucked away, and it seemed quite at home among the hostas and ferns.

One area in the daylily garden was devoted to the Year 2000 Region 2 Englerth Award candidates. Everyone viewed this area with special interest, and much discussion went on among the viewers of the candidates. Leo Sharp’s entry turned out to be the winner. Daylilies are very prominent in this garden. They were beautiful—so much color and so many cultivars to be viewed. The entire garden was very well maintained. Pat and Chuck began their love of gardening about 14 years ago. They began by clearing the bramble around certain areas of their two-acre property. As Pat and Chuck are great believers in recycling, lawn clippings and whatever material that is removed from the beds, is chipped and later used for mulch. Chuck is also a firm believer in mushroom compost, and the great looking beds are proof it its worth. One area at the side of the house was landscaped last fall and is already well established. This fall more of the existing bramble will be pushed back to make way for another garden bed. The Bells will, however, maintain privacy between the homes in their neighborhood by planting shrubs as part of their landscaping plans.

Pat and Chuck became acquainted with daylilies about ten years ago when Pat saw an article about a daylily sale in the Chicago Tribune. As the old saying goes, “The rest is history.” Pat was hooked. She does not have a favorite daylily since she believes that all of them can play an important part in the garden. When she

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The Chuck and Pat Bell Garden (cont. from page 21) chooses a cultivar, she looks for distinctive flowers, particularly dark reds and purples, but also for eyed cultivars, so they can play off their colors against the perennials.

Bells do have occasional problems with “critters” visiting the garden, but they have had some success in deterring deer by using Morganite while plants are still small. They also believe in relocating the various “critters.”

The Bells do not plan to start hybridizing since they are content to be kept busy maintaining their garden. They want to devote their time to provide a garden to educate the public as much about daylilies and their companion perennials. They have had about 200 visitors from the National Garden Conservancy Organization this year, an organization whose members are devoted to conserving gardens in America.

Pat’s advice for a beginning gardener, or someone wishing to revamp an existing garden, is to start with one area and then continue working with another, so the beginner is not overwhelmed with work.

Pat also likes to buy one plant to see how it will grow in a certain area. If the plant thrives in that area, she will go back and purchase more of the same plants to make a grouping for which more than one plant is needed to emphasize a certain area.

The Bell garden, indeed, projects a labor of love.

The Larson Garden

by Paul Meske, from Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

I have this weird idea that all Chicago area gardens are on postage stamp size, lots in busy neighborhoods with noises invading your senses. With an idea like this in my head I was not prepared for the garden of Joanne and Gaylen Larson in Barrington, Illinois.

The large front yard features several raised daylily beds for display, with a plaque announcing an official AHS display garden. All the cultivars are clearly labeled as should be for an official display garden. The fact that the plants were thriving in their location attests to the care given them. The surprise comes when going around the corner of the house entering the back yard. You find yourself looking down into a cozy scenic valley with a meandering creek. Lining the far bank is a display of multiple daylilies, originally planted there to reduce erosion. The lawn and garden cover 2.5 acres. Donna Vinke from Kankakee, Illinois, expressed it well as “a park like setting with casual elegance.”

Crossing over a forty foot bridge, you have the feeling that you are on a lush, isolated tropical island. Colorful flowers, tall stately oak trees pruned high accentuating their height, and the sound of birds and insects collectively add to the ambiance. It is the sort of place where a person can feel his tension and troubles leave, even if only for a little while.

Joanne calls herself an “ex-farm girl who likes to grow things,” and she grows things very well, especially daylilies. She wants to have her garden serve an educational purpose, she takes great delight when people tell her, “I never knew that daylilies came in so many different colors!”

Her collection includes many proven performers rather than the latest and greatest hybridizers plants. For example GRAPE ICE (Childs 1971) and PAPRIKA VELVET
Region 2 Summer Meeting Tour Gardens (cont.)

The Larson Garden (continued)

(Hardy 1969) were giving a stunning display on this day. Of course Joanne showcases many examples from the James Marsh “Chicago” series of daylilies.

The high point for me was the display of plants along the creek. Almost any sort of water element in a garden gives a feeling of peace to the site, and this was no exception. The gently flowing water became the background for the flowers growing along side the creek. Julie Gridley from Merrill, Wisconsin, noted that this added to “the intensity of the color”. (See front cover.)

When asked how she selects what to plant, Joanne says that she starts at the bottom, quite different from most of us. She looks underneath the plant. Is it healthy and looks good? Moving up she evaluates bud count and branching, finally looking at the flower. This has served her well for the over 600 daylily cultivars she has planted.

There are no plans to expand the flower beds. However, after living at this location for 27 years, they are seeing the need to redo shrubbery. Joanne’s husband Gaylen told of the effort that went into the development of the yard, using bulldozers, cranes, and other heavy equipment to sculpt the land into its shape today. The oak trees must be extensively pruned, requiring annual maintenance. He told about the wood pile they made from the pruned wood 27 years ago. Though they burn the wood in their fireplace, some of the original wood still lies at the bottom of the pile.

The hour or so that we had in the garden seemed to go by too quickly and inevitably the shrill whistle of the bus captain cut through the calm of the surprisingly cool day. It was evident that people did not want to leave as they reluctantly crossed the bridge to leave the quiet of a very special garden.

A view from the bridge in Larsons’ garden
The Rosemary Balazs Garden

by Harold Steen from Hartland, Wisconsin

As our bus drove slowly down shady Oak Street in Hinsdale, the Rosemary Balazs garden was easily spotted. Daylilies flanked the walk to the house, and a fresh American flag moved in the gentle breeze. Rosemary’s AHS Display Garden design showed what can be done with a city-size lot to provide the right setting for showing daylilies at their best advantage.

The front garden of over 150 cultivars is enhanced by the use of coreopsis, liatris, lamb’s ears, and mums as companion plants. Planters of flowers strategically placed between the drives and the house carry the front gardens along the house to the back.

Gentle piano music served as a pleasant background of sound in the back yard garden. Large and lovely blooms of the old favorite REAL WIND (Wild 1977) welcomed visitors to this area. Raised beds surrounded the trees with astilbe, purple coneflowers, and campanula serving as daylily companions in these beds. The tree form of the ‘Rose of Sharon’ was strategically placed in several spots, as were white and purple clematis vines. All these companion plants created a lovely backdrop.

Brick and grass pathways led to the back of this garden where water cascaded into a lovely small pond. Ground covers of euonymus and hostas filled those few shady areas where daylilies did not reside. Rosemary had placed palms, Japanese maple, summering house plants, and an oil painting of hers, featuring daylilies, around to keep visitors’ eyes from venturing outside the lovely garden.

After experiencing all of these visual delights, it was time to relax and enjoy the refreshments so conveniently placed on the drive under the trees. One that was particularly appreciated was the corn chips with salsa.

Rosemary’s garden exceeded visitors’ expectations as to what can be done to feature daylilies in a garden setting in a small area.

What a grand experience!
Region 2 Summer Meeting Tour Gardens (continued)

The Kirin Garden

by Rosemarie Foltz from Canton, Ohio

Millie and Charles Kirin’s home is a half timbered lovely place with a manicured front yard. They have a charming walkway inviting visitors to the back yard, which was as comfortable as an outdoor living room.

The beds are mostly raised and edged, some with stone and some with landscape timbers. The beds were separated, for the most part, by hybridizer. There was a Henry bed, a Brookwood bed, an Anderson bed, a Marsh bed, and a bed with mainly doubles; then, there were several mixed beds.

Charlie still has his “marvelous markers” to identify the plants. No bending over or straining your eyes to figure out what’s what in this garden!

The Kirins are growing a wonderful seedling of Bob Bearce. The seedling is pink, ruffled, with many buds and branches, eliciting many comments. TOWHEE (Griesbach 1979) was a clear bright red. Stout’s AUTUMN MINARET (1951) had 30 gracefully branched tall scapes with a dainty, small, thin-petaled flower. SWEET BUTTER CREAM (Bearce 1990) and YELLOW EXPLOSION (Oakes 1989) put on quite a show. LUSTY LITTLE LULU (Bearce 1983) sure was just that. SPARKLING EYES (Love 1994) was sparkling at its best. BROOKWOOD YELLOW JADE (Sharp 1990) and BROOKWOOD IMPECCABLE (Sharp 1991) were especially fine looking specimens. ILLINI MAIDEN (Varner 1981) was a clear orangey-red; very pretty.

The Kirins also had many mums with strikingly beautiful colors, beautiful impatiens, herbs, tomatoes, and the ever popular iboza.

Thanks, Millie and Charles, for sharing with us, again, your fabulous garden.
Pulling the car into the drive of The Coburg Planting Fields (Phil Brockington and Howard Reeve’s garden), I would have thought that I had the wrong address had it not been for the bus parked at roadside. The house and barn completely hide both the display garden and the extensive planting fields that are part and parcel of this final stop on our Region 2 garden tour. From the parking lot, I walked through a large, deeply shaded garden filled with hostas of every description on either side of the generous paths. It is through this cool and dark retreat that you first saw the large, brightly lit field that is planted row upon row with our favorite flower. It is a spectacular view.

The paths between rows are of proportions sufficiently generous to accommodate a large number of visitors simultaneously, which—as it turned out—was quite fortunate. The busses had left the previous stop before I did, and they had made better time to boot; so, by the time I arrived in the garden, we were a big crowd, indeed.

Tucked up behind the house, east of the pool and north of the waterfall, is a circular display garden which contains spiders and spider variants, including those that Howard uses in his spider-breeding program.

I was particularly taken with STARMAN’S QUEST, a mauve flower with a gorgeous, purple eye that stopped more than a few lookers “dead in their tracks.”

At the moment, Howard is not using this beauty for breeding because he is involved in his own crazy crosses (his words, not mine). He told me that he is putting IDA’S MAGIC on every tet spider he can bring to hand: TECHNY SPIDER, CARMINE MONARCH and HIGHLAND PINCHED FINGERS, for instance. It was, he said, the same kind of craziness that led to the cross FIRESTORM X COBURG FRIGHTWIG which produced his Region 2, 1998, Englerth Award winner GRANDMA KISSED ME.

As I turned to the growing fields, the activity became hectic, almost impressionistic. So many flowers, so little time. Down the row, hurry, hurry, hurry. Next row, hurry. We stopped, we stooped, we looked. We snapped, we wrote, we bought. This was a “shop op” of the first magnitude, and we were not to be denied. Bags filled, and smiles broadened. Whistles blew. Groans. “Too soon.” Scribbled a check for payment of goodies. Boarded buses. Engines roared. Silence.

I picked up my own bag laden with new acquisitions and headed for the car. I drove my own car on our second day of tours on our way home to Indiana. As I flipped on the air conditioner and headed for home, I knew that this, my first Region 2 Summer Meeting, would certainly not be my last.

Note: All those great bus plants given to Region 2 Summer Meeting visitors had been grown by Phil Brockington and Howard Reeve in the Coburg Planting Fields for the last two or more years.
The Editor Apologizes!

The 2001 Region 2 Symposium agenda and registration form (in Encapsulated PostScript format) that was printed on this page in the original, printed version of this newsletter issue did not distill to PDF.
Elizabeth Salter opened her program with background slides depicting scenes of Bill Munson’s fabled Wimberlyway, the land where tetraploid daylilies came into their own.

As Bill Munson’s niece, Elizabeth remembers always being around our favorite petals, and she has memories of being at AHS National Conventions from age 6 on. This brings pictures to my mind of a dark haired cutie running around with her eyes at the knee level, that is, of the bony knees of a variety of aging daylily devotees while she was getting a view of hems that would someday be her passion. Somehow I can’t help thinking that if I had had bony knees or “hems” to view, I, too, would want to concentrate on daylilies instead of orthopedic medicine today. The enthusiastic Elizabeth chose a path in daylily breeding that continues to break new ground in miniatures and eyed miniatures, diploids and tetraploids.

Elizabeth, as she puts it herself, has “…been in touch with and around daylily people for a lot of years …” She also has been doing fantastic things to the miniatures for some time. She related how she started out with, what she calls, “little yellow critters” in the under 2 to 2-1/2 inch range, and she emphasized that when she started, there wasn’t “a whole lot to start with.” PYEWACKET (Elizabeth Hudson 1977), a cross of LITTLE IVY x FORGET ME NOT was the first of Liz’s eyed daylilies, but she recognized it as a new path in miniatures. From PYEWACKET, harbinger of things to come, resulted about 2500 seeds from which came these no-
slide of today’s Rollingwood, and an interesting visitor 
(an Ostrich without a name), leaves one with the im-
pression that Liz and Jeff can work miracles with any-
thing that grows. This land hunt with its following 
transformation was also the point in time when Liz 
 began her journey into tetraploids.

The first introduction, and the backbone of her mini-
ture tetraploid program, GUINIVER’S GIFT (E. Salter 
1989) came from [ADAH x (SABIE x (KNAVE x CHI-
CAGO ROYAL) x (GRAND PRIZE x Sdlg.) x 
TEAHOUSE GEISHA) x STOLEN BASE) x TETRA MOON-
LIGHT MIST] (The diploid MOONLIGHT MIST was regis-
tered by Elizabeth Hudson 1981). From there, Liz took 
the miniatures to new heights, again. She showed slides 
of daylilies that included edges and sculpted throats 
in blossoms of the 3- to 4-inch range. She proclaimed 
that clear reds and intense colors are coming in the 
mini tets. She showed us slides “to die for.”

Liz also told us that the transition into tet eye pat-
terns has not been easy; yet, she is getting incredible 
patterns from WITCHES WINK (a tetraploid registered 
in 1993) and from the tet version of ELFIN ETCHING 
(ELFIN ETCHING was registered as a diploid in 1992).
She said, “This is where the excitement comes from in 
the tet program.” After being wowed by the seedling 
slides, I’d have to agree. The complicated eye patterns 
and some of her patterned tet doubles had the crowd 
oohing and ahhing and had some of us wishing we could 
nurry up and burn our own seedlings.

The direction in which Liz’s dip and tet seedling pro-
grams are going, is awe inspiring; but that isn’t a sur-
prise, because Liz Salter has one of the most interest-
ing and wonderful daylily programs going, and the little 
lovelies show an excellent adaptability to all climate 
zones in the AHS.

The little girl who ran around National Conventions 
has wowed us for some time already, and she shows 
signs of continuing to do that for a long time. I really 
liked her closing slide and her parting comment best, 
“People are always asking me what the best thing is 
that I ever produced?” The last slide showed Jeff and 
their daughter together.

I’d say Liz has got it right.

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**John Rice: THOROUGHBRED DAYLILIES**

*By Karen Burgoyne from Texas.*

Before I start to tell you about John’ Rice’s wonder-
filled program about his daylilies and the “Eden” in 
which he has chosen to grow them, I thought I should 
just tell you all how great it was to have been at this 
symposium. This little weekend, y’all put on, filled 
with just about any program, gave my heart all it could 
desire, and it was truly a class act. Y’all should be down-
right proud! Great Job, great people, and a real great 
time. Thanks!

Now to the nitty-gritty: It’s been almost six months 
since I sat in a darkened room and watched slide after 
slide of John Rice’s delightful wonders and had them fill my eyes and heart with new and distinctive hems.

John brings a new direction to color combinations, par-
ticularly in the blending of shades, and in the shading 
of his new seedlings’ eyes and edges. John’s program 
and growing standards are exacting, and the results show an innate ability to pull those new things from our favorite flower, flowers that should excite us all for years to come.

Here is a little background about John and his gar-
dens: He bought some nice, level tobacco land in Ken-
tucky. He built a wondrous greenhouse, about which 
he told us in the earlier Region 2 Symposium 2000 pre-
sentation (see pages 27-28 of our Spring/Summer 2000 
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John devotes three acres to his seedlings. He plants 
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his seedlings directly in the ground and usually—if he gets them in by early May—he will see bloom the following year. Sitting on a little scoot-about, John plants the seeds tightly, with about 1000 per 50 ft. row. John hybridizes primarily for large tetraploids, and he has a preference for blushes and colors that darken towards the edges. With that in mind, we enjoyed a sequence of slides showing past and new introductions and special seedlings from his program. John shared his thoughts about these daylilies with us, particularly his excitement for ANGEL’S BRAID (J. Rice 2000). He noted that ANGEL’S BRAID (ADMIRAL’S BRAID x ANGEL’S SMILE) was much easier to use than its parents and that this strong dormant cultivar was “throwing” a lot of exciting kids with patterns and the trait of roundness into the gene pool. He noted that WES KIRBY was one of his better introductions and that JIM SPENCER was a strong early opener.

This year’s introduction of YOU LOOK MARVELOUS is a branching wizard which has up to eight branches growing in the garden. He noted seeing nine branches on plants growing in the greenhouse.

While he showed more slides of his introductions, I kept thinking about the different and incredible edges and colors he has created.

Then, he showed us what is still to come. As John clicked through his seedling slides, I scribbled lots and lots of “to die for” comments all over my notes.

Now, as I think back to the March 2000 presentation and see which of his creations I now have in my gardens, the “to die for” comment is a mild one.

Especially notable were those ANGEL’S BRAID “kids” and several seedlings which had SALEM WITCH (Moldovan 1995) as one parent. John noted that SALEM WITCH, SHAKU ZULU (Moldovan 1992), and ARABIAN MAGIC (J. Salter 1992) had delighted him with the color range they produced in their “kids.”

This is one up-and-coming hybridizer, one who has an eye for the new and distinctive features everyone of us is looking for. He is a wonderful gentleman with a wit and a focus that will take him far.

**Keep your eyes peeled for what's coming from Thoroughbred Gardens. You won't be disappointed.**

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**AHS Daylily Dictionary**

(continued from page 2)

a bitone and a bicolor. Not only are the descriptions here, but there are photographs to make it all crystal clear. In case you were always referring to a certain part of the bloom as the “watchamacallit,” you can go to the Daylily Image Map (on the bar at the top) and find Cheryl Postelwaite’s detailed drawing of a daylily with all the parts clearly labeled. A click on the “watchamacallit” (now positively identified as “stamen”) pulls up the definition of stamen and a great photo of them in living color. What could be easier? The Dictionary isn’t meant to be a completed work; instead, it is a work in progress. Its creators, George Lawrence and Tim Fehr, are now working on the second flight of definitions to be added sometime this winter. George envisions detailed treatises on certain aspects of daylilies as well.

As a sampler, click on *Unusual Forms, Sculpted,* or *Edges.* In the future, look for detailed discussions of doubles, polytepals, and seed starting, to name a few.

Many many thanks go to George, Tim and all their contributors for all their hard work. This is definitely a labor of love for a flower.

Melanie Mason, Director from Region 4 Chairman, Publications Committee
This and That, from AHS to Regional Topics

Region Two is on the Internet

by Don Williams

Our Region Two is heading into this new millennium in a proper way by putting together a web site for the region.

The web site committee consists of Gisela Meckstroth (Ohio), Mary Milanowski (Michigan), Tim Fehr (Wisconsin), Rosmary Balazs (Illinois), and Don Williams (Indiana). We have also consulted with current and future officers Gene Dewey, Ed Myers, Virginia Myers, RVP-elect Greg McMullen, and with Leslie Fischer (editor 2001).

We appreciate the efforts of Gisela Meckstroth and Ed Myers for their efforts in getting the project going. There were many others who were instrumental in getting the project from the planning stage to reality, and we thank all of you.

As you read this, the web site should be up, and it will have lots of valuable information available to you.

Greg had been thinking about the web site for some time, and he gave the group a good outline to start with. Tim Fehr, whom everyone knows for his good and extensive work on the AHS National site, provided us with some great looking logos.

The committee has had a great time deciding the look and feel of the web site with everyone contributing ideas and feedback to it. It will continue to undergo many changes during the next few months, so look in on it frequently at http://www.ahsregion2.org

It is a Region Two website, so if you have any suggestions on how to make it better, don't hesitate to contact any one of the committee members or the current officers. There is a link on the web site where you can e-mail us your suggestions, and email addresses are listed for each of the regional officers, liaisons, and committee members.

Don't miss the link to the daylily e-mail auction site at: http://www.ahsregion2.org/auction.html

Instructions are also given on page 17 of this issue.

Editor's Note

We all owe Don Williams a great big Thank You for spending countless hours “constructing” the Region Two web site.

Looking Ahead

AHS Region 2 Meetings

2002: Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society

Region 2 Engleth Award

This hybridizing excellence award is open to Region 2 hybridizers exclusively. All seedling and cultivars that have not been registered are eligible. Plants entered as candidates for this award are to be planted in one of the designated Region 2 Summer Meeting tour gardens and are to be marked with a code number only.

To enter your seedling, ship enough fans of the plant so that it has a good chance of blooming on the day of the tour.

Contacts and shipping info for Engleth Award candidate plants:

2001 - Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society
Betsy Detmer
1562 New London Road
Hamilton, OH 45013
513-895-6509

2002 - Southern Michigan Daylily Society
Janice Seifert
906 Heather Lake Drive
Clarkston, MI 48348
248-393-0844
janseifert@usa.net

2003 - Co-hosts: Madison County DS and the Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society
Debbie Gray
Meridian Gardens
8209 Bivens Road
Dorsey IL 62021
618-377-1481
meridian@spiff.net

Shirley Farmer's Midwest Hybridizers Meeting

Saturday, November 4, 2000, in Dayton.

For Information, contact Shirley Farmer at:
30 Schell Road, Wilmington, OH 45177
Tel: 937-382-7789 • Email: ShirFarmer@aol.com
See the web page Jim Shields created for it: http://garden.dmans.com/jshields/MidwestHybridizers/
Thank you to all of you who donated plants, to the Region 2 Winter Auction 2001.
We appreciate your support!

AHS and Regional Awards and Honors

Mildred Schlumpf Award
The award, a silver tray is furnished by Region 14, and is presented each year at the AHS national convention. The award is presented to the best entry of slides in a sequence of events that gives information relating to daylilies. Deadline for nomination is 4/1.

Region 14-Slide Sequence Award
The awards, two silver trays, are given each year at the national convention of the AHS for the individual who submits the winning landscape slide. The other will go to the person who enters the winning slide of an individual daylily bloom. Nomination deadline is 4/1.

A.D. Roquemore Memorial Award
The award is presented for the best slide of a cultivar clump showing the foliage, the scape(s), and the flower(s) to give a total picture. Nomination deadline is 4/1.

Lazarus Memorial Award
The award is given for the best video recording of a presentation relating to daylilies. Nomination deadline is 4/1.

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West Bloomfield, MI 48324-2416
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Email: Phylliscantini@cs.com

This and That, from AHS to Regional Topics (continued)

Garden Judges

Way to go Region 2!
by Garden Judges Liaison Phyllis Cantini

Lots of renewals were completed this summer at various workshops. The best news is that 20 more Region 2 people took Garden Workshop II and are now eligible to apply to become garden judges. Please don’t forget to fill out and send in the application to our RVP by the deadline.

A note to all our Region 2 clubs: Please consider holding Garden Judge Workshops for your members in 2001. Schedule them in now, but observe the dates for our Region 2 Summer Meeting and the National Convention (see pages 3 and 4 for dates on which local clubs should not schedule the Garden Judges Workshops since they are offered at the regional and national events). Workshop I can be held indoors, using slides. Workshop II can be held next blooming season as part of your garden tours, general meetings, picnics, etc. A list of accredited Instructors is available.

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Exhibition Judges

by Exhibition Judges Liaison Richard Ford

Another great regional meeting has come and gone, and the exhibition clinics were attended by those good souls who are ready to serve the regional and the national as exhibition judges.
I would personally like to express thanks to Barb Kelly for her work in setting up the clinics, to Mary Milanowski for working out several details, to Pat and Dick Henley, to Lu and Orville Dickhaut, and to Rosemarie Foltz for their work as instructors, and to all those who served on the master panel. What a wonderful group of people to work with. Thank you all.

We will see you all next year.

Your AHS Dues and Your Region Two Newsletter

A reminder about the relationship between AHS dues paid and your receipt of the Region 2 Newsletter:
Your AHS dues must be paid by January 1 of each year so your name can appear on the mailing labels which your region receives from the AHS Executive Secretary Pat Mercer (see address in front inside-cover).
Bulk mail newsletters are not forwarded to you by the postal service when your address changes! Therefore, please make sure to send your address change to Pat Mercer or your RVP as soon as you can.
In Memory of Judith Vaughn

by Joyce Wazniak of Carmel, Indiana

On Sunday, April 25, 1999, a memorial service was held at the Community Congregational Church in the country outside Whiteland, Indiana, for Judith Vaught, long time IDIS member, who passed away on Friday, April 23. The countryside was clothed in its beautiful spring greens, and the redbuds added their soft rosy contrasts. It was a fitting backdrop for a celebration of a life that loved flowers, as Judy's did. She was a member of IDIS for many years, serving as president for two years in the early 90s. She was also iris show chairman numerous times, and could always be depended upon to add her creative touch to the artistic design division. As recently as last year, she won the design sweepstakes award. Judy also grew and exhibited daylilies, and at last year's show won Best Of Show. Judy's contributions to the success of IDIS have been innumerable. She will be sorely missed by all her friends and family.

Thank You
Indiana Daylily – Iris Society
for your donation to Region 2
in memory of Judith Vaughn

Improving on Perfection

Update about the Hybridizers Showcase Daylily Garden in Holly, Michigan

by Phillis Cantini and Joan Kepf

You say you can't improve on perfection? The Hybridizers' Garden is even bigger, better, and more beautiful than before. It is becoming a more perfect garden.

Started a year ago, you saw it in the Spring 2000 newsletter in its early stages of development. This spring it really took off with ornamental trees as accessories, and with shrubs, grasses, annuals, and other perennials in full bloom.

It got bigger. The planting area has nearly doubled in size with seven additional hybridizers' collections added to an already prestigious and growing list (see list in the spring newsletter).

New this summer, are cultivars from Castlebury, Crochet, Kinnebrew, Mason, Ned Roberts, Soules, and Webster. We filled in more of the Munson Memorial section with the missing years, and it is nearly complete from 1956 to the present.

More of the area has been landscaped with trees, boulders, and paths to further enhance the whole setting for the daylilies.

It got better. A 4 foot in diameter, 8 foot tall, working fountain was installed in a central position. More paths were laid to easily access, and view close up, each cultivar. Some hybridizers added to their own collections, thus making it necessary to reconfigure their individual spaces.

It got more beautiful. Each special section, with each hybridizer's representative cultivars, expanded into full-sized blooming clumps this summer. It will be even better in 2001 as more plants mature and bloom. It will be (if not already) one of the premier gardens in the country. It is unique in its concept, inspiring in its design, and beautiful in its versatility of plantings. And, it has hundreds of daylilies!

Plan to tour the garden 2001 by appointment. Call or write

• Joan Kepf, 6100 Carroll Lake Rd., Commerce Twp, MI 48382 (Tel: 248-363-9627)
• Mary Coakley, 3344 Westwind St., Walled Lake, MI 48390 (Tel: 248-363-3821)
• Linda Boyd, 1180 Hillcrest St., White Lake, MI 48390 (Tel: 248-360-2963)
This and That, from AHS to Regional Topics (continued)

John Benz Wins the 2000 Hite Award

The Howard Hite Achievement Award for Hybridizing Excellence was awarded to John Benz during the 2000 Region 2 Summer Meeting awards ceremonies.

The History of the Award:
At the 1989 Region 2 Summer Meeting, this new award was announced and sponsored by the Southern Michigan Iris and Hemerocallis Society. It is in the form of a free-form, sand-etched glass plate with an engraved image of Howard Hite’s INDONESIA on it.

It is meant to honor years of effort on the part of a hybridizer to improve daylily cultivars. Any Region 2 member, including members of the Hite Award Committee, may submit names of candidates for the award to the Region 2 RVP before January 31 each year.

Note: The criteria for selection of a recipient were printed in the Fall 1999/Winter 2000 issue of our regional newsletter. You may also contact the Southern Michigan Iris and Hemerocallis Society.

About John Benz
by Martha Seaman

In 1980, John Benz was a Cincinnati house painter who grew perennials, including some older daylilies from Wild’s. In 1981, he made a trip to Handy Hatfield’s garden, south of Columbus, Ohio, to see some newer daylilies. There, he fell in love with JOEL (H. Harris 1978), a big, flat, wide yellow. Since JOEL was on display only and he couldn’t buy it, John phoned the hybridizer Harold Harris in Florissant, Missouri, and there began a wonderful relationship between the two men.

John and his wife Janet made numerous trips to Florissant to see Harold and his daylilies and to discuss hybridizing techniques. In 1984, Harold Harris decided to retire, and he sold his entire garden, seedlings and all, to John and Janet. That fall, John, with the help of his brother-in-law Earl Porter, made two trips to Florissant to dig up and transport (and replant!) all those plants to Cincinnati.

That next year, John mailed out his first typewritten sales list. In 1987, his first true (black and white) catalog came out, and by 1989, the Benz catalog had color.

John grows from 2000 to 3000 mostly tetraploid seedlings each year and selects up to 100 for evaluation from that number. After the third or fourth year, and after being lined out in the fall, about 20 to 25 plants are introduced for sale in the spring. The Benz daylilies are noted for being large, round, ruffled, and sturdy. John is particularly known for weather resistant reds with green throats, but his rose, pink and yellow daylilies have many admirers. He is a strong advocate of hardy plants for northern gardens, and his daylilies are representative of his dreams and values.

Recipients

1990 Dr. Charles Branch
1991 No award presented
1992 Bryant Millikan
1993 Brother Charles Reckamp
1994 Steve Moldovan
1995 Howard Hite
1996 Robert Griesbach
1997 Dennis Anderson
1998 Curt Hanson
1999 Marge Soules
2000 John Benz

Phyllis Cantini presenting the 2000 Howard Hite Award to John Benz
Since 1987, region 2 hybridizers, amateur and professional alike, have competed for the Englerth Award for Hybridizing Excellence. This award is to encourage and promote Region 2 hybridizers and is in memory of Lawrence and Winifred Englerth of Hopkins, Michigan. The Englerths were longtime members of the American Hemerocallis Society, and Winifred was a charter member. Both were hybridizers, growers, and active promoters of daylilies for many years. Winnie was known for introducing daylilies with high bud count and her delight in using names in which the first letter was repeated. Many of her creations, MINI MINX, SKIPPY SKEEZIX, PINKEY PINKERTON, etc. are found in many gardens in the region. Their daughter, Mary Herrema, continues the sales operation as Englerth Gardens in Hopkins, Michigan.

The award medallions have been donated by John and Geraldine Couturier, who now reside in Region 10. The medallion will be engraved with the winner’s name, It is an award to cherish.

Notes:
- The criteria for selecting an Englerth Award winner were printed in our Fall 1999/Winter 2000 regional newsletter.
- Englerth Gardens is sometimes called Englearth Gardens, but the Herrema family prefers to use the family name.

### About Leo Sharp

**By Joanne Larson**

Leo’s involvement with the daylily began in 1980 when he meet Olive Pauley, Michigan City, IN, and Walter Jablonski, Merrillville, IN.

Most “daylily” conversations with Leo include reminiscences about these and other historical Region 2 hybridizers. The love of gardening showed itself early, when at age 8 he planted and nurtured a vegetable garden at his downstate Illinois home. He says, “Even then, I was fascinated with seeing seeds sprout and produce.” Now, thousands of daylily seeds are planted annually and daylily blooms instead of green beans are produced.

Currently, Brookwood Gardens operate just south of Michigan City, IN, and in Florida. His earlier introductions, small- and miniature-flowered daylilies for the most part, possess clear color, round form, heavy substance, and they open well. The concentration on clear color, good substance, good plant habit, and branching continue, and he is now also selecting for larger flowers.

Leo has served as Region 2 RVP and RPD. He has chaired the 1990 Region 2 annual meeting, and he was awarded an AHS Regional Service Award at the national convention in 1994. Leo also maintains an AHS Display Garden in Indiana. This year, he also won the Region 3 Large Flower award during the National Convention.

Over the years, Leo has donated an incredible numbers of plants to area clubs and regional events, and he continues to donate to the region so that it prospers financially. When requested to speak and to present slide programs at Region 2 symposiums or at local club meetings, Leo continues to give his time and talent willingly and generously. He has also been supportive in the establishment of new clubs by providing advice, expertise and plants for fundraising purposes.

### Winners of the Englerth Awards:

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AHS Awards Presented to Region 2 Members at the 2000 National Convention in Philadelphia, PA

Honorable Mention Certificate:
- Eugene S. Belden for STARTLE
- John Benz for ONE STEP BEYOND
- Curt Hanson for EARTH MUSIC and SUPREME EMPIRE
- Steve Moldovan for FRANCIS OF ASSISI, OLD KING COLE, SALEM WITCH, and SHAKA ZULU
- Brother Charles Reckamp for ANGELS SMILE
- Leo Sharp for BROOKWOOD ELEGANZA, BROOKWOOD WOW, and BROOKWOOD OJO POCO

Award of Merit Certificate:
- Charles E. Branch for SUSAN WEBER

Lazarus Memorial Award
- Sharon Fitzpatrick for best video recording of a presentation relating to daylilies

Region 3 Large Flower Award
- Leo Sharp

Certificates of Recognition for donations to various AHS programs:
- William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust
- Metropolitan Columbus DS: Gold Donor
- AHS Region 2: Platinum Donor
- Wisconsin DS: Platinum Donor
- Joe E. House Scientific Fund
- Metropolitan Columbus DS: Gold Donor

RVP Mary Milanowski accepting the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust Platinum Donor Certificate for Region 2 from AHS Region 2 Honors and Awards Liaison Jerry Benser

RPD Ed Myers presenting Sharon Fitzpatrick with the AHS Lazarus Memorial Award

Region 2 RPD Ed Myers accepting the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust and the Joe E. House Scientific Fund Gold Donor Awards for the Metropolitan Columbus DS from AHS Region 2 Honors and Awards Liaison Dr. Jerry Benser

Hiram Pearcy accepting Platinum Donor Award for the Wisconsin Daylily Society
This and That, from AHS to Regional Topics (continued)

2001 Howard Hite Achievement Award for Hybridizing Excellence Nomination Form

Nominations for the Hite Award are made by Region 2 members. Use this ballot form and attach additional information if desired. (Form may be photocopied)

For more information, please refer to the Hite Award criteria and a listing of previous Hite Award winners on page 34.

I wish to nominate:

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because:

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Signature ___________________________

Complete this form and mail before January 31, 2001, to:

Greg McMullen, RVP
8753 Westfield Blvd.
Indianapolis, IN 46240-1942

Yes, it was a “Once Upon A Millennium–Chicago 2000”

Phil Mallory “at work” taking photos and taking notes to write about The Coburg Planting Fields

The Sevetsons don’t waste a square foot of soil!

Jean Stallop taking notes in the Kirins’ back yard. (Photo by Rosemarie Foltz)

Sevetsons’ back yard

RVP Mary Milanowski and Chicago 2000 Co-chair Pat Bell

Get set, ready, go! Chicagoland volunteers waiting for Summer Meeting visitors in the hotel lobby.

Educational display in the Balazs Garden.

Visitors in the Coburg Planting Fields

Left: Shovels all in a row at the Coburg Planting Fields
Club Information and Events Calendar

**Northeast Ohio Daylily Society**

**New Club in Cleveland**

At last, Cleveland, Ohio, has its first daylily club. The *Northeast Ohio Daylily Society* (NODS) was formed this year (*That's "nods of approval," not "nods of sleep." <VBG>*).

The club is the result of efforts by three energetic young women, Jani Sikon, Lynn Stickle, and Kathy Schultz with Cleveland's own premier hybridizer Curt Hanson. The club was formed on June 28 at the Holden Arboretum. An enthusiastic group of daylily folk gathered together and chose a name, enjoyed an auction, and signed up for future fun. Curt Hanson donated first-class plants, and the talented David Enochian auctioned them to the new club members.

Since this beginning, the group has enjoyed a picnic at Curt's Crintonic Gardens and a class at the Arboretum.

Future plans include speakers, garden tours, plant sales, design classes, and more. Anyone in the Cleveland area is encouraged to join in the fun by contacting Jani Sikon.

The new club has two presidents,

**Co-president Jani Sikon**
7011 Jackson Street
Mentor, OH 44060-5023
Tel: 440-974-8038
Email: gardenaddict@juno.com

and

**Co-president Curt Hanson**
11757 County Line Road
Gates Mills, Ohio 44040
Tel: 440-423-3349

**Club reporter:**
Jennifer Jackson: avalonseed@hotmail.com

*Note: <VBG> means “Very Big Grin” in Cyberspeak.

**Ohio Daylily Society**

PresidentRosemarie Foltz reports the following meeting dates:

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Rosemary wants everyone to know that Bill Hendricks from Klyn Nurseries (of Region 2 Symposium 2000 fame) will speak at this fall’s meeting. Bill is a gifted speaker who is an expert on Ohio-hardy perennials, shrubs, and trees and who gives valuable tips. Members bring finger foods to this meeting. The club will also draw the winning number for the daylily quilt which Debbie Hulbert made. It is a labor of love and a work of art.

**Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society**

SMHS hits cyberspace with www.daylillyclub.com

The Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society has gone into cyberspace! SMHS launched its website August 15 and has had over 250 visitors to the site within the first week. Club members and publicity co-chairs Nikki and Steve Schmith created the site to offer access to the local club for an international audience.

The multi-page website contains information on the club, its officers, its members, and its mission. It also has an Education page, an extensive Photo Gallery page, and a page that will be dedicated to the National Convention in 2002, which SMHS will proudly host.

Hybridizers, collectors and daylily lovers from every state in the nation and around the world can now access the new SMHS website.

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Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society (continued)

Region 2 contributed photos of their seedlings and gardens for inclusion in the Photo Gallery. Pictures from SMHS’ Annual Exhibition Show are featured, and the webmasters plan to include pictures from the Annual Daylily Blowout on August 26 and the Fall Corn Roast in September.

One website viewer said, “It has fine copy—clear and to the point...the featured gardens gives it width, the Education page gives it depth! It has everything!” Another visitor wrote, “...it is very nice and very distinctive...”

The club, founded as SMHS in 1992, now boasts about 200 members. They hope that, with the addition of this website and the new club logo introduced last month, they can boost interest and participation of its current members, as well as entice new members to join.

To submit feedback on the site, and to submit photos for the Photo Gallery, please e-mail to:

schmith120671@daylilyclub.com

Note: SMHS logo image was sent via e-mail by N. Schmith

By Bill Johannes and Pete Mondron

It has been a great year for growing daylilies in our area, and the results showed at our show, plant sale, and plant auctions. Show Chair Trish Callis and Co-chair Patricia Crooks Henley produced a wonderful show titled “Summer Theater.” With 403 scapes and 24 artistic exhibits entered, competition was keen.

Sharon Fitzpatrick had held a grooming class at her home for about 15 members prior to the show, and the results showed. The judges were impressed by the outstanding grooming and by the range of cultivars displayed.

Show winners are as follows:

Best Large Flower: ........... DESPERADO LOVE (Janice M. Bailey)
Best Small Flower: ........... ORCHID CANDY (Karen Weaver)
Best Miniature Flower and Best-in-Show: ..................
 ......................... PATCHWORK PUZZLE (Patsy Bushdorf)
Best Double Flower: ........... MADGE CAYSE (Jim McMurry)
Best Spider/Spider Var. Flower: .. ROCOCO (Kit C. Walter)
Best Region 2 Popularity Poll Winner: ..........................
 ......................... STRAWBERRY CANDY (Janice M. Bailey)
Best Seedling: ................. “WMP-3” (James Gossard)
Best Youth and MCDS King of Show: ..........................
 ......................... HIGHLAND PINCHED FINGERS (Nick Lucius)
AHS Sweepstakes: .................. Connie Abel
MCDS Notice: .................. SIR MODRED by James Bushdorf
MCDS People’s Choice: .................. DESPERADO LOVE
AHS Tricolor Rosette: .............. Pat McNemar
Creativity Award: .................. Lynn Fronk
Special Appreciation Award rosettes were presented to Stan

and Linda Johnson for their outstanding educational display and to Gisela Meckstroth for producing the show-schedules booklets.

The MCDS plant sale and auctions were definitely financial successes.

“Auctioneer” Ed Myers did an excellent job squeezing dollars from club members during the guest plant auctions held at the May meeting and after the August plant sale. Everyone went home happy!! And under the leadership of Sale Chair Jim Rush, scores of customers attended the annual August plant sale, scooping up thousands of dollars worth of daylilies donated by members.

Two club services that deserve mention involve the Eureka book and plant labels. Member Jim McMurry coordinates the mass purchase of the Eureka books for club members at the quantity discounted price. And Bill Johannes has ordered large quantities of plant labels at wholesale prices for resale to members for many years, and he has continued to do so.

Membership currently stands at 233, with 150 also members of AHS. As always, new members are welcome to join us for the fun and activities listed below:

MCDS events to be held at the Franklin Park Conservatory:

Fall Meeting ......................... Sunday, November 5, 2000, 2pm, 
............................................. Steve Moldovan (speaker).
Holiday potluck and gift exchange ........... Sunday, December 10
Winter Meeting 2001 ..................... Sunday, February 11
............................................. Speakers: Ted Petit of Le Petit Jardin
............................................. John Peat of Cross Border Daylilies
Spring Meeting 2001 ...................... Sunday, April 29
Daylily Show 2001 ...................... Sunday, July 8
Daylily Sale and Auction 2001 .......... Saturday, August 18
Fall Meeting 2001 ...................... Sunday, November 4
Holiday Party 2001 ...................... Sunday, December 9

MCDS Show Chair Trish Callis and Best-in-Show Winner Patsy Bushdorf

RPD's and Editor' Note: Please share your club news with others in our region. Send summarized information, please. Deadlines are March 1 and September 1.
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Report Charlene Patz:

In May we had a bus trip to the Cincinnati Flower Show.
In June we tried holding our Members’ Hosta Garden Tour on a week night this year. It seemed to be very successful. Due to the fact that most daylilies are better for viewing in the morning, we held our Members’ Daylily Gardens Tour to the home of Lori and Jerry Vandermeer/Dutchmill Gardens and to Margaret and Bill Cook/The Farm on a Saturday morning in July. We also held a non-accredited Daylily Show in July at Toledo Botanical Garden’s Conference Center.

During our August Daylily Work Day at Toledo Botanical Garden, the Munson and Olson collections were revamped. Later that afternoon we enjoyed the annual daylily auction in conjunction with our Daylily Host program.

In September we toured Valerie Trudeau’s Lavender Blue Herb Farm in Waterville, and we had our Annual Members’ Plant Exchange.

In October our open forum program focused on what our members do to get their gardens ready for winter, and a potluck in November rounded out the year’s events.

2001 Calendar of Events:

January - Annual Dinner Meeting - date/time and speaker to be announced

February 17 at 1 pm - Toledo Botanical Garden Conference Center. Program: Therese Coyle “Garden Design”
March 17 at 1 pm - Toledo Botanical Garden Conference Center Program: “Container Gardening”
April 28 at 1 pm - Toledo Botanical Garden Greenhouse Program: “Annual Plant Sale and Hosta Show”

May 19 at 8 am - Annual Plant Sale Churchill’s Parking Lot, Perrysburg
June 3 - Toledo Botanical Garden Conference Center - Hosta Show
June/July Members Garden Tour - Potluck?

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HooDS President Jim Shields reports:

HooDS had its first annual auction in January and raised a good nestegg for this year. We had speakers like Jamie Gossard and Dan Bachman come to talk to us.

As in 1999, we had open gardens for two weekends during bloom season, when members were invited to visit members’ gardens.

The Board is just now getting organized for the fall term, with monthly meetings planned for September, 2000, through May, 2001.

Bill Potter came down from Chicago and gave an informative talk to HooDS in November, 1999.

HooDS web page is at: http://garden.dmans.com/jsheilds/Hoosier/

Hoosier DS Member Greg McMullen

The election of Greg McMullen as Region 2 Vice President for 2001-2002 was announced during our Region 2 Summer Meeting in Burr Ridge, Illinois. Greg is a HooDS member from Indianapolis, Illinois.

Greg wants to thank everyone who has supported him by vote during the nomination and election process. He will tell you all about his goals for our Region in the Spring-Summer 2001 newsletter. And, he will ask Region 2 members to make a commitment to become involved in AHS Region 2 activities.

In the meantime, if you want to contact Greg, you can do so by writing him at:

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Daylily Society of Southern Indiana

President John Habermel reports:
The Daylily Society of Southern Indiana had a very successful plant sale this summer and raised $2000 for the club treasury. It was a huge success considering that the members had only 30 days to plan, organize, and collect donations of plants.

Thanks to all the members who donated and worked to make this a memorable event. The membership has reached 53, which is amazing considering the club it only 11 months old.
Hiram and Jane Pearcy reporting:

Wisconsin is the home of the Ringling Brothers Circus, so it should not have seemed strange to see a big red and white tent in town. What was unusual was to have it at the botanical garden housing the annual sale for the Wisconsin Daylily Society.

A butterfly bonanza pushed us out of our usual quarters and into a fun, new experience in our “big top.” Except for a brief, overnight shower, the weather was great and so were sales. (We even sent daylilies back to Iowa on buses loaded with butterfly watchers!) Many, many members of WDS showed up to work very hard all three days. Profits will finance our year’s activities, which include bus trips and guest speakers.

Speaking of speakers, we had an outstanding year of programs. We kicked off the season at our annual meeting in October with Ted Petit and John Peat. (We even celebrated Ted’s birthday with him.) The happy memories of this dynamic duo will remain with us for some time as Ted’s Fall ’99 collection became the coveted jewels of our new cultivar adoption program. A record number of members showed up in July to vie for foster parenthood of these beauties.

Other outstanding speakers came from near and far. Our own Drs. Doug Maxwell and Robert Griesbach, Darrell Apps, and Lynn Purse all informed, entertained, and educated us. We are eagerly anticipating Norman Baker at our October 2000 meeting.

Highway construction, minimum trunk space, road rage—no problem for us. We loaded 26 WDS members into an air-conditioned, chauffeured coach and set off for Region 2 in Burr Ridge. We had time to visit, swap daylily stories and begin the “must have” lists which regional meetings inspire. Always the great hosts, the Chicagoland group didn’t disappoint us. We had a marvelous time and hope to repeat the experience on the long, long trek to Cincinnati next year.

A successful mail-in auction, a well-planned and executed garden tour, and an attractive and informative booth at the garden expo rounded out our year’s activities.
**Club Information and Events Calendar (continued)**

### Madison County Daylily Society

**Meetings and events for the Madison County Daylily Society:**
- October 5 - Regular Meeting
- December - Club Christmas party TBA
- February - Executive Board meeting TBA
- March 1 - First club meeting of the new year
- April 28 - MCDS's annual spring companion plant sale beginning at 8 am at Fehling & Nameoki Roads in Granite City.
- May 3 - Regular club meeting & spring daylily auction
- June 23 or 30 - AHS Daylily Show & sale at Alton Square Mall in Alton, Illinois.

All club meetings are held at the Granite City Eagles, located at 2558 Madison Ave. in Granite City Ill. Meetings begin at 6:30 pm with a potluck with the business meeting following at 7 pm. For further information or directions to any club meeting or event contact MCDS's correspondent Pam Hurd at mphurd@earthlink.net or (314)353-4839.

**Winners at this year's AHS Daylily Show were:**
- Best Large Flower: WHITE PERFECTION - Carol Lami
- Best Small Flower: PANDORA'S BOX - Cleste Biason
- Best Miniature Flower: BUMBLE BEE - Sandy Monroe
- Best Spider: CURLY CINNAMON WINDMILL - Helen Mihu and Ruth Henson
- Best Double Flower: DOUBLE BOURBON - Candice Conreux
- Best Spider/Spider Variant: RAINBOW SPANGLES - Della Mae Connell
- Popular Poll: STRAWBERRY CANDY - Della Mae Connell
- Best-in-Show: MAY WAY - Shirley Finney
- Sweepstakes: John Everitt

Sweepstakes winner: Helen Mihu and Ruth Henson

### Indiana Daylily - Iris Society

Show Chair John Everitt reports these results from the club's daylily show. Members entered a total of 183 scapes.

- Best Large Flower: WANDA SIMON - John Everitt
- Best Small Flower: MAY WAY - Shirley Finney
- Best Miniature Flower: PARDON ME - John Everitt
- Best Double Flower: PRESTON JOHN - John Everitt
- Best Spider/Spider Variant: RAINBOW SPANGLES - Della Mae Connell
- Popularity Poll of 1999:
  - STRAWBERRY CANDY - Della Mae Connell
- Best-in-Show: MAY WAY - Shirley Finney
- Sweepstakes: John Everitt

Della Mae and Tom Connell at The Fields during the Region 2 Summer Meeting 2000

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**Southern Illinois Area Members**

![Volunteers Needed]

The Madison County Daylily Society is seeking young family members of other daylily club members interested in forming a junior daylily club within the southern Illinois area.

The club would be for youth interested in learning more about the American Hemerocallis Society and growing & showing daylilies.

Interested parties should contact:
Janice Hammers, MCDS president, at 2140 Harrison, Granite City, IL 62040.

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Madison County DS members at The Fields during the Region 2 Once upon a Millennium–Chicago 2000 Summer Meeting (Pam Hurd, Janice Hammers, Sandy Monroe, and Sally Toussaint)
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