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DOUBLE DOUBLE MYSTERY
SOLVED!

By Ed Myers, Canal Winchester, Ohio.

In one of the gardens on Sunday during the 2002 AHS National Convention held in Michigan, Jeanne Payne, RVP of Region 5 (Georgia) noticed my wife Virginia’s name tag and that she was from Region Two in Ohio. Jeanne asked Virginia if she knew of Albert Grooms, a hybridizer from Ohio, and that his introduction MOUNT HELENA had won the Georgia Doubles Appreciation Award in the national convention voting the day before. Jeanne related that in 2001 another daylily, CONDILLA, also hybridized by Albert Grooms, had won the same award and that the Georgia Doubles award committee had not been able to present the award last year because no one knew where Albert Grooms or his descendents lived. Now they had a second award to present to him. Virginia told Jeanne that she only knew of Albert Grooms by his daylilies, but maybe she and her husband could look into locating someone in the family and get back to her.

Sometime in January I found the note from my wife Virginia and decided to start the search for Albert Grooms. I contacted some of the older members of the local clubs and had no success in receiving any information. I called several of the senior hybridizers in the state and had the same negative results, no information on where Albert Grooms lived or grew daylilies.

I decided to look in the AHS checklists to find out where Albert was living when he registered CONDILLA. This gave me the town of Richwood, Ohio, a small town 40 miles northwest of Columbus, Ohio. Next I tried the telephone company’s information operator for the Richwood area, and they found no one by the name of Grooms in their listing. By now I could see this was not going to be easy, but certainly a challenge.

After checking the Columbus, Ohio telephone book, I found 39 listings under the name Grooms, but after calling 10 of these numbers and being told they had never heard of...
Several weeks later at a meeting of the Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society, I was talking to one of our members, Shirley Dailey from near Marysville, Ohio, a small town 25 miles northwest of Columbus. I mentioned that I was looking for information on Albert Grooms, and she said one of the ladies that came to her garden mentioned she had known Albert Grooms, and she would try to remember her name.

About a week later Shirley called me, and even though she did not recall the lady’s name, she did notice a David Grooms in her telephone directory. I called the number and found that David was a great-grand-nephew of Albert Grooms. He told me that he had not been in contact with that side of the family for several years, but he knew Albert had passed away some years ago and that Albert did have a daughter, and he would try to find where she was located.

Several weeks went by until I heard again from David Grooms. He had found the address and telephone number of Albert’s daughter. He related that her name was Patricia Brown and she lived with her husband Bill in Wyoming, Ohio, a suburb northwest of Cincinnati. I immediately emailed the information to Jeanne Payne and received a thank-you for the information.

We never heard any more about the awards until Jack Trimmer and Jeanne Payne met us at the 2003 AHS Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina, and asked me if I would present the awards since Albert Grooms was a Region Two hybridizer. I told them I would be happy to give the awards, and they then gave me the two beautifully engraved plaques to bring back to Ohio.

I contacted Patty Brown and scheduled a day to visit her. She was very excited to learn her father had won the awards.

My wife Virginia, our Region Two Editor Gisela Meckstroth, and I drove to Wyoming, Ohio, and met with Patty. Patty is a very gracious lady and is very proud of her father’s accomplishments. She told us that she does have a brother Justin Grooms, who lives in Napoleon, Ohio. Patty also told us that her father had passed away in 1990 at age 91.

Patty and Bill have a small city lot and grow just a few daylilies. Her brother Justin grows about 50 clumps of seedlings, which his father hybridized.
From the information Patty and Justin gave us, we found Albert Grooms was a diversified person. He graduated from the University of Miami, Ohio, with a degree in education, taught school for a few years, and became a school superintendent. A few years later he decided to attend Ohio State University and earned a degree in electrical engineering, graduating in three years. He then worked for the Frigidaire Division of General Motors in Dayton, Ohio, until he retired. His hobbies included painting, photography, and writing books as well as hybridizing daylilies.

His work with daylilies really started in 1951 after he retired and moved to Richwood, Ohio, where he had a 2-1/2 acre lot. Albert’s son Justin told me that Albert had a small greenhouse on the Richwood property where he worked to double the number of seedlings he could produce in a year. Justin also told me his father sent daylilies to someone in Georgia to grow and multiply for him, but has forgotten who this may have been.

Patty still has some of her father’s notes and generously shared this information with us. The daylilies he used in his hybridizing program were the tall yellow HYPERION (Mead 1924) and H. fulva ‘FLORE PLENO’ a species plant similar to H. fulva ‘KWANSO’ with the same coloring, but which has 8-14 petaloids compared to KWANSO’s 9 petaloids.

Since H. fulva ‘FLORE PLENO’ is a triploid with 33 chromosomes and HYPERION is a diploid that has 22 chromosomes, this was a difficult cross—to say the least. Albert’s notes tell that he only got one pod to set after approximately 1,000 tries. The first year his only success was getting 2 pods to set seeds, and this was his start into double daylilies.

In reading his notes, I find it amazing that the results of this cross gave such a diversity of color. He lists a deep cream, a pink, a nearly white, a rose, a bronze, a gold, a yellow, and some with red and purple eyes. Surprisingly, none were orange. Perhaps orange was not a popular color at the time. The size of the flowers ranged from 3 inches to 6 ½ inches, and the scapes varied from 18 inches to 28 inches.

By 1972 Albert had 4 cultivars in display gardens at the AHS National Convention held in Indianapolis, Indiana, and 15 in display gardens at the AHS National Convention held at Shreveport, Louisiana, in 1973.

He sold his cultivars through nurseries and listed a few of them, such as Love Gardens, Brookside Daylily Gardens, Rockbottom Farms, and Tranquil Lake Nursery. His notes say that his daylilies were sold for $25.00 each with a 50/50 split to the respective nurseries.

According to his notes, this is a list of cultivars registered by Albert:

- AIR OF ARCADY
- BANDOLERO
- CERULEAN SKY
- DOUBLE MEANING
- KOHIMOOR
- MOUNT HELENA
- WHIRLING SKIRT
- ALUSTA
- BURSTING ROCKET
- CONDILLA
- FULL AND ROUND
- MOON WALK
- THREE TIERS

In the memorabilia of her father’s hybridizing efforts, Patty has silver plates from the 1972 Indianapolis, Indiana, event and the 1980 and 1982 years for “best double seedling,” (alas, the location is unknown), and the 1991 Lenington All-American Award for CONDILLA.

Patrick Stamile states in a July 2003 e-mail note that Albert always told him no double daylily would be totally stable unless it had at least 12 segments.

Albert Grooms has left us all with some great double daylilies, and–after reading his hybridizing notes – I have a greater respect for the accomplishments the early hybridizers made from the plants with which they had to start.

Our thanks to Patricia Brown and Justin Grooms for their help and for sharing their father’s notes and information.

From AHS E-mail Robin Pete, Region 3, Central Maryland.
You are a hemeroholic if........................................
..................you use all your vacation time to work harder than you ever would at your workplace—on your hands and knees planting seedlings!

This quote originates from an AHS E-mail Robin message that was saved and reprinted by courtesy of Ronald Leger, Bedford, Qc.
Daylily Dreams Really Did Come True
During our 2003 AHS Region 2 Summer Meeting in Collinsville.

The Meridian Gardens
8209 Bivans Road, Dorsey, Illinois.

Editor’s note: Even the best-made plans sometimes go awry. Slips occur, and two of our volunteers wrote about the same tour garden. Rather than choose between the two, you might want to see how two people enjoyed the same garden in their own special ways.

Tom Connel experienced the garden this way:
Saturday morning, and it’s starting to get warm. We arrived at Meridian Gardens, the home of Marie and Bud Johnson and which is also tended by their daughter Debbie Gray.

Debbie is chairperson of this Region 2 meeting and is president of the Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society. We were greeted by a beautiful, large clump of Japanese Iris. Then, there were daylilies and more and more daylilies.

STELLAR DOUBLE ROSE (C. Brown 1995) a red bi-tone double with a white edge and a dark-red eye brought us into the garden. A bolt of lightening ten years ago demolished a huge oak in front of the home. After the debris was removed, the area provided a perfect space for a daylily garden. Today, beautifully landscaped and well-groomed beds present a multitude of blooms. A couple of these are JEDI CODIE WEDGEWORTH, a brilliant lavender pink with a maroon eye and MOUNTAIN ALMOND, a peach self. There were hundreds more established daylilies by so many well-known hybridizers.

From the terrace at the rear of the home, we overlooked a vast array of woods, conifers, ornamental trees, a beautiful display of many hostas, and more daylilies. This was the commercial part of the garden.

Ooh, have mercy! A large double magenta-purple with cream midribs stood out. There are acres of land for expansion. The size of Meridian Gardens is well-suited for a large number of visitors.

Kim Isaacson saw the garden her way:
While we rode along the elephant-eye high cornfields in our tour bus, the garden color stopped my eye. Stepping off the bus, a sea of daylily blooms greeted me from both sides of the drive. Pulled on which way to go first, I wouldn’t have been disappointed either way! Heading to the right, as most right-handers do, I dove into the foliage to find the names of the “must have” daylilies for my ever growing list. Along the way, I met Marie Johnson. I discovered that although she loves all daylilies, she has a few favorite types, which include round full daylilies and eyed ones. Reds are special to her and spiders are “growing” on her. One of her garden favorites is SCARLET ORBIT. The garden is filled with all types and colors of daylilies, and I noticed no prejudices at all.

I met Kurt Johnson, Marie’s son, who was visiting from Louisiana to help with the daylily affair. I mentioned that the plants looked so healthy and well-grown, and Kurt offered that his father, Bud, has a special liquid concoction that he makes for all the plants. I never caught up with Bud to see if I could get the family secret. The Englerth bed was well stocked, but sadly, only one plant had an open blossom. Entry gardens and other front daylily beds were teeming with daylily bloom, while other garden areas included hostas, along with other shade-lovers, and a vegetable garden with other perennial surprises. An inviting vignette of daylilies and other perennials made the perfect backdrop to a well-placed birdbath. Other vignettes included a butterfly house and a beautiful eucalyptus arbor. The back acreage was expansive and eye opening. The blooming production field of daylilies was a sight to behold! This gave me the perfect opportunity to evaluate vigor, bud count and branching among the well-grown, well-marked varieties. The acreage also included a grape arbor and an iris bed with plenty of room to grow!

I enjoyed viewing interesting cultivars not currently in my garden, such as FERENGI GOLD, VICTORIAN ELEGANCE, ALL AMERICAN CHIEF, PRIMAL SCREAM, SEMINOLE WIND, and one of my old favorites, FEMME DE JOIE. Making my way back to the bus, I stepped up to the front deck to take one last overview. What a delightful place to sit and surround myself with the tranquility of the beautiful gardens filled with friends old and new. My only regret is not being able to chat with co-owner Debbie Gray to share her passion for her and her mother’s Meridian garden.

The Whites’ Gardens
2457 Kinder Place, Glen Carbon, Illinois.
by Theda Losasso, Canal Winchester, Ohio.

This was a spectacular garden with so many points of interest. Not only did my husband, Don, and I see many, many beautiful daylilies, but we also saw a beautiful array of hostas and ferns under well-established shade trees. Asiatic lilies, hollyhocks, plus many, many other forms of plant material were everywhere in this beautiful landscaped garden. Although JoAnn does not have a favorite daylily, she is partial to reds while Dan likes unusual forms and spiders. His hybridizing program consisted of 5,000 seeds last winter. We were also amazed to

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Left:
Bud and Marie Johnson with their daughter Debbie Gray at the Meridian Gardens.
Photo: Rosemarie Foltz

Right:
Nick Balash from Michigan and former RVP Hiram Pearcy from Wisconsin in Joan and Richard Norman’s garden.

Left:
2003 AHS Mildred Schlumpf 2003 Award recipient: Debbie Hurlbert

Right: Garden Judges Instructor Richard Ford with Jan and Herb Maxeiner.

Above: Photo of sign taken by John Sheehan in Anita Holst’s Little Shaw’s Garden.

Right: Joanne Larson presenting the 2003 Region 2 Service Award to Lea Ann and Don Williams at the AHS National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Left and above: RVP Ed Myers submitted his photo of the Botanical Gardens and of this sign in the daylily section of the Missouri Botanical Gardens. Everything you wanted to know about daylily dishes and what’s good for “what ails you.” (Both photos by Ed Myers)
learn that this garden is only about three years old. Dan and JoAnn moved to this location March 2000.

We were captivated by the huge red antique barn that is such a part of this garden. Dan and JoAnn were residents of the surrounding area, they knew the history of the property and the barn, and when it was put on the market, they had an opportunity to bid on the property. After the property was bought, their home was built, and they spent three years in the barn restoration. Dan has done a fabulous job restoring the stone wall in the barn and building floors in the barn that now houses four floors of their extensive antique collection. Next to the barn is a wishing well that Dan rebuilt, and he waters one-half to two-thirds of the garden from the wishing well.

Dan and JoAnn are also avid antique collectors, and they have displayed many statutory items and collectibles to enhance this garden. Benches have been placed throughout the garden so visitors can sit, relax, and enjoy the beautiful views. The lake was bordered by many hostas and ferns. We especially enjoyed seeing the little iron ship on the post that was anchored alongside the lake’s edge.

Another point of interest is Dan’s wonderful vineyard. He likes to make his own wine, and we were privileged to view his wine cellar. We entered it through a huge wooden door with beveled glass that originally was used in a hotel in Chicago. This wine cellar shows off one more of Dan and JoAnn’s many interests in gardening and antique-collecting.

We felt our tour of this garden was much too short because there was so much to view and enjoy. As we all know, our daylilies fade much too quickly, but this garden is definitely one that will hold its beauty and interest even after the daylilies are gone.

Maxeiners’ Garden

714 Ramona Place, Godfrey, Illinois.
Norma Greenlee, Lynville, Indiana.

We all got off the tour bus and started walking down the walk beside the house to look at another daylily garden. One look, and we knew we were in for a very enjoyable time.

The very first thing to greet us was a lovely goldfish pond. Then JOYLENE NICHOLE (Spalding-Guillory 1984) greeted us and things got even better. The Maxeiners’ garden has over four hundred daylilies and some of the most unusual companion plants you can imagine.

We strolled along larkspurs and Shasta daisies. The most gorgeous pink peony poppies were everywhere. “Hen and chicks” were growing out of the rocks. Who would have thought dill weed could look so pretty. The “Lady” statue in the garden was keeping an eye on everyone. The garden house looked so inviting, but we didn’t have time to stop, too much to still see yet. Bee balm, dianthus and honeysuckle blended in so nicely. The cat and mouse and the weather vane ornaments caught everyone’s eye. Hosta, ferns and hydrangeas were so pretty. How did the giant redheaded woodpecker get so high up in the maple tree? The European tricolor Beech tree was very different and appealing. I had never seen one before. The daylilies were all beautiful, but these really caught my eye:

MASK OF ETERNITY, JAN’S TWISTER, PAPER BUTTERFLY, VIOLET HOUR, WILLIAM AUSTIN NORRIS, LEEBEE ORANGE CRUSH, DOUBLE RIVER WYE, PARIS SILK, FANTASY QUILT, LAKE NORMAN SPIDER, KELLY’S GIRL, WINSOME BLUSH, and an old one, LOVE ME.

This garden was a lovely one for a stroll. Each plant had plenty of space, and each name could be read. The daylilies, the companion plants, the trees, and all the critters together made this a very enjoyable garden in which to spend time. It was easy to see Herb and Jan had put much time, effort, and thought into making it especially attractive for all of us. It was a highlight of the garden tours, and I am so pleased to be able to share my experience with you readers. Words cannot do it justice.

Thank you Herb and Jan for inviting us to your garden.

The Mihu-Henson Garden

3111 East 23rd Street, Granite City, Illinois.
by Gisela Meckstroth, Reynoldsburg, Ohio.

With over 600 cultivars to view, I don’t think any of us will forget seeing the wonderful clump of DOUBLE RIVER WYE (Frank A Kropf 1982) in Helen Mihu and Ruth Henson’s large garden. It has light yellow, frilly, frilly double flowers, on perfectly proportioned, graceful scapes. It looked fresh and clean as it swayed in the breeze. Garden Judges Instructor Gus Guzinski and Region 2 member Kevin Tyler from Michigan would later discuss the appealing features of this daylily during the Garden Judges Workshop 2.

There were so many daylilies to see, but EGGPLANT (Munson 1984), SOUND AND FURY (Sikes 1978), and a huge clump of MARY TODD (Fay 1967), an always dependable garden jewel, caught my eyes. Here, in this large garden among so many other beautiful cultivars, MARY TODD had no trouble taking center stage of the large flowered cultivars.

What a job it must be to keep up this extensive collection despite the difficulties brought on by a fire that damaged their home quite heavily.

We all appreciated the fresh fruit, drinks, and other plentiful goodies as we wandered through the wide paths.

Thank you, Helen and Ruth, for sharing your treasures with us.
The Little Shaw’s Garden
A Magical Place?
1010 Lantern Lane, Lebanon, Illinois.
by John Sheehan, Madison, Wisconsin.

It is my great pleasure to give a brief synopsis of my recent visit to Anita Holst’s “Little Shaw’s Garden” located on Lantern Lane in Lebanon, Illinois. The garden name honors the philanthropist, Henry Shaw, who donated the land and initial funds which were used to establish the world renowned Missouri Botanical Garden.

When I departed the Region 2 tour bus at the “Little Shaw’s Garden” and walked toward the front yard, the sun was blazing down on this late June afternoon—finally, the promises of sweltering days in Southern Illinois were being realized. Did I have my water bottle? Should I have worn a hat? No matter—I soon forgot all of this.

My attention was immediately drawn toward an octagonally framed, raised, flower bed to the right side of the driveway. It was like being at the circus! In front was a fluttering banner emblazoned with a flaming red daylily on a bright yellow background. In the center of the bed was artfully placed a blue spruce tree and surrounding it were clumps of daylilies. It was like a merry-go-round with brightly colored animals—all different—all perfectly manicured and positioned. For a moment, I thought that if I blinked, the music would begin and the daylily clumps would begin to rotate around the spruce. Too much sun? No, it was Anita’s hand at work!

After walking around this brightly lit bed, a few steps further brought me into a completely different world. The bright sun was gone—the circus imagery melted away. Facing me was an 8 foot tall, vine covered arbor-way inviting me into a lush oasis of green. A gentle breeze tugged at me. I entered. At the end of the path sat a small bench to allow visitors to sit and reflect upon the surroundings. Only traces of indirect light found their way through the tricolored Beech Tree, the 20 foot blue Atlas Cedar Tree and the taller trees which provided a sheltering canopy. I perched and looked around. Hostas and other shade loving plants were nestled among the larger shrubs and trees. Everything was situated with considerable thought—there were not just individual plants placed helter- skelter. Rather, colors, shapes, and plant textures were all considered in creating a 3 dimensional picture. A feeling of serenity seemed to take over. Thoughts of a bus captain’s whistle faded. The voices of other visitors seemed muted. Was I really still in Lebanon, Illinois? I could see folks walking toward the back of the oasis into what seemed a brighter world; however, for a while, I did not join them. Was I being hypnotized? No, again, this was Anita’s hand at work.

Most visitors to Anita’s Garden enjoy this peaceful oasis in the summer. Anita does too. However, Anita told me that she loves to work out here all year ‘round. In the winter, when most of the trees and shrubs have cast off their leaves, she will sit at this same bench and look at the contrasting shapes of the tree and shrub skeletons. Nature provides us with artwork all year long (with Anita’s help).

I knew that there must be more to see in Anita’s back yard and there WAS that bus captain’s whistle to consider. With reluctance, I arose and entered Anita’s back yard.

Wow, the sun was back and I was back in the boisterously colorful world of daylilies and companion plants galore. My pal, Jean Bawden, should be here to help me with some of the names. In the center of the yard was a large sunken garden with two large plum colored trees providing partial shade. The rest of the sunken garden was bathed in sunlight—a perfect environment for the sun-loving daylilies and companion perennials. A path led down into the garden allowing one to get a close-up look at the contents. Even the simple walk down into the sunken garden made me feel apart from the rest of the back yard—this too was a well-planned niche.

A smallish bed, perhaps 12 feet across, next caught my eye. In the center was a beautiful weeping coniferous evergreen, draping its many branches to the ground and to doing so, leading my eyes to the clumps of daylilies at its foot. The bright yellow daylilies which encircled the tree were a stark contrast to the grayish-green conifer which looked like an old shepherd bending over protecting his charges. Either the sun is getting hotter or Anita has been working her magic here too.

A wooden fence covered with clematis vines bordered the back yard. Paralleling the long west wall was located a bed of daylilies which included clumps of Anita’s favorite daylilies, DESIGNER ROMANCE (Sikes) and SUGAR PAVILLION (Salter), along with many other introductions such as EMERALD SPLENDOR (Wilson), ROSY LIGHTS (Wilson-Schott) and NEW JOURNEY (Joiner). Included were several spider daylily varieties tucked away at the end of the long bed. Scattered among the daylilies were shrubs which served to individualize each daylily plant. I took a few long shots of the bed with hopes of sending them to Gisela for the Region 2 Newsletter.

In the corner of the yard was another arbor-way welcoming visitors down a shady path. Where did it lead? Aha, another clever idea from Anita! At the end of the short trail was a small bench just big enough for 1-2 folks to hide from the sun. In fact, McKenzie Williams had found the spot and was parked there taking a break. She waved—I took her photo, and then I exited, leaving her in the cool solitude.

As I passed out from the shady path, there was now visible a small ceramic tile nestled at the base of a blue spruce tree. Its inscription read: “NATURE NEVER DID BETRAY THE HEART THAT LOVED HER.”

Well, here it was at last—this was the thought that Anita Holst had kept in mind while she designed and created her wonderful garden. The many moods and feelings that were evoked in me as I explored the Little Shaw’s Garden were a result of Anita’s love and respect for Mother Nature. Truly, Mother Nature looks over Anita and her garden providing it with a special magic. Thank you both!

Toot, toot!! Drat, that captain’s whistle is calling us back to the bus. Nothing magical about that—good-bye to Little Shaw’s Garden.
The Missouri Botanical Garden
by Lea Ann Williams, Lynnhurst, Indiana.

The Missouri Botanical Garden has a wonderful daylily garden. The Jenkins Daylily Garden features a collection of over 1,300 daylily cultivars and approximately 20 species and specific variants. The daylilies are labeled with their cultivar, variety, or specific epithet; hybridizer or country of origin; and date of registration or first known recording. Included in the collection are the complete collections of the AHS award winning cultivars.

There are also two other non-sanctioned collections, the Ed Scharr Memorial Bed, which features daylilies hybridized in Missouri, and a (growing) collection of early or historic cultivars. All thirteen collection beds (including the species and historic cultivar beds) have interpretive story signs, informing the public about what the Ida Munson Award is, or how Hemerocallis fulva and others played a role in the development of modern daylilies.

Featured in addition to the award winners, but not in any one particular bed, are national popularity-poll winners, Award of Merit and Honorable Mention winners, genetic cornerstones (DANCE BALLERINA DANCE, BETTY WARREN WOODS, RUFFLED MASTERPIECE, etc.), selected seedlings from various hybridizers, and some of the favorite, all-round good performers for the Saint Louis region.

The Jenkins Daylily Garden is maintained by the Missouri Botanical Garden Daylily Association, a five-member volunteer group associated with the West County Daylily Club of Saint Louis. Both the MBGDA and the WCDCSL oversee the interpretation, additions, omissions, general maintenance, and funding of the collection. New plants are purchased from money raised through the Garden’s annual MBG Daylily Sale, held every August. Nearly 100 daylilies (mostly new introductions for that calendar year) are added to the collection each year on a rotational basis.

The Jenkins Daylily Garden is a well-planned garden that features a variety of plantings. Visitors can enjoy the daylilies in a variety of settings, from the double bed in the center of the garden to the woodland garden in the back. The garden is open to the public from May to October, and is a must-see for any daylily enthusiast.

Louis and Celeste Biason Garden
2661 Westmoreland Drive, Granite City, Illinois.
by Jacki Kropf, Ada, Michigan.

Set in a Residential Neighborhood, it presents an inviting view. We entered the backyard of the garden through a gate and walked on a narrow walk lined with beautiful daylilies and fragrant roses. Oh! Smell NATIONAL VELVET with birds singing; we were in a walled (well, fenced) secret garden. More than 30 trees define space and add shade and beauty. Japanese maples, crepe myrtle, holly, well-pruned sweet gum, apple trees and conifers provide color and structure and are underplanted with a vast assortment of plant material. Impeccably grown daylilies take center stage throughout and are complemented by other perennials, annuals, and well-placed potted plants, sculpture, and other garden accents. So much is interplanted without any sense of crowding. The garden is about 14 years old but is ever changing. Plants are added from near and far (zone denial?) and are all combined with Celeste’s artist’s eye. The Biasons do all the work—a true labor of love—themselves, including the hybridizing, and the production of many quality seedlings, which extend the garden outside the back fence where they grace a vegetable garden. Back inside the fenced garden, we found old friends like ALWAYS AFTERNOON and MARY TOWN along with eye-catchers, such as CLASSIC EDGE. We relax on perfectly placed shade benches or the ample deck to take it all in before leaving. So much to see, so little time.

Thank you, Louis and Celeste.
From the Board
by Joanne Larson, Region 2 Director

Another bloom season is behind us, and it was a glorious one! The copious amount of rain in May brought many beautiful blooms in July, even though peak bloom was nearly two weeks late in our garden.

On behalf of all Region 2 members, thank you to the Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society for hosting a wonderful regional meeting in June. We were treated to southern Illinois hospitality and wandered through beautiful gardens under sunny skies.

At the AHS National Convention held in Charlotte, NC, in June, the AHS Board approved two new awards—an Early/Extra Early Award and a Large Flower Award. Cultivars registered as E/EE and those registered as over 7 inches, respectively, will be eligible. Spiders and unusual forms will not be included in the new large flower award classification. These awards have not been named yet, but will be included in judges’ training materials in 2004, and the two new categories will appear on the 2005 garden judges Awards and Honors ballot.

Following the recommendation of the Spider Sub-Committee of the Registration Committee, the AHS Board voted to eliminate the spider variant classification. Spiders will be defined as those cultivars with flowers with a ratio of 4.0:1.

In 2004, AHS will print a new membership brochure suitable for distribution at daylily shows and sales. Please watch for an announcement in *The Daylily Journal* about availability; 500 will be sent to each daylily club at their request without charge.

Some of you may wonder what my duties are in regard to serving as your Region 2 Director. Since the AHS Board is a “working board,” the AHS president assigns each board member a position. My responsibility is Exhibitions Chairman and the accreditation of all daylily shows held across the U.S., about 65 to 75 of them each year. I work closely with the executive secretary, the registrar, the exhibition judges chairman and the judges education chairman; in addition, I communicate with show chairmen and their show schedule chairmen. One more task is to conduct an *Exhibitions Workshop* during the national convention. There is a five-member committee to assist with Exhibitions.

Attendance is required at two board meetings each year, one held in conjunction with our national convention and the second one scheduled in October. At these meetings, staff and committee reports are presented, the business of the Society is discussed, and action is taken if necessary. I have also been appointed by the president to serve as a member of the Executive Committee.

Our region is large geographically, but if your club would be interested in a visit, just let me know. I’d be happy to come and “talk daylilies”!

Have you visited our Region 2 Web Pages on the Internet?

You can find information about your officers, Region Two local clubs and their officers, club schedules, and much more. Some articles, which appeared in black-white in our newsletters will be posted there with their color images.

The address is: http://www.ahsregion2.org

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Looking ahead at the National Convention Calendar

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Joanne Larson
49 Woodland Drive
Barrington IL 60010-1912
RVP Message

by Ed Myers

Even though we enjoyed many beautiful gardens and blooms, summer and bloom time always go by so fast. This summer seemed to go more swiftly than most. Starting with the AHS National Convention followed closely by the Region Two Summer Meeting, then, after judging some club shows, bloom season was over. Fortunately I have been making crosses for northern rebloom and did get to see some good seedlings rebloom.

I want to extend a big THANK YOU to the Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society members for the outstanding job they did in hosting the Region Two Summer meeting this year. The gardens were beautiful and the hospitality was second to none. I am sure that everyone who attended this meeting had an enjoyable time.

Congratulations to our Region Two members who won awards at the AHS National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. Don and Lea Ann Williams received the Regional Service Award, Debbie Hurlbert received the Mildred Schlumpf Award for a landscape photo, and Dan Bachman received the Regional Newsletter Award for the best article on cultivars.

A thank-you goes to the clubs that provided Exhibition Judges Clinics and Garden Judges Workshops in many locations of our region. A thank-you also goes to the Region Two members who took the time to participate in the Judges Clinics and Workshops. This is the kind of support the region needs to get the count of judges up to the proper numbers designated by AHS.

The following is a list of items I would like to remind Region Two members to consider:

1. Vote for a nominee for the Howard Hite Achievement Award (the last several years there have been very few ballots returned) and help the Awards and Honors Committee do their job.
2. Bid on the Region Two e-mail Auction Plants; there are some real bargains in this auction (last year some of the winning bids were from other regions).
4. Remember to pay your AHS dues by December 1.

I hope all our members have a good winter and look forward to seeing many of you at the Symposium.

Ed

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**Do you know...**

that an AHS Youth membership costs only $8 per year?

See inside front cover for details.

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*Phyllis Cantini*
Editor's Message

Early in life, about age six, I made up my mind to travel as much as I could possibly manage, and manage it I did, indeed.

Well, this has been a most interesting and busy “traveling” summer for me, and I am so grateful to be married to a man who is also interested in daylilies and who, therefore perhaps, understands my daylily and travel passion. Summer started with a trip to Germany to attend my class reunion and to visit daylily gardens in mid June. Then came the AHS National Convention, one day afterwards to wash clothes and to pick up more funds, and it was time to drive to Collinsville, Illinois, with Rosemarie Foltz from Canton, Ohio, to enjoy the wonderful gardens of our Region Two Summer Meeting. A few days later came our MCDS daylily show where I helped as placement chair then came, judging daylily shows at Southwestern Michigan HS and the Ohio DS. Once more a day at home to wash clothes, repack suitcases, pick up more funds, and off it was with Region 2 member Janice Clark (also an MCDS member) to Amsterdam for daylily garden visits in Belgium and Germany for the combined Hemerocallis Europa–Perennials Society/ Specialty Group Hemerocallis meeting in Holland. A detailed description of the Europe garden visits will be posted in full color on our Region 2 web pages (http://www.ahsregion2.org) about the end of September.

Region 2 has published excellent newsletters for more years than some of us have been members. Leo Sharp was the editor of the very first all-color Region 2 newsletter in 1985. Gus Guzinski followed with outstanding color photos on outside and inside covers of the 1991 issues, and Leslie Fischer brought color to the inside pages. As you have noticed, this newsletter feels and looks different outside and inside. Using a new printing company and color on inside pages is always a new adventure. To keep color cost down, the page numbers for color pages are predetermined, and I hope I can manage to place interesting images on those pages and keep text on the black-white inside pages. I also hope that the black-white pictures will look better than they did in the last issue.

I would like to thank Jeanette Muench and Carol McClintock for donating older Region 2 newsletter issues to replace our “Editor’s Box Collection.” (The collection was misplaced or lost during the last editor-to-editor transfer.) And, special thanks also to Joanne Larson for finding such kind donors. This collection of older issues is really a big help to an editor when the times comes to see what articles would be of interest to our members.

Special thanks also to RVP Ed Myers and his wife, Region 2 Secretary Virginia Myers and MCDS member Karen Ciula for proofreading these pages. They have been a tremendous help getting this issue into your hands.

Once again, I would like to thank all article writers and the tour garden writers. I know it puts an extra burden on your shoulders during what should be completely carefree and enjoyable daylily days at our regional. Just have a look and read how well these members have described their visits. Wonderful! So, please keep on writing and sending articles and club news. It is always interesting to read how our Region 2 clubs continue to beautify our five states while increasing our membership, the largest of all 15 AHS regions.

DO YOU KNOW ...
that daylilies grow along the Internet Highway and that you can...

- Surf the Net and learn more about daylilies.
- Visit our Region 2 web pages and local club links at: http://www.ahsregion2.org
- Visit the American Hemerocallis Society Web-Site at: http://www.daylilies.org/daylilies.html
- You can “travel” to many interesting daylily sites by clicking on links on the AHS Web Site. If you don’t have a computer, visit your local library. Friendly librarians will be glad to help you navigate the high seas of the Internet.
Greetings! Can you believe that the summer is almost over? Our youth members are back in school. The daylilies are just about gone for another year. You know, it seems like a good time to reminisce about 2003 Region 2 Summer Meeting.

Our youth were not great in quantity, however, they were the greatest in quality! I am still excited about all the fun that we had. One of the highlights at the meeting was the youth table at the boutique. All the decorated birdhouses were sold! The houses looked great and everyone enjoyed decorating them. Even the adults. Our thanks to Tim Bleichroth for assembling the houses. There should be some very happy birds this spring.

The daylily dollars drawing left all the Youth loaded down with great plants from Region 2 hybridizers. A big Thank You to Dan Bachman, Louise James, Don and Lea Ann Williams, Richard Ford, and Klehm’s Song Sparrow Perennial Farm for their very generous donation of daylily plants. Louise James also donated 2004 daylily calendars. All the youth received cameras, CDs, notebooks, candy, and cash. Yes, we divided up the birdhouse profits. Saturday evening was another great event. We sat at a special table during the banquet, enjoyed delicious food, laughed, and talked with our new friends. We also socialized with our table guests. They included Region 2 hybridizers Leo Sharp, Don and Lea Ann Williams, and Dan and Jackie Bachman. We made friends for a lifetime.

I would like to introduce you to a couple of our youth members whom we enjoyed meeting in Collinsville: Tacoma Monroe is a delightful 7-year old young lady. She lives in Godfrey, Illinois, and is in the second grade at Lewis and Clark Elementary School. She plans to play soccer this fall. Tacoma’s favorite subjects are math and spelling. Her favorite daylily is PAPERWEIGHT. Tacoma lives with her mom, dad, and sister Viktoria. Her parents were our bus captains. They made sure we saw some very special places in St. Louis as we returned from the garden tour. Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe.

Jamie Carr is another Youth member whom we were delighted to meet this summer. He lives in Bethalto, Illinois. Jamie worked really hard at the meeting. He was a runner at the plant auction. All the buyers kept him very busy, and he did a great job. Jamie is 9 years old and is in the fourth grade. He attends Bethalto West School where he is a catcher for the Lancers Baseball Team. He also keeps very busy playing hockey. Jamie likes to hybridize and plant daylilies. Watch out Dr. Bob Carr, you may have some big competition from Mr. Jamie Carr.

Last, but not least, we really enjoyed visiting the Botanical Gardens. We were given a guided tour of the daylily gardens by Leo Sharp. Leo always has time to talk with the Youth. He also gave McKenzie Williams a much-needed Spanish lesson. McKenzie will be entering high school this year, and she will be taking Spanish. She should go to the head of the class with all the help from Leo.

Ever wonder what kids talk about at the Region 2 meetings? Well, they laugh and talk about the fun they are having. They also plan what they want to do when they get together again at next summer’s Region 2 meeting. They even discuss their favorite daylilies. So, make plans to join us next year. You won’t regret it!

A big “Thank You” to the Youth. I had a great time, and you were wonderful.
The AHS Region Two meeting was held June 28, 2003 at the Holiday Inn, Collinsville, IL. The meeting was called to order by RVP Ed Myers at 8:15 P.M. RVP Ed welcomed everyone to the 2003 Region Two Summer meeting. Ed thanked everyone from the Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society for their work and dedication in hosting this meeting, especially Chairperson Debbie Gray, Registrar Sandy Monroe and all the members who had worked so hard to make their gardens so beautiful. RVP Ed then recognized and introduced the Officers, Liaisons and chairpersons that make Region Two work so well. Region Two Director Joanne Larson stated there is a change in the Spider classification, no longer will be a Spider Variant class, also two new awards will be given “Early – Extra Early” and “Extra Large Flowers,” 7 inches and larger. Joanne reported there are 10,750 registered members in AHS. Region Two Archivist Joanne Larson would like to receive any type of newspaper articles, old articles & old magazines pertaining to Region Two.

Region Two Publicity Director Paul Meske had a request for more members send in their Popularity Poll Ballot to him either by postal mail or e-mail.

Region Two Editor Gisela Meckstroth thanked all who helped write for the newsletter. She needs all articles by September 1st for the Fall/Winter issue and March 1st for the Spring/Summer issue.

Ways & Means Co-chair Don Williams is ready for the Winter Auction. He has new software and listings will be like E-Bay. Don stated Region Two members purchased 80% of the plants, 70% of the money comes from Region Two members.

Members attending the meeting from Region Two clubs were then recognized.

Former RVPs of Region Two were also recognized.

Reading of the Minutes was waived since they were published in the Spring/Summer 2003 Newsletter; motion was made and passed to accept the minutes as printed.

Reading of the Treasurer’s report was waived since the report was published in the Spring/Summer 2003 Newsletter.

The Treasurer Charles Bell gave a short update of the financial status of the region.

**NEW BUSINESS**

RVP Ed explained the need for the Region Two bylaws change to conform to those of the AHS.

- The bylaw change of, Article IV Officers as printed in the Region Two Spring/Summer Newsletter 2003. Motion was made to make the change by Mary Milanowski, seconded by Bill Sevetson, motion passed.

- Standing Rule #1…RVP explained the need for the Standing Rule, which was printed in Spring/Summer Newsletter, motion made to add the Standing Rule by Greg McMullen, seconded by Gene Dewey, motion passed.

- A committee was needed from the members attending to find a candidate for RVP to be elected for the years 2005-2006. Volunteers were Don Williams, Kimberly Isaacson, and Nikki Schmitt. Motion made by Pam Hurd to accept the committee, seconded by Mary Milanowski, motion passed.

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**2003 AWARDS FOR REGION TWO MEMBERS**

Nikki Schmith from Michigan presented the Howard Hite Award on behalf of the Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society to Charles Applegate of Perryville, Ohio.

Awards & Honors Chair Greg McMullen from Indiana announced that due to lack of blossoms there will not be an Englehart Award given this year, 2003.

Past RVP Greg announced the Region Two Newsletter Award for 2002 goes to Harold Steen from The Wisconsin Daylily Society.

RVP Ed announced a few of the awards given during the 2003 AHS National Convention in Charlotte, N.C.

- Don & Lea Ann Williams received the AHS Region Two Regional Service Award.
- Debbie Hurlbert received the Mildred Schlumpf Award for a landscape slide.
- Dan Bachman received the Regional Newsletter Award for the best article on cultivars.
- Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Soc. received the Wm E. Monroe Endowment Platinum Award.
- Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Soc. received the Wm E. Monroe Trust Gold Donor and the Joe E. House Scientific Fund Gold Donor Awards.

Nate Bremmer of the 2004 Host Club, The Bay Area Daylily Buds of Wisconsin, extended an invitation to the gardens and activities that we will enjoy in Wisconsin next year, July 23,24,25, 2004.

Mary Milanowski held a plant drawing for members who donated plants for the auction; the drawing plants were donated by Bob Scott of Bob Scott Nursery.

Rosemarie Foltz from Ohio, made a motion that Region Two increase the stipend for Regional Officers attending the National AHS Convention by $200.00 each for the Director, RVP, RPD, Editor, Treasurer, Secretary, second by Leo Sharp. A motion was made by Nikki Schmith from Michigan to table Rosemarie’s motion for further study, seconded by Virginia Winkler from Illinois, motion to table was passed.

There being no further business the RVP adjourned the meeting at 9:35 P.M.

Debbie Gray, Host Chairperson of the Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Soc. introduced the speaker for the evening, Dan Bachman from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Respectively submitted by
Virginia Myers, Region Two Secretary
Countdown to the Annual On-line Auction

...DONATIONS NEEDED!

By: Nikki Schmith, Region 2 Ways and Means

The Annual Region 2 On-line Auction is preparing for takeoff once again!

Please consider donating a daylily to this year’s auction. Although some of us feel like we always give and give and give, it is that continued generosity that inspires others to start giving. If you have never donated in the past, try it! We all know that in sharing our fortunes, however modest they may be, we in turn become richer.

This is a great opportunity to support the region, and get some great daylilies spread throughout the region. It is also a great way for hybridizers to get their introductions distributed.

Guidelines for donating:

1. Donate a plant (or two or three) to the Region 2 On-line Auction.
   • Plant value should be near $40.00
   • Send cultivar name, year, hybridizer, and value to
     Nikki Schmith
     248-739-9006
     schmiths@msn.com
     25729 Annapolis Avenue  Dearborn Heights, MI 48125

Guidelines for bidding:

1. Log on to the Auction website at www.ahsregion2.org beginning, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2004 and place your bids!
   • New real-time auction software will place bids automatically, so you can see your bids immediately!
2. Auction will end SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2004 at 8:00 pm CST. Payment will be due immediately following the close of the auction. Winners will be contacted by Nikki Schmith for payment arrangements. Shipping will be arranged nearest the winners planting time, or at a time otherwise agreed upon by the parties.

For detailed bidding instructions and other information, please visit the wonderful regional website at www.ahsregion2.org. Be sure to visit often because the website will be updated as donations are listed.

Dues paid for membership to the American Hemerocallis Society are not used to support regional functions. The newsletter alone costs in excess of $8,000.00 per year to publish, and it is events like this auction that keep it going! Thank you to all donors who have already pledged the plants, to those who will, and to all of you who will bid!
2004 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 history and a listing of previous Hite Award winners on page 25.

I wish to nominate:

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Signature ____________________________________________________________

Complete this form and mail on or before March 1, 2004 to:

RVP Ed Myers
5157 Bxford Avenue
Canal Winchester OH 43110

Looking Ahead

AHS Region 2 Meetings


2006: Ohio Daylily Society

2007: Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana

Region 2 Englerth Award

This hybridizing excellence award is open to Region 2 hybridizers exclusively. All seedlings 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. All attendees of the Region 2 Meeting are encouraged to vote on ballots to be supplied by the meeting chairperson. The award medallions are to be engraved with the winner’s name and are awards to be cherished.

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. Information about future annual regional meetings and the shipment of plants for Englerth consideration and as guest plants follow below.

Contacts and shipping info for Englerth Award candidate plants:

2004 – Bay Area Daylily Buds
Mark and JoAnn Jankowski
4297 DePrey Road
Abrams, WI 54101
Tel: 920-826-5995
Email Contact: Nate Bremer, solaris@lakefield.net

2005 – Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society
Dan & Jackie Bachman
1850 S. St. Rt.123
Lebanon, OH 4503
Tel: 513-934-1273 E-mail: valleydan@earthlink.net
Hosts of the 2005 AHS National Convention

2006 – Ohio Daylily Society
Ken Blanchard
3256 S. Honeytown Road
Apple Creek, OH 44606-9047
Tel: 330-698-3091 E-mail: cblancha@bright.net

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# The Fourteenth Presentation of the AHS Region 10 Mid-Winter Symposium

## Program

**Thursday, January 29, 2004**

1:00 pm Register and Hospitality – The Gallery  
Rooms – Russ & Sandi Johnson
6:00 Dinner as a Group – Not Included
Buffet at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo

**Friday, January 30, 2004**

9:00 am Registration – Russ & Sandi Johnson – Kentucky
12:30 pm Garden Judges Workshop – Part 1
12:30 pm Exhibition Judges Clinic – Part 1
12:30 pm Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic
1:00 pm Wineception and Internet Robin Social  
The Gallery Meeting Rooms  
Doug & Becky Holder – Tennessee
5:30 Build Your Own Sandwich Buffet (Included)
6:15 The Hybridizing Programs of:
   - Ted Petit – Florida
   - John Shooter – North Carolina
   - Lee Pickles – Tennessee
   - Mort Morris – Florida
7:15 Hybridizing UF’s  
Dan Bachman – Ohio
8:00 Realizing Your Dreams (the Jack Carpenter story)
Mark Carpenter – Texas

**Saturday, January 31, 2004**

8:30 am Welcome and Introductions
8:40 From the AHS  
Maurice Greene, AHS President, Tennessee
9:00 Microbial Interactions in the Soil  
Paul Wagner (Soil Food Web)
9:50 Questions and Answers
10:00 Stretch Break
10:15 The Patterned Daylily: The Next Frontier  
Ted Petit – Florida
11:00 Managing Soil the Organic Way  
Paul Wagner (Soil Food Web)
12:00 pm Lunch on Your Own
You will select two (2) of the three (3) topics below to attend during the split session
1. The AHS Data Base Basics  
   John Eiseman – Missouri
2. Irrigation Basics  
   Andy Mathers, The Senninger Irrigation Co.
3. Photography Workshop  
   Tim Fehr – Wisconsin
**Change Sessions**
1. The AHS Data Base Basics  
   John Eiseman – Missouri
2. Irrigation Basics  
   Andy Mathers, The Senninger Irrigation Co.
3. Photography Workshop  
   Tim Fehr – Wisconsin
3:00 Stretch Break
3:15 What the Future Holds – Slide Show  
Jay Turman – Tennessee
4:00 Weed Management  
Darren Robinson – University of Tennessee
4:45 Questions and Answers
5:00 Region 10 Business Meeting – Finley Hall

**Saturday Evening**

6:15 pm Fellowship – Cash Bar
7:00 Dinner (Included)
8:00 Daylily Auction  
Russ & Sandi Johnson – Kentucky
Dave & Vicki Rhyne – Tennessee
Drawing for a $500 Daylily Certificate From a Hybridizer of Your Choice

**Sunday, February 1, 2004**

8:30 am Invitation to Attend the 2004 National Convention (St. Louis, MO)
   John Eiseman – Missouri
8:45 The Daylily Genome Project  
Jeff Tomkins – Clemson University
9:30 No Mistakes, Please! Avoiding Hybridizing Pitfalls  
David Kirchhoff – Florida
10:30 Stretch Break
11:00 2004 Introductions – Slide Program  
Jay Turman – Tennessee
3:00 Stretch Break
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## Registration Form

Fourteenth Annual Mid-Winter Symposium  
January 30 – February 1, 2004

Name___________________________________________  
Please list names as you would like them on your name tag
Address___________________________________________
City______________________________State____Zip____
Telephone No.____________________________________
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**Names of others included in fee**

**FEE** - $105 per person – Youth Members $80  
($115 after January 10th – Make checks payable to AHS Region 10
S________________Enclosed

RETURN TO: Sandi Johnson, Registrar, 105 Dorsey Way;  
Louisville, KY 40223-2827. Phone 502.425.8615

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact Jeff Pryor, Chairman,  
179 Smith Road; Clinton, TN 37716. Phone 865.435.4989.  
Email Jeff@daylilybiz.com

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# Meeting and Lodging

**Chattanooga Choo-Choo Holiday Inn**  
1400 Market Street; Chattanooga, TN 37402

For Reservations: 423.266.5000 or 800.872.2529  
(Call hotel direct, weekdays only)

$60.00 single/double (plus tax) regular hotel room
Be sure to mention AHS Region 10 for this special rate

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This and That from AHS to Region 2 News
The Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana
by Judy Heath, Boonville, Indiana.

News Flash

We are very proud to announce that Region 2 has a new Daylily Club! Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana, better known as DESI.

This is not a "sit around and talk club." This club has high ambitions. In fact, DESI will be the host for the 2007 Region 2 Summer Meeting. Plans are already in full swing. Don and Lea Ann Williams have graciously accepted chairmanship to organize this big event. So we will be in good hands!

Saturday, August 23, DESI celebrated with a very special meeting. David Kirchhoff and Kay Day were the honored guests. Members and friends were treated to a delightful afternoon of viewing David’s new daylilies. Bidding was brisk for a lively auction with none other than David and Kay as auctioneers. Many people left with great door prizes and big smiles on their faces.

DESI will be a very AHS orientated organization. All members will be encouraged to attend Region 2 meetings, become Garden Judges, Exhibition Judges, and maintain Display Gardens. The club has started work on a sale garden and will also have a Youth Garden. This will be maintained by the Youth in the DESI organization. This club has already held its first plant sale, Garden Judges Work Shop, and garden tour.

At the present time, DESI has six Exhibition Judges and ten Garden Judges. The club, which meets on the first Monday of the month, also enjoys lots of wonderful fellowship. Each month, different members are hosts for the meeting. Great food and fun have been in abundant supply. 2003 is just the beginning for this new organization. Watch out!!! We are young and small. However, we are mighty, proud, and determined! Be sure to check out our Schedule of Events for 2003. Our new website is: http://www.ahsdesi.com.

Officers:
President John Phillips
Treasurer Lewis Lyons
Secretary Micki AAs erud

McKenzie Williams and President John Phillips.
Digital Image: Lea Ann Williams

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society
by Bill Johannes and Barbara and Dave Sayer, Columbus, Ohio.

It has been a fine daylily growing season in Central Ohio, as more than ample rain and moderate temperatures helped make the flower colors bright, scapes strong, rebloom better, and fan increase improved. Rust has not been a problem, as it did not over-winter, and it could not even be replicated in research tests at The Ohio State University. The Year 2003 started with Jan and Royce Joiner presenting “A Typical Year at Joiner Gardens” at our winter meeting (which happened to be during one of Columbus’ worst snow storms). Our successful Spring member plant auction was preceded by a judges clinic and a grooming class in preparation for the summer Flower Show. Education has been a focus for this year, and 3 more grooming classes were held for members in an effort to boost show participation. It worked, 53 entrants displayed 421 specimens and 24 floral arrangements to the enjoyment of the large crowd drawn to Franklin Park Conservatory. Introductory educational classes about daylilies and their cultivation, an addition to the show this year, were well received and attended by show visitors. On July 12, fifty members joined a day-long bus tour to visit and shop at various Central Ohio daylily gardens and nurseries. A Garden Judges Workshop 2 was given during the bus tour. Then in August, the annual public plant sale raised over $6000 in just 2 hours!! Of course, that was after a full week’s worth of digging, dividing, and tagging thousands of fans at members’ gardens. Members working the sales floor could be easily identified by their MCDS shirts and aprons, and the full day that also included a plant auction and “guest plant” drawing, was enjoyed by all.

As we approach our 19th year as a club, we look forward to our upcoming activities and invite anyone in the Central Ohio area to join us for fun and fellowship.

Barbara and David Sayer, 2003 MCDS show co-chairs report that approximately 400 visitors attended the Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society’s 18th annual flower show at Franklin Park Conservatory on July 6. The show theme was: "MCDS Celebrates Ohio’s Bicentennial 1803 – 2003." Fifty-three entrants exhibited 421 beautiful scapes. Twenty-four outstanding artistic designs also competed for prize ribbons, AHS rosettes, and gift certificates. Show winners are as follows and can be viewed on the MCDS website http://home.att.net/~mcds

Best-in-Show: .................... FOOLED ME (Patsy Bushdorf)
King-of-Show: ................... ED MURRAY (Debi Staab)
Best Large Flower: ............ FOOLED ME (Patsy Bushdorf)
Best Small Flower: ............ ED MURRAY (Debi Staab)
Best Miniature Flower: ...... PENNY’S WORTH (Ed Mongold)
Best Double Flower: .......... DASHING DOUBLE (Jim Bushdorf)
Best Spider/ Spider Variant Flower: ...... RAINBOW SPANGLES (Sharon Fitzpatrick)
Best Unusual Flower: ............ SKYHOOKS (Jim Bushdorf)
Best Youth Flower: .......... LITTLE PAT (Mark Williams)
Best Reg. 2: .......................
Popularity Poll: ................. MOONLIT MASQUERADE (Mike Sayer)
Best Seedling: ................. Barbara Sayer
Novice Award: ................. Mike Sayer
People’s Choice Award: ...... WHAT NERVE (Janice Bailey)
Design Division:
Tricolor: ....................... Beverly Campbell
Designer’s Choice: .......... Donna Dietsch
Central Michigan Daylily Society

By Tom Sevcech

NOV 15 .......... Regular meeting*
DEC 20 .......... Christmas Social and meeting.
*Our regular meetings are held at the Veterans Memorial Library, 301 S. University Ave. in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Meetings are from 10 am to 12 noon. Events are still being scheduled, and they will be posted on the Region 2 web pages:
http://www.ahsregion2.org

Ohio Daylily Society

By Debbie Hurlbert and Gisela Meckstroth

Our members will miss Sandy Ross of Amherst, Ohio. Sandy was courageous and carried out her newsletter editor duties till the end of her life. She was a truly contributing member who served in many positions in the club. We will always remember Sandy fondly when lilies and daylilies bloom in the coming summers.

The ODS July 13, 2003, flower show at the Kingwood Center in Mansfield was a success with 301 scapes and 37 floral arrangements entered.

The AHS TRICOLOR Award was earned by Debbie Hurlbert, and the difficult-to-win Achievement Medal was awarded to Ken Blanchard.

Best in Show: .............. LOIS BURNS (Exhibitor: Wendy Schwall)
Best Large Flower: ...... JOE MARINELLO
Best Small Flower: ...... LULLABY BABY
Best Miniature: ............ JASON SALTER
Best Unusual Form: ...... PEACOCK MAIDEN
Best Spider: ............... LOIS BURNS
Best Large Flower: ....... JOE MARINELLO
Best Miniature: ............ JASON SALTER
Best Unusual Form: ...... PEACOCK MAIDEN
Best Spider: ............... LOIS BURNS
Best Large Flower: ....... JOE MARINELLO
Best Miniature: ............ JASON SALTER
Best Unusual Form: ...... PEACOCK MAIDEN
Best Spider: ............... LOIS BURNS

The Daylily Society of Southern Indiana

Note: The editor had placed the following club news incorrectly under the Southwestern Indiana DS club heading in the Region 2 Spring/Summer 2003 issue. My apology to all members of both clubs. Verna Habermel had reported in March 2003:
We now have 35 members and are growing slowly. One of our member’s gardens just received AHS Display Garden status, and we are so proud of him. There are now 3 AHS Display Gardens in our little club, soon to be 4.

Richard Anderson worked very hard reconstructing his garden, moving plants, etc., (you folks know the drill) in order to gain AHS approval for it. We can’t wait until spring to see it bloom. Richard went from 2 or 3 daylilies to 400+ in a very short time.

Joe and Mary Stone have their hybridizing program well underway in their new greenhouse. Joe and Mary registered several beauties last summer. Their 2003 catalog has color pictures of their new introductions. One of those, named for Mary’s Mother, is featured on the front of the catalog. It is a beauty.

Our youth member, Brandon Farias, won 3 gold medals in Indianapolis in a Tae Kwan Do competition. He is building up his muscles to help grandmother and grandfather, Joe and Mary Stone, with their daylily operation. He is known as their Number One speed-weeder.

Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society

By Charlene Patz

We kicked off the new year with an annual dinner meeting featuring hosta hybridizer Ran Lydell as guest speaker. The program was to put a focus on better flowers on hostas and to feature the relationship between hostas and daylilies and their bloom scapes. Hosta flowers have a long way to go to keep up the advances being made in daylily hybridizing!

In the middle of winter, we all enjoyed Jerry Vandermeer of Dutchmill Gardens present a unique program on the Different Faces of Daylilies. In April we enjoyed LaVere Webster as a guest speaker on “Historic Daylilies” and, then, we had the pleasure of seeing his garden in July as part of our annual bus trip. LaVere’s new creation, which is in the process of being registered as ZOLA’S PINK NIGHTGOWN (LaVere Webster 2003) was auctioned off at the conclusion of the meeting. It has a special meaning in our garden, and it was a real showpiece in while blooming this summer!

The weather could not have cooperated any better for our annual plant sale held the third weekend in May. With the wet, cold spring, we wondered how the sale would go. This sale is our society’s only fund raiser, so we’re always thankful when it is successful.

Our annual members’ garden tour and picnic was held on one of the first beautiful rain-free summer Saturdays in June! It is always an adventure seeing the wonderful gardens of our fellow members, and we were not disappointed with all of the work and extra effort expended by Libby and Jim Boldt, Karen Shelt, Joyce and Bob Lane, and Anita and Butch Graves this year. After enjoying our potluck lunch, we were invited to visit the garden of Sharon and Bill Cipiti as additional stop on our tour since “we were already in the neighborhood.” What a treat to see what a couple of dedicated gardeners can do with a city lot.

We had another exciting and fun filled bus trip to Michigan in July and enjoyed the gardens of Jan and Bob Everson in Troy, Sandy and Larry Mackle in Bloomfield Hills, and LaVere Webster in Rochester Hills. All enjoyed our buying stop at Telly’s Nursery in Troy, with most of us taking home unique plants and garden art that we “just had to have.”

In August our society participated in an all-day “Art in the Garden” event at Toledo Botanical Garden that was sponsored by the Resident Organizations. Forty local artists displayed their wares, and horticultural groups had set up displays in the conference center and offered tours of the gardens. It was a great way to share and promote our love for daylilies and hostas.

Our annual “daylily work day” at Toledo Botanical Garden’s Daylily Walk was completed quickly and efficiently with all of the folks who helped. After lunch, we held our Annual Daylily Auction, which features the daylilies returned by our members from our daylily host program. Ending the day’s festivities was the passing out of this year’s host plants to our members.

In September Jim Boldt’s Let’s Explore TBG’s Asian/American Garden program and tour featured the newest area in our
ongoing project at the garden. Wayne Strayer’s program in October on Ornamental Grasses provided a look at another good companion plant to be included in our sun and shade gardens. In November we wrapped up the year with our annual potluck and a slide show featuring our year’s memorable events.

Last year, The Daylily Walk at Toledo Botanical Garden was named an American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) Display Garden, and that was also the result of our society’s dedication and work. Our society designed, printed, and distributed a brochure about the national hosta display garden and one about the AHS Daylily Walk Display Garden this year touting the gardens and our affiliations with Toledo Botanical Garden. Copies of the brochures were included in the registration bags of the hosta and daylily conventions this year. We plan to continue our effort to make more people across the nation aware of the Toledo Botanical Garden.

Another philanthropic project in 2003 was our public library project. The goal of this project was to donate funds to public libraries in our members’ geographical area for the purchase of hosta and daylily books. A total of $2,000 was allocated for this endeavor, with a maximum donation of $200 to any one library. So far, about $850 has been donated, and about another $700 is being processed for that purpose. So far, books have been donated to the following libraries: Monroeville, Napoleon, Whitehouse, Swanton, Lucas County Library System, Monroe County (MI), Bowling Green, Perrysburg, Rossford, and Maumee.

Work has continued at the 577 Foundation to develop new garden areas. The main focus this year has been the conversion of an old rock and rubble pile that had been an eyesore for many years, into a wheelchair accessible raised bed display garden of miniature hostas. This project involved considerable manual labor to haul out the old rubble, arrange the remaining rocks into a cascading, u-shaped raised bed, bring in new topsoil and amendments, and lay a sandstone floor. A custom made granite Japanese Lantern has been installed in the original hosta garden, and new daylily and hosta beds have been planted next to the mansion house.

Other work to be completed in 2003 includes planting a 100-plus foot-long Daylily Display garden with over 100 named varieties and installing labels to properly identify all the new plants.

We are planning another fun filled and busy year in 2004. If you’re in the area, be sure to come to our meetings and events!

Visitors are expected and welcomed!

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**SYMPOSIUM 2004**

*presented by AHS REGION 2
Cleveland Ohio
February 27th, 28th, and 29th, 2004*

**Featured Speakers**
- Jim Biaglow
- Bret Clement
- Karol Emmerich
- Jamie Gossard
- Curt Hanson
- Paul Judge
- David Kirchhoff
- Phil Korth
- Jim Murphy
- Lee Pickles
- John Rice
- Elizabeth Sailer
- Grace Stamile
- Pat Stamile

**Garden Judges Workshop Part 1**
- Slides of Future Introductions and Seedlings
- Auction with David Kirchhoff, Kay Day and Friends
- The Hilton’s Fabulous Grand Buffet on Saturday Night
- And... Back By Popular Demand...
- Music By The UFO’S

Detailed schedule of the event will be sent with registration confirmation or go to www.ahsregion2.org

**Registration Fee**
- Adults $90 postmarked on or before Feb. 13, 2004
- Adults $110 postmarked after Feb. 13, 2004
- Youth $40 at any time

Make checks out to AHS Region 2 and send with your name, address, phone, and email address to:
- Sharon Fitzpatrick, Registrar
- 3050 Cedar Hill Rd. NW, Canal Winchester, OH 43110-9566
- phone: 614-837-2283  email: hemnut@worldnet.att.net

**Meeting/Lodging**
- Hilton Cleveland South, 6200 Quarry Lane, Cleveland Ohio 44131
- For reservations call the Hilton directly at 1-216-447-1300 (9 am to 5 pm)
- Mention “AHS Daylily Meeting” for special room rate of $82 single or double.
- For special room rates, rooms must be booked by Feb. 1, 2004.
- The Hilton has a free airport shuttle service.

**Symposium Chairman**
- Curt Hanson 11757 County Line Rd., Gates Mills, OH 44040
- phone: 440-423-3349

**Slide Chairman**
- Richard Norris 18995 Hooper Ridge Rd., Rt. 3, Glouster, OH 45732
- phone: 740-767-3946  email: norashwd@frognet.net
- Slides must be received by Feb. 13, 2004

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Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society (continued from page 22)

**Do you have any older Region 2 newsletters issues or Daylily Journals?**
- If you do, please don’t throw them out.
- You could donate them to Region 2.
- Please contact your Region 2 Editor
**Indiana Daylily-Iris Society**  
*By Shirley Toney*

With the threat of showers looming overhead, members of the Indiana Daylily-Iris Society came prepared with umbrellas and ponchos for their daylily bus trip to Kentucky on July 6th. Nothing stops daylily people! Our first stop was John and Annette Rice’s *Thoroughbred Daylilies* northeast of Lexington. What a sight to behold! We had seen slides of John’s introductions the previous year at our daylily banquet, but it didn’t compare to actually seeing them. The seedlings were beautiful, too, and John and Annette were perfect hosts. The compartments in the bottom of the bus were full of daylilies as we headed for *King’s Gardens*, a nursery in Nicholasville just south of Lexington that John had recommended. Landscaping around the nursery was gorgeous, and there were so many unusual specimens of trees and bushes. Once again, we packed more plants into the compartments and headed back to Louisville to eat. Then, we drove towards Russ and Sandi Johnson’s *Thelma Daylily Garden*. Russia is publicity director and Sandi is assistant treasurer of AHS Region 10. Their place is beautiful with about 750 daylily cultivars, perennials, hostas, and more, on 3 acres with paved walking paths. For those of us who enjoy hostas in our gardens, the paved paths lined with hostas was an extra treat. Again, our members bought so many daylilies, I don’t know how they fit them all on the bus, but daylily people are ingenious, as you know. We hated to leave Russ and Sandi and their beautiful garden, but it was getting late, and we had one more stop. Russ had given me information about many of the daylily gardens in the area, and we tried to fit as many as we could into our itinerary that were in the location of our bus route.

Our next stop was Elizabeth and Rolf McDowell’s *McDowell/Pepple Daylily Garden* on the northeast side of Louisville in Prospect. They had transplanted 1,500 daylily cultivars from Minnesota to their new home just last year into stone-terraced walls ranging in various heights and contours with paths for walking between all the way up the hill in their large spacious backyard. Between the daylilies, all beautifully tagged, were all varieties of perennials. Looking uphill at all the daylilies was absolutely spectacular. Liz and Rolf were such gracious hosts. We thanked them for sharing their garden with us, got back on the bus and headed for home. Daylily people are great! All of the gardens we visited were special in their own way. We were treated like old friends, enjoyed homemade refreshments at each garden, and came away with more knowledge of daylilies. What more could you ask for, and it only rained a little while on the bus and at the restaurant.

![A big Thank You from your Region 2 Newsletter editor. Again, so many of you volunteered to write up the wonderful garden tour description and news about your local clubs. Yours is the special dedication I have found so admirable in daylily lovers.](image)

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**Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society**

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- Club Website: http://www.daylilyclub.com

For calendar of events and other club information, visit the club website at: www.daylilyclub.com or call the President. All events are open to the public and prospective members. Our club had a successful exhibition show with 163 scapes on Saturday, July 12, at the Laurel Park Place Mall in Livonia, Michigan.

We also gained 2 new AHS members as a result of the show being in such a public place. There have been so many follow up calls as well, many people are interested because they saw our show at the mall!

**The results were (exhibitors names are in parentheses):**

- Best Large Flower: …… JOHN ALLEN (Mary Coakley)
- Best Small Flower: …… LITTLE ROSY CLOUD (Armand Schindler) and Barbara DeLisle.
- Best Miniature Flower: …… LEPRECHAUN’S WEALTH (Diane Pruden)
- Best Double: ………… DOUBLY DELICIOUS 1999 (Armand DeLisle)
- Spider/ Spider Variant: …PLICINO (Marietta Crabtree)
- Unusual Forms: ………… I SEE STARS (Gloria Hite)
- Best Youth: …………… EL DESPERADO (Kylie Newman)
- Best Pop Poll: ………… BARBARA MITCHELL (Greg Schindler)
- Best Seedling: ………… Exhibited and hybridized by Greg Schindler
- Best In Show: ………… JOHN ALLEN (Mary Coakley)

Sweepstakes: ………… Diane Pruden

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**Please send your club news for the Spring-Summer 2004 newsletter in story format by March 1, 2004, to your editor.**

**You can include photos or slides of your important club events and share them with our Region 2 members.**
Charles Applegate Wins the 2003 Hite Award

About Charles and Linda Applegate
by Nikki Schmith of the Southwestern Michigan Hemerocallis Society and by Rosemary Foltz of the Ohio Daylily Society

The Howard Hite Achievement Award for Hybridizing Excellence was awarded to Charles Applegate of Perrysville, Ohio.

Charles grew up on a farm, and gardening was part of that upbringing. He has worked for 30 or more years at Kingwood Center, a botanical garden and arboretum in Mansfield, Ohio, where many of the visitors and all Ohio Daylily Society members can admire his outstandingly attractive landscape projects and plant combinations. His early training at the Art Institute of Chicago and his interest in theater certainly come through in his landscape designs. Charles lectures to many plant groups around the country each year, sharing his 25 years’ experiences of growing and hybridizing the daylily.

Horace Wright of Xenia, Ohio, a nephew of Wilbur and Orville Wright, introduced Charles to hybridizing daylilies. Charles reminisces that “people tended to like pink daylilies, and earlier pink cultivars were not as numerous as orange and yellow colored daylilies, so we worked on pinks. We had collected some doubles, and we made crosses with some success. That is how come doubles are now part of our program.”

Charles reads catalogs and price lists, and he orders new varieties that are to be added to the collection and for the hybridizing program. Before leaving for work on summer workday mornings, Charles inspects the day’s blossoms and makes “combinations of the day” guidelines for his wife Linda. Linda, guided by his notes, makes the crosses except on Saturdays, when Charles makes his own crosses. Linda, however, makes many more crosses of combinations that occur to her as she works on Charles list and as she works alongside him.

This list of Charles and Linda’s creations is growing, and so are the awards and special recognitions for his achievements.

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Southwestern Illinois Daylily Club of Granite City

President Kathy Pinkas reports that these are the officers of the club:
Vice President: Barb Phelps
Treasurer: Judy Stroehmer
Secretary: Linda Zinn

Club contact: Kathy Pinkas (See telephone number and E-mail address on inside back cover of this newsletter.)
The club meets at 1732 Maple, Granite City, Illinois.
Regular Meetings are on the first Friday at 7 pm in October, March, May, and June. The plant sale will be held on the first Saturday in May at 3933 State Rt. 162, Granite City, IL. The club will also hold a daylily auction in late August. For more information, please contact Kathy.

We always welcome new members and visitors.

About Charles and Linda Applegate (continued from page 25)

Awards and Achievements:
- Englerth Award in 1992 for LAND OF PROMISE and in 1994 for MORNING HAS BROKEN.
- AHS Achievement Medal in 1989 for BLESSING. This award is given at accredited AHS shows for exhibiting three scapes of the same seedling that has earned a score of 90 points or more.
- Honorable Mention in 1993 for BLESSING. (At the time, a cultivar must have received a minimum of 15 votes that came from no fewer than 4 of the 15 AHS regions’ garden judges.)
- Gold Medal Award from Gardeners of America (formerly The Men’s Garden Club of America) for horticultural achievement in 1992.
- 1992 Master Gardener Award for Horticultural Achievement from the Ohio Association of Garden Clubs. This award is given to only one person in Ohio each year.
- Citation Award for Horticultural Achievement from the State Council of Garden Clubs.

Thank you to all of you who donated plants to the Region 2 Summer Meeting auction, and big thank-you’s to all of you who bid on the offered cultivars and other items. We appreciate your support!

Thank You for Donating Funds so Generously to Region 2

- The Wisconsin Daylily Society.
- Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society in memory of Kathleen Ash.
- Daylily Society of Southeast Wisconsin.
- Indiana Daylily-Iris Society in memory of Ruth Wright and Betty Polanka, the president of the Society.

Note: This listing reflects those donations received January 1, through September 1, 2003, that were not listed in the Spring/Summer 2003 issue.

Very Special Thanks to our Region 2 Members

Carol McClintock
Jeanette Muench

for donating
a collection of Region 2 newsletters, and thank you to Region 2 Archivist Joanne Larson for making this possible.

The Greater Cincinnati Hosta and Daylily Society will sponsor the AHS National Convention June 29 to July 3
Greater Cincinnati “In the Heart of it All” 2005
Runner-up Don Fischer Memorial Award for 2002
This award is voted for the most outstanding miniature cultivar that has won an Honorable Mention previously.
Leo Sharp for his 1994 BROOKWOOD OJO POCO
Note: The editor regrets omitting it from the Spring-Summer 2003 Region 2 Newsletter.

The 2003 Regional Service Award
Don and Lea Ann Williams were awarded this medal for outstanding service at the regional level of AHS. They reside in Lynnville, Indiana, where they grow about 1200 different cultivars in their AHS Display garden. They are founders of the Indiana Daylily Society, and Don served as its president with Lea Ann serving as secretary. They have just founded the newest Region 2 local club, The Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana, and both are on the board of directors. They have been Region 2 Ways and Means co-chaired for several years. Don is our Region 2 webmaster, and both designed the successful fund-raising daylily auction on our web site. Lea Ann holds the position of Garden Judges Chair at the AHS level.

The Mildred Schlumpf Award
(Landscape category)
Debbie Hurlbert, Ohio, for picture taken during a trip to the 2002 AHS National Convention in Troy, Michigan. The scene was taken in the Davissoun garden in Waterford, Michigan.
Debbie’s picture was awarded further honor by being chosen to grace the front and back covers of the Fall 2003 AHS Daylily Journal.

AHS Awards Presented to Region 2 Members at the 2003 National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Best Newsletter of Article on Cultivars:
Dan Bachman for his article From Cotton to Satin: The Social Gracing of the Spider Daylily he wrote for the Region 10 Newsletter, The Daylily Appeal, Spring/Summer 2002

Recognition for donations to various AHS programs
Memorials
Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society in Memory of Howard Hite.
Joe E. House Scientific Fund
Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society, OH, Gold Donor.
George Fulford, Wisconsin, Supporting Donor.
William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust
Wisconsin Daylily Society, WI, Gold Donor.
Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society, MI, in memory of Howard Hite, Silver Donor.
Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society, MI, Platinum Donor.
Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society, OH, Gold Donor
Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society, OH, in memory of Bob Terbeek, OH. Supporting Donor.

Other Donors
Christine Haynam, OH.
Region 2 donated to AHS the mailing reimbursement for one or more of the Region 2 newsletter.

Editor’s Notes:
These donations reflect those made to AHS from November 15, 2002 to May 1, 2003.
Look for pictures of the award winners on the photo pages and on our Region 2 web pages:
http://www.ahsregion2.org

DO YOU KNOW ...that you can...
- Surf the Net and learn more about daylilies.
- Visit our Region 2 web pages and local club links at: http://www.ahsregion2.org
- Visit the American Hemerocallis Society Web-Site address at: http://www.daylilies.org/daylilies.html
- You can “travel” to many interesting daylily sites by clicking on links on the AHS Web Site. If you don’t have a computer, visit your local library. Friendly librarians will be glad to help you navigate the high seas of the Internet.
Memorable Moments from our 2003 AHS Region 2 Summer Meeting in Collinsville

As RVP Ed Myers promised in our last newsletter, all who attended the 2003 AHS Region 2 Summer meeting in Southwestern Illinois, were amply rewarded by the beauty and diversity of the gardens. I hope that our garden writers can paint with their words and with the photos just how much there was to enjoy. Special thanks to Bob Scott who exhibited an impressive photo display of his “Topgun” daylilies in the Boutique and in the banquet room, showing the images and descriptions of the many daylilies he donated to those Region 2 members who donated treasured plants to the Region 2 Auction. Whether or not you were in Collinsville, take note that it is not too early to plan attending next year’s summer meeting in Greenbay, Wisconsin. You can build more memories like these. As you read the Region tour garden descriptions, please look at these images. They will complete each of the stories.

Don and Judy Matteson of Dorsey, Illinois. Don made the birdhouses from old barn wood for Region 2 Summer Meeting table decorations. One Region 2 member at each table received one of these as a “door” prize, and others were later sold for $3 a piece.

A much talked-about European Tricolor beech tree in the Maxeiner garden.

Mary Todd in Mihus’ garden. Kevin Tyler from Michigan is strolling with note pad under his arm (in blue shirt).

Ruth Mihu and her mother Helen in their beautiful garden.

You know you’re addicted to daylilies...

...when your trunk looks like this as you leave home for a family vacation...and you carry your newest potted additions so you can see them open while you travel along.

(Adapted from Fred Fallman’s, Clermont, FL; December 18, 2000 E-mail. Courtesy Ronald Leger.)
EGGPLANT (Munson 1984)

SOUND AND FURY (Sikes 1978)
in the Mihu Garden.

PINK WINDMILL in Maxeiners' garden.

Celeste and Louis Biason greeting visitors.

Region 2 Chicagoland DS and other members clamoring to see the beautiful daylilies in the Johnson-Gray Meridian Garden. Photo: Kim Isaacson, Ingleside, IL.

Region 2 Plant Auction Chairs Mary and Tom Milanowski from Grand Rapids, Michigan

EGGPLANT (Munson 1984)

SOUND AND FURY (Sikes 1978)
in the Mihu Garden.

Street Urchin, Jambalaya, and Ruby Spider in Maxeiners' garden.

Region 2 Meeting Welcoming Committee: Dr. Norman, Joan Bilderback, Sandy Monroe, and Evelyn Ruppel.

Bus Captain Phil Vance, Debbie Gray, Dr. Norman.

Nikki Schmitth and Bob Scott with the display of cultivars that were donated by Scott Nursery to Region 2 members who had donated to the Region 2 E-mail Auction in Spring 2003.

Saying found in Maxeiners’ garden.

Right: Thea Losasso receiving Award certificates for MCDS members from RVP Ed Myers.

REGION 2 CHICAGO LAND DS and other members clamoring to see the beautiful daylilies in the Johnson-Gray Meridian Garden. Photo: Kim Isaacson, Ingleside, IL.
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Just a Little More Color .......

to remember those wonderful moments!

Judy Heath, Leo Sharp, McKenzie Williams. Image provided by Judy Heath.

McKenzie and Mr. Phillips “in color” (see pages for Local Club news.)

Youth Project photo in color (see page 15)

Jamie Carr
Photo provided by Judy Heath

Right:
DOUBLE RIVER WYE

Right:
BRICKS GALORE (Neswonger 92)
JERUSALEM (Stevens 85) in Biason Garden
MARY TODD in Normans’ garden

MAGIC OF OZ (Herrinton 1999)

MAHARANI’S VEIL (Munson 86)
at Biasons’

Above right: ALL AMERICAN CHIEF

Right:
Are those AHS Garden Judges never done?
Biasons’ garden.

What a lot of interested Region 2 members.

Left: At Maxeiners
Left:
This is definitely NOT “the pits.”
Anita Holst’s garden with a planted former swimming pool pit.

Left:
Dan and Jo Ann White

Below:
ELEGANT STANCE at Whites’ garden. Don and Theda Losasso in background.

Front left: Region 2 Director Joanne Larson talking to Lu Dickhaut. A mad scramble to see the Meridian Gardens daylilies.

Our invaluable Boutique workers!
BEYOND TANGOON at Whites’ garden blooming so well in pretty much shade.

Those Garden Judges work even in a concrete driveway! Nate Bremer, Rita and Tom Isgro.

Right:
DALLAS STAR in the Meridian Garden
One of your editor’s favorite daylilies since 1994 Region 2 Cincinnati regional!

Left:
WOW! Did someone glue this together?
It’s not too soon to put next summer’s Region 2 meeting on your calendar!

How much prettier can any entrance to a daylily garden be!

Garden Judges busy taking notes
Meridian Gardens in Dorsey, Illinois

Photo provided by Ed Myers, Canal Winchester, Ohio.