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- Hemerocallis.
- AHS and Region 2 events.
- Region 2 members and hybridizers.

Submissions are encouraged. The editor reserves the right to edit for space, grammar, and focus on the three criteria cited above.
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From the Board

By Joanne Larson, Region 2 Director

Croscuses are blooming just outside the front door, the cardinals are staking out territories, and because the northern Illinois winter has been so mild, a few of our daylilies are peeking above the oak leaf mulch in the daylily beds. Not a good idea! March freezes can turn them to mush overnight.

The 14th annual 2006 Region 2 Symposium is history! Held in Cleveland several weeks ago, it again was a “show stopper” weekend. Thanks to Curt Hanson, Chair, his committee of hard workers, to all of the presenters, to the talented auctioneers and to those supplying and bidding on auction plants. If you missed this wonderful Symposium, read all about it later in this issue.

Here’s a brief review of actions taken at the October 29, 2005 AHS Board of Directors meeting:

- The database of registered daylily cultivars, 1890 – 2005, will be available on the AHS website this spring. A first! The updated 2005 CD containing the registered cultivars, 1890 – 2005, is now available from Jimmy Jordan, Publication Sales (see the order form near the back of your Spring, 2006 Daylily Journal.) In addition, the printed 2005 Checklist of Cultivar Registrations, and the Membership Roster are available for purchase.

- The Board supported the move of the Daylily E-Mail Robin from the former free hosting site to a commercial server. The move took place in January.

- Membership dues have remained the same, $18 a year for 18 years. After inflation, the real dollars have decreased to about $10 a year for an individual membership. The question of a dues increase will be brought before the general membership at the national convention on Long Island. If approved, the annual dues will become $25 a year for an individual membership.

- An updated version of the Judging Daylilies handbook will be sent to exhibition and garden judges at no cost. There have been numerous revisions since the last publication in 2002, and the Judges Education Committee determined that an updated version was necessary.

- The newest publication, Caught In the Web, Spiders and Ufos, is available for purchase. The supply is limited so order from Jimmy Jordan now. The order form is near the back of the Spring, 2006, Daylily Journal.

- Daylily season begins! For the flowers and for the friends, attend or, better yet, enter a daylily show. Visit gardens of members in your club. Visit display gardens in your area (list is in the Daylily Journal Supplement, Spring, 2006). Attend the National Convention on Long Island, July 13 – 16 and/or attend our Region 2 summer meeting in Cleveland, July 21 – 23. But first on your summer agenda should be enjoying your own garden and daylily bloom!

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have suggestions, concerns or questions about AHS.

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John Sheehan Nominated for RVP

By Sharon Fitzpatrick

John Sheehan is a retired research technician from McArdle Laboratory for Cancer Research has accepted the Region 2 nomination for RVP for 2007 and 2008. He has an undergraduate degree in Zoology and a Masters Degree in Oncology from the University of Wisconsin. John and his wife Donna reside in Madison, Wisconsin. John takes great pleasure in attending AHS Regional meetings, AHS National Conventions but his favorite annual daylily event is the Region 2 Winter Symposium in Cleveland.

For the past three years John has annually generated about 5000 daylily seeds, grown them for 3 months in his basement, and then planted them in a corner of Jean Bawden’s Earthspirit Farm. John registered 3 of his daylily plants in the summer of 2005 and hopes to add a few more in 2006. John and Donna’s Fitchward Garden, garden an AHS Display Garden, contains about 650 daylily varieties. John is now the RPD for Region 2. He has been a member of the Wisconsin Daylily Society since 1999 and has served as treasurer and president. He is now busy organizing the 2008 AHS Region 2 Summer Meeting which his group is hosting.

The Region 2 Nominating Committee consisting of Sharon Fitzpatrick, Lea Ann Williams and Mary Milanowski has nominated John Sheehan to serve a two-year term as Regional Vice President. The chair of the nominating committee shall present the committee’s nominee to the regional membership at the annual regional meeting and open the floor for additional nominations. The election shall be determined by a majority vote of the regional members.
RVP Message

By Gisela Meckstroth

Once again Curt Hanson and his many friends from several AHS regions had arranged a stimulating and successful Region 2 Symposium for all who were fortunate enough to attend. Daylily devotees from 23 US states (18 states and our 5 Great Lakes states) and from Canada enjoyed a wonderful weekend in Cleveland. The speakers presented a variety of topics ranging from an extensive recap of Brother Charles Reckamp’s many years of daylily hybridizing and his achievements, to AHS President Kevin Walek’s enlightening report about AHS happenings, to current hybridizing achievements and future goals, and to a “Pointers on how to use Microsoft’s PowerPoint” program to create educational daylily presentations for club- and personal use.

Curt’s organizing skills have allowed our symposium to evolve beyond the 5 Great Lakes States and northern hybridizing focus into an enriched exchange of knowledge and information that extends to all AHS growing and hybridizing regions. The richly varied topics should benefit AHS members no matter where they live. During the symposium plant auction, I realized that a large proportion of plant donors, volunteer auctioneers, and auction bidders live in other regions and, yet, it is Region 2 members who benefit from their generosity. I do think that it is truly an indication that AHS is one organization and that our regions’ members work together to make daylily events of benefit to all of us.

A very big thank-you to Registrar Lee Underschultz and to Plant-Auction Chair Heidi Willet for their dedication, their patience, and their hard work. How about Lee and Kirk’s gift display! And how about Heidi’s colorful printouts of the silent and of the very lively auction-plant images. It was sad for us to learn of Heidi’s plan to move from Ohio. Energetic and capable Ways and Means Chair Nikki Schmith will move from that position to fill Heidi’s big, big shoes.

• Region 2 Finances

Thanks to donations from several generous clubs, our annual anonymous donor, a substantial gift from the Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society (GCDHS), the income from our annual Online Plant Auction, and the income from the Region 2 Symposium, our Region 2 stands on a solid financial base. Our Bylaws state that our “nonprofit organization is organized exclusively for educational and scientific purposes and especially to promote, encourage and foster the development and improvement of the genus Hemerocallis and public interest therein.” Symposium Organizer Curt Hanson, GCDHS President JR Blanton, and Region 2 Member Dan Bachman presented excellent and suitable suggestions to the regional officers on how some of the funds may be used to accomplish this purpose. Their suggestions will be presented at the July Region 2 Summer Meeting for approval (vote) by the membership.

• Region 2 Summer Meeting 2006

President Doug Bowen and the Northeast Ohio Daylily Society have invited us all to the Region 2 Summer Meeting, aptly named “The Great e-Scape,” July 21-23 in Cleveland. The tour gardens will be terrific, and all activities will be enjoyable. Registration deadline for the lower hotel rates and registration fee is June 1, so why not send in your reservations right after you read this.

• Election of the “Region 2 Director Nominating Committee”

Region 2 Director Joanne Larson will complete her 6th year as AHS board member on December 31, 2007. Therefore, the election of a 3-member nominating committee will be held at our 2006 annual business meeting.

• Election of the Region 2 Vice President

Region 2 members elected the RVP nominating committee at the June 30, 2005, annual business meeting. This committee nominated current RPD John Sheehan (Wisconsin) as the RVP candidate, and John has accepted the nomination. The election will be held at the 2006 Summer Meeting July 22 in Cleveland.

• 2012 AHS National Convention

The Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society will host the 2012 AHS National Convention. Region 2 is proud to host the national convention once again in one of the Great Lakes states.

I hope you can find the time to attend our Region 2 Summer Meeting. Join the fun! See you there in July.

Mark Your Calendars for Events in 2006:

• July 21-23: Region 2 Summer Meeting in Cleveland, Ohio.

September 1 deadline.

I would like to thank all of you who have given your time, effort, and personal resources so generously to make not only our region but AHS such an enjoyable and successful daylily organization.

By Gisela Meckstroth

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Hello from “Mad City”---Wisconsin to all AHS Region 2 members.

Reporters from all over the warmer regions of the AHS have been keeping the E-mail Robin abreast of daylily foliage sprouting all over their gardens. Alas, those of us in Mad City, Wisconsin look out and see 6 inches of white snow and bits of a brown mulch underlay. Rats! In spite of a warm winter with only a few days of sub zero temperatures, we have months before we see daylily plant growth. For my part, I am fortunate--I see bright daylily blossoms every day! No, I do not have a greenhouse; instead, I have a computer screensaver showing last summer’s backyard daylily glory. Hey, don’t laugh--it helps!

It is time to pull out your summer 2006 calendar and be sure that you have left time to attend the AHS Region 2 Summer Meeting in Cleveland. From Friday, July 21st through noon, Sunday, July 23, the Northeast Ohio Daylily Society will present The Great e’-Scape Get your Daylily Fix in 2006. During this meeting you will have the great fortune to have air-conditioned busses whisk you to the gardens of:

- Curt Hanson
- Jonathan Ford
- Doug Bowen
- Bob & Ethel Wilcox
- Gerda Brooker
- Clara Miller
- Jim & Vera Biaglow
- Henry Ross.

Pretty impressive eh?

Of course, there will be banquets, daylily auctions, bargain plants, and a perfect chance to visit with all of your daylily colleagues. There will even be an election of a new Region 2 RVP. Whew, just that thought gets my heart beating faster!

We were all pleased to see a great improvement in the involvement of Region 2 Members in the annual AHS Pop Poll. When all of the ballots had been counted last September, the voter response had risen from 11% to 14%--Sweet! Now, of course, we optimists want to improve that result. Therefore, I am trying a couple of new ploys to encourage Region 2 Members to vote for their favorite daylilies. In April I will be mailing out to each of the 27 Region 2 Club Contacts about 50 paper ballots for distribution to Club Members. My plan is for the Club Contacts to collect the ballots in mid-August and snail mail them to me in a batch. If each Club were to return 15 completed ballots, that alone would boost our vote to 24%. I also will be handing out ballots at this year’s Region 2 Summer Meeting in Cleveland. Many beautiful plants will be seen by attendees while on the bus tours. I will offer to collect completed ballots at the Meeting’s end. Of course, the painless electronic ballots will be available on the Region 2 Website and printed ballots will be available in the AHS Journal. Finally, again I will be offering a $100 certificate to a randomly drawn voter who votes before the September 1 deadline. (Hopefully this year’s winner will not have to wait as long for me to remember to send him/her prize--sorry Steve!).

This column will now include just a brief mention of three important topics--all related to what we find in the AHS Region 2 Newsletter. For several years our very competent and patient Newsletter Editor, Gisela Meckstroth, would cajole Club Contacts to send Club updates to her for incorporation into our Region 2 Newsletter. I even got into the act last year. It was tough--folks are very busy and they put updating Club Data on the back burner. Yet, this Data is really an important tool for our fellow Region 2 Club Members. When someone wants to contact another Club, all he/she should have to do is look on the back page for contact information. Often however, E-mail addresses or phone numbers are obsolete or the Contact is not longer on the local Club Board!

Let’s start off our NEW Newsletter Editor, Narda Jones, in the right fashion by sending her any local Club upgrades in a timely fashion (nfjtech@sigecon.net). Remember, there are only two Newsletters published each year--incorrect information will sit there for a long time!

If your Club has anything of interest going on (and who does not!), just write up a short article and send it to Narda--take a quick look at a recent Newsletter to see what some Clubs are including--it is easy!

Lastly, if you enjoy writing--and many Region 2 Members have extensive writing skills from on the job experience--consider preparing a major article for the Region 2 Newsletter. How many of you know an elderly local daylily hybridizer or daylily gardener?? Grab your tape recorder and get an interview. In a surprisingly short time you will have the materials for an interesting (and perhaps timely) article. Go for it!

Region 2’s RPD - Who is John Sheehan??

I have lived in Madison, Wisconsin since 1962. The University of Wisconsin has seen fit to award me an undergraduate degree in Zoology and a Masters Degree in Oncology. After 31 years working as a research technician, I retired from the McArde Laboratory for Cancer Research. For 39 years I have been married to my very understanding wife, Donna. We have two wonderful grown children.

The daylily bug bit me about 7 years ago (Donna has immunity). We now have about 675 daylilies in our Fitchward Garden. As you can guess, that is a very deceiving number for during the past 7 years we have dug up and given away at least 500 plants to make way for newer varieties. Two years ago our garden was granted AHS Display Garden status.

For 4 years I have annually generated about 5000 seeds, grown them for 3 months in our basement, and then planted them in a corner of Jean Bawden’s Earthspirit Farm. I registered 3 of my Introductions in 2005 and hope to add a few more in 2006. 20-30 plants are now in the introduction pipeline. It is amazing how quickly one gets used to tossing rejects “over the fence.”

I take great pleasure attending AHS Region 2 Meetings and AHS National Conventions; however, my favorite annual event is the AHS Winter Symposium put on by Curt Hanson and his crew. Nowhere else can you hear informative lectures, see beautiful new introductions and seedlings, have a chance to bid on one (or more) of 100 2005-2006 daylily plants, visit the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, the Zoo and Tropical Rainforest, AND take home a 3 pack of Northern Hybridizers Winter Dream Ale. Ahh, life is good!

I have been a member of the Wisconsin Daylily Society since 1999, served as Treasurer and President, and am now busy organizing the 2008 AHS Region 2 Summer Meeting which our group is hosting.
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
American Hemerocallis Society - Region 2
For the Period January 1, 2005 Through December 31, 2005

BALANCE FROM PRIOR REPORT 12-31-2004
Checking Account $1,915.84
Business Money Market Account $4,631.73
Certificates of Deposit $49,033.56
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Regional Meeting Auction & Plant Sale $0.00
Contributions $13,750.00
Newsletter:
Subscriptions $148.55
Label Reimbursement $888.20
Advertising $45.00
Interest $984.50
Symposium 2005:
Registrations paid in 2005 $12,320.00
Auction/Raffle $13,850.00
Symposium 2006 - Registrations $900.00
PLUS TOTAL RECEIPTS $46,557.31

TOTAL OF BALANCE FORWARDED & RECEIPTS: $102,138.44

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Hotel, transportation, supplies $16,338.01
Auction/Raffle $44.67
Office Supplies $40.38
Printing & Postage $30.14
RVP expenses $749.60
AHS Liability Insurance and Bond $520.25
RVP-Editor & Director Nat’l Conv . $1,400.00
Miscellaneous $363.61
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BALANCE ON HAND 12-31-2005 $69,580.21

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Checking Account $1,621.32
Business Money Market Account $27,958.89
Certificates of Deposit $40,000.00
$69,580.21

Prepared by AHS Region 2 Treasurer Bill Johannes 03/01/2006

Recent Donations to Region 2
By Bill Johannes, Treasurer

Thanks go to the following people and groups for their generous donations to Region 2 from September 1, 2005, to March 1, 2006:

- Central Michigan Daylily Society
- Chicagoland Daylily Society
- Greater Cincinnati Daylily and Hosta Society
- Indiana Daylily-Iris Society
- Wisconsin Daylily Society in memory of WDS Charter member Marianne Schumacher
- A Donor who wishes to remain completely anonymous.

Your gifts, payable to AHS Region 2, are very much appreciated. Unless their use is designated for a specific category, donations help defray the costs of the “Region 2/Great Lakes Daylily Newsletter” and other regional activities. Donations should be mailed to Bill Johannes, Region 2 Treasurer, 1964 Cardigan Ave., Columbus OH 43212. Donors will receive a letter acknowledging the donations.

Donations to the Online 2006 Region 2 Plant Auction

Thank you to all who donated plants to the 2006 Region 2 On-line Auction, And a big Thank-You to all of you who bid on the offered cultivars and other items.

We appreciate your support!
Editor Message

Wow! Can you believe I got talked into this volunteer job? For the many of you that don’t know me and may think I’m nuts, well you are in agreement with my husband. As if I didn’t have enough to do….of well, life is short so let’s have fun.

This is my first Editor’s message and I find that I really don’t know what I am supposed to be writing about in this column. I have just realized that I never read the “Officer Message” articles and just went on to read the features, updates, and looked at all the beautiful pictures. My how you take something for granted until you have to do it yourself. So I guess that my first goal is to get everyone to read these messages, since there is vital information in these columns for each Region 2 member.

I am fairly new to daylilies, having only been obsessive within the last 8 years. My husband, Scott, and I live in Evansville, IN in a small subdivision within the city limits. When we first moved to Evansville, I wanted lots of land. My husband wanted none. We comprised and bought a 0.8 acre lot with house. Loving the trees, seclusion, and perennial gardens, my husband then wanted to buy the lot next door, which we did. Now several years later, I have about 1000 perennials other than daylilies and about 800 varieties of daylilies. I haven’t started hybrizing, as I haven’t the time to get involved in another venture quite yet. Owning my own company (two to be exact), takes more time than I’d like away from my passion for gardening. But in the summer, you will see me out in the gardens doing whatever chore is needed. Oh, did I mention that we have this yard that drops about 70 feet from corner to corner? So yes, when I garden, I get a great workout too.

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage everyone to contribute to this newsletter. It is published for all Region 2 AHS members and it needs to contain the information that you are interested in reading. If you have ideas for subjects, want to write an article, have thoughts for improvements, or just want to contribute images, then please contact me. I am just now learning what a big undertaking I have accepted and the amount of time required to get each issue out. So every bit of assistance will help. And since I am still learning about daylilies, I could use a little “expert” advice every now and then. The more conventions and symposiums that I attend, the more I realize that I don’t know anything. But I guess that is half the fun of learning.

Look me up, email me, or say hello at an event. I’ll probably be the one having fun and joking around. My philosophy is that life is too short. So I always try to have fun at whatever I’m doing. Happy gardening and see you at Summer Regional and National.

From the AHS Board of Directors
Proposed Dues Increase

(This letter is a reprint from a letter sent on the Daylily Email Robin on November 12, 2005)

AHS members attending the 2006 National Convention in Long Island, New York will be asked to vote on a recommendation made by the Board of Directors at the fall 2005 meeting to increase the membership dues as follows:

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No increase to the current Life and Dual Life membership rate structures was proposed. If approved the new rates would become effective January 2007.

The last increase to individual or dual membership for one year or three years was approved by the membership in 1988. That was a 50% increase. Since then the American Hemerocallis Society has doubled in membership which precluded for many years the need to alter the membership rate structure. However, that growth has also necessitated the addition of a contracted treasurer, a sales publication sales manager and a webmaster. The salaries for the executive secretary, registrar, and editor have increased, but certainly not to market value for their efforts.

While the AHS owns some of the computer equipment that is used by its staff there is a need to replace many items that are in need of repair or are simply out-of-date. In other cases, the computer equipment is personally owned.

AHS continues to add services subject to the budgetary constraints of a non-profit organization all of which add expenses. The improved judges training, the CD in addition to the annual check-list, and the various publications are designed to be self-sustaining, but the webpage and the requirement for general liability and workmans compensation insurance are not. Further, the Board has voted to add online registration capability in the near future. These additional services do not come for free.

The bottom line is that a dues increase is needed. After all $18.00 in 1988 is $29.30 in 2005 dollars and likely to be over $30.00 by 2007. The proposed rate for a single one year membership $25.00 represents a 39% increase, seems to be reasonable, and, is in line with, or less than, the vast majority of other non-profit horticultural organizations.

If you are unable to attend the Convention, please send your comments to John Holland Membership Chair at johnholl@ipa.net or 479-636-1374, Mary Collier Fisher, Chief Financial Officer at mfisher@rics.bwh.harvard.edu or 508-668-7399, or Kevin P. Walek, President at giboshiman@aol.com or 703-798-5501 by June 30, 2006.

Your friend in Daylilies,
Kevin P. Walek
The world of daylily hybridization, although fascinating, can be a fickle mistress. Hundreds of hours spent dabbling pollen, collecting pods, planting seed and of course the endless evaluating and culling of seedlings can result in a few base hits, a sprinkling of extra basers and that rare home run. Getting that slugging percentage higher is a goal all breeders strive for. A little extra thought in your crosses can mean a world of difference between how many get composted and how many are selected to move to the next level.

Many novice breeders go what I call “pollen berserk” and cross wildly, not considering if that had been done before or should it be done at all. How many times have you asked why a cross was made only to hear this answer “because they were next to each other in the garden”? Unlimited crosses may be okay for someone with unlimited time, space and workers but the vast majority of us do not fall into that category. Keeping track of your parents or pedigrees can be a way to separate some of the wheat from the chaff and keep your seed count at a more manageable number but keep results higher.

There are many reasons to keep parental records in your breeding program. Firstly it keeps you from making that same cross every year. If you have bloomed kids from a certain cross with no traits in the area you are exploring, why do it again and again? You can consult your “stud book” or computer data base before hand and know what crosses have been made to prevent duplication. Conversely you may have made a short cross of something and after seeing the results you wish you had made more seed of that cross, you can if you know the parents. If you have kids that are coming along but just are not where you want to be you can back cross by breeding back to one of the parents that display this trait you want to emphasize. The only way to do this is by knowing the parents. If you know the parents you also know which seedlings are sibs so you can do a sib cross. This is done many times to keep the same genetic profile but mix it up a bit more. The legendary hybridizer Ra Hansen always recommended to cross the prettiest flower to it’s best plant habit (branching, bud count, foliage, hardiness, etc.) sibling. Simple, if you know the pedigree! I have visted with a few veteran hybridizers who were not keeping records and claimed to be able to tell the parents by just looking at the kids. Not to cast aspersions on anyone but “HOGWASH!” with the vast gene pool available and the mixing of hundreds of lines it would be virtually impossible to predict parentage with any accuracy in this manner.

Many breeders line breed extensively, meaning they start out with a few cultivars that exhibit the characteristics they want and breed them amongst each other to refine these traits. The kids are bred to each other for more refinement for many generations. The problem with this is that, much like the old royal families of England, certain weaknesses appear. With those old kings it manifested many times as mental problems such as insanity from incestual relations, they never went outside their own bloodlines. The daylilies are affected mostly by loss of vigor or plant habit. Breeders counteract this by outcrossing every few generations. By keeping track of your parentage you know the bloodlines and can outcross with something that has the traits you are still desiring but of unrelated genes.

Keeping good records is also just good sense. It gives the hybridizer, both veteran and novice, that aura of respect. Your program looks more grounded and purposeful if you are involved enough to go the extra distance and record your crosses. Interest and thirst for knowledge come into play also. Genealogy is a hobby that many people do as recreation, keeping records to form a family tree. A similar case can be built for daylily genealogy, but of course we are not selective breeding for humans. It would be nice to have complete family trees for daylilies. How many generations is a cultivar from the species or is that fat bagel from that old skinny spider???? These would be wonderful questions to answer.

The most important reason for tracking parentage is knowing where you have been and where you are going. Knowing where your seedlings have been ancestorly or genetically can help you plot a course to where you are going. For example it is possible to have a bunch of kids of mixed colors from two parents of the same color, if you can go back another generation or two in your records or listed parental records in a check list or catalog, you may find the grandparents were of these other colors and know colors or any other trait you are working with can skip generations and show up in f2 or f3 kids. Knowing pedigrees can save a lot of wasted crosses and time. If you are very focused and want to breed for white daylilies with red edges, it is much easier to know what cultivars “throw” these type of progeny, by being able to research the parents you can pick out breeders that are more likely to advance your program. The same can go for any trait you are breeding for. I have been fascinated by the interest in spidery doubles recently. I had a few bloom in the seedling patch last summer, they seemed to be scattered randomly. I was able to check the seedling numbers and found they mostly shared one common parent. This was Hemerocallis ‘Frilly Bliss’ (Joiner 98). I was able to cross among these kids and bring lots of genetics together with that common doubling characteristic. Now I can plan to take that program where I want it to go by knowing where it came from.

This philosophy of record keeping is strong in Region 2 as well as across the country. A brief poll of noted hybridizers gave much the same reasoning with slight twists. Eric Denham of Dowis Ranch, Mareilles, Il. says he keeps track “to see where you have been and where you are going.”

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The Veriest School of Peace
By Sharon Cusick, Cincinnati, Ohio

(Note: This article is a reprint from a November 7, 2005 email on the Daylily Email Robin with permission of the author. Images have been added by Sharon Cusick)

I was planting the bulbs of snowdrops (Galanthus nivalis). A neighbor had brought a hundred or so in a wide saucer. She said, “Make a shallow, broad hole and toss them in, without bothering to place the growing tips up.” So I did that, so easily, and covered them.

I thought of a morning last spring when I was bringing my three-year-old grandson to my house. As I came to an intersection and stopped, I pointed, and said to him, “Louie! Do you see all the white flowers blooming over there?” From his position in the back car seat I heard, “I see the plants. They are snowdrops. We grow them in our yard.”

I wonder what I knew of plants at three. I certainly did not know snowdrops. In the Detroit neighborhood in which I grew up, we had a small yard, and borders of plants that I remember with fondness. There were lilacs and flowering almonds, roses that bloomed all the summers long, and covered a fence. There were irises, blue squill, forsythias, and later hybrid tea roses and a hellebore. But I don’t remember ever being drawn in, included, or schooled for any care of the garden. I don’t remember ever planting anything, and I wonder why.

I did pit plums, for we made plum conserve. I podded dried ‘Scarlet Runner’ beans, and knew their beautiful, dry, shiny black and pink seeds. But I never watered tomatoes, nor cut rhubarb, nor planted anything, not even those beautiful bean seeds. I didn’t even mow grass, as my brothers did. I was taught to “police” the front lawn, which meant to pick up litter or sticks. I was sent out to cut flowers for indoor vases. Yet I came to love Clematis climbing, nonetheless, and counted in wonder the many layers of petals on the pale pink cabbage rose that grew beside our porch. And I do remember so loving trees, and feeling a relationship to them. I wrote poems about the willows, about growing with the grass under their branches. I wrote about the elm and its constancy in my young life, and about its infinity of seeds.

All this comes to mind because of the snowdrops, and because I have recently read A PASSION FOR DAYLILIES, and because I have digested so many other miscellaneous accounts now to do with one hybridizer or another. It has been fascinating to me to read of people that literally grew up in gardens, who were born into families of gardeners. Greg Pietrowski wrote for his website that he learned his gardening skills at the end of his grandmother’s cane. Most amazing to me are those families with seeming dynasties of gardeners, of interconnecting generations of gardeners focused on one genus.

Recently I was reminded of the words, “A garden is a lovesome thing,” from a 19th Century poem by Thomas Edward Brown. I think of that, too, and of how only one letter can change the word lovesome to lonesome. I am almost always alone when I work in my garden, but I am never lonesome. This is especially true since I joined the Robin. As I work, I am thinking of your garden forks and shovels, of your fall calves, of your fountain and birds, your cat that has learned to open a door, of your lined-out seedlings, and of your armadillos. I smile right there in the garden as I think of Tommy’s computer forgetting the location of the printer overnight, and I repeat aloud to the sedums, “It is right over there on the left.” I think of the display gardens I have visited, and you in them, leaning to admire Hemerocallis ‘Penny Pinsley’. I think of singular moments, as when I stood beyond the people in Heidi Willet’s garden, to become acquainted with ‘Suzy Cream Cheese,’ blooming there in October. And because I have a fall sickness, I try to make a comparison to the spring sickness of daylilies.

A vast company of blackbirds sometimes keeps company, curving en masse to the topmost branches of the walnut, or to the tallest oak. For a time they huddle and creak like a hundred rusty hinges, then draw silent all at once. But they rise again, swerving off together, as though in response to some sudden signal I don’t recognize. Then they reassemble here again. One day a Cooper’s Hawk accompanied them, perched with them in the treetop, rose when they did, and disappeared with them. And they all returned together.

More often than any other, my grandson is the person who may enter my garden with me. He helps with his trowel, and rearranges the mulch with a small rake. He struggles with clippers. He shows me where a slug is, and lugs the hose. He holds a rose in one hand, though it interferes with clippers. He shows me where a slug is, and lugs the hose. He holds a rose in one hand, though it interferes as he reaches for the swing’s ropes. Sometimes a tribe of neighbor boys appears at the gate, and a spokesman asks permission to come into my yard. They swarm around noisily asking me questions, and they sniff things like the skunky cleome, or the silver-white leaves of the Helichrysum italicum that smell so like curry. One boy told me, “You are a flower fairy.” Then they reassemble and leave all at once, as though at some signal, like the blackbirds.

But, again and again, I think of that garden in the house where I grew to adulthood. I think of Stout and Nesmith, Perry and a Mrs. Popov, and others who registered daylilies the year I was born. I think of being in grade school when the Midwest Hemerocallis Society was formed.

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I think of those who were working their wonders with colchicine while I was in college, all unaware, and how colchicine is derived from colchicum like those I grow, and which have such lovely, lovely, innocuous-appearing lavender-pink flowers. I think of a day in 1963 when I was along for the ride with friends, to visit a garden somewhere near Niles, Michigan. On that day I heard the word *Hemerocallis* for the first time. Only later did I learn that those roadside daylilies I had seen were *Hemerocallis*, too.

Now, all these forty-some years later, I wonder whose garden I was in that day, that year, and wish I could walk again among its beds, and really look this second time.

My garden here in Cincinnati is three-and-a-half years old. As I have planted my tulips and daffodils, I have reacquainted myself with the variations in the soil texture from one place to another. I have begun to recognize the differences between some of the diploid leaves and some of the tetraploid leaves, but not all. I have seen that some dormants have yellowing leaves now, and are relaxing, but not all. I say the names of the cultivars to myself as I weed and trim.

I have thought of the other plants besides daylilies that especially pleased me this year—the springtime *Camassia leichtlinii* 'Blaue Donau', with its long-lasting spikes of blue stars; the gatherings of *Geranium* 'Rozanne' that are still blooming a little, with their violet-blue faces and white eyes. For the first time I have enjoyed new late-blooming hostas, and yet more new hostas whose leaves are turning clear yellow or golden-orange, like the maples.

This small garden that I can never keep looking kept is a lovesome thing. "The veriest school of peace."

Pedigrees (continued from page 9)

Helps to plan crosses* Tom Polston of Pleasant Valley Gardens in Dayton, Ohio says it is important to "learn what each plant passes on to predict more accurate results". Bret Clement, spider breeder from Indianapolis area says "you can tell what plants produce what characteristics. From tracking I discovered *H. Memory Jordan*' throws lighter edges" Don Jerabek, Watson Park Daylilies, also of Indianapolis thinks keeping parental records can "advance your program faster". Steve Moldovan puts a different twist to it by trying to prevent rather than add to the program. By keeping track Steve says "where we came from tells us where we can go especially preventing disease and maladies such as rust and spider mites to create healthy plants without chemical spraying". Good idea Steve!

The only downside to all this positive reinforcement is the time factor. It does take a little to keep organized but once you establish your own system you will find the benefits far outweigh the small effort. Record keeping is not flawless and even the most attentive breeder will have a few "UNKS" in their pedigrees. I wish to thanks those that gave their thoughts and those were handwritten by me in a hurry so any misrepresentation is my fault entirely.
DOUBLES...DOUBLES...AND MORE DOUBLES

By Sharon Rastetter, Mansfield, Ohio

For many in Region 2, finding doubles that are reliably consistent performers has been a hit or miss adventure. I have never grown many...specifically because I could never get enough recommendations on what would grow well in our colder regions.

The few that I did grow were fairly reliable when it came to throwing double flowers. *Hemerocallis ‘Roswitha’* (Trimmer 92), and ‘Two Part Harmony’ (Kaskel 96) have grown very well for me...I can’t recall a time when I had a single bloom on either cultivar...but some of my gardening buddies complained that their blooms weren’t always doubling. Who hasn’t had that experience...*H. ‘Siloam Double Classic’* would behave that way for me certain years and I always attributed it to a “weather thing!”

Then there was selection.....how we wished we could have all those lovely doubles David Kirchhoff was creating down south....we could grow some but not as many as we would have liked. So instead of loading up on cultivars that we weren’t sure would do their thing.....especially when we needed them for the July AHS sanctioned flower shows, many of us just backed off from them. So come July at the show, what did you see, but the same old doubles, good ones...you bet....but what I wanted to see was “more....more colors, more sizes, more different, more better improved.

Pauline Henry, Charles Applegate and the Joiners have given us some of our most wonderful and reliable doubles, at least the ones that I felt comfortable in growing. But I needed to find more for myself and for my daylily friends. Enter the AHS Electronic Robin.....email questions....what a novel idea for an old gal like me. Keep abreast of what’s new with *Hemerocallis* and the folks who love them and you don’t even have to dig in the soil! So...I asked.... “What doubles do well in our colder zones?”......and they graciously replied.

Julie Wilson in Creemore, Ontario (Canada), Zone 4 sent a wonderful list of newer doubles, several of Kirchhoff’s Truffles and I was pleasantly surprised to learn that they do well for her. Melanie Mason reports that her new introduction *H. ‘Casey Jones’* is also a very good cultivar (I am tooting her horn since she hesitated to do so!). Lynn Lewis in Central Illinois (zone 5) has several of Grace Stamile’s popcorn doubles and reports that they do very well for her.

Several of our neighbors in various Michigan cities (Zone 5) supplied long lists of double daylilies heartily recommended. Diane Pruden from Milford, growing almost 90 doubles, produced a list that resulted in a 2 hour internet photo hunt for the ones she told me about. I saw very new Petit, Shooter, Peat and Joiner creations. And Audra Burns writes “Doubles are a passion for me, especially layered ones......I am a solid zone 5 garden and live close to Lake Michigan.....Winters can be quite harsh here.” Phyllis Cantini in West Bloomfield, Michigan said “Right after spiders and unusuals, is my love for the doubles. Doubles that are full, peony, lots of layers for hose-in-hose, or extreme ribbing ruffling (which counts as doubles).” She grows 167 different cultivars mentioning that David Kirchhoff’s 98 introduction of *H. ‘Alexander’s Ragtime Band’* (a huge yellow cream blend) is one of her favorites!

AHS Region 2 Director and Exhibitions Chair Joanne Larson told me that some of Bob Scott’s Topgun named doubles are doing very well in our colder zones and are beginning to take rosettes in shows throughout the United States. She mentioned that his *H. ‘Topguns Lola Scott’* and ‘Topguns Snowballs’ are doing very well in her garden. She also wrote, “A double that I didn’t mention because I have not acquired it yet is Dan Trimmer’s ‘Pat Neumann’.” “It’s a 1998 pink and cream blend which was growing in a spectacular clump in the Bordeleau garden near Green Bay (WI) during our Region 2 summer...
meeting in 2004.” “It’s been on my list since then; if it grows and increased in Green Bay, it will do the same in my garden.” She went on to tell me that she doesn’t hesitate to try Joiner doubles in her Northern Illinois garden because they do well for her.

And Robin Calderon over in Kansas wrote, “Speaking of north-hardy doubles, we can’t forget Frank Kropf’s doubles that were hybridized in Central Missouri. While he is best known for his melon ‘H. ‘Zella Virginia’, he also has a lot of really nice pinks, yellows, and a few reds and purples.” You should check out her website (Earlybird Gardens) on the Daylily Net. She also told me that she likes H. ‘Honey Crunch Cupcake’ (Tim Herrington) and hopes to add more of his “cupcakes” this year.

I also received several replies from robin members who are still enjoying growing many of the older cultivars. Some I had never heard of even having grown daylilies for some 20 years so I will mention just a few that perhaps some of you would like to add to your collections. Tim Fehr in Wisconsin wanted me to know that George Lennington’s H. ‘Fuzz Bunny’ is the most consistent double that he grows. It’s a nice yellow with billiard size blooms that has never bloomed single! Others that were mentioned were H. ‘Double Sunset Glow’ (Miles 68), ‘Double Gardenia’ (Miles 73), and ‘Double Bold One’ (Miller 81). These would be wonderful additions to the reliable ‘Highland Lord’ (Munson 83), ‘Condilla’ (Grooms 77) and of course ‘Siloam Double Classic’ (Henry 85).

I have spent hours at my computer viewing doubles in the past week or so and have concluded that there is no way I could have chosen “hardy doubles” on photos and descriptions alone. Therefore I am thankful for those brave souls who weren’t afraid to test some of these newer cultivars and pass their recommendations on to others. And even though I will continue to add doubles from our reliable northern breeders (like H. ‘Shield and Banner’ (Applegate 2003)... a very nice bronze/orange blend with a green eye...I urge you to check out some of the doubles on my “new list”. You will no doubt be pleasantly surprised like I was to see that...hey, we can grow that one here...and those July flower shows in Region 2 just might begin to have lots “more better...more different......more doubles to delight you!”

Recommendations of Double Daylilies for Northern Climates*

- ‘Adored Angel’ Joiner 98
- ‘Alexander’s Ragtime Band’ Kirchhoff 98
- ‘Anasazi’ Stamile 97
- ‘Big Kiss’ Joiner 91
- ‘Brianna Joy’ Balash-bailey 94
- ‘Cardigan Bay’ Trimmer 96
- ‘Casey Jones’ Mason 06
- ‘Charming Ethel Smith’ Terry 91
- ‘Dancing With Pink’ Kirchhoff 95
- ‘Dashing Double’ Kirchhoff 94
- ‘Don’t Look Back’ Kirchhoff 98
- ‘Double Amethyst’ Kirchhoff 94
- ‘Double Concerto’ Kirchhoff 96
- ‘Fairy’s Palace’ Petit 99
- ‘Fancy Buttons’ Joiner 00
- ‘Fashion Bug’ Joiner 94
- ‘Fire Breathing Dragon’ Salter 95
- ‘Fiery Visitation’ Gamber 99
- ‘Fires Of Fuji’ Hudson 90
- ‘Formal Appearance’ Petit 00
- ‘Forsyth Tepaled Double’ Lefever 98
- ‘Forty Second Street’ Kirchhoff 91
- ‘Fresh Look’ Joiner 99
- ‘Honey Crunch Cupcake’ Herrington 99
- ‘Iddy Biddy Gal’ Stamile, G. 97
- ‘Impetuous Fire’ Petit 93
- ‘In Depth’ Stamile 90
- ‘Jean Swann’ Joiner 93
- ‘Jerry Pate Williams’ Kirchhoff 99
- ‘Jewelled Tiara’ Joiner 99
- ‘John Kinnebrew’ Salter 92
- ‘Just My Size’ Stamile, G. 02
- ‘King Kahuna’ Crochet 94
- ‘Little Pierre’ Trimmer 98
- ‘Lucky Pierre’ Trimmer 99
- ‘Madge Cayse’ Joiner 91
- ‘Mecca Truffles’ Kirchhoff 02
- ‘Morning By Morning’ Applegate 94
- ‘Moses’ Fire’ Joiner 98
- ‘Mulberry Truffles’ Kirchhoff 99
- ‘Night Embers’ Stamile 97
- ‘Oddly Magnificent’ Shooter 99
- ‘Oh Danny Boy’ Kirchhoff 94
- ‘Paprika Flame’ Bennett 99
- ‘Peace On Earth’ Applegate 94
- ‘Peggy Bass’ Joiner 93
- ‘Peggy Jeffcoat’ Joiner 95
- ‘Peppermint Truffles’ Kirchhoff 99
- ‘Rachel’s Rosebud’ Crichton 99
- ‘Regal Puzzle’ Petit 99
- ‘Rose Corsage’ Stamile 99
- ‘Rose Storm’ Santa Lucia 99
- ‘Roswitha’ Trimmer 92
- ‘Root Beer Truffle’ Kirchhoff 01
- ‘Savannah Melody’ Joiner 95
- ‘Scarlet Marie’ Kropf 93
- ‘Shaman’s Magic’ Kirchhoff 01
- ‘Shield And Buckler’ Applegate 03
- ‘Siloam Cooper’s Chantilly’ Henry 92
- ‘Siloam Doug’s Double’ Henry 90
- ‘Siloam Joel’s Double’ Henry 95
- ‘Siloam Olin Frazier’ Henry 90
- ‘Thistle Pink Truffle’ Kirchhoff 00
- ‘Topguns Lola Scott’ Scott 99
- ‘Topguns Snowballs’ Scott 99
- ‘Totally Awesome’ Ward 93
- ‘Triple Layer Cake’ Kirchhoff 94
- ‘Tropical Delight’ Stamile 00
- ‘Twice As Nice’ Herrington 99
- ‘Two Part Harmony’ Trimmer 98
- ‘Upward Mobility’ Peat 03
- ‘Vision Of Love’ Kaskel 96
- ‘Voodoo Dancer’ Peat 01
- ‘Wonder Of Wonders’ Joiner 99
- ‘You Angel You’ Stamile, G. 93
- ‘Zona Rosa’ Santa Lucia 95

*Recommendations from Daylily Email Robin responses.
AHS REGION 2 - 2006 SUMMER MEETING
JULY 21 - 23, 2006

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Schedule of Events

Friday, July 21, 2006
9am - 5pm Registration, Bargain Plant Sales,
Boutique, Silent Auction
12:30pm Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic
12:30pm Exhibition Judges Clinic II
1:00pm Exhibition Judges Clinic I
3:00pm Garden Judges Workshop 1
5:00pm Round Robin Discussion Group
6:00pm Reception (cash bar)
7:00pm Hawaiian Luau (included w/registration)
8:30pm Daylily Plant Auction

Saturday, July 22, 2006
6:45am - 7:15am Registration
Breakfast on your own
7:00am - 7:30am Buses Leave for Gardens
Garden Judges Workshop 2 en route
12:00pm Lunch en route (included w/registration)
4:00pm - 4:30pm Buses Return to the Hotel
4:30pm - 6:00pm Bargain Plant Sale, Silent Auction, Boutique
6:00pm Reception (cash bar)
7:00pm Banquet (included w/registration)
Region 2 Business Meeting
Guest Speaker John Rice

Sunday, July 23, 2006
7:00am - 7:30am Buses Leave for Gardens
12:00pm Return to the Hotel

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Reminder: All Clinic and Workshop Participants
need to have with them a copy of the AHS Judging
Daylilies handbook.

AHS Region 2/Great Lakes Newsletter
Guest Speaker - John Rice
After a career as a horticulturist for some of the wealthiest families in the country, John began hybridizing daylilies in the early 90’s. He was initially striving for edges on daylilies before they had become commonplace. Now his goal in hybridizing is to develop flowers of pleasing colors and various forms on hardy vigorous plants. John and his wife Annette plant over 20,000 seeds per year. Many of their crosses have been in the violet range, and teeth are a current focus. Most of their hybridizing is with tet's, but Annette still maintains several lines of diploid breeding.

The Rices have a ten acre farm in central Kentucky just northeast of Lexington. Their farm is located in Kentucky’s famous horse country. About 2 acres are planted in daylilies. They also have a greenhouse for propagation and seed setting. Near their greenhouse is a farm pond.

Plan to Participate!
Make this years Great e-Scape your most memorable yet!

Digital Picture Request
As part of The Great e-Scape slide show presentation, we are asking all attendees to send in one or more of the following digital photos:

- Best Garden shot with a pet or critter.
- Most embarrassing garden picture.

Please include a couple of descriptive lines explaining each picture.

Digital Pictures can be sent in or emailed to
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July 21, 9:00am - 5:00pm
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A large area is available for those of you who wish to show and sell your daylily art, plant labels, garden structures, books and related garden items.

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Please Support the 2006 Region 2 Summer Meeting Auction
July 21-23 in Cleveland, Ohio.
Proceeds go to the Region 2 Daylily Newsletter

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The following 2 methods of donating plants works best:
1. Send a list (above or a post card) of plants to be donated now, and ship plants later, with labels and descriptions, by July 10th, 2006.
2. Bring labeled plants with descriptions and hybridizers’ names at regional-meeting time. If at all possible we'd like to know well ahead of time what you are bringing to allow us to prepare properly. A digital picture would be appreciated.
Began in the early 1980’s, Crintonic Gardens has evolved into approximately ten acres of arboretum with a daylily plot in the middle. Ponds and stone terraces accent meandering pathways through plantings of specimen trees and shrubs. The focus has been on creating a personal eden incorporating assorted collections of favorite plants such as arum, cyclamen, epimedium, hellebore, hosta, magnolia, oak and witch hazels.

The daylily show in the summer marks the equinox of the garden cycle, and is always a rapturous celebration of beauty! This year promises to be one of the most exciting yet, with more new and selected seedlings than ever. My own hybrids along with a large collection of new cultivars from the top hybridizers across the country will be on display. Of particular interest will be thousands of selected seedlings and future introductions from David’s and Mort’s “Daylily World” blooming on established plants!

The Northern Ohio Daylily Society has a fun weekend planned, and each tour garden offers a unique experience. David and Mort will be on hand as well as John Rice, Dan Hansen, Chris Rogers and the Salters. Many of you will certainly want to visit Steve and Roy at Moldovans Gardens in Avon Lake, and my neighbor Paul Lewis, an open garden with many new introductions and seedlings. We all look forward to celebrating a glorious week with you’all!

In 1994, Gerda Brooker and her husband Malcolm, Sr. started getting interested in daylilies. The interest grew into a passion, and both Mal and I began hybridizing. Well, I trailed behind by one year. Now almost twelve years later there is a story which is told in our daylilies. Our hybridizing program represent many years of hard, but most enjoyable work. My husband’s great energy, foresight and dedication are clearly seen in our hybridizing efforts.

Victorian Gardens grows approximately 600 to 800 cultivars representing various hybridizers, besides hundreds of our own selected seedlings in our display garden at home. We are also growing 10 to 15 thousand seedlings, away from the house which are yet to be evaluated. Besides daylilies our display garden features various perennials as well as annuals, shrubs and trees, and my pride and joy is a fish pond with a three tiered waterfall built by my husband. There is a Gazebo and pergola and lots of shades under the harbor.

All of my daylily friends deserve a huge “Thank you”. Steve Moldovan and Roy Woodhall, Larry and Cindy Grace, Jeff and Liz Salter, Pat and Grace Stamile, Jane and Dan Trimmer, Curt Hanson, Dan Hansen, Ted Petit, The “Dave” and Mort, many many more. You name them and they were helping with suggestions, criticism, and encouragement especially after Malcolm passed away. But last and not least Michael and Sandy Holmes, with unconditional commitment to encourage, give a helping hand, advice and endless hours of talk and visiting one another. Without them, the grace of God and much work I would not be near with our hybridizing program where we are today It has been a most interesting journey for me, with the inspiration most definitely originating with my husband, who truly was the wind beneath my wings.

All images courtesy Northern Ohio Daylily Society
WILCOX GARDENS
Bob and Ethel Wilcox
12074 Parker Drive
Chesterland, Ohio  44026

This AHS Display Garden has been planted with the thought of color for four-season interest. A small concrete boy sits on a sandstone boulder by the driveway to greet visitors, and different themes have been incorporated into some of the island beds. When Ethel and Bob retired, they added daylilies to their garden; and very soon growing daylilies became one of their hobbies! Ethel is a retired school teacher, and Bob is a retired distributor.  This residential garden was awarded the Lovin’ Care Yard Award in 1986 and again in 2000 by the Perennial Garden Club.  It was one of the gardens on tour for the “Bi-Annual Garden Tour in the Country” several years ago.

There are over 450 different cultivars of daylilies in the gardens.  There is uniqueness in design with a water garden, stone pathways, an antique plow from 1898, a gazebo, and benches on which to rest.  Abundant are many of their garden daylilies which were awarded AHS rosettes for Best-in-Show and for the Best Registered Double Flower.  During other years, their garden daylilies have also been awarded the AHS rosette for Best Registered Unusual Flower, Best Large Flower, Best Miniature Flower, and the Sweepstakes Award.  Enjoy the garden.  Welcome!

EMERALD HILL
Doug Bowen
12084 Heath Road
Chesterland, Ohio  44026

Situated in Geauga County, this 1 ½ acre AHS Display Garden features over 400 daylily cultivars, 50 hosta cultivars and a variety of perennials.  The gardens are located on the top of a hill, surrounded by woods and ravines.  At the base of the hill is a creek that is a tributary to Chagrin River.  Half of the property includes the house and gardens while the other half is natural as woodlands, ravines and the creek.  The steep driveway, which is the normal in Geauga County, can be intimidating, especially at night or during one of its snowbelt blizzards.

There are currently fifteen different flower beds.  Each of these beds is uniquely shaped and is bordered by over 1,000 rocks that were hauled up from the creek.  Of these fifteen beds, six of them are strictly daylily beds, two of them are strictly hosta beds and the remaining seven beds are a mixture of daylilies, hosta and other perennials.  The various beds form islands with paths allowing one to meander through the garden.  Included in the gardens are various benches, a small pond, an eight hundred pound fountain called the “Green Man” and various statues.

One of the most talked about areas of the garden is the ‘Character Bed’.  The Green Man Fountain is overseeing his daylily bed that erupts into an assault of color during the month of July.  Lurking below the surface and ready to attack are:  the *Hemerocallis* ‘Loch Ness Monster’ (Couturier, 1992), ‘Gollum’ (Hanson, 1991), ‘Godzilla’ (Burkey,1987), ‘Dracula’ (Carter, 1995), ‘Lurch’ (Stamile, 2000) and the ‘Masked Bandit’ (Salter,1996).  Just to name a few.  But no need to fear, our super heroes will emerge just in time to save the day.  The first wave includes:  ‘Batman’ (Kaskel, 1998), ‘Spider Man’ (Durio, 1982), ‘Superman’s Cape’ (Houston,1998), the ‘Dark Avenger’ (Salter, 1988) and ‘Alias Peter Parker’ (Lambertson, 1995).  The second wave, bringing with them a little comical relief includes:  ‘Pee Wee’s Big Adventure’ (Hanson, 2003), ‘Me Tarzan’ (Hager, 1989), ‘George Jets On’ (Yost,1999), ‘Snufalufagus’ (Stamile, 2002) and ‘Spocks Ears’ (Hanson, 2004).  You might even hear a ‘Yabba Dabba Do’ (1993).  Holy Smokes Batman!  All this action in one bed! Can it be true!
In addition to the collection from known hybridizers the garden contains over 200 selected seeding as well as 2,000 first and second year seedlings. Added to these seedlings are over 40 introductions that the Biaglow's have introduced in the last ten years. The garden is an example of how to grow daylilies in limited areas. Seedlings can be found in three major beds with daylilies planted on 4” centers with 9” between rows. This year’s garden will feature 6 of their new introductions as well as numerous future releases.

PERENNIAL POST
Clara Miller
7751 State Route 534
Middlefield, Ohio 44062

Just south of Mesopotamia, Perennial Post is located in the heart of Amish County. Clara Miller, owner, has created a sanctuary bursting with color that brings peace to anyone that comes to visit. Clara’s love and knowledge of daylilies began in her apprenticeship at Rock Bottom Farms, inspiring her in 1991 to begin planting and planning her own nursery business. The Perennial Post opened in the spring of 1998. Since then, the garden beds have grown to overflowing with 260 varieties of daylilies and over 500 various other perennials.

Perennial Post is a combination of display gardens and nursery beds. One of the first things you notice when you arrive at this quaint country cottage garden is an arbor that is overflowing with morning glory and wisteria. There is a meandering path made of stone that lead you back to a slab bench surrounded by pines, ferns, hellebores, trillium and hosta. Further back are her digging beds which are large mounds of splashing colors that are the forefront for acres of green pastures and unlimited blue skies. On Mondays throughout the season Clara hosts an “Evenings In the Garden”. This is a time to stroll, share and learn. After one visit to Perennial Post you will agree that this is one of Ohio’s pieces of heaven.

BIAGLOW’S GARDEN
Jim and Vera Biaglow
15957 Prospect Road
Strongsville, Ohio 44136

The Biaglow Garden is located in the heart of Strongsville, Ohio and sits on approximately a one acre corner lot. Jim Biaglow and his wife Vera have been breeding and growing daylilies since the mid 1980’s when Steve Moldoven introduced the daylily “Vera Biaglow” to the world. Visitors to the garden are be treated to a collection of over 300 of the newest and best daylilies from: Petit, Salter, Stamile, Kirchoff, Moldovan, Hanson, Gaskins and others.

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ROCK BOTTOM FARMS
Jonathan Ford
7767 Parkman-Mesopotamia Road
Middlefield, Ohio 44062

Four generations of Fords have had the privilege of working this beautiful part of Ohio Amish country. The appreciation of nature and the beauty provided by gardening has been passed from one generation to the next. The employees at Rock Bottom Farms are committed to supporting the same joy of gardening for our customers. Rock Bottom Farms proudly displays the entire collection of Stout Silver Medal Winners. They are currently an AHS Display garden and a Eureka Reference Guide garden.

Rock Bottom Farms is open to visitors from May 1 through Labor Day. Starting with the second week in June, strawberries are available for picking. From July to August fresh blueberries are available for picking. Their greenhouse features streptocarpus hybridized by Jonathan Ford. Before, during and after peak bloom in mid-July each daylily plant is identified with a description and a color picture.

GARDENVIEW HORTICULTURAL PARK
Henry Ross
16711 Pearl Road
Strongsville, Ohio 44136

Established in 1949, Gardenview is a 16 acre horticultural park hidden within the City of Strongsville, a western suburb of Cleveland. The park was founded by Henry A. Ross, Director and is currently maintain by himself and the Assistant Director, Mark LaRosa. Henry Ross’s purpose for Gardenview is to locate and obtain all kinds of extremely choice, rare and uncommon plants from throughout the world and to combine and display in the setting of an English Cottage Garden.

In 1961 Gardenview was given to the public as a gift with one condition that it must forever remain a Horticultural Park. Gardenview, a non-profit corporation, is exempt from real estate and other taxes and all of its contributions are tax deductible. The degree of maintenance of Gardenview is dependent on the amount of money produced each year by admissions, memberships and contributions.

Six of the sixteen acres of Gardenview are display gardens. These acres include an English garden, water fowl pond, water lily pond, hosta collections, rose gardens and herb gardens. There is a spring garden made up of bulbs, azaleas and perennial beds of daylilies, iris, peonies and rhododendrons. From March to May visitors can enjoy the numerous collection of hellebores that Henry Ross himself has bred. The 10 acre arboretum includes a showcase of over 2000 flowering and ornamental trees with over 500 varieties of crabapples. This garden is an All-American Selections Display Garden.
HMM, The festivities began Friday night with “Happy Hour” and an inspirational talk from AHS president Kevin Walek. Encouraging new ideas to continue the dynamics of one of America’s premier plant societies, Kevin has proven to be a “hands on” administrator with a fresh approach to promote, encourage and foster the development and improvement of the genus Hemerocallis and the public interest therein.

Melanie Vassallo charmed us with a preview of the National convention in Long Island, New York this July, showing us that the Big Apple is not just skyscrapers and show tunes. Joe Goudeau brought us some Cajun country daylilies and humor. Dan Hansen pokeled fun at some of the myths and elaborate demands involved in today’s ultra competitive high end daylily culture. Slides and digital images of future introductions and cool new seedlings followed. The hospitality room and pub was open for those to carry on into the night with fellowship and laughter.

During the breakfast hour, Sara and Steve Zolock of Belle Vernon, PA gave us an intimate tour of their garden and hybridizing program. AHS journal editor Allen McLain explained about our publications and invited us again to participate by writing creative and informative articles. Dave Mussar, the president of the Ontario club, presented an in depth biography of one of our regions pioneering icons, Brother Charles Recamp. David Kirchhoff provided a mixed bag of commentary, humor, and opinions on how to best serve our society. After lunch, Nikki Schmith presented us with a briskly paced primer on Powerpoint, providing tips for beginners and pros alike. Don Lovell gave us a tour of what we might expect at the National Convention in Minneapolis in 2007 and from the hybridizers of Region 1. Linda Agin of Alabama explained how her hobby in antiques blossomed into an obsession with daylilies, and Frank Smith of Florida gave us a glimpse of his world in orchids, landscaping resorts and building a daylily program.

After each speaker a door prize was randomly chosen. Most of these were $100 gift certificates from the top hybridizers. Soon we were back with a social hour and the anticipated famous buffet before the “great auction” got underway. Successful bidders got an exciting array of new and in some cases impossible to obtain cultivars. The hospitality room was again crowded with wine, micro-brews, and laughter, late into the night.

Sunday morning began with a continental breakfast and Charles Douglas of Browns Ferry North Carolina giving us a tour of his expanding daylily operation. Don Jerabek of Indianapolis mixed his subtle humor with an update on Watson Park gardens. The event ended with slides of 2006 introductions.

This brief overview only provides a glimpse of the official event. The real magic was within the personal camaraderie of seeing old friends and meeting new ones. The Winter Symposium is Region 2’s annual kickoff to another fabulous year in our gardens! We’ll do it again next year, and look forward to seeing you!
Kevin Walek: Town Hall Style Forum
By Diane Pruden, Milford, MI

Kevin Walek, President of AHS, addressed the attendees early on at the symposium and then made himself available the weekend. As President-Elect, he had given a similar talk at another region’s meeting this past October.

In identifying important items for his two-year term as President, Kevin stressed increasing the membership numbers in AHS and improving lines of communication with local clubs, the regional and the national organization. It was clear that he values direct communication with the membership whether or not the individuals hold office or even aspire to hold official positions. At several times, he gave both his phone number and Email address and encouraged anyone with questions or suggestions to feel free to contact him directly.

Kevin told us that he had been giving specific assignments to Board members at the rate of about one per week since he assumed office on January 1. He expects results and implementation of these assignments by the summer board meeting that will occur at the AHS National Convention this summer.

Membership is critical! When asked for a show of hands, two attendees indicated that they were not AHS members. In an example to all and a demonstration of his commitment, Kevin stated that he would pay the first year membership for the first person who had raised their hand. He has also appointed a committee headed by Kay Day to explore ways to increase membership, in particular a voucher program for new members in which they would receive a dollar amount off the price of a daylily chosen from a list.

Highlights of other issues and initiatives underway are as follows:

• A dues increase will be proposed at the convention this summer.
• A committee headed by Peggy Jeffcoat has been formed to review all the AHS specialty awards and to have recommenda-

• Betty Roberts has reviewed motions previously passed by the boards since the founding of AHS and has provided him with a listing of seventy conflicting motions. Furthermore, Kevin’s review has found that the Policy and Procedures Manual is in conflict with many motions made by the boards over the years. Further work will be done to resolve these matters.
• A rewrite of the Regional Officer’s handbook is in process. Job descriptions in this handbook do not match the actual duties carried out by these officers.
• A frequent question has regarded AHS Insurance. What and who does it cover? What are we paying for? Are we perhaps paying too much for the coverage? Apparently this coverage was obtained without a bidding process. The master document is a one-inch thick binder. The policy contents need to be communicated to the regions.
• A committee is reviewing Round Robin Accreditation. This includes both the written and Email Robins.
• Another concern is that there is no master copy of AHS documents and several conflicting versions exist.
• A thorough review of conventions is being made and Regional Directors will be surveyed for suggestions regarding changes.
• Linda Sue Barnes has raised the issue that many veterinarians (according to the ASPCA) seem to think that hemerocallis plants are toxic to indoor only cats. This is contrary to the experience of numerous AHS members. This is something to be looked into in terms of an AHS response, etc.
• Kevin has written an article, which will appear in The Daylily Journal, about his philosophy for the AHS and his term as its President.

In concluding his remarks, President Walek stated that his goal was for “The American Hemerocallis Society to be the Number 1 plant society in America!”

The many hats of Kevin Walek
Images by Narda Jones
Melanie Vassallo:
By Nikki Schmith, Dearborn Heights, Michigan

If I wasn’t already planning on making the trip to the East Coast for the national convention this year, I would be after Melanie Vassallo’s invitation! This year is the 50th anniversary of the host club, the Long Island Daylily Society, and they are very much looking forward to sharing their love of gardens with the hundreds of visitors this summer.

The theme of the convention is “Island Jewels”, and after seeing the wonderful photos of the 9 gardens that are on tour this year, I can understand why they picked that theme. “There will be no facet left unpolished,” Melanie exclaimed as she took us on a virtual tour of the public and private gardens we can expect to see this July.

There are hybridizer’s gardens, estate gardens, country gardens, collector’s gardens and public botanical gardens. There seems to be a lot of attention to detail, as the convention committee has arranged for many “extras” not seen at other AHS nationals. For example, convention goers will be allowed to sign up for specific buses, to prevent the chaos that usually ensues on garden tour morning. This should make for a more peaceful and efficient departure. There is even an already sold out optional bus trip to the Hamptons to see extra gardens! There’s also seating nooks outside behind the hotel which should be much appreciated by smokers. Best of all, they’ve requested a plant cleaning station outside with a large garbage can and a hose so nobody has to do the “swish & flush” cleaning method in their hotel room. WOW!

There are 9 vendors set up in the boutique. No daylilies for sale there yet but there are going to be some awesome Hosta and perennials. Several tour gardens and possibly open gardens will have daylilies for sale so ask if you are interested. There will be plants for sale here in Melanie’s garden and orders will be accepted for plants to be dug after the convention. The same goes for at least three other tour gardens.

Melanie also took the time to explain the airport and transportation situation on Long Island and in New York City. She had a wonderful illustration of Long Island (which actually is an island) showing the three airports that convention goers may use as they travel to New York. Many of the nearby beaches were shown, as well as many historic sites to visit along the way.

At the pace registrations are being received, they could be sold out in as little as 8 weeks. Do not be disappointed; send in your registration as soon as you can. You can visit www.lidaylily.org for a registration form and the detailed schedule of events and open gardens.

The national convention is a fantastic opportunity for members of AHS. This will be my fifth convention and I like it more each time I go. I come home with a ton of inspiration for my own garden, as well as a wish list as long as my arm to add to my collection! You don’t have to know a ton of people to have a good time. You don’t have to be an officer in the region or in your local club to enjoy it. Some folks think the national is a time only for cliques or for reunions of old friends. If you are new to AHS, I recommend you stick your toe in the water and try it out. It is fun, organized, and worth every penny you will spend to attend.

The convention will head south for the next few years, so if I were you, I would really take this opportunity to uncover some “Island Jewels” on Long Island this summer.
AHS Region 2 Winter Symposium 2006
A Review of Featured Speakers

Dave Mussar:
Brother Charles Reckamp - The Man and his Mission
By John Sheehan, Madison WI

Dave Mussar lives just outside Guelph, Ontario. At his Hillside Daylilies Garden he grows about 400 registered daylilies and has been hybridizing daylilies since 2000. Dave says that he wants to produce vigorous, hardy daylilies that will perform exceptionally well in northern climates. To achieve that goal he has been using many of the newest plants introduced by the late Brother Charles Reckamp of Techny, Illinois.

Today Dave presented a comprehensive discussion of the life of Brother Charles Reckamp including his work ethic, his ties with the early Tetraploid daylily hybridizers of the Chicago area, his connections with the noted Region 2 hybridizers, Steve Moldovan, and Roy Klehm, and most importantly, the legacy that Brother Charles Reckamp has left to the daylily world.

Brother Charles was born on a farm in Ethlyn, MO. He was one of the oldest of 20 siblings and grew up working hard to help his family eke out a living on their simple farm. As Dave explained, Brother Charles joined the Monastery of the Society of the Divine Word located in Techny, IL. Brother Charles’ superiors assigned him to start up “Mission Gardens” where peonies, evergreens, bulbs, and annuals would be grown and sold to the public. During the 1940’s Brother Charles was actively involved developing new varieties of iris, evergreens, and propagating Japanese tree and hybrid peonies.

In the early 1950’s area daylily hybridizers, Orville Fay and David Hall (each future Stout Award winners!) suggested that Brother Charles hybridize daylilies. In 1955 the first Reckamp Introductions were registered. They were *Hemerocallis* ‘Little Chief’, and ‘Mantilla’. As Dave’s images revealed, the early Brother Charles introductions were Diploids with strong, well-branched scapes and blossoms with soft, subtle hues.

In 1961 the Tetraploid Revolution hit the daylily world and Brother Charles quickly got on the Tetraploid bandwagon. His monastery allowed him to spend $200 for the 1961 Tetraploid introduction of Fay-Griesbach, *H. ‘Crestwood Ann’*, (a melon self). His Monastery Brother, Daniel Yunck, learned to convert Diploids to Tetraploids by using colchicine; and Fay provided Reckamp with some of his treasured Tetraploid pollen.

Dave then described Reckamp’s first 5 Tetraploid introductions (1966) that included *H. ‘Changing Times’, ‘Loyal Subject’, and ‘Heavenly Harp’*. All were either progeny from ‘Crestwood Ann’ or directly resulted from Diploid seed conversion. Until the mid 1970’s Brother Charles’ daylilies were sold through Moldovan Gardens. In 1973 Reckamp received the AHS Bertrand Farr Silver Medal for outstanding results in the field of daylily hybridizing.

In 1975 the Religious Order closed the Mission Gardens as a commercial enterprise. Roy Klehm of Song Sparrow Nursery took over introducing daylilies for Brother Charles in 1977 and the gentle gardener continued to hybridize his daylilies at Mission Gardens until his death in 1996.


Dave Mussar ended his Presentation by wisely concluding that the legacy of Brother Charles Reckamp will be long lasting. Reckamp was a simple, unassuming man who was guided by the beauty of his daylily introductions, not by the call to market radical new forms or color patterns. He focused on his hybridization goals and stuck with them.
Joe Goudeau:  
Some Like It Hot - Cajun Daylilies  
By Dan Bachman, Lebanon, OH

Joe showed slides of current Crochet releases, both diploid and tetraploid, all with that Crochet look. I was especially taken by *Hemerocallis* ‘Go LSU’, a 5.5” tetraploid, deep purple with gold edge. Tim Tassin is one of the newer tetraploid hybridizers with creations containing all today’s required “bells and whistles”. Jimmy Terrio is another of the soon to be spotlighted tetraploid breeders. Joe showed many of Jimmy’s offerings in the hot, bright oranges. Ken Begnaud, who delighted us at the 2005 Symposium, was represented and is doing “diploids with gold edges, diploids with patterned eyes and other areas thought only possible in tetraploid varieties” according to Mr. Goudeau.

Of course the feature was the Goudeau hybridizing program. The emphasis is on modern tetraploids. Joe and Ginger are working with their own seedlings as well as with material from Larry Grace. The lines are quite advanced especially considering they are relative newcomers. There are six introductions for this year. I was most interested in *H.* ‘Six-Four-Three Double Play’, a 5” salmon pink diploid double out of Crochet’s ‘King Kahuna’ and ‘Blackwater Washout’, a 5” tetraploid ‘Lavender Blue Baby’ kid with violet purple and washed eye. Daylily collectors are anxiously awaiting the future series from the Goudeau’s baring the prefix Nekid Lady. As Joe states “you have to be special to be a Nekid Lady”. This personable duo will make a real statement with their Cajun daylilies.

If Clarence Crochet is Boudreaux and Thibadeaux’s daddy, then surely Joe Goudeaux is little brother (making Ginger, his wife, little sis). The presentation SOME LIKE IT HOT was a mix of Louisiana humor as well as a preview of things to come from both veteran and new daylily breeders. Joe delighted the attendees with antics by those two infamous Cajun tricksters much in the tradition of one of his mentors, Clarence Crochet. None can doubt the tremendous influence Louisiana breeders have had on the modern daylily. You can put your finger right on the map where the diploid became the wide petaled, full formed beauty that it is today, dating back to the MacMillan years and his followers, Lucille Guidry, Elsie Spalding, Olivier Monette and Crochet among others. There is a new breed surfacing among those giants who have brought tetraploids into the mix.

Joe and Ginger Goudeau daylily seedlings  
*Images from Joe & Ginger Goudeau*

Joe Goudeau telling everyone how he wants his daylily throats to match the color of his shirt.

Allen McLain says Mississippi has “Hot” daylilies too.

Melissa Begnaud, Ken Begnaud, Heidi Willet, Charles Douglas, Ginger Goudeau, Joe Goudeau, and Becky Owens enjoy meeting friends. Five States are represented here.
Allen McLain:
AHS Daylily Journal Editor
By Sharon Fitzpatrick, Canal Winchester, OH

Yes, according to Allen McLain there really is a catfish capitol of the world and it is located in the heart of the delta country in Belzoni, Mississippi, population 2556, where a traffic jam consists of four cars on the interstate at the same time. Belzoni, Mississippi is the breeding ground for most of the farm raised catfish available on the market today. This town is also home of the Daylily Journal and the people responsible for putting it all together—Allen and Carolyn McLain. Allen credits his wife Carolyn for doing the entire Journal page layout which saves AHS many dollars in cost of publication. They were doing such a good job with revamping the 2004 Journal in 2005 AHS President, Maurice Greene turned all AHS publications over to the McLains. Through the AHS chain of command Allen reports to the AHS Publication Committee, and Publications reports to the AHS Board of Directors. The Board of Directors controls all AHS Publications.

A copy of any of the AHS publications can be ordered from AHS Publications sales representative Jimmy Jordan. You will find an order form for all AHS publications in your latest edition of the Daylily Journal.

Allen explained how the AHS Board requires eight pages of the Journal to be dedicated to the Officers and workings of AHS. Ten pages are dedicated to the AHS Round Robin groups, both postal and email excerpts are used. To free up space in the Daylily Journal, Allen is publishing a yearly supplement containing AHS Board meeting minutes, official business and a list of AHS Display Gardens.

By freeing up space Allen has been able to add a new Youth Section containing an article written by an AHS youth member, Hybridizers Corner—consisting of an article on a hybridizer’s life before daylilies which will include photos (named cultivars only), The Lighter Side of Daylilies, and a larger Picture Gallery. Allen stressed when submitting digital photos for Journal printing please make sure photos are at least 300 dpi. From the question/answer period after his presentation we learned the average person has no idea what 300 dpi meant. Allen explained, by setting your digital camera to the highest resolution you will come up with a printable photo. He keeps all submitted photos in his photo bank for withdrawal when needed.

Allen is very proud of his latest limited edition publication “Caught In The Web” Spiders & UFs. This publication took over a year in the making and is a brain child of the Yahoo Spider Unusual Form group. The book consists of 110 photos plus information from nine expert SP/UF authors on everything you ever wanted to know about Spider and Unusual Form daylilies. Symposium attendees were able to purchase copies ‘hot off the press’. If you are into Spider and Unusual Form daylilies, purchasing this publication will be the best 12 bucks you ever spent.
Don Jerabek: The Parade at Watson Park
By Sharon Cusick, Cincinnati, Ohio

Don Jerabek and Greg McMullen are architects and true plantmen. For the past thirteen years they have chosen to spend most of their free time with daylilies. In addition, they have created Watson Park, the greater gardens within which their daylilies are grown. Because they wanted to avoid a commercial appearance, and to incorporate hundreds of hostas and ferns, collections of magnolias and peonies, and other perennials, some years ago Don and Greg engaged a local landscape architect to help them in creating a master plan. Now the front yard of the one-and-a-half acre Watson Park Daylilies has arrays of display beds, including over thirty that are 5 X 25 feet and arranged radially in two concentric rings. A path, an axis, leads from the front door of their house to the center of the daylily bed. A special feature in the back yard is a hedge of young beeches, behind which lie about 40 raised beds for seedlings.

One of the goals of hybridizing at Watson Park is for northern hardiness. Other interests are diverse, involving ever more numerous lines, as Don and Greg explore several forms, select for gorgeous colors and favored patterns, and choose parents out of which kids with more developed edges may come. Don and Greg work with 5 to 15 thousand daylily seeds a year, and all seeds and daylilies at Watson Park are grown outside in Zone 5.

Hemerocallis ‘Canapé de Paris’, which is a light pink diploid with nearer-white, lightly ruffled edges, has an unusually flat profile. It has been used in many crosses. ‘Behold the Heavens’, a pink and diamond-dusted diploid, has been another good parent. Both were Jerabek 2002, using ‘Pastel Classic’ (Milliken-Soules 1985) as one parent. ‘Clouds of Kisses’, McMullen 2002, also a ‘Pastel Classic’ kid, is a white diploid with a striking, bold pink eye (and is constantly sold out).

At one stage, Don and Greg bought everything to do with blue, from which came no blues, but did result in Don’s diploids using *H. Starman’s Quest* as a parent. ‘Viola Brey’, 2003, is a soft grey-lavender with narrow petals and raspberry-purple chevrons. The blue-violet ‘Ben Brey’ followed in 2004. ‘Watson Park Eyes’, 2005, another out of ‘Starman’s Quest’, seems especially unusual and beautiful to me. This seems especially unusual and beautiful to me. Don and Greg describe it as “a series of banded shades of purple and light violet with excellent petal separation in the throat.”

The consistently blooming *H. Regina Marie*, Jerabek 2005, is a pink diploid with pie crust ruffling. Don believes it should be sought for conversion because of its heavy substance like wax, “thick as the styrofoam of a vegetable container in the produce section.” [The Watson Park Daylilies website at http://www.watsonpark.com/ shows all of their cultivars mentioned here. The dates for Jerabek and McMullen daylilies given in this article are introduction dates that will match introductions-by-year on the site.]

Also from their work with diploids came Greg’s tall, small-flowered *H. Little Jasper Spider*, 2005, with gentle ruffles on the edges. Greg’s new 2006 golden-yellow ‘Watson Park One Accord’ is a tetraploid. Its coloring and pattern are more complicated than can be shown here. It has been their most sought-after introduction this year.

Any cultivars mentioned past this point are tetraploids. From a particular attraction to daylilies with speckling and stippling has come the *H. Connect the Dots*’ stippled line. ‘Connect the Dots’ (‘Elan’ X ‘Yuma’), Jerabek 2002, is creamy-white with sprinkles of unevenly distributed violet dots. ‘Persimmons, Cinnamon, and Marahla’, Jerabek 2005, is a ‘Connect the Dots’ grandkid with cinnamon stippling over persimmon, and with orange knobby, toothed edges. It even glows orange at the outer throat.


Complimenting the presentation about Brother Charles Reckamp given by Dave Musser the previous day, Don grouped a number of his cultivars for which *H. Angel’s Smile* (Reckamp-Klehm 1985) was a parent. These include the 2003 introductions ‘Tux and Tails’, ‘Romantic Stares’, ‘Centrifugal Forces’, and ‘Puzzling Images’, as well as the particularly vigorous ‘Deborah Cooney’, 2004, which, Don stresses, has an unusually high bud count.

*H. Running with Scissors*, Jerabek 2002, is another with excellent petal separation at the base, and reflects two continuing efforts-- to develop more narrow and unusual forms, and to develop clear reds. Two of Don’s twisted crispy *Unusual Form* daylilies causing much demand are ‘Watson Park Tempest’, 2004, a tall large-flowered bicolor, and ‘Dancing on a String’, 2005, a light peach-pink with extending yellow throat and graceful motion. His ‘Purple Rabbits’, 2002, multiplies so quickly, he jokes that it is banned in several states. ‘Watson Park Perfection’, 2005, was named because of its pure pink, its stellar form, its heavy substance, its ruffling, and its showing as an excellent parent.

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Sarah and Steve Zolock:
Hybridizing at the Zolock Gardens
By Joann Stewart, Watkinsville, Georgia

Steve and Sarah Zolock are retired schoolteachers who live and garden on three acres located in Belle Vernon, 25 miles south of Pittsburgh. In their program, Steve took the microphone and explained that their program would feature their 2006 introductions, previous introductions, futures and seedlings. He then led into their program by showing slides of the Zolock Garden, composed of 60 separate ‘gardens’, each edged with bands of liriope and featuring different statuary, sculpture and garden whimsy. A flamingo, stone sculptures, numerous birdhouses, metal sculptures, and antique tools are only some of the focal points he showed during their joint slide presentation.

Each bed is separated by a grassy swath wide enough to accommodate their frequent visitors comfortably, as well as grassy paths throughout. A generously sized pergola and water features add to the welcoming aspect. The Zolocks like and welcome visitors, many of whom make annual trips to see what’s new and to visit familiar sites.

Their garden is approximately 50 years old, and within, they grow and hybridize with over 2000 varieties of daylilies and over 1000 varieties of hosta. Most of their hybridizing is done in their greenhouse, using 3-gallon rootmaker pots. Steve and Sarah use colored wires to denote individual parents in their pollination, and have great success with the system.

In addition to the numerous garden rooms, Sarah and Steve maintain brightly colored container plantings through their garden. Sarah plants all the annuals, which lend long-season color and texture to the garden beds as well as adding complementary color to the daylilies. The Zolocks have a complete Stout medal daylily collection, as well as examples representing all the major daylily hybridizers.

The garden contains 100 year old oaks, which contribute shade and shifting light patterns to their fountain area. There are also two waterfalls which flow into the pond. A gazebo is covered with trumpet vine, and some well-loved features in their garden such as the arch and the swing have been features remembered fondly by several generations of brides in their local area. Photo opportunities abound!

Steve and Sarah have recently established a rock garden, and this will be an on-going project for them.


Meticulous record keepers, prior to their program the Zolocks had prepared and handed out sheets showing the parentage of each cultivar and information on height and size not only of bloom, but of petals and sepals separately.

Steve took over the microphone and showed slides of previous introductions, each also accompanied by the handouts showing the parentage of each and the measurements, while Sarah then showed their futures.

Steve and Sarah finished the program by showing some of their seedlings, and answering questions. Some interest was expressed in Steve’s conversions, which he achieves using either colchicine, surflan or treflan. Steve not only converts daylilies, but also converts hosta.

When asked if he and Sarah maintain their garden by themselves, Steve admitted they do have ONE helper: his 86 year old mother!
Charles Douglas: Extreme Makeover and Farm Addition At Browns Ferry
By Karen Ciula, Gahanna, Ohio

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Charles Douglas is a gracious and gregarious promoter of daylilies. Traveling extensively to other regions, he shares his enthusiasm and makes good friends wherever he goes. Region 15 has honored him with its Service Award and he received the Region 15 Hybridizing Award for *H.* ‘Pick of the Litter’ in 2003. Just like the catalog, no one will want to throw away a daylily that just keeps blooming better every year.

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both kids of ‘Persimmons, Cinnamon, and Marmalade’. ‘Ride the Tide’ (‘Violetta Mondrian’ X ‘Seminole Wind’) is lavender violet with creamy-gold edge. Then there is the deep, dark red ‘Watson Park Eclipse’ (‘Midnight Magic’ X ‘Violetta Mondrian’). I like the image suggested by the name-- the moon silhouetted, nearly blocking, but leaving a thin, bright rim of the sun. You can see from these last parentages that another Watson Park Daylilies line extends from ‘Violetta Mondrian’, Jerabek, 2003.

Many more views were paraded before us, showing how Don Jerabek and Greg McMullen live, garden, and hybridize. But, as Don says, they need time to stop. Hybridizers need time to notice the patterns of snow on a fence, or how a pile of mulch may have a strange beauty of its own. They need time to look out from their new addition (“Architects can’t leave anything alone.”), to gaze over a haze of Muscari. People and daylilies need time to recoup. Our last views of Watson Park Daylilies were of a quiet stone garden goddess, and of Fitzaroni, their resting cat.

H. ‘Watson Park Accord’ (McMullen 2006)
Image courtesy McMullen/Jerabek

Charles Douglas Introductions
(Clockwise starting from top left):

All images from Charles Douglas

Browns Ferry Gardens

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Linda Agin:  
A Hobby Turns to a Passion  
By Mike & Lori Hankinson, Hudsonville, MI

Hobby - as defined by Webster’s:  
“A favorite pursuit” Passion – “Intense desire, Object of Love”

Linda Agin caught me with that title, but I’m not sure it is real true. I believe she has carried this deep passion all throughout her life. Her first few slides established that passion for all of us as, she introduced her love of COLOR! From the viney walls of morning glories outside, to the decorated rooms of her home inside, each area exploded (depicting, emphasizing) a theme color. A room of reds, glass, fabric, paint and all blended to excite the eye and heart. Linda marries colors and textures. Linda plants her garden in a “rooms style”, with mixed beds of plants but with a central color scheme. With her slide of her water gun fight with her grandkids, she lets us know this is not a lady to trifle with. After living in Italy for four years, Linda returned to her home and set about to live on the top of a ladder for three weeks and paint a masterpiece on her kitchen ceiling. This proved to the group that this is a truly passionate woman who is not afraid of a little work to create something magical.

Linda is the gardener in her family, pursuing her dreams in Pratville, AL. She showed us a slide that was taken of Clematis in full bloom in her back yard. When she had showed the picture to her husband he had asked her where that was taken. She replied “In your garden”. He obviously had not been out in the garden to see the beautiful flowers.  

Linda is a member of the Montgomery Area Daylily Society and has been an AHS member for 12 years. She now has a 30’ x 50’ greenhouse that is used primarily for hybridizing. “Never enough room” she says, explaining that last year she had to walk sideways to get between the rows in the greenhouse. While having a simple shade cloth arrangement that is operated by clothesline, she also uses more complex cooler cells to help in hybridizing.

Her hybridizing goals are many, emphasizing intense color. Linda loves working with the rumpled edges and is now working for the sharks tooth edge. Linda likes to combine new purchases with her hybridized plants. From a hobby of around a thousand seedlings annually, her back yard was reworked and expanded to allow her room to handle about 8,000 seedlings. She emphasized that you have to be patient and stay with generations, sometimes 1, 2, and 3 years old, to get the desired results.

Linda showed us slides of some of her daylilies with her apologies for cutting off some of the heads in the camera viewfinder. With the results that she showed us, I don’t believe she will have to worry about audiences not liking her daylilies. Her photo shots just prove that she likes to get right into the throat of that flower and draw out its individual beauty and texture for all to enjoy. Her first introduction was “Linda Beck” in 2003. Her first program was to work for the wide ruffled petals and edges. Linda is expanding her program, as we saw from the slides presented. We were shown images of brown cast with chartreuse/green edges, lavenders, extra texture on petals, and sharks teeth on blue and purple. The audience saved their loudest applause for a seedling with a repeating color pattern around the petals of rose/orange. It was very unique. To top that, she showed us seedlings with ruffles extending into the interior of the throat.

In my opinion, this passionate lady is off to a good start towards her many goals. We will all be enjoying the results of her expanding success in the future.

To all of you in Region 2, I encourage all of you to attend next year. There is so much to learn and enjoy at this annual program.
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Don Lovell:
The Many Faces of Region 1 – A Prelude to the 2007 National Convention
By Karol Emmerich, Minneapolis, Minnesota

On behalf of Region 1 and host club Hemerocallis Society of Minnesota, Don Lovell invited everyone to attend the 2007 AHS National Convention being held July 25-29 in Minneapolis/St. Paul. The theme for the 2007 convention is WHERE THE FUN BEGAN, chosen because the AHS had its beginnings in Region 1. In fact, the first daylily convention ever was held in Shenandoah, Iowa in July of 1947, exactly 60 years before the 2007 convention.

Minnesota is a great place for a summer garden tour. Daylily colors are intense, and because of our shorter summers, it seems that everything is in bloom at once.

Tour gardens include:
- Dick and Karol Emmerich’s city garden. It’s a beautiful 3 acre hilltop setting with boulder walls, granite pathways, and thousands of daylilies, hosta and other perennials.
- Dick and Karol’s Springwood Gardens, which features thousands of seedlings, enchanting bronze sculptures and views of the Minnesota River Valley. Each spring hybridizers from Region 1 (and parts of Wisconsin) meet in the greenhouse to share ideas and marvel at the thousands of seedlings in bloom. Don showed several of Karol’s seedlings and introductions, and noted that Hemerocallis “Heartbeat of Heaven” is an incredible hybridizing tool for those seeking to produce northern hardy, fancy edged daylilies.
- Mike and Kathy’s 5 acre Loon Song Gardens, includes over a thousand newer daylilies, an historical Heritage Garden, and thousands of Kathy’s seedlings. Don showed Kathy’s 2006 introductions and a collage of her seedlings. She especially likes unusual forms, spiders, minis and doubles. You may remember Mike and Kathy from the popular “Unusual Forms” singing group at Cleveland a few years ago.
- Gary and Rita Schaben’s Gardens with a Northern Exposure. Rita serves on the AHS board and Gary is an award winning hybridizer, having won Honorable Mentions for his Hemerocallis “Northwind Dancer”, “Debbie’s Vows”, and “Remembering Joan.”
- Kyle and Gene Billadeau’s Turtle Rock Gardens. Kyle is an avid collector of the newest daylilies, and an outstanding photographer. You may have seen her pictures in Eureka and The Daylily Journal.
- Harvey Buchite and Betty Ann Addison’s Rice Creek Gardens. Harvey is also a daylily hybridizer, and Rice Creek is well known in the area for its many unusual perennial offerings.
- Steve Horan’s Woodbury garden, which features a beautiful grass collection in addition to the latest daylilies.

Don noted that Region 1 hybridizers will be providing their newest introductions as bus plants for the 2007 convention. He then showed seedlings and introductions from a number of Region 1 hybridizers including:
- Mike Grossman, who works with the very latest things from north and south to produce fancy northern hardy seedlings.
- Bob Wilson, who has 4 acres of tall dip spiders with lots of motion; corkscrews, twisting and curling.
- Nan Ripley, outgoing RVP, who is primarily a “bagel” breeder, and is also a passionate collector of all types of plants.
- Kathy Larson, a horticultural-ist who is working with species crosses to improve budcount, as well as unusual forms.
- Phil Fass, an art teacher with thousands of spidery/UF seedlings with beautiful clear color that really impressed those in attendance.

Don noted that the Iowa hybridizers all help each other by interchanging plants. He showed many of his own seedlings and introductions, including H. “Ma-bel Winegar” and “Timbercreek Ace.” He likes bagels and spidery things, and showed a number of striped seedlings which are descendents of his “Peppermint Ice.”

Don concluded by again inviting everyone to come to Minnesota for the 2007 convention. The convention hotel is just 10 minutes from the airport, with easy freeway access and free shuttle service. There is a lot to see and do in the land of 10,000 lakes and a million ponds. The area is renowned for its parks, nature preserves, golf courses, art museums, theater, baseball, fishing and shopping. And of course, the gardens will be beautiful.
Dan Hansen: “Now Seriously Folks”  
By: Tom and Mary Milanowski, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Dan Hansen of Lady Bug Daylilies located in Geneva Florida, son of Ra Hansen a well known and respected daylily hybridizer, has the knowledge of what it takes to operate and hybridize in sunny Florida.

Dan has carried on the operating business of Lady Bug Daylilies and has, himself, become a well respected hybridizer of such cultivars as *Hemerocallis* ‘Blue Eyed Blonde’, ‘Geneva Hot Wired’, and ‘Sweet Claudia’ named after a great gal in Georgia (a cultivar narrow in form with a nice tan and triangular intricate eye of layers of violet and flesh tones).

As a serious hybridizer, Dan presented his “Now Seriously Folks” program, which was an ABC outline of what Florida growers and hybridizers face. So before you pack up your carpet and belongings Dan wants you to know about the perils of this land of sunshine and extended growing season.

Starting with the letter A for animals, the likes of armadillos, flamingos, alligators and dangerous pigs, continuing on with B for bugs (cockroaches and fire ants in particular) and F for fertilizing this sterile land in nature, not forgetting the P for poop (lots of poop to help build the soil), and then the G for greenhouse and shade houses that keep getting destroyed by H for hurricanes and other natural storms like tornado’s, heavy rain including hail, heavy winds and the lightning that pose a greater risk to the irrigation pumps and controllers, and lets not forget about the R for rot, T for thrips, aphids and mites beyond imagination, and then the W for weeds (a problem that we all deal with but probably greater in Florida due to the continual sun twelve months out of the year). The alphabet then ends in Z for Zone 9 + (very hot) posing their own particular peril to operating a daylily nursery.

Want to know more about the ins and outs of this business of growing and hybridizing daylilies in Zone 9, then head down to Mecca in May and become the V (visitor) part of Dan’s presentation and talk specifically with Dan about the ABC’s of gardening in hot sunny Florida. P.S. Hurricane season doesn’t start until June!!
Nikki Schmith: MS PowerPoint is a Great Gardening Tool!
By Diane Pruden, Milford, MI

Nikki Schmith, member and past president of Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society and member of the Region 2 Ways and Means Committee, condensed what she usually teaches as sixteen-hour class into a forty-five minute program. This talk offered much to everyone at the symposium. It inspired many to put together their first PowerPoint program as well as provided valuable tips and insights to those who had been using PowerPoint for many years. Even those who might not actually use this software gained new insights into how programs were conceived and executed.

The purpose of her talk was to introduce us to an efficient, easy means to develop our own presentations for a variety of educational and entertainment uses. Nikki also covered development of Photo Album presentations for personal and commercial use, a means to manipulate digital images for conversion to traditional 35mm slides, and the creation of self-playing presentations that can be uploaded to websites or sent as Email attachments.

Through the use of her own PowerPoint examples developed especially for this meeting, Nikki showed us several ways to get to a completed presentation. By beginning with a blank slide, using the AutoContent Wizard or through the use of Design Templates (from a number of sources as well as designed independently) a presentation was created. Since PowerPoint is based on “slides”, she showed us ways to add text, shapes, images, clip art, word art and charts. Here she stressed that it was desirable to maintain consistency throughout the presentation so that observers would not be distracted from the information being conveyed. We learned about adding animation to slides and how to transition from one slide to the next. She also covered adding sound to a presentation including slide transition sounds, custom animation sounds, use of CD soundtracks, and narration.

PowerPoint Pointers: From Observations
By Bob Schwarz, East Hampton, NY.

I’ve sat through many PowerPoint presentations at daylily conventions, symposiums and the like. Nearly everyone (except me) makes mistakes that mar their presentation and annoy or distract the audience. The primary aim in such a presentation is to show images of your flowers, garden, kids, grandkids, cat standing on its’ head, garden ornaments, or any other items of interest to your audience. All of the above images can be interesting, educational, heart warming, or amusing. But don’t forget, the most important things in your PowerPoint presentation are the images and the information pertaining to them. Because you may be new to PowerPoint, you run the risk of being seduced by the visual effects available. This is especially true if you are being “helped” by a teenager. Teenagers are likely to feel that the “zappier” and “zoomier” the presentation is, the cooler it is. Not so! Here are some pointers that, in my opinion, will help you in your presentations.

Remember, displaying your image is the most important thing. It should not have to compete with a fancy frame or a gaudy background. One presenter had an electric blue background that was on the screen for the entire presentation. It took away from the flowers and was very hard on the eyes. An image with a black line around it on a gray background stands out. The more junk you load on to the screen the more distracting it is. If you haven’t got an adequate background that was on the screen for the entire presentation. It took away from the flowers and was very hard on the eyes. An image with a black line around it on a gray background stands out. The more junk you load on to the screen the more distracting it is. If you haven’t got an adequate background, “suping” it up with gratuitous effects will not improve it. Keep it simple.

1. Don’t make a practice of swirling your images into the frame or of using other visual tricks to reveal an image. A couple of times is OK, but as a steady diet, the practice becomes tedious and irritating.
2. Keep the print on the top of the frame. Those sitting behind someone have to strain and lean over in their seats to read material printed on the bottom of the frame.
3. Use legible print. Fancy fonts in multiple colors are difficult to read and one soon gives up trying.

Experience users found her tips and explanations of several icons and tool bars especially enlightening. PowerPoint has many capabilities but not everyone has explored its less obvious capabilities. She highlighted and demonstrated several easy, time saving methods to complete various design elements. In fact, she demonstrated how a photo album stored on your computer could be batch imported and turned into a presentation with approximately three mouse clicks and five minutes of your time.

By the end of her program, even novices had gained confidence in being able to utilize this unique “gardening tool” in a variety of creative ways. Nikki opened her program with an interesting statement about PowerPoint, “This is a creative program, even for those who aren’t creative!” By the end of her program, the audience was truly inspired.

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Typical Powerpoint screen image.

(Powerpoint page from presentation of Allen McLain)
David Kirchoff:
“Has Everyone Been Served?”
By Gerda Brooker, Cleveland, OH

I do not think that the Cleveland Symposium would ever be the same without “The Dave”. Again, this 2006 assembly of hybridizers, collectors and daylily “passionatas” was duly entertained as David stepped up to the podium. Like a deer caught in the headlights (his own words) he informed us that the PowerPoint was not up and running yet because it would take 10 minutes to download. Somebody got it to the PowerPoint operator, JR Blanton, just before, he stepped up to the podium.

While Dan Hansen stepped in to get things rolling, David never missed a beat in doing what he does best. With his usual flair, he served up a delicious 10 minutes, of what could have been dead airtime, with his sense of informative humor. He talked about his and Mort Morrss’s move to Kentucky. David and Mort acquired a five acre piece of property with a beautiful Victorian Home, a short distance to the west of Lexington, KY. They have their work cut out for them. The plan is to terrace the hilly property. I can just imagine how lovely the daylilies will be in that kind of a setting. David and Mort will be just 40 miles straight down the road from John Rice, making them now members of Region 10. Ya’ll come.

After the 10 short minute delay, the planned program was on its way. With much passion and enthusiasm, David challenged the audience to actually become servants to the daylily society. As members of AHS, we were reminded that we all should and could get involved. Becoming garden judges, serving on some board, and filling some type of shoes, whether small or large, is only one way to volunteer. Does the journal make us happy? Is the newsletter what we expect? Are the clinics offered at our meetings beneficial? David reminded us that there is something for everyone. He eluded to the fact that we are all on the same path, in the same shoes; some large, some tiny. He is a living example of what he talked about, having filled many, shoes in some office for many years as an AHS member.

David then proceeded to serve up a most delicious meal of his breeding program, from appetizers to dessert. He paraded before us exemplary cultivars which he, for some reason, named after dead movie stars, Hemerocallis ‘Cary Grant’, ‘Clark Gable’, ‘James Dean’, and Audrey Hepburn, and ‘James Dean’. (I am glad that he named ‘Gerda Brooker’, when he did).

David, as expected, could have talked for another hour, and nobody would have left the building. His last words of wisdom were that if you are served a break in the seedling field, be it a double, a spider, a UF, or anything you really had not been working with, go with it, and consider yourself well served. We at Cleveland were and are looking forward the have Daylily World move a couple of miles closer. Happy moving, and remember getting there is half the fun.

4. Use a color for your font that contrasts with the background so that it is easy to read. White is a good choice most of the time. Red on black is virtually unreadable.

5. Titles flying in like cyclones and bouncing up and down on the screen before they finally quiver to a stop, get tiresome real fast.

Other bits of information.....Use your own equipment if you can. The CD you’ve made on your computer may not play back the way you remember it on another computer. The fonts may look different. It may not play back at all. The projector that you are using at the symposium or club meeting may not have accurate colors. Bring your own if you can. You are will be more comfortable with equipment you are familiar with. Not all remotes operate in the same way, and there may be unfamiliar buttons that produce unwanted effects. If you can, set up your presentation and test it before you begin. It is not fun to sit around and wait while three or four savants huddle around the set-up table trying to figure out why the CD won’t load, or why the projector won’t project. Put a black frame as the first slide of the program. Leave the projector on, and ready to go. This way you don’t give your first image away. When ready to present, all you have to do is press the remote once and your first image is up. If you have sound with your presentation (if not overdone, sound effects or music can add a lot), make sure not to rely on the speakers in the laptop to project the sound loudly enough. You’ll need one of those small speakers that you use on your PC. Hook it up to the laptop. I test the speakers by seeing if the sound works when I deal out Spider Solitaire.

Having pointed out many of the pitfalls, I don’t want to discourage anyone from using PowerPoint. PowerPoint is to slides what the stealth bomber is to the Wright Brothers biplane. The ability to use titles, present multiple images, and show the parentage of flowers is extraordinarily powerful. I basically advise the newer presenter not to get caught up in distracting effects and be aware that the audience needs to be able to read the material on the screen from some distance away.
Frank Smith: Orchids, Friends, and Daylilies

By JR Blanton, West Chester, Ohio

Frank Smith is just an average guy who loves flowers. As you become more familiar with him you will find this to be true. He seems to get just excited over someone else’s flowers as he does his own – well almost.

Frank Smith has been a major force in the orchid world for over 30 years and is still considered the top orchid man in the United States. His company also does landscaping. One of his accounts you may have heard of is Universal Studios. They ship out over 400 orders each week on Mondays and Tuesdays.

You can tell that he has been bitten by the “Hem” bug because he says that now his favorite flower is the daylily. We have David Kirchhoff and Mort Morris to thank for that. He bought his first daylilies from Daylily World in 1978.

You would think that with the daylilies you have seen from him that he breeds for daylilies with a pretty face only. Not really, he hybridizes for plant habit and different characteristics such as wide sepals. He also listens to people visiting his garden remembering what they like when looking over his seedlings. With every hybridizer, hardness is an issue that they breed for. Frank sends guest plants to Ashville, NC to test. He listens to reports he gets back from all over the country and Canada. He does most of his hybridizing in the greenhouse so that he can be done before peak season hits. This allows him to spend time with customers when most of them visit.

In the orchid world, clear colors are the norm. This is another avenue that Frank is trying to accomplish in daylilies. He uses a lot of tetraploid conversions is his program. This also helps him achieve the wide sepals he is seeing in his seedlings.

The first year he concentrated on hybridizing, Frank had over 100,000 seedlings to evaluate. This many I can not even imagine.

He talked about using tetraploid *Hemerocallis* ‘Connie Burton’ in a lot of the seedlings he was showing. He also uses ‘Best Edge’ and ‘Crazy Ivan’. The seedlings he has coming down the road will take your breath away. Be on the lookout for *H. ‘Matthew Kaskel’.*

Next time you see Frank, make an effort to say hi – he really is just and average guy who loves flowers. Any by the way, he invited everyone to his open house and barbeque in May.
I would like to give a BIG thanks to outgoing plant procurement chair, Heidi Willet. She has done a truly outstanding job! Largely due to her aggressive persistence, the auction has broken records each year. What a huge help to our regional treasury; allowing such things as color for our journal. Lee Underschultz has been an absolutely peerless and organized registrar, who has been the quiet efficient engine that makes the event run so smoothly. Richard Norris and JR Blanton deserve a thanks for organizing the slide/digital programs of introductions and seedlings. And I want to thank ALL who helped with the auction, as auctioneers, spotters, recorders, bidders and those who donated. This is what makes this event financially solvent! Finally I would like to thank all those who attended, for without your support, it would be nothing at all. I really like to stress that it is OUR event and it's the symbiosis of all participants that really create the dynamics!

Curt Hanson
Greetings to the Region 2 Youth!

2006 is the year for good friends, great fun, and lots of surprises!!!

One of the nicest surprises I have ever received was a super letter from Miss Kendall Lane Denham of Marseilles, Illinois!!!! Kendall is nine years old and a member of the Chicagoland Daylily Club. She is in the fourth grade at the Milton Pope Elementary School where she has received Attendance Awards. Kendall is in the band and her favorite subjects are art and science. She also enjoys attending gymnastics classes with her Aunt April and helping her mother, Dawn, care for sick people at her work. When she grows up she would like to be a Registered Respiratory Therapist like her Uncle J.R.

This past summer was the first time Kendall entered daylilies in a show. Well, she won with \textit{Hemerocallis ‘Ribbons of Highway’}!!!! Not only does she show her daylilies, she is a hands-on caregiver. She helps her Uncle Eric and Grandma Janell as they all care for the daylilies that Uncle Eric hybridizes. Some of her favorite daylilies are ‘Kendall Lane Denham’, named for Kendall, ‘Logan Andrew’, named for her new baby brother, and ‘Miss Fennessey’. Would you believe Miss Fennessey was named for her kindergarten teacher? I’ll bet that was one happy teacher!! (Hey Kendall, I taught kindergarten for 30 years!)

Kendall enjoys going to the Chicagoland Daylily club meetings and I bet the members enjoy having her attend. She would like to carry on the family tradition and hybridize her own daylilies. Something tells me we will be hearing a lot about Kendall’s future introductions!!!

If you are around Marseilles, Illinois, stop by and check out some of Kendall’s favorites!

Do you remember Jeffery and Kenny Buhrt? Well, I am delighted to give you an update on these two young SWIDS members from Indianapolis. Jeffery is still very busy with Taekwondo and just recently became a member of the Carmel Taekwondo Demonstration Team. Congratulations!!!!!!! Kenny is also very talented. He takes special art lessons in Indianapolis and is a very unique young artist. In fact, I am hoping he will create something for our next Region 2 Newsletter. Both of the boys have a daylily bed at their home and are great gardeners. They took great care with the final fall weeding and mulching in their garden.

During their Thanksgiving vacation, Jeffery and Kenny always come to visit their grandparents in Evansville. At Grandma and Grandpa Krafts, the boys raked and bagged pine needle mulch and then mulched the daylilies. When the daylilies had been “put to bed” the boys were ready to go to sleep!

These boys will be showing their daylilies at the SWIDS annual show this summer. I have a feeling they will have some winners!

Bryce and Bailey Matthews, SWIDS youth members, are also very busy this year. Both are Honor Roll students. Bryce just finished playing on a Youth Basketball League and made the school basketball team. He is now gearing up for Little League! However, he is saving time to work in the daylilies. Bryce is a very busy young man.

Bailey still loves the daylilies but doesn’t like the manual labor and all the bees that seem to love her! She is still in gymnastics and is getting ready to play soccer and softball this spring. Also, she sang her first “Big Girl” solo in church this past Christmas.

We are proud of Bryce and Bailey!!!!

Kaylee and Tanner Gray are both members of the DESI Club. Both Tanner and Kaylee were classroom winners in their school spelling bee. Tanner went on to win the school contest. However, Kaylee was only one word away from being second place.

Tanner won the County Spelling Bee and will compete in the Tri-State Spelling Bee on March 11. Congratulations to two super young people!!!!

Tanner was also nominated to attend the Junior National Young Leaders Conference in Washington D.C. this summer.
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can’t think of a more deserving young man. He is always ready to help at the club meetings and a real delight to talk with. In fact, after our annual DESI Christmas party, Tanner helped clean up the supplies and put the tables back in order after a very successful party. He is definitely appreciated by all the members. Thanks Tanner!

As busy as these two young people are, they still have time to help Grandpa in his new greenhouse. I am sure they have some seedlings to be introduced in the future.

McKenzie Williams, our 2005 Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award winner, is another DESI member that has been very busy. McKenzie is a junior at Mater Dei High School and is already planning for the future. She is trying to make a decision between the University of Southern Indiana and Ball State where she will study pharmaceutical sales. At the present, she is working hard on her tennis skills and keeps busy helping with her eight month old brother. If you haven’t met McKenzie, be sure to look for her at the Region 2 summer meeting. She is one delightful young lady!

Jared and Justin Beard are two members of the DESI club. These two young men are better known as the “The Musical Beard Boys.” Both have won multiple awards with their musical ability. At the Indiana School State Music Association (ISSMA) State Finals held in Indianapolis, Indiana, the boys won the following gold awards: Jared- Drum Set Solo He preformed Samba ly by Mouliff. Jared and Justin- Large Percussion Ensemble: Jared played drums and Justin played bass guitar. They preformed an island song and dressed in “rasta” outfits. (Rasta is Jamaican knitted caps and vests) See how educational this article is? Earlier in February, Justin and his vocal ensemble won a silver medal in competition at Indianapolis.

Jared and Justin Beard and McKenzie Williams are the grandchildren of Don and Lea Ann Williams. In 2007, DESI will host the, “Daylilies Rock and Roll,” Region 2 meeting. We are hoping the boys will entertain us with some “Ole Time Rock and Roll.”

SWIDS is delighted to welcome Caleb Kline to their youth group. Caleb is nine years old and in the fourth grade at the North Intermediate Center of Education in Mount Carmel, Illinois. His favorite interests are: daylilies, bike riding, farming, soccer and baseball. So glad he listed daylilies first. Spiders are his favorite!

Caleb is the son of Kevin and Miranda Kline. He has two brothers, Kameron and Kyle, and a sister Katelyn. We are certainly glad Caleb’s grandparents, Charles and Iva Richards, introduced him to daylilies. We look forward to working with Caleb this summer.

Region 2 Youth, we would love to hear from you!!! Please let me know what you are doing, done, or planning. Region 2 Youth, we will also need some of you to work in the Boutique at the 2007 meeting. If any of you have something special you would like to do, please let me know! Send to Judy Heath wekyhe@msn.com. I hope to see you all this summer!!!!

How Does Your Organization Get Youth Involved?

Many youth today do not appreciate the value of outdoors or gardening. And they especially may not be aware of the wonderful world of daylilies. So how is your organization reaching out to this group? We would like to know.

The youth is the future of AHS. Let’s get them involved now. Contact the Regional Youth Liaison and let her know about your activities and programs used to get youth active in daylilies. We will put it in the newsletter for everyone to learn from. Thanks. Your Region 2 Editor.
**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 are included on this page.

**Contacts and Shipping Information for Englerth Award Candidate Plants:**

2006 – Northeast Ohio Daylily Society
Perennial Post
Clara Miller
7751 State Route 534
Middlefield, OH 44062
Contact person for shipping seedlings:
Julie Gridley: 440-285-8922
Email: jgridley@alltel.net

2007 – Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana
Mary Phillips
RR#2 Box 188
Princeton, IN 47670
Please call 812-385-4529 before shipping in June and July, to ensure someone will be here to receive and plant.

2008 – The Wisconsin Daylily Society
Karen Watson-Newlin
7699 Almor Drive
Verona, WI 53593
Tel: 608-827-6180
Email: watsonnk@verona.K12.wi.us

**Looking Ahead**

**AHS Region 2 Meetings**

2007: Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana (DESI), June 22-24, Evansville, IN.
2008: Wisconsin Daylily Society (WDS), July 18-20
2012: Region 2 Annual Business Meeting in combination with the AHS National Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

**National Convention Calendar**

2006 Long Island Daylily Society, Long Island, NY
July 13-16, 2006
2007 Hemerocallis Society of Minnesota, MN
July 25-28, 2007
2008 Combined Texas Daylily Clubs, TX
May 16-18, 2008
2009 Sunbelt Daylily Chapter, FL
May 2009
2010 Valdosta Hemerocallis Society, GA
May 2010
2012 Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society, Columbus, OH........date unknown

**Attention Region 2 Hybridizers!**

◆ Since the Region 2 Englerth Award seedlings will also be eligible for Junior Citations in future years, a new sign for that seedling bed will tell Garden Judges that, if they want to include one of these seedlings on their **AHS Junior Citation** ballot, they can inquire about the hybridizer name and seedling number after the actual voting and announcement of the winning **Englerth Award seedling** at the 2006, 2007, 2008, etc. Region 2 Summer Meeting(s).

◆ This reminder to Garden Judges might give Region 2 hybridizers’ seedlings an additional bit of deserved exposure.

◆ Region 2 hybridizers, please send your seedlings to any one or—better yet—all of the gardens listed in this newsletter.
Region 2 Club Newsletter Award
This award was established in 2001, and it is to recognize the quality of club newsletters in Region 2 and to honor these club editors.

Procedures and criteria:
- The award shall be based on publications issued during a single calendar year and shall be presented by the Region 2 Awards and Honors Chair at the Annual Meeting the following year.
- The award may be given more than once to any club in successive years, but not more than once to any specific editor of a local club newsletter.
- The RVP, RPD, and Editor* who are in office during the year for which the award is given shall determine the Award.
- Voting shall be based only on the information that is directly received by each officer.
- The criteria for evaluation SHALL include the following: diversity and quality of content, timeliness of information, timeliness and consistence of publication.
- The criteria for evaluation MAY include any of the following: graphic layout; incorporation of pertinent photos; and incorporation of other graphics (logos, figures, etc.)

*Note: Since the 2005-2006 editor was also the RVP, our Region 2 Director is evaluating for the editor.

Winners to date:

2001  Marcia Razor, Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society
2002  Harold Steen, Daylily Society of Southeast Wisconsin
2003  Bill Johannes, Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society
2004  Rosemary Kleinheinz, Wisconsin Daylily Society

NOTE:
Is your organization submitting newsletters to the RVP, RPD, and Editor to be voted on? They can’t vote on something they don’t have. Start now so that you are in competition for this award. See address information on page 2.

AHS Awards & Honors Earned by Region 2 Hybridized Daylilies

* Annie T Giles Award Runner-Up
  H. ‘George Jets On’ - Rick Yost

* Donn Fischer Memorial Award Winner
  H. ‘Brookwood Ojo Poco’ - Leo Sharp

* 2005 Junior Citation Award Winners
  H. ‘Red Squirrel’ - JR Blanton
  H. ‘Dan White’ - Dan Bachman
  H. ‘Coco Davis’ - Dan Bachman

* 2005 Award of Merit Winners
  H. Brookwood Lee Causey’ - Leo Sharp

* 2005 Award of Merit Runner-up
  H. Swallow Tail Kite’ - Curt Hanson

* 2005 Honorable Mention Winners
  H. ‘Fire Chief Nicholas’ - Don Albers
  H. ‘Holiday Joy’ - Don Albers
  H. ‘Lynn's Delight - Don Albers
  H. ‘Mascara Snake’ - Dan Bachman
  H. ‘Big Ross’ - Dan Bachman
  H. ‘Belle Cook’ - Mal Brooker
  H. ‘Heavenly Curls’ - Jamie Gossard
  H. ‘Radiation Biohazard’ - Jamie Gossard
  H. ‘Heavenly Beginnings’ - Jamie Gossard
  H. ‘Heavenly Starfire’ - Jamie Gossard
  H. ‘Be Here Now’ - Curt Hanson
  H. ‘Swirling Spider’ - Howard Hite
  H. ‘Age of Aquarius’ - Steve Moldovan
  H. ‘Mary Lightfine’ - Richard Norris
  H. ‘Starsearch’ - Dorothy Warrell
  H. ‘Jack Sprat’ - Dorothy Warrell
  H. ‘Rings and Things’ - Dorothy Warrell
  H. ‘Elizabeth Frances Woodhall’ - Roy Woodhall

AHS Membership Winner at Symposium

In an example to all attendees at the Winter Symposium, AHS President, Kevin Walek wanted to show his commitment of how critical AHS membership is. He offered a free year of membership, paid personally by him, to the first person that raised their hands if they weren’t a current AHS member.

Mariann Cavanaugh (pictured) of Alto, Michigan won the free year of membership. A big thanks goes to Mariann’s friend, Mildred Rathbun, for bringing her to the Symposium. And thanks Kevin Walek for helping our society grow!
**Plea for Garden Judges**

**By Sharon Fitzpatrick**

Have you ever wondered why your favorite daylily has not won a major AHS award? The AHS has a super Awards program in place but it takes knowledgeable Garden Judges from all Regions of AHS to make the Awards program work. You can make your voice heard by becoming an AHS Garden Judge.

Each Region of the American Hemerocallis Society is allotted fifteen percent of their membership to be Garden Judges. Region 2 is the largest Region in all of AHS and we are running way behind our percentage of qualified Garden Judges. According to the latest AHS Garden Judge guidelines anyone who has been a member of AHS for one year (12 months), familiar with contents of Garden Judge section in the AHS Judging Daylilies handbook, and grow and observe a reasonable collection of award worthy daylilies, and have attended a Regional or AHS National Meeting that include tour gardens can take Garden Judge Workshop 1. Once you have completed Workshop 1 and passed the sample exam you may take Workshop 2 the second year of being a member of AHS. Once completing Workshop 2 fill out your Garden Judge application, mail it to your RVP and your are on your way to voting the AHS Awards Ballot the same year you complete Garden Judge Workshop 2.

Daylily clubs are encouraged to hold both Garden Judge Workshops 1 and 2 for qualified AHS members who wish to become Garden Judges. To hold club sponsored Garden Judge Workshops the President of the club must appoint a Garden Judge Workshop Chair. The Chair will contact the Regional Garden Judge Liaison for a list of qualified Garden Judge Instructors. Once the Workshop Instructor is lined up the Chair will request Garden Judge Workshop attendance and collect the attendee fee of $5.00 to take the AHS Garden Judge Education Chair. The Chair will record all the paperwork the Workshop Chair will forward these materials and fees to the AHS Judges Education Chairman. To encour-

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**Exhibition Judges: Are they hard to find?**  
*By Richard Ford, Regional Exhibition Judges Liaison*

Here we are again! Another spring and new things to look at and do. Clubs are notifying judges with dates and I hope you can help them out.

We always need more exhibition judges, but I have heard in our region that clubs are having trouble getting judges. You look at the list of available judges and it looks like a long list, but I’m still getting people calling me they can’t find them. Availability is always a problem, but there seems to be other factors. If we were a one state region I wonder if that would be a problem? BUT we are not. If you have thoughts on the matter, please let me or one of the regional officers know.

I hope your seedlings look exceptional and your garden a delight. See you at the regional meeting.

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**PLEA FOR GARDEN JUDGES**

Age Workshop participation promote your club sponsored Garden Judge Workshop through your Regional and Club Newsletter. If your club contains members who have been an AHS Garden Judge for five (5) years please encourage those Garden Judges to assist with the Workshops and become a Garden Judge Workshop Instructor. Workshop 1 is held in a classroom setting where students take a simple exam after a qualified instructor presents a slide or power point presentation on the AHS awards program. The Workshop slide or power point presentation can be obtained from your Regional Garden Judge Liaison. It is good to schedule Workshop 1 during off peak bloom season. During bloom season an AHS qualified Garden Judge Workshop instructor may hold a club sponsored Workshop 2 in a garden where daylilies are in full bloom. Garden Judge Workshops may not be scheduled during the time of the AHS National or Regional meeting unless they are held in conjunction with that convention or meeting. For more information pertaining to a club sponsored Garden Judge Workshop contact:

Region 2 Garden Judge Liaison  
Sharon Fitzpatrick- hemnut@worldnet.att.net  
3050 Cedar Hill Rd  
Canal Winchester, Oh 43110

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The Wisconsin Daylily Society
By John E. Sheehan

2006 should be another great year for our Wisconsin Daylily Society. We have had a great start.

On Sunday, Jan. 22, we held our second WDS local hybridizer’s show & tell event at which, Linda Ball, Lloyd Ravet, Jean Bawden, Bill Powell, and John Sheehan showed slides of their newest daylily introductions and promising seedlings. Everyone present was positively impressed—next year we will pass out noisemakers as used at the Region 2 Winter Symposium.

During the week-end of Feb. 10-12, our Society signed up more than 40 new members at the annual Garden Expo’ organized and hosted by our local public TV station. Thousands of visitors roamed the exhibition hall checking out all sorts of plant related exhibits and product booths. Our volunteers manning our booth thoroughly enjoyed explaining the joys of collecting daylilies.

On March 18, Mark Dwyer, landscape manager at the renowned Rotary Gardens, Janesville, WI, visited Madison to discuss the myriad of colorful companion plants available to complement our daylilies. The Rotary Gardens (www.rotarygardens.org/) is a 15 acre botanic garden filled with a variety of international and themed gardens. Our Members were kept busy scribbling notes for 60 minutes!

On Saturday, March 18th, Judith Jones from the “Fancy Fronds” Nursery, Gold Bar, Washington will be on the Madison UW Campus to discuss the wonderful ferns she markets as the vendor with the largest selection of ferns in North America.

On Saturday, April 22, John Kinnebrew, of “Spacecoast” daylily fame will be speaking to our group. We expect a big crowd—John introduces beautiful daylilies!

On Sunday, May 21, WDS Member and Edgewood College staff member, Conrad Wrzesinski, will teach our group the introductory skills of digital photography. All 250 plus members of our group should attend—digital imaging is here to stay.

On Sunday, June 25th, we will all gather at the home of WDS Member Norma Briggs to enjoy an afternoon pot luck picnic, exchange plants, and swap lies about how many daylilies we have flowering.

On Friday, July 21st we hope to have aboard a busload of folks from Madison, Waukesha, Green Bay and Chicago headed to the Region 2 Summer Meeting being held in Cleveland and hosted by the Northeast Ohio Daylily Society.

Saturday, July 15th will find us visiting 6 of our member’s gardens to see what the other guy/gal is doing.

Our Members’ favorite event will take place on Sunday, July 30. On that day we pass out our newest batch of 35-45 WDS Adoption Plants, auction off our older, returning Adoption Plants, and thoroughly enjoy a huge potluck dinner.

The weekend of August 12th will see most of members hard at work at Madison’s Olbrich Gardens where the WDS holds its annual public daylily sale. The income from this sale provides the funds to make our club program possible. It is amazing the number of volunteer hours which are donated by Wisconsin Daylily Society Members to make this sale a huge success.

Our 2006 calendar ends with our Annual Meeting to be held on Saturday October 21st. This year Jamie Gossard will discuss his very successful Region 2 Hybridization program.

Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society, Inc.
By Peg Michas

SWIDS has started off 2006 with a full schedule. John Rice, Curt Hanson, and Bob Scott have already visited this club and more hybridizers are scheduled throughout the year. A Garden Judges Workshop #2 is also planned for 2006. This club has three public sales each year. The first one is for funding of scholarships to high school students pursuing education in horticulture, agriculture or like related fields. The club gives two $1,000 scholarships each year. To promote daylilies, the club has an education booth at each event. The main plant sale in June offers an off scape board in conjuction with our AHS Accredited Show. This year’s Show/Sale will feature a new event; a photography contest featuring the daylily. Add a garden tour of four of the members gardens, and you have a very busy club.

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 Presidents — Organization Contacts

WE NEED YOU!!

- Interesting Activities and Happenings
  - Please send your organization information in story format to your editor for inclusion on the Local organization News and Information pages.
  - Deadlines are March 1 for the Spring-Summer issue and September 1 for the Fall-Winter issue.
  - Does your organization have a logo? We will print that beside your news.

- Officers Change, Address Changes
  - Please notify your RPD, RVP and Editor about change of Officers, addresses, telephone numbers, or email addresses.
  - Notify AHS Executive Secretary about any address change.
**Bay Area Daylily Buds**  
*By Mike Morgan*

We begin the new year by briefly looking back to 2005. Our major new project last year was the planting of nearly 150 cultivars in newly prepared beds at the Green Bay Botanical Garden (GBBG). Soon after the last of the beds were planted, an extended dry period accompanied by considerable heat began in mid-June and continued through mid-August. Thanks largely to frequent watering by the persistent GBBG staff (and to the hardiness of daylilies), all plants not only survived, but almost 85 percent bloomed. In mid-November the daylilies were put to bed under a thick blanket of straw which was held in place by plastic netting that was staked to the ground. Concern to protect our investment proved to be prudent given that January was the warmest January in the past 120 years!!!

As we look forward to summer, visions of these second-year beds have led us to develop a new one-day program in cooperation with the GBBG staff. On a Sunday in mid-July when daylilies will be near peak bloom, we hope to introduce many people to the spectacular array of colors, shapes, and sizes of today’s cultivars. Club members serving as greeters will be adjacent to the beds to answer each and every question about daylilies and their cultivation. A nearby tent will house other Club volunteers who will hand out informative brochures from AHS and the Club as well as answer questions. Raffle prizes will include potted daylily plants, free one-year B.A.D. Bud memberships, and dollar-off coupons which can be used at the upcoming September plant sale. We are very much looking forward to sharing our enthusiasm for daylilies with Green Bay Botanical Garden visitors that day!

Last year’s beds will be augmented this spring by preparation of another bed and the planting of an additional fifty or so cultivars. The objective of last spring’s plantings was to illustrate to the public the basic flower types – minis, doubles, spider, and large flowers – as well as the great variety of edges, eyes, and hues. An emphasis was placed on more recent cultivars. The focus of this spring’s plantings is to present an array of the most popular Region 2 cultivars as determined by the annual Region 2 poll. We will select those that are particularly tolerant of the climatic vagaries of northeast Wisconsin.

This year we are quite honored to host two nationally known hybridizers – Richard Norris of Ashwood Gardens (April 7 and 8) and Sabine Baur of Mountain View Gardens (November 4). The Northern Hybridizer’s Workshop returns for its second year on April 8. Meetings and other continuing activities are detailed in the following calendar of events. All activities except the annual picnic will be held at the Green Bay Botanical Garden. Additional information can be found at our website www.badbuds.org

**2006 Calendar of Events:**

**May 11** ..... Meeting with plant auction, plant exchange and adopt-a-plant program 6 PM.

**July 23** ..... Dedication of GBBG/BAD Buds Display Beds and Make it a Great Day Lily Garden Show 9 AM to 2 PM.

**August 6** ..... Annual summer picnic 3 PM.

**September 9** ..... Annual plant sale 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

**November 4** ..... Annual luncheon and meeting/Speaker Sabine Baur, Mountain View Gardens 1:00 PM.

We are pleased to have the following officers for the year 2006:

- President: Mark Jankowski
- Vice-President: Phil Korth
- Secretary: Jane Tenor
- Treasurer: Jean DeMars

**Indiana Daylily - Iris Society**  
*By Shirley Toney*

Current Officers:
- Jim Poor, President and Director
- Jim Rice, 1st Vice President and Director
- Peg Powers, 2nd Vice-President and Director
- Don Williams, Treasurer and Director
- Laurel Richardson, Recording Secretary and Director
- Shirley Toney, Corresponding Secretary and Director
- Judy Lemen, Past President and Director

All meetings, shows, sales, events, etc., are held at Holliday Park Nature Center, 6363 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, at 7:00 P.M., unless otherwise noted.

**May 3** ..... Meeting & Programs - NCAP Daylily Distribution (John Everitt) & Mock Iris Show (Kent Rumbaugh)

**May 20** ..... IDIS Iris Show (Laurel Richardson), Open to public: 1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

**June 6** ..... Meeting & Programs – Mock Daylily Show (Jim Poor); Floral Design Program (Rosalie Stam)

**June 24** ..... – The Ever-Changing Garden (Rebecca Scarpino & Nelson Ratchford); McDowell/Peppe Daylily Garden (Elizabeth Pegg); Creekside Gardens (Bill Schardein); and The Daylily Garden (Russ and Sandi Johnson)

**July 1** ..... IDIS Daylily Show (Dora Foltz), Open to public: 1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

**July 23** ..... IDIS Iris Sale (Janet Wilke), Open to public: 11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

**August 1** ..... Meeting and Programs – NCAP Iris Distribution and Iris Auction (Chuck Bunnell)

**August 27** ..... IDIS Daylily Sale (John Everitt), Open to public: 11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

**September 10** ..... IDIS Annual Pitch-In (Lynda Hilton/Joan Easley) & Plant Exchange & NCAP Daylily Auction (Mary Lou Swann-Young), 1:00 P.M., Easley Winery, Indianapolis

**October 14** ..... IDIS Annual Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers with Guest Speaker Daylily Hybridizer, Karol Emmerich of Springwood Gardens, 6:30 P.M., Jonathan Byrd’s, Greenwood
Southern Indiana Daylily, Hosta, Daffodil and Iris Society
By Mark Cline

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Daylily: Kathy Duckett Hosta: Garry Anderson
Daffodil: Jeanne Lager Iris: Dan Knudsen

The remainder of our 2006 Event Calendar is:

May 3........Member-to-Member Plant Sale at Hilltop
May 13........Member Carpool Tours: Knudsen, Nykios, and DeFord (rain date, May 14)
June 7........."Popcorn and a Movie: TBA"
June 24........One Day Tour to Southwestern Indiana Private Gardens
June 24-25.....Bloomington Garden Walk (SIDHDIS is a sponsor)
July 25........Monroe County Fair SIDHDIS Daylily and Hosta exhibit (10-8:00)
August 2........"Dwarf Conifers" presented by Bill Hendrix, President of Klyn Nurseries in Perry, Ohio. Election of Officers and Selection of Flower Committee Reps
August 26.......11th Annual SIDHDIS Public Plant Sale @ 515 S. Curry Pike, United Pentecostal Church of Highland Village CRAFT FAIR (9-4)
September 10......Pitch-In Picnic, Plant Trade & Plant Give-Away; eat at 1 pm Sherlock Homes and Gardens, 2240 E. Rhorer Road (rain date, September 17)
October 4........."Hardscaping" presented by Helen Hollingsworth
December.........SIDHDIS Holiday Event (TBA)

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Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society
By Gary Baker

2006 starts off with us looking to the future, 2012 to be exact, because MCDS has been chosen to host the AHS National Convention that year, and we could not be more thrilled! Planning and preparation have begun already with the members eager to do whatever is needed to make it a success. Special thanks to Charles and Cynthia Lucius for spearheading the effort!

Club meetings are always highly anticipated because of the special guests that we invite. Michael Shadrack of the British Hosta and Hemerocallis Society headlined our fall meeting, and at our winter meeting, MCDS' own Jamie Gossard presented a tremendous slide show and narrative of his current and future introductions. More than 100 members enjoyed each of the presentations. Sandwiched between the meetings was the annual sellout Holiday Party with nearly 120 members attending.

MCDS' new website is up and running at http://www.columbusdaylilies.org. While the sky is the limit on what can be added, it is off to a great start and special thanks goes to past President Jeff Kerr for making it happen!

We look forward to our upcoming activities and would encourage anyone who likes gardening, especially daylilies, to join us for what are always special times.

April 29*.....Demonstration and workshop on exhibition flower arranging in collaboration with the Creative Arrangers Guild (9—11 A.M.) Choosing, growing, and showing daylilies and hosta (11 A.M.—1:30 P.M.) Demonstration and workshop on container gardening with mini-hosta in collaboration with the Central Ohio Hosta Society (1:30—4:00 P.M.)

May 7*.....Exhibition and Garden Judges' Clinics I (9:00 A.M.) Spring meeting, auction, and plant drawing (2 P.M.)
July 9*.....21st Annual MCDS Daylily Show: "Where the Wild Things Are" 1:00 P.M. Dedication of the Ohio Hybridizers' Daylily Garden at 2:30 P.M.
Mid-July.....Bus trip to visit Ohio daylily gardens
August 19*.....Annual MCDS Plant Sale which is open to the public (10 A.M.) Auction and plant drawing (12:30 P.M.)

*All of these events will be held at the Franklin Park Conservatory, Columbus, OH

http://www.fpconservatory.org/history.html

Please send your club news for the Fall 2006 - Winter 2007 newsletter by September 1, 2005, to your editor. Include photos or digital images of your important club events and share them with our Region 2 members. Images must be 200 dpi minimum.
2006 is shaping up to be a very exciting year for the Daylily Enthusiasts of Southern Indiana (DESI). DESI has just concluded our Spring On-Line Auction that was very successful, with participants from all over the country. We are very pleased to have some very talented hybridizers lined up as guest speakers this year. We’re looking forward to interesting and informative presentations by Jamie Gossard, Frank Smith, and Jeff and Elizabeth Salter. What a great line-up!! DESI will be offering some very nice daylilies for sale at our annual DESI Daylily Sale on April 29th at Washington Square Mall, Evansville, IN. Also coming up June 17th at Washington Square Mall will be the 3rd annual DESI Daylily Show. Last year we had 256 entries in our show, and we’re looking forward to even more entries this year. The excitement is growing as DESI continues to work towards our very special honor of hosting the 2007 Region 2 Meeting next year. More information will be coming on that in later issues of the newsletter.

Central Illinois Daylily Society
By Norma Bennett

With the 2005 growing season being one of the driest on record in the central part of our state, we look forward to 2006 being a more normal year. Some of us spent more time watering than weeding last summer. We are planning our second AHS accredited daylily show to be held June 24 at the Washington Park Botanical Garden in the capitol city of Springfield. We hope all who exhibited last year will again, along with some new participants. Our member’s only auction will be held on May 12. On July 8, a bus trip to AHS Display Garden, Prairie Junction Gardens near Golden, IL is planned. August 5 we will be having our open daylily sale held at Washington Park Botanical Gardens. We usually have a good variety of plants with something for everyone.

Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society
By Charlene Patz

The Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society has another busy fun filled year planned for 2006. All of our meetings are held in the Terrace Room of the Conference Center at Toledo Botanical Garden unless a different venue is listed on our schedule of events. Our annual dinner meeting was held in January at Maggie’s Restaurant with Kelly Heidbreder as our guest speaker. Heidbreder pens the weekly “In the Garden” feature in “The Toledo Blade”. Everyone enjoyed Kelly’s amusing “Weather and Gardening Folklore” contest. Swamp Bucks were also awarded to our very deserving members who contributed to our society’s successful year in 2005. At our February meeting, Vicki Gallagher from the 577 Foundation in Perrysburg spoke about “Organic Gardening”. In June 2005, the hosta garden at 577 Foundation, planted and maintained by Black Swamp members, was awarded the “National Display Garden” status by the American Hosta Society. Nancy Bucher from the Toledo Zoo spoke on “Designing and Growing The Zoo’s Beautiful Flower Beds” at our March meeting. In April we continued our hosta tissue culture program educating our members on the “how to’s” of growing small, tender tc plants in northern Ohio. Chris Gajewicz also gave an interesting presentation on Ohio’s native plants.

On the third Saturday in May, our annual Perennial Plant Sale was held at Bassett’s Supermarket in Perrysburg. This is our only fund raiser to support our philanthropic projects at Toledo Botanical Garden, 577 Foundation/Perrysburg’s Senior Center Garden, Stranahan Arboretum, and the Library project. Another successful project is our Flower Pot Recycle Program. Through our society’s cooperative efforts with the City of Perrysburg’s “Keep Perrysburg Beautiful”, over 800 flower pots in 2005 were diverted from the landfill and reused. The city’s weekly recycling crew collected the empty pots, and Jim Flannery and Jim Pauwels re-distributed the pots to our members for their use for our annual plant sale and other community service projects.

Our annual members garden tour and picnic the first part of June is still in the planning stages with Dick Boers of Ida, MI volunteering to host the picnic. We are planning a bus trip this summer too, and more information will be available soon.

Plans are underway for our Third Daylily Expo to be held on Sunday, July 16th, in the Terrace Room of Toledo Botanical Garden. Educational displays using daylilies, floral arranging, and a daylily dividing clinic are in the works as well as tours of Toledo Botanical Garden’s National Daylily Display Garden.

In August we will hold our annual daylily workday in the National Daylily Display Garden at Toledo Botanical Garden. As part of the day’s activities, we continue the practice of adding the past year’s award winners in each of the appropriate beds. After a break for lunch, we will have a daylily dividing clinic and get the public involved with this “hands on” experience. Everyone has a great time, and no one turns down a “free” daylily or two! We then hold an auction of the daylilies that have been returned from our daylily host program.

Membership is $10 per garden per calendar year. If you have any questions or are interested in joining the Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society, feel free to contact Charlene Patz, President, Tel: 419-874-8964, Email <fpatz@wcnet.org> or Phil Parsons, Membership, Tel: 419-256-7246, Email <peptcrec@wcnet.org>, for a membership application and the current schedule of events.
DO YOU KNOW ......You can learn more about daylilies on the Internet!!!!

- Visit our Region 2 website to get Regional news and events at http://www.ahsregion2.org
- Visit our Region 2 website and get local organization links at: http://www.ahsregion2.org
- Visit http://www.daylilies.org/daylilies.html, the official American Hemerocallis Society Website address. You can find many interesting daylily sites.
- If you don’t have a computer, visit your local library. Friendly librarians will be glad to help you navigate the Internet using one of their computers.
- Visit http://www.eurocallis.be where you can see hundreds of images of the latest daylily blossoms.

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* Region 2 Web Site: http://www.ahsregion2.org
* AHS Web Site: http://www.daylilies.org
* Rust Information (Sue Bergeron’s Rust Page): http://www.ncf.ca/~ah748/rust.html
* Spring Sickness Task Force Page: http://www.ncf.ca/~ah748/sstf.html
* AHS On-line Rust Survey Form: http://www.daylilyrust.org

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