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# From the Region 10 Board Member

## News and Ideas

The BIG news from last fall's board meeting is that Louisville has been accepted as hosts for the 2016 AHS National Convention. The two Louisville clubs (LADS and DSL) are working together to host the convention under the leadership of Chris Schardein and Michael Stephens. It will be great to have the rest of the United States and the world come to Kentucky to see the daylilies. Thanks much to Louisville.

Speaking of which, next year (2015) Atlanta is hosting the National Convention. Details will appear later this year, but please register early for this nearby convention. The 2014 convention in Asheville filled early and I know some procrastinators missed out.

For individuals of clubs looking for program ideas, the AHS now has 31 programs available for download from the AHS members-only website, either for free or a nominal charge. The desire for knowledge is what motivates people to join daylily clubs and keeps them coming to meetings. These programs are a great source of information. Subjects include – photography contest winners, awards & honors winners, small and miniature daylilies, tall daylilies, early season blooming daylilies, and programs by individual hybridizers. Check them out.

From 2006 to 2013, AHS membership has decreased by over 32%. How do we stop the decline and grow our society? It's up to you and the local clubs. Here are some suggestions:

- Promote the AHS voucher program which gives back a new member's \$25 dues in the form of a voucher for free daylilies.

- Hold a daylily show every year. If the cost and difficulty of a show is too much, at least have a non-judged daylily exhibition to attract potential new members.

- New members are primarily interested in creating a beautiful garden. So hold a garden tour each year and publicize it to the public. Even just one garden will draw potential new club members.

- Actively recruit new members at these events. Be outgoing and inviting.

- Have a gardening advice period at EVERY meeting. Tell people what they should be doing in their daylily gardens at that time of year, and let new members ask questions. It doesn't need to take long; even just 10 minutes at each meeting makes a world of difference to inquisitive new members.

I hope you all have a wonderful warm bloom season after the long cold winter we just endured. As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns about AHS, please feel free to contact me.



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*H. 'Not Too Shabby' (Hassler, 2013)*  
(Photo by Linda Hassler)

### Call For Auction Plants For Region 10 Summer Auction

As most already know, the major funding for Region 10's award-winning *Daylily Appeal* and other regional activities comes from the auctions at the Mid-Winter Symposium and the Summer Region 10 Meeting and Garden Tours. To make the auction a success, it requires participation by the members of Region 10 in the form of donations to the auction. If you are attending the meeting, you can bring the plants with you. We do request that plants have a Catalogue value of at least \$50. For information about donating to the auction please contact:

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If you ship plants, please make sure they arrive in time for the meeting. You may also send a letter indicating the plants you are willing to donate to be shipped at a later time. The Bluegrass Daylily Society is looking forward to a great Region 10 Summer meeting. We look forward to your support by attending the Regional and by your donations to the auction.

# From the Regional President

The 2014 gardening season is finally here after what seemed to be a very long and unrelenting winter for many of us. Thank goodness for the Mid-Winter Symposium in February which gave us a very much needed boost to make it to spring. Our 2014 MWS was a success both from a financial perspective as well as program content. For the first time, we added a Friday afternoon program that allowed hybridizers to present their own introductions/seedlings and share any hybridizing secrets. The meeting room was packed as everyone listened and viewed intently the different Power Point presentations. As in previous years, the weekend included not only presentations on daylilies but other gardening topics as well. I thought the program on daffodils by our very own AHS member, Becky Fox Matthews, who is also president of the American Daffodil Society was especially interesting. I certainly plan on adding to my daffodil collection this year after listening to Becky and hearing about the diversity in the daffodil world. From hearing about the new public daylily garden in Nashville, The Music City Garden, to learning more about the newest hybridizing trends in daylilies, the Mid-Winter Symposium only gets better each year. And judging from the attendance and enthusiasm generated by those in attendance, many others agree also.



The next year, 2015, is the 25th Anniversary of the Mid-Winter Symposium and at this time, planning has already been completed for a special celebration in Chattanooga, Tennessee, where it all began 25 years ago. Details of the 2015 MWS are already available on the AHS website including all the scheduled speakers.

And speaking of meetings, the 2014 Region 10 Summer Meeting hosted by the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society is fast approaching and promises to be a fun filled weekend. For the first time that I can recall, there will be TWO days of garden tours. The Lexington area is fortunate to have many top quality gardens in the area and decided to devote not one but two days to the tours to allow everyone to view as many as possible. And I just heard from Elizabeth Trotter who has advised me that the discounted hotel early registration fee has been extended to June 9. I hope to see everyone

July 3-5 in Lexington, KY for the 2014 Region 10 Summer Regional Meeting.

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One Year.....	25.00
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One Year.....	30.00
Three Years.....	83.00
Youth.....	10.00
Sustaining.....	65.00
Individual Life.....	500.00
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# From the Regional Publicity Director

HOORAY!! Just like all of you I am rejoicing because winter is slipping out the back door (good riddance) and spring is marching right over the welcome mat into the front door. I hope you all have had a warm and safe winter in spite of the frigid temperatures we experienced in Region 10. In spite of all this cold, daylilies are already poking their green tops out of the soil anxious for their turn to get going again.

And speaking of spring and good things to come...come one, come all to DAYLILIES AND FILLIES! Pack a suitcase and put on your dancing shoes for the 2014 summer meeting hosted by the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society in Lexington Kentucky July 3-5. This is not to be missed as there are a lot of EXCEPTIONAL gardens on the tour this year. You can read all about the gardens and events in this issue. There is also a registration form with hotel information you can send in. I hope you do attend as I would love to see you there!

Also, we are very lucky to have the 2014 National Convention a hop, skip and a jump away from Region 10 this year. DAYLILIES IN THE LAND OF THE SKY will be held in beautiful Asheville NC June 26-28. They have already capped the registrations. If you would like to go, do send your name in for the waiting list. In the past many from the national waiting lists do get to go.



It is also time for me to toot the Popularity Poll horn loud and clear... PLEASE VOTE!! You will find a printed ballot in this issue which you can fill out and mail to my address which is printed on the form.

You can also vote online on The Portal. Please make sure you send your votes in by September 1. The Popularity Poll (which is compiled in each of our 15 regions) is our best tool for discovering and sharing which cultivars grow well in our area, but it only works if you participate and vote! The information we get from this poll is invaluable for the beginner looking for a place to start, as well as the long time collector. I think the results would actually make a terrific topic for a fall or winter club meeting. While you are gardening and touring this summer, remember the daylilies which have impressed you and put them on your ballot.

You can choose a total of 10 favorites and 5 of the 10 you may write in if they aren't already on the list. The results will be published in The Appeal and can also be viewed on The Portal.

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## From the Editor

Welcome to the 2014 Spring/Summer edition of the Daylily Appeal, the official Region 10 newsletter. I hope you enjoy reading about the news and events of Region 10 in this newest issue. As most of you know we have not had a permanent editor since the resignation of Brenda Macy three years ago as editor after many years. Most recently we have been utilizing a "committee approach" where I have served as the "figurehead" editor but others have played an integral part of assembling the Appeal for each issue – Jack Alexander for layout, Susan Okrasinski and Sandra Merritt for proof reading, and Susan Okrasinski for solicitation of articles. Our committee has worked well together but I feel it is now time to find a permanent editor to take over and move the Appeal to the next level. I have asked Sandra Merritt, Brenda Macy and Susan Okrasinski to serve as an Editorial Search Committee to review applications of any interested parties for this position. The qualifications for editor require a degree of computer knowledge/expertise (Microsoft Word at a minimum) and preferably an understanding of layout/design software. We currently utilize InDesign Software which is the upgrade from PageMaker Software, an Adobe product and the

preferred software of most printers/publishers. Other qualifications are the ability to pay attention to detail, meet required deadlines and the ever-important talent to get along well with others. We must never forget that AHS is dependent upon volunteers and if it's not fun, people are not going to be interested or cooperate. Region 10 is, at this time, able to offer a small stipend for the publication of each edition. For more details, or if you are interested or know of anyone that may be interested in serving as editor of the Daylily Appeal please contact Susan Okrasinski at [susanokrasinski@charter.net](mailto:susanokrasinski@charter.net). Jack Alexander has graciously agreed to serve as layout editor through 2014 and to assist in training in our layout software if we can get a new editor in place before the Fall/Winter edition. Unfortunately if no editor is in place by 2015, we will be forced to consider alternatives to the Appeal in order to fulfill the AHS requirements for getting the required AHS reports to the Region 10 membership. I think the regional newsletter serves a vital function in maintaining the growth of our region and hopefully someone will step forward that is interested in fulfilling this role.



# Popularity Poll Ballot – Instructions

Each year the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) conducts a poll of its members to create a list of favorite daylilies for each region. It is a goal of the AHS that these Popularity Polls present an accurate picture of which daylilies perform well in a given area; which cultivars are best liked by our members; and which daylilies are suitable for recommending to those new to growing daylilies.

During the Fall 2008 Board meeting, the AHS Board voted to change the Popularity Poll format. The intent is to make voting easier for everyone, and to make the end product more useful for members and public alike. There will no longer be a National Popularity Poll ballot (or winner). Instead, each Region will have its own ballot based on a list of popular daylilies that thrive in the local area.

The Popularity Poll ballot is printed here and will be available on the AHS website at [www.daylilies.org](http://www.daylilies.org). Mail or email your choices to your Regional Tabulator or use the web-based ballot. Whichever you choose, please submit your ballot only once. Also, make sure also that your response is postmarked by September 1, 2014. As before, each member can vote for up to ten (10) registered cultivars. Even a ballot with only one vote is acceptable. In the new Popularity Poll ballot, you have the option of writing in up to five (5) personal choices, should those choices not appear on the Regional ballot. Daylilies receiving the most votes will appear on the next year's ballot. Each AHS member is eligible to vote and is encouraged to do

so. Please vote for your favorite registered daylilies that perform well and impress you in your garden or in your area. This information is very valuable to both AHS members and non-members who want to add new plants to their gardens!

In addition to changing the format of the ballot, the AHS Board also approved a group voting policy to clarify what is appropriate for situations that have been reported in recent years.

*The Popularity Poll is intended to be an individual's own personal vote for the member's favorite daylilies. Independent voting ensures each member's vote will carry equal weight in choosing the Region's most popular daylilies. Group voting and other activities which influence the poll's outcome are not allowed and may result in those ballots not being counted. Each individual member may vote one ballot regardless of memberships held and the voting habits of their dual members. Clubs, corporations, and institutions may not vote and are not to be included when determining participation.*

**Please take note, you will not receive a postcard ballot in the mail.**

## **The Daylily Appeal Guidelines**

### What to submit:

- Photographs
- Club news and events
- Articles on daylilies and daylily culture
- Non-commercial profiles on Region 10 hybridizers
- Garden write-ups

All submissions will be edited for length, grammar, clarity, and style. This is a generally accepted practice in publishing and is used to ensure the highest possible quality in our publication.

### How to submit:

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**PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICES**

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| <p>Aaron Brown<br/>Alexander's Ragtime Band<br/>All American Chief<br/>All Fired Up<br/>Always Afternoon<br/>Ashton's Giggles<br/>Autumn Wood<br/>Bali Watercolor<br/>Banana Buds<br/>Banana Smoothie<br/>Barbara Mitchell<br/>Bass Gibson<br/>Beautiful Edgings<br/>Bela Lugosi<br/>Belle Cook<br/>Big Kiss<br/>Bill Norris<br/>Brentster<br/>Butter Pecan<br/>Buttered Popcorn<br/>Cardinal de Richelieu<br/>Carnival in Mexico<br/>Circus Truffle<br/>Clothed in Glory<br/>Denver Scott<br/>Destined To See</p> | <p>Dorothy and Toto<br/>Double Blue Blood<br/>Double Sanibel Sunrise<br/>Dragon King<br/>Dutch Yellow Truffle<br/>El Desperado<br/>Fooled Me<br/>Forestlake Ragamuffin<br/>Frequent Comment<br/>Hillbilly Heart<br/>Holly Dancer<br/>How Beautiful<br/>    Heaven Must Be<br/>Indian Giver<br/>Indian Ripple<br/>J.T. Davis<br/><i>    Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis</i><br/>Jamie Dockery<br/>Janice Brown<br/>Jay Farquhar<br/>Jerry Pate Williams<br/>Judge Lane Bearden<br/>Julie Newmar<br/>King Kahuna<br/>Lana Ishee<br/>Land of Cotton<br/>Landon Lee</p> | <p>Last Snowflake<br/>Lavender Blue Baby<br/>Lee Reinke<br/>Lies and Lipstick<br/>Long Stocking<br/>Lucid Moment<br/>Magic Carpet Ride<br/>Margaret Tucker<br/>Mary Todd<br/>Mary's Gold<br/>Memphis<br/>Mildred Mitchell<br/>Mister Lucky<br/>Moonlit Masquerade<br/>Moses' Fire<br/>Mountains Bow Down<br/>Much Ado About Magic<br/>Mystical Rainbow<br/>Orange Velvet<br/>Paper Butterfly<br/>Peggy Jeffcoat<br/>Persian Ruby<br/>Point of View<br/>Primal Scream<br/>Princess Diana<br/>Pursuit of Pleasure</p> | <p>Red Volunteer<br/>Regency Heights<br/>Royal Butterfly<br/>Ruby Spider<br/>Sabine Baur<br/>Savannah Debutante<br/>Shores of Time<br/>Skinwalker<br/>Song of Promise<br/>Song Writer<br/><i>Spacecoast Gone Bulldoggin</i><br/>Spiderman<br/>Springfield Clan<br/>Square Dancer's Curtsy<br/>Stolen Treasure<br/>Strawberry Candy<br/>Sunday Sandals<br/>Thin Man<br/>Thomas Tew<br/>Total Commitment<br/>Truly Angelic<br/>Victorian Lace<br/>Webster's Pink Wonder<br/>Wilson Spider<br/>Wispy Rays<br/>Yellow Explosion</p> |
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Write-In Choices (up to five):

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# Mid-Winter Symposium: Hybridizers and Daylilies Galore!

## Friday Afternoon

By Karen Newman – Delano, TN

The Friday afternoon hybridizers' meeting was new in MWS programming this year. Since it had not been done before at MWS, no one knew what to expect or how many hybridizers would participate. But it was a huge success.



*Charles and Heidi Douglas (SC) and Dan Hansen (FL) at "Myrtle Beach at MWS" on Friday afternoon. (Photo by Debbie Monbeck)*

It was styled after the original informal Myrtle Beach Hybridizers' Meeting which originated in the 1980s in Myrtle Beach, SC. At those original meetings, Van Sellers and others went the extra mile to encourage all hybridizers to gather and show slides of their introductions and seedlings and compare techniques and programs. This was the "new and improved" version, with standing room only!

**BROWNS FERRY GARDENS** – Heidi and Charles Douglas (Georgetown SC)

Heidi and Charles kicked off the meeting by presenting their program. Tom Nesmith, a dear friend, passed away from pulmonary fibrosis. Before his death, he gave Heidi and Charles his garden of named daylilies, along with around 100 seedlings. After three years of evaluation, they have introduced four of his seedlings, named for dear Nesmith family members. How special those plants must be to the surviving Nesmith family.

They also introduce for their neighbor, Gene Tanner. Heidi has some interesting stories to tell about Gene. Wish we had more room here to go into a few of those!

Heidi and Charles each have their own separate programs. Heidi continues to work with a lot of H. 'Rose F. Kennedy' (Doorakian, 2007) kids. Charles seems to be more diversified in making his crosses. Different strokes for different folks. Heidi and Charles are a delight and put on a very lively program.

**CHRIS MASSENGILL** – Bluff City, TN

Chris lives in Upper East Tennessee and is a member of the Tri-Cities Daylily Society in Kingsport. Chris' first introductions were

in 2013 and he met many of you at MWS last year. His goal is to introduce at least two new cultivars each year from his small operation. He is focusing on cultivars that have proven themselves as parents and are excellent overall garden performers. Look for the name Chris Massengill in the future as his program is sure to expand.

**DR. JONATHAN POULTON** – Iowa City, IA

If you attended MWS last year, you heard this fascinating man give a presentation regarding his quest for a true blue daylily. He considers himself a newbie to daylilies, but it is obvious he is extremely intelligent and has a wonderful scientific mind. He titled his presentation "A Tale of Two Cities"—there were lots of bi-tones and bi-colors...by design. He hasn't lost one bit of his Scottish accent since last year. He may claim to be from Iowa, but I'd be willing to bet that the typical resident of Iowa sounds nothing like this charming man. I could listen to him speak all day! Good luck with your quest for the blue, Jonathan!

**CT DAYLILY** – Rich Howard (Wallingford CT)

Anyone who buys/sells on the Lily Auction will recognize the handle "Rich" because Rick Howard sells mainly seeds on the LA. This was his first time at MWS, and we hope it won't be his last. I am now able to put a name with a face and I enjoyed getting to become acquainted with this interesting man. Rich is working on green diploids and also does some tetraploids. His favorite things are patterns and teeth. Rich lives about 35 miles from Newtown, Connecticut, the site of the Sandy Hook Elementary School where, on December 14, 2012, twenty children ages 6-7 and six adults were gunned down in a senseless tragedy by a deranged young man, who then took his own life. Rich introduced H. 'Angels in Newtown' (Howard, 2014) in remembrance of those lives lost and all the

proceeds from this cultivar will go to the Sandy Hook School Support Fund to support the families affected by the terrible shooting.

Rich has nine new introductions...all tetraploids. He has enjoyed music throughout his life and many of his introductions reflect that fact. Welcome to MWS, Rich. Hope to see you again next year.

**CHATTANOOGA DAYLILIES** – Lee (and Jean) Pickles (Hixson, TN)

Lee has been hybridizing daylilies for over thirty years, but he admits that none of it would have happened without the help and support of his beautiful

wife, Jean. He chose the name Chattanooga Daylilies because absolutely nobody would know where he lived if he said Hixson, TN (which is just outside Chattanooga).

Early on, Lee specialized in yellows and relief. But his 2013 and 2014 introductions prove he is branching out because I have never seen such a wide range of



*Hybridizers Don Herr (PA), Lee Pickles (TN) and Rich Howard (CT)  
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)*



color. He is, however, still sticking with his favorite form—the full, ruffled form--although I have noticed a few UFs in his greenhouse!

H. 'Camelot Red' (Salter, 2010) and H. 'Barbara Mandrell' (Kirchhoff D, 2009) got Lee interested in reds. And he's never looked back. H. 'Bogart' (Pickles, 2014) is the result of his concentration in that area and is a favorite of mine. Lee loves green throats (and eyes), teeth and, of course, green edges. He has six 2014 introductions. If you're fortunate enough to live within driving distance of his greenhouse in late March through early May, you will be able to see plenty of eye candy to carry you through to peak bloom.



Dan Bachman (OH)  
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)

Dan has been a regular at MWS for many years. Besides creating beautiful daylilies, he is known for arriving with totes of shirts, aprons and many other items beautifully embroidered by his wife, Jackie.

Dan focuses mainly on UFs and spiders. He strives to create garden plants that will survive and thrive...and that will not look "dated" ten years down the road. He's a "stud" hybridizer, meaning that he takes one of his stud plants that is insanely fertile, such as H. 'Chicken On The Run' (Bachman, 2001) and puts it on everything during bloom season. He believes in building your own line because nobody else has the genes that are in your line.

Dan showed a seedling, H. 'Quirky' (G Couturier, 1994) X H. 'Big Ross' (Bachman, 2001), which shows some potential and he plans to work with it further. He uses several of Geraldine Couturier's introductions because he believes Gerry did more for the advancement of the spider daylily than just about anybody else in the early days when spiders were not as marketable as they are today.

Dan has a lot of strange names on his plants. He says they come from comic strips and from R&B songs (among other things). A trip to his garden is worth the drive from wherever you live.

PHILLIP STEIDL – Cookeville, TN

After a quick dinner break, we continued with the balance of the program for Myrtle Beach at MWS.

Phil owns and operates Burgess Falls Nursery in Cookeville, TN—that's his "day job". Hybridizing daylilies is what consumes the rest of his time. His daughter, Rachel, helps when she is available. They were both speakers at MWS last year, and many of you got to know them from their presentation at that time. Phill, however, made the trip to MWS solo this year. Phill focuses on patterns and teeth and is attempting to merge the two. He had his first introduction H. 'Fangtastic' (Steidl, 2014) this year and is well on his way. He offered H. 'Fangtastic' on the Friday night Auction, and the winning bid was quite high. When in the Cookeville area, don't miss an opportunity to visit Phil at the nursery and view his seedlings!

DON HERR – Lancaster, PA

In the many years that Don has been growing daylilies, he has received numerous AHS awards—too many to list here. He has a small program, growing 700 to 800 seeds each year and a quick trip to his web site will show you that he introduces polys, UFs and full forms.

His main focus is to play around with polys. His goal is to produce 5 X 5 polys—and they need to poly at least 80% to 90% of the time to meet his standards. Now that he, and his wife Trish, are retired veterinarians, Don has plenty of time to devote to his poly program.

Don has five new introductions for 2014, any of which would make your garden proud. My personal goal is to be able to visit his garden in the near future.

TRENTON DAYLILIES – Marguerite Oakes (Trenton, KY)  
Marguerite Oakes has been a regular at MWS for many years. And, as the saying goes, "to know her is to love her". She has a bubbly personality and a love for breeding daylilies that is unsurpassed.

She hails from southwest Kentucky, where she primarily focuses on full form tetraploids. She is excited to see some patterned daylilies showing up in her seedling beds lately. She loves watermarks and eyes—but they need to be very well defined to keep from ending up on the compost pile. She uses H. 'Trenton Sherry in Rags' (Oakes M, 2008) in her program a lot. I guess you could say it is her "stud" plant. At any rate, Marguerite has been very pleased with some of the kids it has produced. She uses greenhouses to get her plants started and sells at The Tin Barn in Trenton.

With a last name like Oakes, she had to do something to distinguish herself from Oakes Daylilies in Corryton, TN. In fact, that's the first question that usually comes out of the mouth of anyone meeting her for the first time..."Are you related to the Corryton Oakes?" She is not. That is the reason that all of her introductions have the prefix "Trenton".

Marguerite generously donated H. 'Trenton Mint Fizz' (Oakes M, 2014) to the MWS Auction. I wish I had deeper pockets, because I instantly fell in love with this frothy, toothed beauty.



Phill Steidl (TN), Doris Stonska (KY) and Marguerite Oakes (KY)  
(Photo by D. Monbeck)

DAYLILY WORLD – David Kirchhoff & Mort Morss (Lawrenceburg, KY)

What can we say about "the David" and Mort that hasn't already been said before? Not much. David (along with Lee Pickles) was one of the originators of MWS in 1990, so he and his program of some of the best reds and doubles around, needs no introduction. And Mort has some introductions to rival David's, although Mort seems to try to fade in the background in a crowd of people. David and Mort are encouraging, hard-working and generous to a fault. It seems their move to Kentucky from Sanford, FL has become a success and they've already built plenty of dormancy into their current lines.

Three introductions mentioned by David caught my eye: H. 'Call Me Mary' – a homage to Mary Baker who loves reds; H. Kyle Billadeau' – named for AHS Treasurer (pending); and H. 'Debbie Butler Monbeck' – a fine photographer and huge supporter of AHS! (pending)

JAY TURMAN, MODERATOR  
INTRODUCTIONS AND SEEDLINGS FOR THOSE WHO COULD  
NOT ATTEND MWS

To show you what a huge success this “new and improved” version of the Myrtle Beach Hybridizer’s Meeting was, there were ten (10) pages of 2014 Introductions and seedlings that were sent in for Jay to show. Entirely too many to mention here. Needless to say, it gave us all some terrific eye candy to tide us over until bloom season—which will be here before we know it.

## Saturday Morning

By Elizabeth Trotter - Georgetown, KY

Troy Marden, host of Nashville Public Television’s Volunteer Gardener, was first up Saturday morning, speaking about his pet project, the Music City Garden in the heart of downtown Nashville, across from the Country Music Hall of Fame. The garden features roses named for country music stars, such as ‘Ring of Fire’, ‘Barbara Mandrell’, ‘Dolly’, ‘Reba’, and more. The garden was such a success, they decided to add one of Troy’s favorite plants, the daylily. Keeping to the theme of country music stars and songs, this ever-expanding area includes ‘Patsy Cline’, ‘Elvis’, ‘Dolly’s Lipstick’, ‘Jan Wendell’, and more.



Troy Marden (TN) (Photo by Debbie Monbeck)

Nashville Music Garden this summer, “Where the stars bloom in Nashville.”

Dan Hansen of Ladybug Daylilies in Geneva, Florida was next to take the stage, with an exciting, unique video presentation of his beautiful daylilies. He’s working on an “edge, no eye” program including violet, red, and orange edges. Some notable successes in this area include ‘Lynessa’ (Hansen, 2012) and ‘Fancy Grillwork’ (2013). He’s also interested in narrow petals, teeth, and complex eyes. All three are exhibited in the stunning ‘Children Playing’ (2013).

Dan is at the forefront of sculpted forms, including pleated ‘Straight

Shooter’, a 2012 introduction which is violet with a pink watermark. ‘Swimming Deep’ (2012) is an example of the relief form, which is marked by vertically raised ridges. The third sculpted form Dan mentioned is crispate, which is expressed in his intros ‘Midlife Crisis’ (2007) and ‘New Found Glory’ (2012). He notes that there tends to be very low fertility in these forms.

When it comes to “teeth” in daylilies, Dan has those too. ‘Purple Sea Star’ (2013) has teeth on both the petals and sepals of this lush, 8” flower. Dan credits Curt Hanson’s daylilies for helping him develop some colors in his own lines.

Dan’s dynamic lines are enhanced by the fact that he grows them outside, without the use of high-end fertilizers, foliar feeding, or insecticides. No wonder he’s enjoying widespread popularity.

Next we moved on to Melanie Mason and her “Doggone Daylilies.” Melanie grows her North Country Daylilies on 450 acres at Longlesson Farm in Buskirk, New York. Along with over 1,000 daylily cultivars, Melanie also raises black Angus cattle and yellow Labradors.

Melanie believes it’s important to have a vision of what constitutes success. For daylilies, they should: be easy to grow, work well in the perennial garden, have attractive foliage, require minimal maintenance, bloom prolifically, and be relatively pest-free. She considers that the daylily should thrive, first and foremost, as a garden plant, not a show specimen.

Her criteria for hybridizing include a pretty face, a high bud count for long bloom, well-placed branching, consistent bloom, and a garden “presence.” Melanie tries not to let focus become tunnel vision. She is open to surprises in new forms and colors in her hybridizing. Some of her personal favorites are ‘Nantucket Navigator’ (2010), a dark purple with heavily ruffled white edge; ‘Root Beer Float’ (2006), a double which she describes as “root beer cream blend”; and ‘The Divine Miss Devon’ (2012), a large bright pink with sculpting and pleating.

The last program on our schedule before lunch was “It’s a Bug-Eat-Bug World” by Dr. Frank Hale, Entomology and Plant Pathology professor at the University of Tennessee. Dr. Hale educated us about beneficial organisms in the garden, including pollinators, predators, parasitoids, and microorganisms. Most of us are familiar with the valuable work of pollinators, such as bees, hover flies, butterflies and moths, hummingbirds, beetles, and more. We are probably less familiar with the benefits of certain predators, parasitoids, and microorganisms.



Dan Hansen (FL) signs the cast for Tucker Gaby (TN) as Karen Newman (TN) looks on. (Photo by Debbie Monbeck)



Brenda Macy (KY) and Scotty Innes (TN)



David and Ellyn Wilbur (TN)



Sandy Holmes (OH) and Melanie Mason (NY)



Predators feed on other insects. Ground Beetles, Tiger Beetles, Soldier Beetles, Lady Beetles, Lacewings, Praying Mantis, Assassin Bugs, Spined Soldier Bugs, Minute Pirate Bugs, Damselfly Bugs, predatory mites, and garden spiders can all be helpful in the garden by eating other pests. Parasitoids, like Tachinid flies and Braconid wasps, kill garden pests by laying eggs in or on the host. Dr. Hale showed us close-up photos of the “good” bugs so we’d recognize which ones not to squish in the garden. Microorganisms, such as Cordyceps fungi and Entomopathogenic fungi, can work in the gardener’s favor by attacking pests like cicada nymphs and grubs in the soil.

We can attract beneficials by providing habitat that is pesticide-free. Water is another necessary component to attract beneficials. Small ponds will attract dragonflies, and butterflies are attracted to shallow, muddy or sandy areas. Native flowering plants recommended for beneficial insects include aster, buckwheat, coneflower, coreopsis, goldenrod, ironweed, Joe-pye weed, and sunflowers.



Tim Herrington (GA) along with Elizabeth and Greg Trotter (KY) (Photo by Debbie Monbeck)

Plants in the carrot family are popular with butterfly caterpillars, green lacewings, and wasp parasitoids. Examples are parsley, carrots, fennel, dill, angelica, anise, celery, caraway, and Queen Anne’s lace.

Dr. Hale summed up the advantages to encouraging beneficials in your garden: less work for the gardener, no hazardous spraying of chemical insecticides, no environmental pollution, and the enjoyment of watching nature at work. Learn to identify the “good” bugs from the “bad,” be patient and accepting of some damage or less-than-perfect plants, and enjoy the beauty of your natural habitat garden.

## Saturday Afternoon

By Kate Patrick – Murfreesboro, TN

The afternoon sessions of the Mid-Winter Symposium started off with a bang, featuring the dashing handsome Tommy Maddox, or as he says, “at least I’m better-looking than Lee Pickles”. Tommy hybridizes in Biloxi, Mississippi with emphasis on developing the ever-elusive color blue and double edges. He uses a systematic approach of long-crosses to achieve his goals. He wants his plants to multiply fast and is adamant that they set seed. He uses a unique system of water beds to reduce labor and get the kind of growth he wants. Many of his cultivars carry the prefix “Abilene”, not because he is from Texas but because that is his street address. Commenting on his intro ABILENE SUNSET, he declared, “It will set a seed pod if you put okra pollen on it! That is one hot to trot daylily!”

Melanie Mason oriented us to true north with a plant hardiness formula containing seven variables. Apparently there is more to it than just the USDA zone map! We learned about growing degree days, heating and cooling degree days and the winter factor. We also got a good look at some beautiful flowers that cheered us all on a cold winter’s day.

Becky Fox Matthews, president of the Daffodil Society, gave us a wonderful overview of the world of daffodils and left us longing for spring. She gave us some great hints on ordering bulbs and

daffodil culture as well as a list of sources.

Tim Herrington was a relaxed and entertaining speaker who started out with an informal Q and A session: “What two things show that you are growing daylilies well?” The answer: “Weeds and worms.” And “What is the second most common view seen in the garden besides the front view of daylilies?” The answer: “The rear view of daylily people!” He also explained to us that breeding for green is all about breeding for the absence of color and is pretty much a level playing field for those hybridizing.

All-in-all our afternoon was informative and entertaining and a great way to spend a Saturday in February.

## Sunday Morning

By Jack Alexander – Franklin, TN

Sunday morning’s session of the MWS began with an invitation by Ray Quinn to attend the AHS National Convention on June 26th -28th in beautiful Asheville, NC. We learned that the garden tours are divided between “up the mountain” and “down the mountain.” It appears that there will be a lot of daylilies to see no matter which direction you go.

Next on the program Elizabeth and Greg Trotter presented the invitation to attend the Region 10 summer meeting, ‘Daylilies and Fillies’ to be held in Lexington, KY, July 3-5, 2014.

Jim and Phyllis Riddle who have always been great supporters of the MWS next invited us to attend the Region 14 summer meeting, June 13 -14, 2014. It’s going to be a busy year!

The first hybridizer to speak on Sunday morning was Tom Polston and what a treat that was. It was amazing to see all that they accomplish in addition to lots of daylilies that make you say “Wow”. Tom has done a lot of work with reds with teeth and also pinched varieties. Of the diploids being



Doug Sterling (OH), Larry Gooden (MO), Mort Morss (KY), Dan Hansen (FL), Tom Polston (OH), (Photo by D. Monbeck)

introduced, I was particularly a fan of ‘Star of Kryptonite’. Tom also showed us practical planting tips such as using a round drill to make holes in plastic to eliminate weeds and produce a lot of seedlings.

Following this display of incredible daylilies, Jamie Gosard presented an also unbelievable array of new and future cultivars on the horizon. From the award-winning cultivars to the latest cutting-edge seedlings, Jamie’s presentation made it clear why he is one of the most popular hybridizers. As if that was not enough, he then proceeded to share with us slides of plants that he is developing with Kennebrew.

The morning ended with an excellent group discussion on things that people are doing to attract new members.



# “Daylilies and Fillies” - July 3-5, 2014

## The Region 10 Summer Meeting & Garden Tours

### THE TROTTER GARDEN

Greg and Elizabeth Trotter live in a beautiful area of rural central Kentucky on a 75 acre property. Located on top of a hill with a view for miles, they grow over 1,000 daylilies in their AHS Display Garden. In addition to daylilies, they also have planted many shrubs and trees, including lilacs, magnolias, and hydrangeas; as well as perennials and thousands of spring flowering bulbs on “Daffodil Hill.” Their garden is a certified National Wildlife Federation Habitat, with bluebird houses and native plantings to attract butterflies. The landscaped garden area is surrounded on all sides by woods for a peaceful, private haven. Enjoy walking



*The garden of Greg and Elizabeth Trotter*

through the garden to see all the blooming daylilies, roses, clematis, lilies and more. Stop by one of two ponds to watch the goldfish swimming around, or sit in the gazebo and listen to the gentle tinkle of wind chimes.

### HICKORY SPRINGS OF MONTGOMERY DAYLILIES

Hickory Springs of Montgomery Daylilies is located just outside Camargo at 4410 McCormick Road. The farm gives you a picturesque view of the Appalachian

Mountains plus more than 1,300 varieties of daylilies for your enjoyment or perhaps to purchase to enhance your own garden. We offer a diverse selection rang-



*Hickory Springs of Montgomery Daylilies*

ing from the old, to the brand new and including your top favorites - in breathtaking colors, small to large blooms, patterned eyes, edges, and unusual forms.

We have diligently worked to keep this 112 acre historical farm for 7 generations what it was meant to be- a working farm where livestock can still graze and crops flourish.

We invite you to experience for yourselves the magnificent view of the Kentucky countryside and the Appalachian Mountains in the distance. This incredibly spectacular sight and the sensational aroma of countless blooms can simply take your breath away.

### THE DONALD GARDEN

The Donald gardens are situated on the sloping left side yard of a ½ acre lot and are visible from the street. Over 350 varieties of daylilies grace the AHS Display garden with their various bloom times.

I started my garden after I built the house in 1989 and it has been a work in progress ever since. For several years, the gardens consisted of a vegetable garden with various perennials and a few daylilies but around 1999, I got the daylily bug and converted the vegetable garden to a bed for the daylilies and added additional

beds in front of the fruit trees.

The original stone wall was the inspiration for the



*The Garden of Linda Donald*

lower gardens that slope to the pool and deck area where red Knockout roses flank the brick and iron gate entrance that leads to a private patio sanctuary adjacent to the house. Iris, coral bells, and tall purple phlox, along with several varieties of Asiatic lilies and other assorted perennials and annuals complement various daylilies. Tucked in the corner is a natural stone waterfall flowing into a fish pond adding the tranquil sound of flowing water to the gardens. I invite you to come visit my tranquil residential garden.

## THE ROSEN GARDEN

Rich and Anna Marie Rosen moved to Kentucky and purchased their beautiful historic home and garden in 2010 in downtown Frankfort. The basic structure of the garden has not changed, with boxwoods, yews,



*The garden of Rich and Anna Marie Rosen*

hemlocks, and other mature trees. But the flower beds are being transformed. Rose beds in both the front and back yards have been converted to daylilies. Flower beds around a large grass oval have been converted to daylilies and irises. Mixed in are many other perennials including peonies, lilies, and spring bulbs. Various pieces of sculpture make interesting accents to the gardens. There are about 500 daylily cultivars of all ages, shapes, sizes, and colors; many from hybridizers you might not be familiar with. About half made the move from Texas, and half have been acquired since moving. You are welcome to peruse the gardens, or relax in the shade of the pergola.

## THE MONBECK GARDEN

This garden consists of island beds full of daylilies and many other companion plants. The garden has a cattle farm as a backdrop. There are many small whimsical pieces of garden art including metal cats and a metal crane named Frasier. Focal points include a wooden arbor and a small windmill. There are about 500 cultivars packed in this rural garden, which also



*The Garden of Debbie Monbeck*

has coneflowers, tall phlox, lilies, coreopsis, iris, daffodils, gladiolas, and many other plants. She jokingly refers to her garden as “Debbie the Daylily Diva’s Garden of Weed-in.”



## DAYLILY WORLD

Mort Morss and David Kirchhoff moved their Florida garden to its new Region 10 home outside Lawrenceburg, Kentucky in 2006. The task was monumental and it involved lifting and loading the equivalent of more than thirty thousand pots and a few thousand bags of bare root daylilies with the help of



*Daylily World*

daylily friends and any other willing hands. The new garden is flourishing and each generation of seedlings is tougher than previous ones. They have planted over 300 shrubs and trees and are immersed in integrating companion plants which complement the daylilies. The garden is open to visitors during the bloom season and David and Mort look forward to each and every one.

They began visiting Region 10 in the 1980's to learn all they could from Dr. Virginia Peck, who took them under her wing. They visited her and Region 10 many times prior to choosing Kentucky. They wanted to transition their hybridizing program from zone 9 to zone 6 and chose a ridge top location complete with an historic 200 year old farm-

house, a spring, a cave and an ice house. Their cultivars have won every major award, including 3 Stout Medals, with the exception of unusual forms. They introduced several benchmark spider daylilies from Jack Temple.

## THOROUGHBRED DAYLILIES

Thoroughbred Daylilies is a mom-and-pop operation on a small farm in Paris, Kentucky. We hybridize and sell daylilies on our 9 acres. We have about 2 acres devoted to daylily culture. The rest of the property has fields, a woodlot, and specimen plantings of some of our favorite native plants like deciduous hollies, bottlebrush buckeyes, magnolias and viburnums.

We specialize in daylilies with clear vibrant colors, whether they are diploid or tetraploid. We've introduced over 200 cultivars since 1993 including our most famous introduction, 'Bass Gibson'. The front display beds' daylilies are planted in pleasing combinations of colors and forms.

Our peak bloom has always been the first week of July, so please come join us for the 2014 Region 10 Summer Meeting on July 3, 4 and 5, and experience the excitement of daylilies in Kentucky!



*Thoroughbred Daylilies*

*Unless otherwise noted, photos for this section provided by the garden owners and Elizabeth Trotter.*





# Daylilies and Fillies



American Hemerocallis Society Region 10 Summer Meeting in Lexington, KY July 3-5, 2014

Hosted By: *The Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society*

The members of BGHS invite everyone to spend their 2014 Fourth of July weekend with us in beautiful Central Kentucky. Lexington is the horse capital of the world and famous for hospitality, bourbon and, of course, the University of Kentucky.

There will be Judges clinics on Thursday, July 3, 2014. In 2 days of garden tours (July 4th and 5th) we will visit the personal gardens of Elizabeth and Greg Trotter, Rich Rosen and Anna Marie Pavlik, Debbie Monbeck, Linda and Doug Donald, and the commercial gardens: Hickory Springs of Montgomery Daylilies, Daylily World and Thoroughbred Daylilies. We will have an enticing boutique filled with crafts and plants. Dan Hansen will be the Friday night speaker. Saturday night at the banquet, David Kirchhoff will be the keynote speaker, followed by a live plant auction. Last but not least, each paid registration will receive a \$150 daylily from either Daylily World or Thoroughbred Daylilies.

### Headquarters Hotel and Room Reservation

#### The Campbell House

1375 South Broadway  
Lexington, KY 40504

Phone (859) 255-4281 - Fax (859) 519-1301

Room Rates are \$89.00. Ask for BGHS daylily rate

Hotel deadline for special room rate: June 2, 2014

### Meeting Registration

Registration for 3 day event: \$160

Early registration before June 2, 2014: \$150

Make checks payable to BGHS

Mail to: Debbie Smith, Registrar

P.O.Box 11214, Lexington, KY 40574-1214

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## REGISTRATION

Name #1	Address	E-mail and phone
Youth member: yes___ no___	Meal Selection for Saturday Banquet: Pork LoIn___ Chicken Breast___ Vegetarian___	
Name #2	Address	E-mail and phone
Youth member: yes___ no___	Meal Selection for Saturday Banquet: Pork LoIn___ Chicken Breast___ Vegetarian___	

## REGISTRATION FEES

Description	Number	Cost	Total
Adult Registrations	_____	\$160/150 by June 2, 2014	\$_____
Youth Registrations	_____	\$110/100 by June 2, 2014	\$_____
*Companion Dinners	_____	\$35 per meal	\$_____
* Available by prior reservation only for Friday night and/or Saturday night Meal Selection for Saturday Banquet: Pork LoIn___ Chicken Breast___ Vegetarian___			<b>Total enclosed: \$_____</b>

## PRE-REGISTRATION FOR CLINICS/WORKSHOPS

Exhibition Judges Clinic I \_\_\_\_\_ Clinic II \_\_\_\_\_ Clinic III \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Judges Workshop I \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop II \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* Must have copy of Judging Daylilies Handbook and study the appropriate sections. There is a \$5.00 fee for credit and a \$3.00 fee to audit, payable at the door.

# Serving on the National Level - AHS Publication Sales Manager

By Jimmy Jordan – Jackson, TN

**Editor's Note:** *Region 10 is fortunate to have several members who not only devote their time and energy to their local club and to Region 10 but also perform much needed jobs at the National Level. We asked Jimmy Jordan who was also recently awarded the Region 10 Service award to share some insights on his job at AHS. We hope you find his comments in this article as interesting as we do.*

In this role, which I first assumed in 1998, I oversee fulfilling the orders as advertised in The Daylily Journal, on the AHS Website, the Portal Online Store along with Amazon, PayPal, and through membership renewals, phone call and postal mail orders.

I maintain inventory of non-current journals which consists of the annual Hemerocallis Cultivar Registrations, combined check List, membership rosters, banners, promotional brochures, Landscaping with Daylilies and other materials as advertised.

Bill Reinke, a former club member, encouraged me to apply for the job when he decided to no longer keep the position. He was a great mentor, very good friend and was always there for any questions I might have.

After taking the position I attended my first national convention in Philadelphia, PA in 2000.

Three years later one of the worst tornadoes Jackson has ever experienced touched down and hit the AHS storage location.



*Photograph by Judge Blake Anderson*

## **May 5, 2003 Tornado in Madison County, Tennessee**

The storm rumbled into western Tennessee, where tornadoes damaged houses, trailers and buildings. At least 11 people died in Jackson.

The AHS warehouse was located in downtown Jackson when the tornado hit totally destroying the building. Water damage from the roof seeped to ground level. When I managed to get in the building I covered undamaged publications with tarps until I could re-enter the building. A lot of the publications were salvageable. The building was condemned and no one was allowed to enter for weeks.



*Photograph by Judge Blake Anderson*

When I was finally given the okay to get into the building and take some form of inventory for the insurance adjusters, I had to wear a face mask due to mold development. Many, many hours were spent sorting, pricing, collecting information and filling out forms for the insurance company to make good on our loss.

After settling in another location and moving any items that could be saved and then re-stocking I was back to a normal working environment. In the following years I was able to attend the following national conventions: Boston, MA, Troy, MI, Charlotte, NC, St Louis, MO, Cincinnati, OH, Long Island, NY, Minneapolis, St. Paul, MN, Houston, TX, Orlando, FL, and Valdosta, GA, Baton Rouge, LA and Columbus, OH as well as many regional conventions.

After a few years at the current location the owner was forced to sell his building and once again I moved. This time the warehouse was located on the lower level of a building closer to my home. Then it happened again.





## The Flood of 2010, West and Middle Tennessee

A stalled frontal boundary and warm, moist air rising from the Gulf of Mexico caused West and Middle Tennessee to be overwhelmed with record-breaking amounts of rainfall on May 1st and 2nd.

Once again the warehouse sustained damage due to flooding in the area. Thankfully I did not have to move to another location but again countless hours were spent with clean up.

Although there have been some difficult times there have been many, many good times.

I can't begin to tell you how many nice people I have had contact with in my position and in my travels. AHS members in general are just a great bunch of daylily loving folks. When you think you need a daylily fix look me up at one of the above locations. There are some good publications to whet your appetite. I'll try my best to keep everything above water until then.



*Effects of the 2010 Flood in Jackson, TN*



The Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society presents their

## 2014 AHS Region 10 Summer Meeting

*"Daylilies and Fillyies"* Thurs. - Saturday, July 3 - 5, 2014  
The Campbell House in Lexington, Ky.

**You'll get your money's worth in Kentucky!**

You'll tour seven beautiful gardens in the heart of horse country; all meals on Friday and Saturday are included; Dan Hansen and David Kirchhoff are the featured speakers; the gardens will be festively decorated for July 4th and the city of Lexington will have a fireworks show! (Hurry! The meeting is limited to 150.)

Here's your chance to visit these wonderful gardens:

Daylily World (David Kirchhoff and Mort Morss)  
Thoroughbred Daylilies (John and Arnette Rice)  
Elizabeth and Greg Trotter  
Linda Donald  
Debbie Monbeck  
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"Kyle Biladeau"  
(Mo/As, 2014 intro)

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All attendees will receive a FREE BUS PLANT from Dan Hansen! \* Get a deal at the live plant auction!**

**Note: Early Rate for Hotel and Summer Meeting and Garden Tours  
has been extended to June 9, 2014.**



# 2012 American Hemerocallis Society Display Gardens: Region 10

This information was taken from the American Hemerocallis Society Website. We have twenty-five lovely AHS Display Gardens in Kentucky and Tennessee. Why not make plans to visit some this summer? As most are located at private homes, remember to call before visiting.

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*Display Garden of Debbie Monbeck, Frankfort KY.  
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)*

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**Thomas Trotter Daylily Garden at the  
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750 Cherry Road  
Memphis, TN 38117  
(901) 576-4100  
(Liaison: Janice Wood)

**Western Kentucky Botanical  
Garden – Daylily Garden**  
25 Carter Road  
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*Sue Ellen Knifley, Maurice Greene and Bill Schardein at  
the Summer Meeting 2013 (Photo by Susan Okrasinski)*

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# Blast From the Past - The Daylily Appeal in 1998

## How I Got Interested In Growing Daylilies

By Jay Turman and Maurice Greene

*Editors Note: The following article appeared in The Daylily Appeal in Fall/Winter 1998. These were the responses then. How did you get interested in growing daylilies? Send us your interesting response and maybe it will appear in an updated article.*

### The Turmans

Peggy and I were on a tour of Europe and Africa, a tour we were not particularly enthusiastic about taking, but we went because we had toured with this group before and liked them. When walking through the El Hambre gardens in Seville, our tour guide told us there was a famous daylily hybridizer new to our group who was traveling with us. My first words to this tiny, frail elderly lady (I was going to make an impression) were to tell her that we had ordered a selection of daylilies from White Flower Farm (surely that would impress her) earlier that spring and we couldn't wait to see them bloom for the first time. This little old lady's first words to us were, "They're weeds!"

Virginia Peck was a challenge. But we persevered and finally a friendship grew in spite of that rocky start. After arriving back in Tennessee we were rewarded with an invitation to visit her on her daylily farm in Murfreesboro one Saturday in mid June during daylily blooming season. Having no idea what to expect we were totally speechless when led through her front gate and around the back of her house where we were hit in the face with an explosion of color from 2 acres of daylilies in full bloom. We were taken on a guided tour down every row with Virginia answering my dumb questions with much kinder tones than her initial words were to me. We took a picnic lunch (Virginia furnished the wine) and ate on her back porch where a breeze seemed to always blow even though it was almost unbearably hot out in the daylily rows. We would eat awhile then walk through the daylilies... then eat more and go through the daylilies again. We stayed the entire afternoon leaving with a gift of two of her cultivars (a word I learned that first visit) 'Segra Moor' and "Flames of Fortune'. We were invited back several times that summer and each year thereafter, and with every visit she shared more of her cultivars and ones from other hybridizers, after she had finished using them in her breeding program.

We were so lucky to have taken that tour of Portugal, Spain and Morocco that we didn't particularly want to take. We met an unforgettable character that taught us so much about daylilies and sharing. She gifted us with our first membership in AHS. She

talked us into attending our first regional meeting held in Chattanooga. She was a charter member of the Middle Tennessee Daylily society because she had insisted we attend that first regional where Stewart Oakes challenged us to start a daylily society in Nashville.

Regrets? Sure. I regret not being there with her when she sat in the garden before dawn with a flashlight waiting for the first bloom of 'Dance Ballerina Dance' to open. I regret not knowing enough about daylilies to ask the right questions. And most of all I regret she was apart our lives for only a little over 5 years.

You know, I never told Virginia that among those "weeds" we had ordered from white Flower Farm was her cultivar, 'Mary Hamilton'.

### Maurice Greene

It was probably 25 years ago that I came home from work one evening sometime in the summer and was introduced to about a dozen paper bags (pokes, for you knowledgeable ones), each containing a good-sized clump of daylilies. Dottie had purchased them for 50 cents a clump from a lady who lived a few miles from our place in West Knoxville. I was instructed to dig holes along the driveway and plant the things, which I did, but not with any great show of enthusiasm.

They came up in the next summer and I was so impressed that I went with Dottie to the lady's house the next spring and told her that I wanted some more of the pretty red ones. It was a month or two before bloom time and the lady didn't have them marked, nor did she remember where the dark ones were located, so we put our collective scientific minds together and concluded that those with the darkest, greenest foliage must surely be the dark ones. I bought another 10 or so clumps and planted them.

In the following summer I happened to notice an announcement of a Daylily Show to be held at one of the Knoxville malls. I honestly thought I must have at least one of every kind there could possibly be (I didn't yet know that they even had names), and seriously considered taking some of mine to enter. I knew mine were so pretty that I had to win. Luckily I didn't enter, but when I went to the show I was completely blown away by the variety and beauty of what I saw. I was hooked, and it went from there.



# A Message From Your Exhibition Judges Liaison

Greetings judges! I'm starting the year with many thanks to Jack, Sandra, and all the instructors that helped me pull the MWS clinics together. The best way for me to learn is to just jump in and ask questions as I go. Now it's time to start planning the next clinics which will be held July 3rd in Lexington, KY hosted by the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society. We hope you will attend and support the region. We appreciate the many hours of preparation BGHS has put into this event.

Speaking of preparation, our clinic instructors put in a lot of time getting ready to teach the different clinics. Our instructors and master panels usually have to arrive a day early in order to set up and be ready to start on time. This means an extra day of hotel expenses to them. We also have to make copies of documents to be sure everyone attending the clinics has what they need. It is very hard to do this when we have no idea how many, if anyone, will show up for the clinics. You can help us with this by letting us know in advance if you plan to attend the clinics. Just fill in the space at the bottom of the registration form indicating that you will attend. If you have already

sent your form, send an e-mail to the registrar so that he/she can let us know you are expecting to attend the clinics. This will help us keep expenses to a minimum by only preparing just what we need. It also keeps our fellow members from incurring travel expenses for nothing. Please help us out.

I have noticed there are quite a few expired exhibition judges on the list so I hope to see a very large clinic III this summer.

Please let me know if I can do anything to make your clinic experiences better and I will work very hard to make them an enjoyable experience for you!

**Lorene Crone**  
**Region 10 Exhibition Judges Liaison**  
**111 Greenbriar Lane**  
**Jackson, TN 38305**  
**731.668.9364**  
**lorenerobinson@charter.net**



*Exhibitions for the 2013 Daylily Show sponsored by the West Tennessee Daylily Society*

# Region 10 AHS Exhibition Judges

Name	Status	Date	Instructor
<b>Jack Alexander</b>	EX	2018	
Gary Bunch	EX	2016	I
Will Coltharp	EX	2018	
Cynthia Cory	EX	2016	
Lorene Crone	EX	2018	
Jane Dixon	S	2016	
Mary Ann Duncan	EX	2018	
Rosemary Ewen	S	2015	
Willie Graham	EX	2014	
Maurice Greene	EX	2017	I
Linda Hassler	EX	2016	
Sam Hassler	EX	2014	
Libby Hickman	E/j	2017	
LaVonne C. Jolley	EX	2016	
David Kirchhoff	EX	2017	I
Mitchell Leichhardt	E/h		
Brenda Macy	EX	2018	
Sandra Merritt	EX	2017	

Name	Status	Date	Instructor
Cullen Merritt	EX	2016	
Debbie Monbeck	E/j	2014	
Goebel Porter	E/h		
Helen Porter	EX	2018	
Richard Porter	EX	2018	
Dan Robinson	EX	2015	
Robbie Robinson	EX	2015	
Richard H. Rosen	EX	2017	I
June Scoggins	E/j	2016	
Marie Seaman	EX	2017	
Deborah Smith	EX	2016	I
Janet Tincher	EX	2016	
Jay Turman	EX	2018	I
Peggy Turman	EX	2017	I
Rusty Turner	EX	2017	
Sharon Turner	EX	2017	
David Wilbur	S	2016	
Deron Willmoth	EX	2016	

## Legend:

- EX = Senior Exhibition Judge
- E/j = Junior Exhibition Judge
- E/h = Honorary Exhibition Judge (not eligible to judge)
- S = Student
- I = Accredited Clinic Instructor
- Date = Expiration date of accreditation
- \* = One-year hardship extension in effect

Joann Stewart, Chairman  
 AHS Exhibition Judges  
 2300 Simonton Bridge Road  
 Watkinsville, GA 30677-2137

Status as of February 2014. Accreditation for 2014 is subject to payment of AHS dues by 1 January 2014.

## WHAT DO YOU GEEK?

The local library in Kingsport, Tennessee started a campaign called "What do you Geek?". To promote this, they have been featuring a photo of Rebecca Hall, the head of the children's section of the Kingsport Library and secretary of the Tri-cities Daylily Club, "geeking" daylilies. The photo has been on billboards and in various locations in the area. What a great ambassador for daylilies! Way to get your "geek" on, Rebecca!





# A Message From Your Garden Judges Liaison

The 2014 Mid-Winter Symposium in Nashville, February 7th & 8th gave us folks in Louisville a chance to get out of town and somewhere a bit warmer! We really needed that too. Hope you were able to be there too as we had some really terrific speakers this year. They all gave us reasons to look forward to the next growing season. Spring time can't get here soon enough for all of us!

I really don't have anything to report on for the Garden Judges Workshop I as we did not have anyone attend. It is a bit discouraging to show up at these meetings ready with the paperwork and other materials to teach and have no one show up. I know the weather may have been part of the problem, but on the other hand, all the extra cold days that hung around for so long may have been a protective blanket our plants needed. That may also help us with our plants and give us less insects this year hopefully.

We still have the AHS National Convention in Asheville, NC, followed by our own Region 10 Summer Meeting in Lexington, KY, where you will again be able to attend Garden Judges Clinics I & II in June and July. We would love to see more of you in attendance at these events. Be sure to sign up in advance so we know what materials to bring.

## Bill Schardein

Region 10 Garden Judges Liaison

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Louisville, KY 40291

bccreekside@insightbb.com

Region 10  
Annual Meeting  
And  
Garden Tours  
Rotation

2014 – Lexington (July 3-5)

2015 – Nashville

2016 – Louisville (DSL)

2017 – Memphis

2018 – Chattanooga

2019 - Tri-Cities

2020 – Louisville (LADS)



H. *'Headache'* (Pickles, 2014)  
(Photo by Lee Pickles)

## Daylilies Are Our Passion

*They bring us peace at trying times.*

*They help us get out of bed and run outside to see their smiling faces.*

*They ask for very little and give so much.*

*They are not worried about what kind of home they have...They just wake up every morning with a smiling face.*

*They bring together good people to share their children's stories.*

*A purple Daylily doesn't mind being neighbors with a red Daylily...Think about it!!*

*They help us get through frigid winters with warmth in our hearts.*

*-Matt Henry*

# AHS Region 10 Garden Judges

Name	Term Ends	New	Instr
Jack Alexander	2016		
Gary Bunch	2014		
Martha Chamberlain	2015		
Cynthia Cory	2014		
Jane Dixon	2016		
MaryAnn Duncan	2018		
Dorothy Foulk	2017		
Willie Graham	2015		
Dottie Greene	2016		I
Maurice Greene	2016		I
Dennis Hall	2017		
Linda Hassler	2016		
Sylvia "Scotty" Innes	2015		
Glenda Jordan	2014		
David Kirchhoff	2018		I
Sue Ellen Knifley	2014		
Nancy Ligon	2015		
Brenda Macy	2015		I
Pearline Malone	2017		
Summer Marks	2016		
Michael Mayes	2014		

Name	Term Ends	New	Instr
Debbie Monbeck	2014		
Morton L. Morss	2015		
Karen Newman	2016		
Susan Okrasinski	2017		
Kate Patrick	2018	N	
Richard Porter	2018		
Annette Rice	2014		
John Rice	2014		I
Julie Robichaud	2016		
Danny Robinson	2018		
Robbie Robinson	2018		
Richard Rosen	2017		I
<b>Bill Schardein</b>	2017**		I
Marie Seaman	2016		
Hebron Smith	2014		
Laura Teague	2016		
Janet Tincher	2015		
Elizabeth Trotter	2014		
Greg Trotter	2015		
Rusty Turner	2017		
Sharon Turner	2017		
Deron Willmoth	2016		
Janice Wood	2017		

## LEGEND:

- I = Instructor
- 20xx = Expiration date
- \*\* = Garden Judges Liaison
- H = Honorary Judge
- N = New

Status as of February 27, 2014. This list is predicated upon judges having paid their dues by 1 January 2014.

## Pat Soileau

### Garden Judges Records

P.O. Box 156  
St. Landry, La 71367  
gardenjudges@daylilies.org

## 2015 Guest Plant Time is Now Region 10 Annual Meeting And Garden Tours

The MTDS (Middle Tennessee Daylily Society) is hosting the Region 10 Annual Meeting June 19 & 20, 2015 in Nashville, TN. It is time to send guest plants now for them to be well established in time to perform their best in the tour gardens. I am asked to handle the guest plants, so please feel free to send them to me for distribution. When sending, please try to send robust, double fans or larger. Although every care will be made to show your guest plants under optimum care conditions, the MTDS and its members cannot control the weather or the vagaries of Mother Nature. Send inquiries to wcoltharp@comcast.net or phone 615-794-9410.

Plants may be sent to:  
Will Coltharp  
5436 Leipers Creek Rd.  
Franklin, TN 37064  
wcoltharp@comcast.net



*H. 'Trenton Gold Moth' (Oakes-M, 2013)*  
(Photo by Marguerite Oakes)



# A Message From Your Regional Historian

In the Spring 2013 Daylily Appeal, I shared general preservation techniques for club records, including papers and photographs. Basics such as light, temperature, and humidity were considered. Now, I'd like to talk further about the care and handling of specific media.

Newspaper and magazine clippings, letters, and other paper documents should be stored unfolded. Repeatedly folding and unfolding paper items weakens them along the fold lines and eventually causes them to break. Try to store your items in folders which are large enough not to require folding of your documents. Copies may be made of newspaper articles on paper that meets standards of permanence for libraries and archives.

In today's world, we tend to prefer color photographs. However, keep in mind that despite advances in technology that have extended the life of color photos, they still will not last as long as black and white photos. Color photos printed at home on an inkjet printer are not considered preservation quality, and their longevity will vary dramatically depending on the paper, printer and ink used.

When storing photos in an album, use photo or mounting corners instead of any type of adhesive. Avoid using "magnetic" pages, which will stick to and/or react with your pictures. Choose a good quality album with buffered or neutral paper. Remember to look for polyester, polypropylene, or polyethylene pages, not PVC or vinyl.

Backup, backup, backup. Make copies of your digital photographs and other documents. No matter the media—paper, videotape, CDs, or DVDs; there is no one perfect storage media that is immune to the effects of age. You might consider keeping a copy on your computer, then put other copies on separate storage media, and then store them in locations that are as physically far apart as possible. Check your photos at least once a year to make sure they're still in good condition.

## Websites of Interest

Library of Congress:  
<http://www.digitalpreservation.gov/>

The American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works:  
[www.conservation-us.org](http://www.conservation-us.org)

Elizabeth Trotter  
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*H. 'Bogart' (Pickles-2014)*  
*(Photo by Lee Pickles)*



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## Region 10 Flower Shows

### **Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society**

Host of Region 10 Meeting and Garden Tours,  
July 3-5, 2014. No Show.

### **Daylily Society of Louisville**

June 14, 2014

Entry Times: 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Public Viewing: 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Mid City Mall

Louisville, KY

Show Chair: Richard Porter

porterdaylily@yahoo.com

### **Louisville Area Daylily Society**

Sponsor of LADS Region 10 Award for  
best flower by Region 10 Hybridizer at  
Daylily Society of Louisville Show

### **Middle Tennessee Daylily Society**

June 21, 2014

Entry Times: 7:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Out-of-Town Entries: 7:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Public Viewing: 12:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Ellington Agricultural Center

Nashville, TN

Show Chair: Jay Turman

jayturman@msn.com

### **Memphis Area Daylily Society**

No judged show scheduled

### **Tennessee Valley Daylily Society**

June 15, 2014

Entry Times 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Public Viewing: 1:00 - 5:00

Northgate Mall

Hixson, TN

Show Chair: Joan Trundle

JoanTrundle@aol.com

### **Tri-Cities Daylily Society**

No Show Scheduled

### **West Tennessee Daylily Society**

June 21, 2013

Entry Times: 7:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Public Viewing: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Old Hickory Mall

Jackson, TN

Show Chair: Lorene Crone

## Welcome New Members to AHS and Region 10

Mary Jane Beale  
107 Travois Rd  
Louisville, KY 40207

Emma Ford  
329 Erickson Rd  
Cordova, TN 38018

Theresa Maris  
556 Shanty Hollow Rd  
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Raymond Clark & Linda Luck  
2130 Eastview Ave  
Louisville, KY 40205

Loni Traylor Garcia  
1005 Parham Place  
Kingsport, TN 37660

Jane Mullins  
128 Bill Street  
Piney Flats, TN 37686

Bill Cunningham  
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Madisonville, KY 42431

Donna Gvarnieri and  
Dan Manchester  
1174 Cynthia Lane  
Spring Hill, TN 37174

Susan Sherrod  
202 Reed Lane  
Lexington, KY 40503

Ethalena Dodson  
700 Swan Creek Rd  
Sneedville, TN 37869

Troy Marden  
7911 Shoals Branch Rd  
Primm Springs, TN 38476

Steve Springer  
234 Ironwood Dr  
Kodak, TN 37764



# AHS Region 10 Business Meeting Minutes February 8, 2014

Will Coltharp opened the meeting on Saturday February 8, 2014, at 5pm at the Hotel Preston in Nashville, Tennessee.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The minutes from the June 2013 Summer Meeting in Kingsport, TN, as printed in the Daylily Appeal, were approved by Lee Pickles and seconded by David Kirchhoff.

Region 10 President, Will Coltharp introduced the 2014 Board Members:

Will Coltharp – Region 10 President, Susan Okrasinski – Region 10 Publicity Director (ill, unable to attend), Sandra Merritt – Region 10 Treasurer, Chris Schardein – Region 10 Secretary

## **Treasurer's Report**

Sandra Merritt gave the treasurers report from 6/20/13 (since the Summer meeting was prior to the end of the fiscal year 6/30/13) through 12/31/13. She added that it did not reflect the cost of the Fall printing charges for the Daylily Appeal since the bill did not arrive to her until after the first of 2014 (clerical error on the printer's behalf). The balance as of 12/31/13 was \$18,652.99 and the current balance (due to the registration fees for MWS 2014) is now \$21,858.34 (before paying MWS bills).

Will added that the Region 10 received a check from the East Tennessee Daylily Society for \$5000.00 since that club has been dissolved as of 12/31/13. ETDS earmarked the money to be used for the printing costs for the Daylily Appeal for the year 2015. This would have been the year their club would have held the Summer Meeting. They realized that their withdrawal would cause risk of not generating enough revenue to help cover printing costs for that year. He acknowledged and thanked the ETDS club.

Will then thanked the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society for stepping up three years in advance to take the position for 2015. Approved and seconded by Lee Pickles and Mary Ann Duncan.

## **Exhibition Judges Report**

Lorene Crone reported that no one came to the Exhibition Clinic I and that seven attended the Exhibition Judges III.

## **Garden Judges Report**

Bill Schardein reported that he had no one show up for the Garden Judges Workshop I on Friday, February 7th.

This began a discussion on how to make sure that the clinic and workshop leaders could know how many attendees will be coming in advance of these meetings so they could better prepare themselves and not have extra expenses of extra day at the hotel and other associated expenses, when no one shows up.

- 1) There could be mandatory registration for classes – do you pay in advance or at the class as these are separate from the event registration?
- 2) Charge more and refund after the class – AHS sets the cost of \$5/\$3 already
- 3) Need to have an article in the Daylily Appeal to explain why attendees need to come to these classes, when, where and why they need to commit to being there and let them know how much time these people use to prepare to teach.
- 4) Can have late registration walk-ins?
- 5) We still have to offer the workshop/clinics at these events
- 6) Contact AHS and have them direct the Region on how to handle this problem

## **AHS Region 10 Director**

Rich Rosen gave his report at the Saturday morning slot. He talked on the following:

Locations for 2014/2017; Region 10 Awards; 75,000 registrations in Daylily Database – getting more pictures; Programs on the

“Portal” free for download; AHS Membership has dropped since 2006; Suggestions for keeping current members, getting and retaining new members; Open Gardens/Tours – invite garden clubs and master gardeners.

(For more information see The Director's article by Rich Rosen)

## **MWS Committee Report**

David Kirchhoff reported that Will Coltharp has asked Lee Pickles and himself to head a committee to accomplish two tasks, to which they agreed to chair.

1) Handle the preparation for next year's 25th Anniversary of the MWS. The original purpose was to raise revenue to help make a quality newsletter for Region 10. They will discuss the location, that we should go back to Chattanooga (general agreement of the Region 10 members in attendance) for the 25th and see if they can get the Georgia group to work together as one winter symposium for this one-time event. It was suggested that they get one representative from each club to help on this committee. They should work by email and then meet and report their findings by the Summer Region meeting in July 2014.

2) To look at the future location for this event. Should we stay at the Hotel Preston in Nashville, TN or change the location. Need to look at the central location with airport facilities to handle such an event. Need to get a hotel to handle all the schedule within the hotel (at Chattanooga you could be in the far end and have to walk to the separate meeting rooms in all kinds of weather) It was suggested to explore how many out of state people attend. Doris Stonska will check her records on how many KY/TN versus out of state people attend MWS in the past ten years. Another concern was that if you change back to Chattanooga would those who had attended in Nashville still come back in the future.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Revised Schedule for hosting the yearly Region 10 Summer Meeting:

- 2014 – Lexington/BGHS (no change)
- 2015 – Nashville/MTDS (moved up three years-thanks)
- 2016 – Louisville/DSL & LADS hosting the combined Regional and National
- 2017 – Memphis (no Change)
- 2018 – Chattanooga (moved up one year)
- 2019 – Kingsport/Tri-Cities (moved up one year)
- 2020 – Louisville/Lads (moved back one year)

Will updated the group on the Portal. He has archived the Financial Date, Business Meeting Minutes and Newsletters. He then acknowledged those who put the MWS together this year-Co-chairs, Lee Pickles and David Kirchhoff; MWS Auction – Doris Stonska; Hospitality Wineception – Chris Schardein; Registrar – Sandra Merritt; Annual 2014 Introductions Program – Brenda Macy

Rich Rosen asked to acknowledge all who worked to get everything done for the 2014 MWS

Richard Porter asked to introduce, Laura Teague, the president of our newest club, the KY Daylily Fans. Laura stated that, while her club is not large enough to handle hosting meetings yet, they are willing to help wherever there is a need. She also asked that we give her any names of people interested in daylilies so she can contact them to possibly join their club.

With no further business to address, Will thanked all the people who make the MWS work so smoothly. He adjourned the meeting at 5:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Schardein, Region 10 Secretary

# AHS Region 10 Treasurer's Report

June 20, 2013 – December 31, 2013

Balance from Treasurer's report June 2013 .....\$ 7,609.06

Income:

2014 MWS Registrations ..... 1,920.00  
 Plant Auction-Summer meeting ..... 4,945.00  
 Donation from EDTS for The Daylily Appeal ..... 5,000.00  
Landscaping With Daylilies ..... 108.00  
 MWS Auction Shipping Cost Refund ..... 16.00  
 Postage Reimbursement for The Daylily Appeal ..... 389.25  
  
 Total Income ..... 13,098.25

Expenses:

Landscaping With Daylilies ..... 180.00  
 General Liability Insurance paid to AHS ..... 101.50  
 Postage (Incorporation Reinstatement) ..... 4.42  
 Postage and delivery (The Daylily Appeal) ..... 181.26  
 Maintaining website ..... 30.00  
 Memorial Gift to AHS (Claude Butterfield) ..... 50.00  
 Reimbursed Convention Travel Expenses ..... 7.14

Total Expense ..... 2,054.32

Ending Balance, December 2013 .....\$18,652.99

Sandra Merritt, Treasurer  
 AHS Region 10  
 December 31, 2013



*H. 'Trenton Roger Hooper' (Oakes-M, 2013)  
 (Photo by Marguerite Oakes)*

AHS Conventions Ahead	
2014	Western North Carolina Daylily Society June 25-29, 2014 Asheville, NC
2015	The Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta & the Cobb County Daylily Society June 10-13, 2015 Atlanta, GA
2016	The Daylily Society of Louisville and The Louisville Area Daylily Society June-29-July 2, 2015 Louisville, KY



# Club Reports

## Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society By Martha Chamberlain - Columbia, KY

*President: Elizabeth Trotter*  
*Vice President: John Rice*  
*Secretary: Margo Couch*  
*Treasurer: Patti Byerley*  
*Webmaster: Elizabeth Trotter*  
*Parliamentarian: Martha Chamberlain*

In September we had our fall auction which went well. We had beautiful daylilies from different hybridizers which sold out. Kayla Jones and Elizabeth Trotter worked hard to make it a success.

Our October meeting was a delicious potluck dinner with Eric Simpson of Cavalier Daylily Gardens as our speaker. He has been hybridizing since 2003 and has started selling some lovely plants. He specializes in quality northern hardy daylilies with colorful appeal



BGHS Members David Kirchoff and Mort Morss

in contrasting colors. He works with tetraploid round and ruffled, eyed, edged, blue eyed, and patterned. He is now working with unusual forms in both tets and dips. His PowerPoint presentation was informative and interesting.

In November we had a slide show of four gardens around the country, and elected our officers and board members for the coming year.

December was our annual Christmas dinner with a fun game exchanging Christmas ornaments.

January was our business meeting with plans for the coming year. John Rice and Elizabeth Trotter are co-chairs for our Region 10 Summer Meeting which will be held July 3-5, 2014 at the Campbell House in Lexington, Kentucky. There are seven beautiful gardens to tour: Thoroughbred Daylilies, Daylily World, Hickory Springs of Montgomery, and the personal gardens of Greg and Elizabeth Trotter, Debbie Monbeck, Linda Donald, and Rich Rosen. Dan Hansen and David Kirchoff

are the featured speakers. More information and the registration form are on the club website at <http://www.daylilyfans.com/bghs/info/Region%2010%20Summer%20Meeting/>. There will be more in the next issue of the AHS Daylily Journal and in the Daylily Appeal. Please make your plans to attend. Registration is limited to 150.

In early February, several of our members attended this year's Mid-Winter Symposium in Nashville and came back with glowing reports. Elizabeth Trotter presented a PowerPoint program highlighting all the gardens on tour for the Regional and invited everyone to attend.

For our February club meeting, we were treated to the first look at Annette Rice's new program featuring her introductions. Her presentation combined her beautiful daylilies with the beauty of nature. She and John have a truly solid, well-thought-out hybridizing program that seeks to advance the hardiness and form of the daylily, as well as their attractiveness. We are lucky to have them in our club.

## Daylily Society of Louisville By Richard Porter - Louisville, KY

*President: Chris Schardein*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President: Claudia Wolff*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President: Don Wolff*  
*Treasurer: Bev Crittenden*  
*Recording Secretary: Helen Porter*  
*Corresponding Secretary: Richard Porter*

Looking back to last Fall, hybridizer Bill Gdaniec presented his program at our October meeting. November was our combined Thanksgiving Christmas holiday celebration. This enjoyably ended the year with a Bar-B-Que buffet.

Starting off 2014, Brenda Macy gave a great program on last year's national AHS Convention and Garden



MTDS Members Jack Alexander and Sandra Merritt with DSL Member Chris Shardein

Tours. We are pleased that active DSL members Bill and Chris Schardein were presented the Region 10 Service Award from AHS at the same Convention.

Members are looking forward to our Annual Show at Mid-City Mall in June. Many of us are planning to go to Lexington, KY, for the Summer Meeting in July; and a few of us are registered for the Asheville, NC., National (now full). DSL is co-hosting the AHS National in 2016, so many volunteers are doing serious planning to make it fun. Happy Growing.

## Kentucky Daylily Fans

By Laura Teague - Madisonville, KY

*President: Laura Teague*  
*Vice President: Julie Robichaud*  
*Secretary: Kim Harrison*  
*Treasurer: Michele Coleman*  
*Program Chair: Lori Frasier*

The Kentucky Daylily Fans club, like everybody else in the region, has been battling the weather. We had to cancel the first two meetings of the year, and



Melanie Mason with KY Daylily Fan Members Julie Robichaud and Laura Teague

finally managed to get together for our March meeting, although one member's driveway was still too slick to venture out. We began planning for the year, and hope to take a couple of trips and invite our first speaker to the club in the fall. Other plans for the year include a daylily sale at our Master Gardeners' Lawn and Garden Fair on April 26. We also plan to make use of some of the free Power Points on the AHS website. Our officers are Laura Teague, president; Julie Robichaud, vice-president; Kim Harrison, secretary; Michele Coleman, treasurer; and Lori Frasier, entertainment chair. We have a new website - <http://daylilyfans.com/kentuckydaylilyfans>. If anyone knows of a daylily enthusiast in western Kentucky who would like to join a club, please tell him/her to e-mail

[laurahteague@gmail.com](mailto:laurahteague@gmail.com)

## Louisville Area Daylily Society

*President: Michael Stephens*  
*Vice President: Ellen Carrithers*  
*Vice President: Karen Sidebottom*  
*Secretary: Mary Jane Beale*  
*Treasurer: Andrea King*  
*Newsletter: Susan Holt*



LADS Members Ellen Carrithers, Michael Stephens, and Karen Sidebottom with BGHS Member Greg Trotter

## Memphis Area Daylily Society

*President: Pat Bevill*  
*Vice President: Janice Wood*  
*Secretary: Paula Lasday*  
*Treasurer: Bettye Huckaby*



MADS Member Janice Wood with J.R. Blanton and Nikki Schmith



## Middle Tennessee Daylily Society

By Kate Patrick- Murfreesboro, TN

*1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Penny Warren*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Elynn Wilbur*

*Recording Secretary: David Wilbur*

*Corresponding Secretary: Linda Hassler*

*Treasurer: Sandra Merritt*

*Historian: Jay Turman*

*CAP Program Chairperson: Pam Fote*

*Parliamentarian: Jack Alexander*

Our September MTDS club meeting featured our annual plant swap and potting party held in the garden of Jack Alexander and Bud Coltharp out in Leipers Fork. We had a great turn-out, potting up a seemingly unending supply of fans for the Spring Lawn



MTDS Members Jay and Peggy Turman with BGHS Member Mort Morss

and Garden Show. The weather was a perfect fall day with cool, crisp air and a cloudless sky overhead. We enjoyed picnicking on the porch of the old barn afterward, food being an important element of most all our gatherings!

In October we had the pleasure of hosting none other than hybridizer Paul Owen who tired us out just telling us the story of his life. That guy has more energy than the Energizer Bunny! We got a look at his plans for garden improvements for the upcoming 2014 National Convention which include not only his beautiful daylilies but some really awesome perennials. As Paul would say, "Whoohoo!!" It's gonna be a great convention this year! Paul offered some of his intros for auction so it was a great opportunity to get a good plant and support the club as well.

Our Christmas Party meeting had to be postponed until January due to inclement weather but we got a good turnout at the Connell United Methodist Church on a Saturday morning for lunch and a brief meeting. February rolled around quickly and our next meeting at the Belle Meade Methodist Church was also held on a Saturday morning which members seemed to appreciate. We enjoyed Jay Turman's presentation of new intros and futures which had been submitted for show at the Mid-Winter Symposium. We saw some beautiful and interesting blooms from many different hybridizers that just whetted our appetites for next

summer.

Currently we are preparing for the up-coming Nashville Lawn and Garden Show where we have the opportunity to spread the word about our favorite perennial and hopefully sell ALL the plants we potted last fall to an eager public. This is certainly one way to introduce others to the joy of having hemerocallis in the garden and I know it was a big clump of POINT OF VIEW purchased at this very sale that galvanized me to join MTDS and expand the number of daylilies in my garden.

We are also looking forward to hosting hybridizer Mark Carpenter at the Ellington Agricultural Center on Saturday, March 22nd although the meeting time has been changed to the afternoon at 4:30 pm with a potluck supper to follow. Come one, come all!

## TN Valley Daylily Society

By Karen Newman - Delano, TN

*President: Jane Dixon*

*1st Vice President: Lee Pickles*

*2nd Vice President: Joan Trundle*

*Treasurer: Libby Hickman*

*Secretary/Reporter: Karen Newman*

The second half of 2013 began on August 10th with a luncheon meeting at the Rib and Loin in Hixson, TN. We were honored to have Doris and David Bishop as guests (from the Cartersville, GA club) and two new members (Tucker Gaby and Krys Alimurka). Our guest speaker was David Kirchhoff of Daylily World who presented a very interesting program on "Diploids: The Early Years" ... which led into tetraploids toward the end of the program. With nearly fifty years of breeding daylilies, David has run into almost any situation you can imagine and has a solution for most of the problems encountered during that time. David brought daylilies to auction... which were snapped up in a very short time by anxious bidders. Always generous, David donated 25% of the



TVDS Members Tucker Gaby and Todd Gaby

proceeds of the auction to TVDS, for which we are very grateful. The youth members of the club lined the plants up in alphabetical order (to coincide with the PowerPoint slides) and they graciously helped to distribute auction plants as winning bids were announced.

Our October meeting was also held at the Rib and

Loin in Hixson. We had another youngster join at this meeting (Natalie Ohlsson)...which brings our total to six youth members. We are so proud to see these young people getting active in the club and learning about our favorite flower! Several of our members are interested in planting and maintaining daylilies at key locations such as the Chattanooga Area Food Bank, the Fire Hall and the Chattanooga Library. The beds would also include a sign promoting AHS and our local club. Our October speaker was Lee Pickles. Since our club is beginning to have more and more youth members, Lee changed his program to one focusing on the basics of hybridizing. The program finished by Lee showing his 2014 Introductions—probably the most diverse selection Lee has ever had. It was an excellent program! As usual, the auction plants were snapped up in a very short time. Lee donated 25% of the auction proceeds to the club... and he donated a pot of his 'ROCKETS BURSTING IN AIR' (Pickles, 2011) to each of the four Youth members present. It was a fine program and a generous donation to TVDS.

Our December meeting was a covered dish luncheon at the home of Rick and Joy Saputa atop Signal Mountain, TN. This was the second year in a row for Rick and Joy to host our Christmas luncheon. Twenty five members were able to attend and the food and fellowship were grand! It was a cold and rainy day, but the Christmas spirit was present, the home was beautifully decorated for the season and the smells from the kitchen exceeded that of a Five Star Restaurant. What a grand setting to visit with each other, review the year's activities and plan the New Year ahead. We've planned our work. Now all we have to do is work our plan!

### Tri-Cities Daylily Society

By Rebecca Hall - Kingsport, TN

*President: Susan Okrasinski*  
*Co-Vice Presidents: Jean and Sharon Fleisher*  
*Treasurer: Dennis Hall*  
*Secretary: Rebecca Hall*  
*Speaker Liaison: Chris Massengil*  
*New Member Chairman: Dennis Marshall*  
*Webmaster: John Wagner*

Our new president, Susan Okrasinski, hosted the new officers of the Tri-Cities Daylily society in her home in February to discuss activities for the upcoming year. As you can see above, we have extended our officer slate to include some new positions. We are excited to have these daylily enthusiasts on board to assist in promoting our favorite perennial, the AHS, Region 10, and the TCDS.

Our first meeting will be held at the Kingsport Public Library on March 15, with our own talented photographer Bob Hale presenting a program on wildflowers and daylilies from the last five years. This program should whet our appetite for spring and the soon-to-follow daylily season.

We will continue to meet at the library for our April and May programs. The April meeting will consist of a photo

presentation and plant auction. At the May meeting, new member, Rachel Steidl, will share information about her hybridizing program.

Members are enthusiastically looking forward to June and July. Plans have been made by some to attend the AHS National Convention, June 26-28, in nearby Asheville, NC, 'The Land of the Sky. The following weekend we will be celebrating the Fourth of July with



*TCDS Member Rebecca Hall*

our daylily friends in Lexington, KY, at the Region 10 Summer Meeting. If the bloom season cooperates, we hope to have a local garden tour and visit our club members' gardens in mid-June. Summer will be winding down as we meet at Bays Mountain Park for our August auction and picnic.

The TCDS meetings are open to everyone. We would love to have you visit.

### West TN Daylily Society

By Carol Sims - Jackson, TN

*President - Lorene Crone*  
*1st Vice President - Phillip Sims*  
*2nd Vice President - Jimmy Jordan*  
*Treasurer - Louis Crawford*  
*Corresponding Secretary - Carol Sims*  
*Historian - Mary Wray*



*BGHS Member Mary Ann Duncan and WTDS Member Lorene Crone*





H. 'Pam Tillis' (Morss., 2014)(Photo by David Kirchoff)

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