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Inside: AHS Award winners from Region 4!

Region 4 Photo contest results



Hemerocallis 'Rose F. Kennedy' (Doorakian, G. 2007)

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2015 AHS Region 4 Award Winners



Honorable Mention

H. 'Elsie Stelter' (Stelter, G. 2010)



Don C. Stevens Award

H. 'Sun Panda' (Culver, B. 2009)



**Early Bloom
Season Award**
H. 'Itsy Bitsy Spider'
(Bishop, H. 1990)
Photo: Linda
Kozlowski



Regional Awards:



Stanley Saxton Seedling Award

Charlie Zettek
photo by Cheryl Fox

Photos taken by the
hybridizers unless
otherwise noted.

Nesmith Clump Award
'Lord Trickster' (Culver, B. 2005)
in the CT garden of Cheryl Fox
photo by Melodye Campbell

Newsletter Award winners from Region 4

Best Article About Hybridizing:

Daniel Lippé, Québec, "New Members Corner", Spring 2014

Born in Montreal, I now live near Québec City with my wife Renée Thibault. We started collecting daylilies ten years ago, and our collection grew and grew until we needed a larger garden. Now we have a garden of over 850 cultivars in St-Édouard de Lotbinière. Renée and I joined the AHS in 2013 and we have since become AHS garden judges.



Editorial Special Award:

Cheryl Taylor, Ontario, "Ten Rules for Garden Owners", Spring 2014

Cheryl M. Taylor, and husband Murray Brunskill, have been members of the Ontario Daylily Society since fall 1997 and members of the American Hemerocallis Society since 1998. They are daylily collectors with 1000 daylilies of all sizes, shapes, and colours in their urban garden in Mississauga, Ontario. Both are AHS Garden Judges. Cheryl has been published in various daylily publications across North America.



Best Scientific Article:

Roland R. Tremblay, Québec, "Daylilies As Plant Models: Why not ?" Fall 2014

Having graduated from Laval University, Québec, and from Johns Hopkins, Baltimore (Philosophy, Sciences, Anthropology and Endocrinology), my career was dedicated over the last 45 years to understanding the intricate links between molecular and hormonal disorders in humans. Twenty years ago, I became a daylily addict and I am actually conducting proteomic experiments focusing on the interactions between the stigmatic proteins and the pollen grains of fertile or infertile daylilies.



Best Article About Cultivars:

Nick Chase, Massachusetts, "September Blooms", Fall 2014

Nick Chase has been growing and hybridizing daylilies since the early 1990s. Because he has a "mad scientist" gene, he decided to concentrate his hybridizing in an area where only fools would dare to tread - creating "natural" tetraploids (no conversions from diploids in their ancestry), beginning with the triploid species *H. fulva* 'Europa' and *H.* 'Ed Murray', which has polyploid pollen. He also takes lots of pictures, many more of daylilies than of people, because flowers are picturesque (even in September), and some people are not.

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- Reports on Region 4 club news and events
- Articles on daylilies
- Garden write ups
- Non-commercial profiles on Region 4 hybridizers

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If you have inquiries regarding submissions, articles, photos or corrections, please email the Region 4 Newsletter Editor at akgabriel22@comcast.net or call 781-245-7551.

On the cover:
Winner, Region 4 Photo Contest, Artistic category- *Hemerocallis* 'Rose F. Kennedy'
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Photo by John Stahl

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AHS Region 4 Officer Reports

Director's Report - Melodye Campbell

News from the AHS Boardroom . . .

The AHS Board of Directors met at the National Convention in Atlanta, GA. The great news is the Directors approved the society's first balanced budget in 15 years for 2016! But, the balanced budget is dependent upon the success of the 2015 Matching Campaign. Due to the generosity of two AHS Board members, who each have donated \$10,000, the AHS again this year has a wonderful opportunity to receive Matching Funds at a 2:1 ratio for all donations up to \$10,000. At the Region 4 summer meeting I asked the attendees to consider supporting this Matching Funds campaign, and guess what? We raised \$630 which means \$630 for the Endowment Fund and \$1260 for the General Fund. Thank you to all who contributed, you will be recognized in a future *Daylily Journal* and you will be receiving thank you notes from our Endowments Chair, Kathleen Schloeder. She can be contacted at endowments@daylilies.org.

Club presidents, if your club has a high number of AHS members, I encourage you to participate in the AHS Member Recognition Program. To participate, just e-mail your club rosters to the AHS membership chair (membership@daylilies.org). All clubs that participate in the program with a status of Platinum (100% AHS members) or Gold (90% AHS members) are entered into a raffle to win \$500 towards their club's spring 2016 plant order. The winning club will be drawn at the Fall Board meeting. **Congratulations to the Long Island Daylily Society for 100% AHS membership and for being the winning club!**

The Fall Board Meeting took place on November 7th and I have more exciting news:

- The AHS is now taking orders for Dr. Scott Elliott's new book on doubles. Delivery to our Publications Services Manager is anticipated to be mid-December. You will definitely want to add this book to your library! Read all the details and place your orders here: <https://daylilies.site-ym.com/store/ListProducts.aspx?-catid=107133>

- The AHS Board has hired Elizabeth Trotter from KY as the new registrar to succeed Kevin Walek, who is retiring. Keep sending registrations to the current

registrar UNTIL you see the new name switched over on the database page of the AHS website. Elizabeth will train with Kevin and there will be some transition time as computers are loaded and the switch is made. This switchover is anticipated to be around December 1. Elizabeth is highly qualified, went through an extensive interview process, and will represent AHS well.

- Registration information for the 2016 National Convention in Louisville, KY is up on the AHS website, <http://ahs2016convention.org/>.

- The 2015 cultivar awards were announced at the Fall Board meeting. Gil Stelter won an Honorable Mention for 'Elsie Stelter,' Harry Bishop's 'Itsy Bitsy Spider' won the Early Season Bloom award and Bryan Culver won the Don C. Stevens award for 'Sun Panda.' Congratulations! We are so proud!

Have a wonderful fall and winter. Hope to see you at some of the winter meetings!

Me!

Regional President's Message - Kim Walters

Another year has come and gone. Hopefully this winter will be milder than last winter.

A huge thank you to the Connecticut Daylily Society for hosting our peak bloom regional this year. The gardens were wonderful and the hospitality outstanding... I'm looking forward to next summer's peak bloom regional hosted by NEDS. And if you are looking to start the daylily season early – there is always the Can-Am Classic in April.

As my term comes to an end, I would like to thank everyone who has helped me so much over these past 4 years. All my officers have done a wonderful job and have my heartfelt thanks, in particular both Adele Keohan, who has been a great friend and daylily buddy and Gary Jones who got me started down this path.

And a warm welcome to our incoming Regional President, Pat Wessling. I know you will have as much fun as I have had.

--Kim

Regional Publicity Director's Message- Dave Mussar

Well bloom season may be over but is daylily season ever over? For myself I know

I'll be pulling weeds, spreading mulch and doing a variety of things outdoors until the ground freezes or snow comes, whichever comes first. I am grateful that old man winter is still holding off and am cheering for a possible El Nino mild winter. After the last couple of exceptionally cold winters, I think we deserve better!

For those of us who are daylily addicts (and isn't that most of us!) there really isn't a daylily off-season. Bloom may be over and unlike me your gardens may be cleaned up but there are lots of other daylily things to do over the winter months. Hybridizers have seeds to store, count and catalog; seedlings to start under lights or in a greenhouse. Others may be perusing auction sites in search of new genetics or elusive plants to fill that special space in the garden. Websites are being updated, catalogs arriving in the mail and announcements of 2016 introductions seem to come out daily. I'm finding myself long on drool and short on change not to mention space in the garden! It is the season of list making and dropping hints to Santa to ensure that a gift certificate for that special cultivar is in your stocking on Christmas Day. It goes without saying that we have all been good girls and boys this year, right?

Surely I'm not the only person with hundreds of photos to download, label, file and save. Notice how many seem to be missing a following shot of the marker so you can remember what the name was. Do you faintly recall saying "oh, I'll remember this one". There is also the frustration of searching for a picture you know you have..... somewhere!

Many members get their daily daylily fix in one of the dozens of FaceBook groups sharing images, asking questions and generally discussing all kinds of issues and plants. There is even a page and a discussion group for Region 4 members only. Let me know if you would like to be invited to join. There are daylily discussion forums in All Things Plants and many other on-line sites. I'd be remiss in not mentioning the AHS Robin that daily delivers news, questions and comments amongst AHS members. There is the AHS Journal and of course this great newsletter to help you through those winter nights by the fireplace.

This is also the season to make some travel plans and mark your calendars for upcoming events. The AHS National will be Daylilies in the Bluegrass in Louisville KY, June 29th through to July 2nd, 2016. The Region

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4 Regional Convention will be July 22nd – 24th in Nashua, NH and I look forward to being there. The 20th annual Can-Am Classic will be the weekend of April 29th – 30th and it is sure to be a “classic”! Many clubs have more frequent meetings during the “off-season” as it is easier to pull the gardener out of the garden at this time of year too. So there is plenty of opportunity to get out, meet new people, see new gardens (virtually) and to find ways to get your daylily fix, without getting your hands dirty. I hope our paths cross soon!

Regards,
Dave

Editor's Message - Adele Keohan

I would like to welcome the following members to the AHS and Region 4 in 2015:

Connecticut

HOLDSWORTH KATHLEEN, MILFORD
GEORGE AND RUTHANN McTYRE, NEW HAVEN
EWA WAYLAND, AVON

Massachusetts

ELAINE AND PAUL BALLIO, WESTFORD
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MELISSA SMITH, OXFORD
JOHN ALLEN TANNER, WEST YARMOUTH
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CHARLES WALLACE, PORTLAND

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REAL AND LESLEY FALLU, GOFFSTOWN
CHRISSY MORELL, NEW DURHAM
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DAVID HULL, COVENTRY

Vermont

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AMANDA LEGARE, MARSHFIELD
JAN SHERMAN, LEICESTER

Thanks to everyone who contributed photos, articles and information to the newsletter.

Please take time to look through this issue; you will find important information and interesting articles within.

Congratulations to Region 4 members who won national and regional awards this year. Please see pages 2-3 to see some of the winning daylilies and newsletter award winners.

Congratulations also to George Door-

akian; his 'Rose F. Kennedy' [below, photo by John Stahl] came in as runner up for the Stout Silver Medal in its first year of



eligibility. The votes of AHS Garden Judges determine the cultivars that win Award of Merit, Honorable Mention and Stout Medal awards. If you are interested in becoming a garden judge, you can take both garden judge workshops (1 and 2) at the 2016 Regional in NH. You will find a registration form for the regional meeting in this issue. Here is the web address for the 2016 Region 4 meeting where you can find details as they become available [Thanks to Marlene Harmon, 2016 Regional Co-chair for setting up the website]:

<http://www.nedaylily.org/2016AHSreg4.html>

Hope to see you at the 2016 Region 4 Peak Bloom meeting in New Hampshire!

--Adele

Upcoming AHS Regional and National Events in 2016

Visit <http://ontariodaylily.on.ca/> for details and registrations information on the 20th Annual Can-Am Classic, hosted by the Ontario Daylily Society.

The Region 4 Summer Meeting, July 22-24, 2016

hosted by the New England Daylily Society. Visit www.nedaylily.org or <http://www.nedaylily.org/2016AHS-reg4.html> for details

For details and registration information on the 2016 AHS National Convention in Kentucky, visit <http://ahs2016convention.org/>

AHS Region 4 Service Award- Dave Mussar, Ontario



Above, Dave Mussar with Region 4 Director Melodye Campbell, who presented him with this award.

Congratulations to Dave Mussar, who was presented with the AHS Region 4 Service Award at the National Convention held June 11-13, 2015, in Atlanta, Georgia.

In 1974, the AHS Board established this award for outstanding service to AHS at the regional level. An equivalent award, the International Service Award, may be awarded to an international member. Only one AHS Regional Service Award may be awarded per region per year at the Annual National Convention.

The following is the nomination letter submitted by Gary Jones:

Anyone who has chaired a Regional Meeting, or equivalent daylily event, can well understand why we applaud those who have undertaken this challenge. Region 4 would like to recognize in the year 2015 an individual who will be chairing his tenth such event in 2015. Let me explain.

David Mussar joined the ODS Daylily Society and the American Hemerocallis Society in 2001. Only four years would pass before David would assume the presidency of the Ontario Daylily Society, a position he would hold for six years. Along with becoming the ODS President came the responsibility of chairing of the ODS Can-Am Classic. This year David is serving as Chair of the ODS Can-Am Classic for his tenth year. The event enjoys a continuing popularity with attendees from all over AHS Regions 2 and 4, and beyond. A day-long event for locals, and a weekend event for travelers, the ODS-Can-Am Classic is the must-attend event in early May of every year.

David has passed the ODS Presidency hat but still wears the hat of the Can-Am Chair. He has attracted a long list of speakers from all over the United States and Canada to the delight of attendees during the 'featured speaker' style program of the Can-Am. David has reached out to hybridizers and speakers presenting a cross section of hybridizing talent and garden acumen. An invite to speak at the ODS Can-Am Classic is a prized invitation for those who enjoy presenting.

While this nominator was serving as the Region 4 President, the American Hemerocallis Society upped its encouragement that all regions hold not one but two regional meetings annually. I naturally asked David to add a 'Regional Meeting' to the program. He was most willing to accommodate this request, but it may not have been his expectation that this would become a recurring plan! However, this arrangement has become

a win-win scenario for both the Can-Am and Region 4, and David continues as the most accommodating host.

But there is more. The Ontario Daylily Society also holds a Fall Meeting called the ODS Fall Classic, a one-day program with speakers, similar in schedule to Spring Meeting but also including a club Annual Meeting. David's expertise is again called into action. So make that twenty events he has chaired!

Over the years David put together a historical presentation on hybridizer Brother Charles, he interviewed Roy Klehm for a Newsletter article, and has served as a speaker at daylily events. Ontario hosted their first ever Region 4 Summer Regional Meeting in 2004, and David graciously opened his garden for visitors. When Ontario hosted their second regional in 2011, David's garden was a Tour Garden, despite only a few months residency in his new home. His garden photography of regional tour gardens and regional events remains online.

David also accepted two new hats in recent years. He is currently serving as the Region 4 Publicity Director. Just last summer he became the first AHS Garden Judge Instructor in Ontario. He saw there was a need, made the effort to qualify, and has already taught several workshops. David's star may still be climbing as a Region 4 participant, hybridizer, officer, representative, chair, instructor, ambassador, mentor, enthusiast, and very good friend. His contributions to both the Ontario Daylily Society and Region 4 are already worthy of recognition. Thank you, David, for ten great Can-Am Classics (and all the rest)!

Respectfully Submitted, Gary Jones

Stanley Saxton Seedling contest

There are still a few spots open for any additional Stanley Saxton Seedling contest plants for next summer's Regional. The rules for this contest can be found on the AHS Region 4 website at <http://www.ahs-region4.org/pages/saxton.html>. Plants would need to be received no later than 15 May 2016, and should be coordinated with Carl Harmon prior to shipping at 603- 880-6228 or harmonhill25@comcast.net.

Region 4 Service Award- Cheryl Fox, CT

Congratulations to Cheryl Fox who was awarded the 2015 Regional Service Award, club level.

The following is the nomination letter submitted by Gary Jones:

The Connecticut Daylily Society began as a summer supper in July of 1990 when a small gathering of daylily aficionados gathered at Debbie Schmidt's home in Avon, CT. Debbie was to become the club's first president. Cheryl Fox accepted the office of Secretary and Tina Cotter Treasurer. Today, twenty-five years later, Cheryl Fox is still, or rather, again, Secretary. During this entire twenty-five year span, Cheryl has served either as Secretary or as Treasurer, and, thus, has been a 25-year member of the CDS Board. As the writer of this nomination, I submit this may be a Region 4 club officer longevity record. And if this isn't enough for recognition, Cheryl has also served, formally or informally, as the Chair of the annual CDS Daylily Sale umpteen times, and also has served as Chair of the CT Daylily Society presence at the at the Connecticut Flower Show.

Furthermore, whenever the club has needed a location for a post-Daylily Sale Party, or an officer meeting, or a special club speaker soirée, Cheryl has always offered her home. She has hosted the annual CDS Summer Picnic on several occasions. She has offered her garden as an Open Garden for both club member touring, and for the 2015 Regional. Additionally, she has opened her garden for Garden Conservancy groups and other gardening organizations. And if more than two decades of sharing her home and garden with her daylily and gardening friends hasn't been enough, she graciously offered, not only to be a Tour Garden for the 2015 CDS Region 4 Regional, but with no arm-twisting at all, is hosting the Region 4 Regional Tour Garden Day Box Lunch in her garden. She is also serving as the CDS Region 4 Regional Registrar, and is hosting the 2015 Stanley Saxton Award Bed.



Above, Gary Jones and Cheryl Fox

It is with deep appreciation of Cheryl's twenty-five years of genuine good spirit, the dedication, the support, the camaraderie, the sharing, the giving, the hugs, the joie de vivre, that I submit the name of Cheryl Fox in nomination for the Region 4 Regional Service Award.

Respectfully Submitted, Gary Jones

Attention Hybridizers! Nominate one of your cultivar introductions for the Region 4 Hybridizer Award!

The nominating process for the Region 4 Hybridizer award is controlled by you, the hybridizer, much like the AHS Honorable Mention award. Every eligible hybridizer in Region 4 may submit the name of one of his/her registrations. In addition, the hybridizer should e-mail a photo of their submitted registration to the Chair of the Awards Committee. The ballot, along with photographs, will be published in the spring issue of *Daylilies in the Great Northeast* and on the Region 4 website. This will make our members aware of what they should be looking for as they visit gardens during the upcoming bloom season.

Official guidelines:

- Each hybridizer residing in Region 4 may nominate one of his/her cultivars in a given year. Eligible cultivars must have been hybridized in Region 4, be named and registered with the AHS and have been introduced by a

Region 4 hybridizer still residing or deceased while residing in Region 4.

- Nomination of a cultivar on behalf of a deceased Region 4 hybridizer may be made by the Awards Committee.
- The eligible cultivar must have been registered in the last ten years, including the year in which nominated. A cultivar may be re-nominated for up to three consecutive years. If a cultivar does not win within that period of time, it becomes ineligible in future years.
- Each hybridizer's nomination must be addressed to the Chair of the Region 4 Awards committee and be postmarked by January 15th of the calendar year in which the daylily will be judged.

Patricia Wessling, Chair Region 4 Awards
320 Mendall Rd
Acushnet, MA 02743

- A cultivar may win only once.
- The award will go to the hybridizer who shall then be ineligible to win again in the next three calendar years.
- Only Region 4 AHS members are eligible to vote and they may vote once

for a single cultivar on the ballot.

- As with the AHS Honorable Mention Awards, AHS members may 'write in' a vote for a cultivar provided it meets all the other eligibility criteria.
- Ballots shall be published in the spring issue of *Daylilies in the Great Northeast* prior to the summer in which the judging will take place. An electronic ballot will also be posted on the Region 4 website.
- Completed ballots must be postmarked or e-mailed by September 1st. All ballots will be mailed/e-mailed to the RPD.
- Announcement of the winning cultivar will be made on the Region 4 website. A photograph of both the cultivar and its hybridizer will appear in the next issue of *Daylilies in the Great Northeast*.

The award shall be presented at the following Regional summer meeting and shall consist of an engraved plate or plaque containing the name of the cultivar, its registration date and the name of its hybridizer.



2015 Electronic Media Award Honoree: Charlotte Chamitoff, Québec

Editor's Note: Charlotte Chamitoff was awarded the first AHS Electronic Media award at this year's national convention

for her excellent website, Charlotte's Daylily Diary. Although Charlotte joined the AHS in 1996, she had been promoting day-lilies years before with her first foray into designing a website during the 1980's. I asked Charlotte to write about the origins of her Daylily Diary as well as the Garden of the Week profiles that have allowed us to view gardens and "meet" gardeners around the world.

In the late 80's when I brought a computer into the house, my husband's reaction was "what on earth will you do with that" and in order to justify my rather expensive acquisition I told him I was going to write a cookbook! Because he was a man who loved his food, that went down well as he envisioned being my critic and taster. But that hobby fizzled out in the first year and, truly, I was no Julia Child!

There was no internet connection in my neck of the woods until much later than most. In the meantime from 1981 to 1985, I took introductory adult education courses in DOS, WordPerfect, Lotus 1-2-3 and Aston Tate's Dbase; all old hat compared to today's top office programs but a good basis. I enjoyed the courses immensely and became addicted to this new technology. My very first online experience was with a local Bulletin Board Service and later in the 90s I was magically hooked up to the world wide web of wonders and I didn't care how very slow my dial-up connection was. It blew me away-- I was fascinated and busy exploring the challenges it offered.

I signed up for an online course at a place called Virtual University as I was told it was an excellent learning forum and free to boot. They are still operating but not free (vu.org). My first course was HTML (webpage code) for beginners. The class was divided into groups and for our exam my group decided to create a magazine, with each contributing an article. My article was Charlotte's Daylily Diary. I laugh to think of those meager beginnings, so tacky and poorly designed, but of course at the time I felt I had invented the light bulb! My group included a man from Sweden, a kindergarten teacher from USA, even a girl from Japan, and more. We would all IRC (internet relay chat) with our keyboards together at a set time to solve problems. I chose to fit into any time slot since I wasn't working like the others. It was often a middle of the night affair and we laughed and worked and put out a terrific magazine



completing our HTML course with flying colors - all of us looking forward to learning more. The Daylily Diary has been a work in progress ever since. I have to thank my viewers for their helpful suggestions over the years. Many lasting friendships have been made on the net. For me, personally, it's become a way of life. For many of us morning coffee and emails start our day!

The Daylily Diary and Hybridizer's Corner pages are my main focus and I have been in contact with each and every person I'm linking to, requesting permission to have them on my webpage. It's been imperative to ask them to let me know when they significantly update their webpages so I can highlight them in the future for viewers. Over the years that practice has served me well. After all the years of asking, even some outside web writers contact me now regarding updates, which is very rewarding. It's a huge help, as I cannot obviously check all the links every month. I don't like dead links and run a link checking software on a regular basis. Links on the Daylily Diary number about 600 and on the Hybridizer's Corner they are approximately 350 but it's always changing. It is incredible how those two pages have grown.

The Garden Of The Week started back in 2006. A sincere thank you to Betsy Thompson of New York, an accomplished photographer, for her help as she contributed not one but four wonderful entries to share that first winter. I will always be indebted to her for getting that feature off the ground. In more recent years, Chris Petersen and Charlie Harper have also shared fabulous multiple entries.

2015 Electronic Media Award Honoree: Charlotte Chamitoff, Québec

I thank everyone who took part. Winter of 2015 will start year ten and I'll be on the edge of my chair getting organized after Labor Day, hoping for a successful year.

Ken Cobb our AHS Archivist has requested copies of all the series (which I'm still working on). Of course I obtain permission before including them on submitted DVDs.

Huge thanks to Tim Fehr who introduced me to Dreamweaver and also for his help sharing Adobe Photoshop tutorials. Both programs are so incredible. I feel I'm just scratching the surface of both with lots yet to learn. Lucky for me winters are long!

I started an AHS Club page (listed on the Daylily Diary) mainly to link to "newsletters" and for people to easily see what clubs are in their area. Although all the club information is on the Official AHS Webpage, my focus is the newsletters, as I think they make great reading! Newsletter photos as well as articles bring the clubs to life. I don't feel that the site is used much, unfortunately, but I will stick with it and try to improve it

The only AHS National I attended was in 2002 in Boston and I had a fabulous time. I went with a dear friend, the one who introduced me to daylilies when I was in Vermont. We enjoyed trips to Lewis and Nancy Hill's "Vermont Daylilies" (authors of many books including Daylilies The Perfect Perennial) and that was when this somewhat obsessive daylily addiction started! Sunny afternoons walking row after row of daylilies with clipboard in hand taking notes. By the time Joan and I got to the end we had chosen far too many daylily favorites to buy and would have to start all over again. I laugh recalling how inexpensive those mini clumps were! Anything over ten dollars was considered extravagant!

My personal collection of daylilies remains to be no more than 350 as I do love other perennials as well and am running out of space. Now that I'm nearing 76 I'm no longer able to expand. Every Fall I mark daylilies that are ready to go and fill those empty spaces in the Spring with new arrivals. If I'm lonesome for the oldies they are in the neighborhood. Some that I part with are excellent performers but I've enjoyed them long enough. I think much of the excitement with daylilies is the anticipation of seeing new blooms for the very first time. A new show every day. It doesn't get much better!

What a surprise it was to win the very first AHS Electronic Media Award in 2015. I feel I must thank everyone who helped make this possible and so many who supported me and became loyal viewers to the Daylily Diary and Hybridizer's Corner and to all those who contributed to the Garden Of The Week feature. Without you all, this award never would have happened. I have so often referred to my Daylily Diary as a hobby gone amuck. Since my husband died in 1999, the work has filled in many quiet hours and has become extremely rewarding. It's great to be "connected" and gardeners are the best!

The INTERNATIONAL GARDEN OF THE WEEK history:

Series 1 - 9 = 146 gardens total

Series One 2006 - 2007 (15 participants):

Louise Taylor, Michigan
Betsy Thompson, New York
Susan Shaw, Maine
In memory of Sally Millman Taft, New York (by Betsy Thompson)
Daniel Matton, Québec
Sandy and Doug Veurink, Michigan
Leila and Harold Cross, Vermont
Tom Maddox, Mississippi
Francis Verhaert, Belgium
Jim Healey, New York (submitted by Betsy Thompson)
Melanie Vassallo, New York
Berkshire Botanical Garden, Massachusetts (Betsy Thompson)
Barbara White, Ontario
Nan Ripley, Iowa
Harriet Mooradian, New York (submitted by Betsy Thompson)

Series Two 2007 - 2008 (16 participants):

Karol Emmerich, Minnesota
Lanny Morry, Ontario
Amanda McMahan, Michigan
Stefano Peroni, Italy
Mike and Lynn Lewis, Illinois
Betsy Thompson, New York
Ulrike Bluemlinger, Austria
Julie Covington, Virginia
Pollie Maasz, England
Nymphaea Geod'Hondt, Belgium
Charmaine Rich, Vermont
Tony and Susie Thompson, Alabama
Elemer Barabits, Hungary
Susan Beck, England
Tracy Bastian, Pennsylvania
Betsy Thompson in England at BHHS Convention

Series Three 2008 - 2009 (16 participants):

Cathy Weber, England
Suzanne Johnston, British Columbia
Bobbie Brooks, Massachusetts
Gunter Waldorf, Germany
Lois Garrett, Texas
Chris Searle, England
Rich Hayes, New Jersey
Tee Money, Alabama
Nick Peirce, England
Geovanni Amadie, Italy
Marifrances Hiltz, Tennessee
Gerald Hobbs, Germany
Gil Stelter, Ontario
Carol Sims, Tennessee
Pam Erikson, British Columbia
Betsy Thompson, New York

Series Four 2009 - 2010 (16 participants):

Charlotte Lambert, Belgium
Elizabeth and Greg Trotter, Kentucky
Jutta and Gunther Exner, Germany
Jennis Sivyver, England

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Beth Creveling, Pennsylvania
Danny Bonnez, Belgium
Mirianne Joosten, Netherlands
Pauline Lavigne, Québec
John Benoit, Belgium
Ted Preuss, Mississippi
Grazyna Nogowska, Poland
Marlene and Carl Harmon, New Hampshire
Cindy Dye, North Carolina
Janet Blow, England
Linda Pinkham, Virginia
Charlie Harper, Ohio

Series Five 2010 - 2011 (16 participants):

Leon and Paula Payne, Texas
Gerda Brooker, Ohio
Don and Susan Church, Maine
Linda and Roger Kofstad, Minnesota
Paul Harris, England
Linda and Bill Gluck, North Carolina
Tangula and Wayne Unruh, North Dakota
Betty Fretz, Ontario
Jessie and Terah George, Alabama
Valerie Anderson, England
Charlie Harper, Ohio
Stuart and Diane Kendig, Pennsylvania
Mitch Buss, Scotland
Ellen Laprise, Massachusetts
Tom Bruce, South Carolina
Betsy Thompson, New York

Series Six 2011 - 2012 (16 participants):

Sue Bergeron, Ontario
Pam Hoffman, New York
Dan White, Illinois
Kathy Krattli, Missouri
Lyn and Tom Benbow, Australia
Tim Tassin, Louisiana
Nina Lapierre, Massachusetts
Liselotte Hirsbrunner, Switzerland
Margo Reed and Jim Murphy, Virginia
Kees Jan Kraan, Netherlands
Pat Larsen, Arkansas
Gayle Story, Illinois
Chris Petersen, New York
Duncan Skene, England
Susan Shaw, Maine
Charles Harper, Ohio

Series Seven 2012 - 2013 (17 participants):

Julie Covington, Virginia
Ron Reimer, Arkansas
Phil Korth, Wisconsin
Lori Ann Jones, Massachusetts
Rick Keith, Georgia

Randy Griffin, Michigan
Don Herr, Pennsylvania
Alun and Jill Whitehead, England
Bob Faulkner, Ohio
Melanie Mason, New York
Dave Mussar, Ontario
George Rasmussen (by Chris Petersen),
New York
Suzanne Patry, Ontario
Nancy Oakes, Prince Edward Island
Bill Waldrop, Georgia
Tim Fehr, Wisconsin
Bobbie Brooks, Massachusetts

Series Eight 2013 - 2014 (16 participants):

Charlie Harper, Ohio
Keith Brown and Moira Thomas, Wales
Charles and Heidi Douglas, South Carolina
Rex Beisel and Craig Cote, Maine
David Gehrs, New York
Nan Ripley, Iowa
Brian Reeder, Kentucky
Sue and Fred Briscoe, Maryland
Gail Korn, Nebraska
Darrel Apps, Wisconsin
Paul Aucoin, Alabama
Linda Sarine, Pennsylvania
Kathy Guest Shadrack, New York
Maureen Strong, Ontario
Paul Owen, North Carolina
Cynthia and Charles Lucius, Ohio

Series 9: currently online 2014-2015 (18 participants):

Tom and Carol Ramsden (by Chris Petersen),
New York
Mary Ann Van Berlo, Ontario
Anna Carlson, New York
Stephen and Janet Tooker, Massachusetts
Tom and Mary Keast, Iowa
Debbie Monbeck, Kentucky
Stefano Peroni, Italy
Bruce Kovach, Georgia
Brainard and Doreen Fitzgerald, Nova Scotia
Duane Therrien and Ed Zahler, South Carolina
Sandy and Mike Holmes, Ohio
Steve Horan, Minnesota
Guenole Savina, France
Marifrances Hiltz, Tennessee
Scott and Dominique Elliott, Georgia
Margaret and David Loynds, England
Darlyn Wilkinson, Massachusetts
Barbara and Nick White, Ontario



At Right:
Charlotte and Jake.



Region 4 - 2015 Popularity Poll

submitted by Dave Mussar

This year an even 100 members of Region 4 took the time to share their top 10 favourite performers by either voting on-line at the AHS website or by mailing in paper ballots. The 2015 ballot listed 97 cultivars that had all received 3 or more votes the prior year. Members also had the option of writing in up to 5 cultivars not listed on the ballot as part of their 10 vote total. In this way newer cultivars can make it to the ballot the following year as they become better distributed, established and grow in popularity. Every year new cultivars get added to the ballot and older ones drop off. A total of 971 votes were cast for 264 different cultivars this year.

Bryan Culver's 'Sun Panda' topped the Region 4 popularity poll for the second year in a row. Congratulations Bryan! 'Sun Panda' also won the 2015 AHS Don C. Stevens Award for the "best-eyed cultivar," attesting to its popularity elsewhere. The table below shows the top 25 ranked cultivars in the Region 4 poll (including ties) all of which received 10 or more votes. It should not be surprising that cultivars bred in Region 4 and Region 2 dominate the list, as we have a greater exposure to the work of these hybridizers and also share similar climate zones.

Next year, let's see if we can increase the number of voters within Region 4. One suggestion might be to have members cast their ballots on-line at a club meeting, picnic, or the Regional tour, providing somebody has internet access.



H. 'Sun Panda' (Culver, B. 2009) photo Adele Keohan

Rank	Cultivar	Votes
1	Sun Panda	31
2	Primal Scream	23
3	Neon Flamingo	22
4	Rose F. Kennedy	20
5	King George	19
5	Ruby Spider	19
7	Carnival in Mexico	18
7	Mabou	18
9	Webster's Pink Wonder	17
10	White Eyes Pink Dragon	16
11	Potala Tapestry	15
11	Rock Solid	15
13	Swallow Tail Kite	14
14	Barbara White	13
15	Emerald Starburst	12
16	Beautiful Edgings	11
16	Elsie Stelter	11
16	Heavenly Angel Ice	11
16	Her Best Bloomers	11
16	Jerry Hyatt	11
16	Joan Derifield	11
16	Red Volunteer	11
16	South Seas	11
16	Spirit Zone	11
25	Astral Voyager	10
25	Bali Watercolor	10
25	Heavenly United We Stand	10
25	Intelligent Design	10
25	Nancy Britz	10

2015 Daylily Exhibition Reports

The Secret Garden – 2015 LIDS Flower Show

by Joan Lundin, Show Chairperson and Joan Turano, Co-Chairperson

Photos by John Stahl

Have you ever wished you had discovered a secret garden, one from which to gather ideas and admire its unending beauty? One where you could wander aimlessly, soaking up the power of nature without interruption? During our fifth year working together on the LIDS Flower Show, we had the distinct pleasure of discovering a secret garden, one presented to us by disciplined, passionate lovers of daylilies. These daylily aficionados are our friends and colleagues, members of the Long Island Daylily Society, aka LIDS. LIDS members presented their treasures to us and to the public at our July 12, 2015 Flower Show. We are Joan Lundin, Chairperson and Joan Turano, Co-Chairperson, LIDS members responsible for organizing and presenting an accredited AHS Daylily Show as part of the Long Island Daylily Society's goal of educating public visitors about the beauty and merits of growing daylilies. Our show was held at Planting Fields Arboretum, a former Gold Coast estate in Oyster Bay, NY. The arboretum is comprised of 409 acres of greenhouses, rolling lawns, formal gardens, woodland paths, and outstanding plant collections. While visiting our flower show, members of the public are invited to stroll through the arboretum's resplendent grounds.

Our theme this year was, *The Secret Garden*. Titles for the Design Categories were: *Vintage Beauty*, *The Garden Key*, and *Hidden Pathways*.

Once again our show was a triumphant accomplishment. Our members supported our organization by signing up to work on a variety of committees and by bringing in many outstanding flowers for the show. The flowers this year were especially abundant, even though we had a harsh winter. Members brought in over 200 entries, nicely groomed and ready to be judged. Was it perhaps the deep snow pack that helped them get ready for bloom? Or, was it perhaps the inspiration of Robert Frost's poem, hinting at their beauty buried beneath the snow that helped us appreciate their boundless beauty?

*"Whose woods these are I think I know.
His house is in the village though;
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.
The woods are lovely dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep....."*

The daylily cultivars presented us promises of another unforgettable bloom season. LIDS members worked tirelessly to help us present another show that promised to transport the public to *The Secret Garden*.

Luanne Madden, the Judges Chair, recruited three judges from other Region 4 AHS Daylily Societies. Dan Pessoni and Mary Collier Fisher came from Massachusetts and Kate Reed

came from Rhode Island. Our local judges from LIDS were: Luanne Madden, Pamela Milliken, Christine Petersen, Dr. Robert Stanton, Douglas Raimondi, Gene Moglia, Robert Morgenweck, Barbara Bruce and Joan Turano. We deeply appreciate the time and work of the judges, especially those who traveled a long distance to help us with our endeavor. The twelve Design Division entries were judged by Marion Romeo, Norma Henricksen and Gail Berti. Many LIDS members worked diligently to make this a winning show!

We are already thinking about next year. Lists of ideas and changes to be made have been noted. Thinking well in advance is what makes a successful show. We look forward to next year and are excited about a new theme and new ideas.

The 2015 show winners were:

Best in Show: [right]

Hemerocallis 'Karen Newman',
Hybridizer – Couturier, G.
2006, Exhibitor– John Price



Best Extra Large Flower:

H. 'Carnival In Mexico',
Hybridizer – Santa Lucia 2000,
Exhibitor – John Price

Best Large Flower: [right]

'Desperado Love', Hybridizer –
Stamile 1994, Exhibitor – Angel
Byrnes



Best Small Flower:

'Mama's Hot Chocolate',
Hybridizer – Lewis-Nelson,
1987, Exhibitor – John Price

Best Miniature Flower:

[below]
'Cast a Spell', Hybridizer –
Stamile 2000, Exhibitor – Joan Lundin



Best Double, Muliform Double, or Polymerous:

'Double Donnie', Hybridizer
– Carpenter, J. 2000, Exhibitor –
Irene Bossert

Best Unusual Form:

'Karen Newman', Hybridizer
– Couturier, G. 2006, Exhibitor–
John Price [below, center, with
Luanne Madden and Joan Lundin]



Best Off Scape Individual Bloom:

'Grape Cupcake', Hybridizer- Herrington, T. 2002, Exhibitor – John Stahl

Sweepstakes: Rachel, David and Elliot Turkiew

Tri-Color Award: [below] Class A – Mass Design – Pat Sayers



Below: Joan Lundin, Luanne Madden and Pat Sayers, Tri-Color Award winner.



NEDS 2015 DAYLILY EXHIBITION
 submitted by Dan Pessoni, NEDS Exhibition Chair
 photos by Adele Keohan

July 25, 2015

On Saturday, July 25th, the New England Daylily Society held its Accredited Daylily Exhibition at Tower Hill Botanical Gardens in Boylston, MA. The Exhibition was attended by approximately 1,000 enthusiastic people; five became new AHS & NEDS members.

Judging was completed early, allowing the doors to open to the public a bit ahead of the scheduled time. This was accomplished with 13 judges, many who came from Long Island to help make our Exhibition a success. My sincere thanks to all:

Long Island judges:

- Joan-Ann Lundin
- Luanne Madden
- Pam Milliken
- Gene Moglia
- Christine Petersen
- Robert Stanton
- Joan Turano
- Elliot Turkiew
- Rachel Turkiew

New England judges:

- Nick Chase
- Sallyann King
- Dan Pessoni
- Katherine Reed

AHS Rosette Winners

Michael Sczerzen	Best in Show	'Spiral Charmer'
Cameron Stern	Best Extra Large	'Heatblast'
Susan Stowe	Best Large	'Hill Hollow Kate Stowe'
Michael Sczerzen	Best Small	'Reete Petite'
Mike Sczerzen	Best Spider	'Spiral Charmer'
Cameron Stern	Best Unusual Form	'Lightening Force'

Congratulations to Steve Greene for winning the Sweepstake Rosette (most blue ribbons – 20.)



Above: Best in Show and Best Spider, 'Spiral Charmer' (Dickson and Crandall); Michael Sczerzen with his winning scape.

Top 10 Award Winners

Member	Purple	Blue	Red	Yellow
Steve Green	5	20	2	-
Cameron Stern	10	15	2	1
Adele Keohan	-	14	4	1
Mike Sczerzen	5	10	5	-
Susan Stowe	2	10	1	-
Anna Wilken	1	7	2	-
Karin Cooke	-	4	4	-
Jean Doherty	-	3	4	1
Janet McOsker	-	3	4	-
Lucy Lindley	-	2	4	-

Exhibition Reports

The New England Daylily Society is hosting the Region 4 Regional Convention in Nashua, NH in July 2016, making it impossible for the society to sponsor next year's Exhibition. It gives me great pleasure to announce that, once again, the Patriot Daylily Society has volunteered to hold the 2016 Exhibition at Tower Hill. Their 2008 Exhibition was very successful, and I'm sure the 2016 show will continue that trend. Thank you, PDS.

And thanks again to everyone for another successful Exhibition. --Dan Pessoni

Right, Best Unusual Form: 'Lightening Force' (Gossard).



Left, Best Small: 'Reete Petite', (Bachman)

Below, Best Large: 'Hill Hollow Kate Stowe' (Stowe)



Left, Best Extra Large: 'Heatblast' (Gossard)

Below, the scapes are displayed first for judges and then for the viewing public.



2016 Region 4 Convention in NH

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July 22-24, 2016

Courtyard Marriott

2200 Southwood Drive

Nashua, New Hampshire

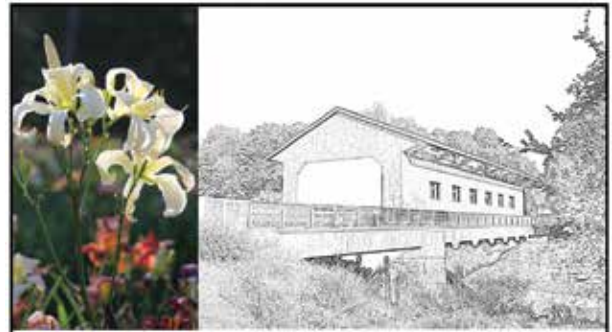
Featured Speakers:

Heidi and Charles Douglas

of Browns Ferry Gardens, South Carolina

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Print your names as you wish them to appear on badges. Indicate youth reservations with a "Y" after the name.



AHS Region 4 Summer Regional - July 22-24, 2016

Courtyard Marriott, Nashua, NH

Your Name: _____

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Special Needs? Please provide names & details:

Please circle if e-mail confirmation is acceptable to you: YES NO

Please check for any workshop you wish to attend:

Garden Judges Workshop I _____ Garden Judge Workshop II _____ Exhibition Judge Clinic I _____

(Note: the AHS \$5.00 Workshop fees will be collected at the time of the workshops.) Each person attending should obtain, study and bring a copy of the handbook, Judging Daylilies

Return registration form and check (Payable to: New England Daylily Society) to: Kim Walters, Registrar, 2016 Region 4 Regional Convention, 154 Main Street, Sandown, NH, 03873-2612

NUMBER AMOUNT

Earlybird Registration fee \$ 98.00 (postmarked by 6/17/2016) _____

Registration fee \$ 119.00 (postmarked after 6/17/2016) _____

Youth Registration fee \$ 50.00 (postmarked by 6/17/2016) _____

Youth registration fee will be paid for by Region 4 - if the youth member is also a member of AHS

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Pre-Registration is required. Registration received with incorrect payment will be returned.

Registration Fee includes motor coach bus tours of Convention gardens, lunch and banquet dinner on Saturday, and convention plant.

Cancellations received by 6/1/2016 will receive full refund. Partial refund (50%) paid after Convention, will be given for cancellations received by 7/1/2016. Sorry, no refunds will be made after 7/1/2016.

You are responsible for your hotel reservations. The Courtyard Marriott, 2200 Southwood Drive, Nashua, NH (603-880-9100), must receive your registration by 7/1/2016 to guarantee discount rate of \$99 (not including tax) - mention the New England Daylily Society. Rates are good for 3 days prior and 1 day following the convention.

2015 Regional- Garden Reviews

Peggy Corbeil's Garden

submitted by Melodye Campbell, NY
[photos by Mel Campbell unless otherwise specified]

Peggy's husband Roland passed away on November 18, 2015. Our deepest sympathies go out to Peggy and her family.

I first met Peggy and Roland Corbeil many years ago at Region 4 meeting hosted by CDS. A few years later I was



honored when she visited my garden, so it was a great privilege for me to finally get to visit *her* garden. Peggy [above, photo by Chris Petersen] and Roland live in the lovely town of Wilbraham, just over the Connecticut border into



Massachusetts. As our tour bus pulled into her street, there was no doubt about which was her house! Curving daylily beds surround the front of the house and meander into the back yard [above]. In the front, next to the driveway is a lovely semi circular garden filled with many different shades of pink phlox and white phlox. Her gardens are brimming with registered daylilies and

also thousands of her seedlings! Peggy has one introduction to date, 'Ann A. Santaniello', named after her mother. It was lovely to see this beautiful daylily in person! The flower is a pink lilac and mauve reverse bitone with a mauve eye and silver gold edge.

One of the outstanding daylilies we saw at Peggy's was a spectacular clump of Steve Moldovan's 'Vatican City' [right]. This oldie rarely has a bad day, and Peggy grew it to perfection.



Many folks also zeroed in on Bob Faulkner's 'Switched at Birth' [left, photo Chris Petersen] I've seen many photos of it, but they did not prepare me for this unusual red orange and gold bitone with a violet multi eye-zone. I really



love bitones so another standout for me was Jamie Gossard's 'Toucan Sam,' [above] a purple UF bitone with a bluish eye. Another outstanding clump was the late Ron Valente's 'Katahdin', a tall and stately purple with a darker purple eye and a vivid green throat.

We all appreciate Peggy's sharing her gardens with us.



[At left, one of Peggy's seedlings. photo, Chris Petersen]

The following garden reviews were submitted by Rebecca Nisley, CT

Knoll Cottage, the garden of Lori-Ann Jones

[photos by Chris Petersen unless otherwise specified]

For best dazzle per square foot, Lori Jones' Knoll Cottage Garden won hands down. Lori's lakeside garden is packed with incredibly colorful, big bold UF/spiders on tall scapes, mostly her own seedlings and registrations. Lori [below, center, with Mary Collier Fisher and



Melodye Campbell] has hybridized and registered around 50 cultivars, many tets under the 'Big Honking' ... and 'Whip City' ... names (For those of you who are puzzled by that last name, Whip City, that is the nickname of Lori's town, Westfield, MA). Most of the large clumps are actually her seedlings or introductions. Her favorite introductions to-date would be 'Whip City Slinky' and 'Big Honking Flaming Floozy' which she has nominated for AHS awards. Lori started growing daylilies in 1989 and Knoll Cottage was an AHS Display Garden from 1995–2002. She has written about and lectured on her hybridizing and growing efforts. For the tour, Lori had a violinist, great goodies, and an incredible view of Pequot Pond [below, photo Melodye Campbell]. Wow, what a show!



2015 Regional- Garden Reviews

Below, top to bottom: the backyard at Knoll Cottage; a shade garden; 'Whip City Hot Hot' (Jones, 2013); one of Lori's seedlings.



Terrace Hill Farm the garden of Cheryl Fox & Phil Douville

[photos by Chris Petersen unless otherwise specified]

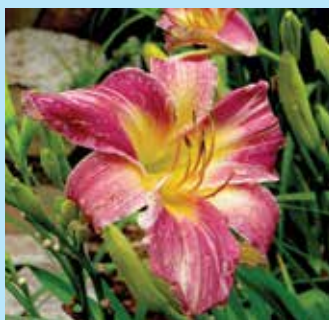
Cheryl's cute little 1870 farmhouse in Bloomfield, CT, has a great view of Talcott Ridge Mountain, part of the trap-rock ridges of central Connecticut. It was an old chicken farm, and the soil has to be great, because this garden is just full of big gorgeous, healthy plants---daylilies, perennials, sedum, clematis, conifers, and hostas--all in elegantly designed beds, with great stonework (that's Phil's doing). The new part of the garden, including the Stanley Saxton seedling bed, was enclosed in a handsome deer-proof fence. Cheryl began growing daylilies around 1988, and has served in many of the CDS offices; currently she is secretary and Phil is our treasurer.



CT Daylily, the garden of Rich Howard

[photos by Chris Petersen]

Rich's garden has about 1,700 daylily cultivars. CT daylily is a commercial mail-order nursery, and Rich is making a name for himself hybridizing toothy and patterned daylilies. He tracks all his cultivars via computer tracking systems and has advanced techniques for generating proliferations for rapid multiplication. Usually, there are about 5,000 seedlings in the ground at various stages of evaluation. Rich has had a 1,500 square foot greenhouse for about 10 years that he built from scratch. And, since he was ready and rarin' to sell, many visitors took away lots of pots of lovely daylilies. Oh what fun, eh?



Above, left to right: Rich Howard; Charlie Zettek and Faye Collins taking photos. Bottom, left to right: 'Yankee Pinstripes' (Howard, 2013); 'Binders of Women' (Howard, 2013).

2015 Region 4 Photo Contest

All original photo entry images, separated by category, were sent to each of the three photo contest judges. Each photo was identified only with a number. Each of the judges was asked to select a first, second and third place pick for each category. First, second and third place picks were awarded three, two and one points, respectively. A second round of votes to determine the winner of the single/multiple bloom category resulted in a tie. My thanks to all AHS Region 4 members who took the time to submit photos to this contest. On these three pages are the winning photos, runners up and comments from the judges.

Single/Multiple Bloom Category: First place TIE



**#23- 'Hurricane Bob'
(Schwarz, B. 2003)**

Photo by Carol Haj

#23-“Very, Very striking bloom. Very good color. Good background, and the blurred colors of the neighboring blooms add interest. The dark upper background and lighter lower background work together well to display this bloom.” --Ed Cunningham
“Good Composition and color.”
--Linda Keohan

#20-Lavallée seedling, future introduction.

Photo by Pierrette Lavallée

20-“This beautiful photograph makes me want to have this daylily in my garden. The angle the photographer chose is intriguing and includes other blossoms in various stages of opening. The observer doesn't quite have the whole story on the secondary blooms so attention is focused on the central flower, which is also in perfect visual focus. I love the delicate coloration of this cultivar against the dark, but bright green foliage, and the darkness of the void spaces behind and around this daylily. Nicely staged photo angle with a bonus winged visitor. Beautiful photograph.”
--Carol Brashear

Nice lines, good nice palette of gold, green, purple. Very fresh blooms & buds. Fly adds some interest. Depth of field could be better. Also, the color seems a little muted ? An overcast day?
--Ed Cunningham



**Right, Single/Multiple Bloom
Category, second place:**

#15- 'What's Up' (Brooks, B. 2007)

Photo by John Stahl

As a judge, I first look at each entry. With 38 entries in this most popular category, I always jot down a few numbered entries that grab me visually immediately. This is one that grabbed me immediately. It stood out from all the others as unique. It doesn't have that beautiful "head shot" look of a catalog of daylily cultivars. To me it is a completely unique stunning photograph, that also happens to feature a daylily bloom. At first it appears dark and brooding, but as the viewer admires it more closely, the achievement of this richly colored dark and bright central focus, is magically highlighted by both dark and light softly focused accents. For me this could have been equally appreciated in the artistic category, but it also shines as a winning single daylily photo. Masterfully and uniquely photographed and presented. Bravo!

--Carol Brashear

Attractive, well done blurred background ("bokeh"). Striking, but in a limited color range or tone. A nice, meditative quiet study. You have to ponder this one, versus "it jumps out at you, and tells you."

--Ed Cunningham



**Right, Single/Multiple Bloom
Category-third place:**

**#11- 'Classic Caper'
(Stevens, D. 1982)**

Photo Jerry Gantar

"Very nice. Very "punchy" or striking. Could have been a little better focused. Background very nicely blurred out."

--Ed Cunningham



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Winner, Artistic Close-up

Category:

C-12 ‘Rose F. Kennedy’

(Doorakian, G. 2007)

Photo by John Stahl

“My choice for 1st place in the close-up category stood apart from the others from the very first viewing of it. The observer is taken right into the center of this bloom, as the photographer was in that moment. The blossom is perfect, with no flaws, which is paramount in a subject such as this. The deep rich color saturation in this cultivar make it ideal for this close-up category because the viewer can admire the details of the daylily. The attention of the photographer to get just the right angle of the stamen and anthers against the contrasting coloration of that single petal was brilliant. What a beautifully perfect close-up daylily photograph!” --Carol Brashear

“Technically, a very good close up. Would fit nicely in a botany book.”

--Ed Cunningham

“Great color contrast.” --Linda Keohan

**Artistic Close-up Category,
second place: C-7 ‘Carmine
Elizabeth’ (Seawright, B. 2010)
photo by Jerry Gantar**

“Striking, dynamic, good color, clarity,
depth of field.” --Ed Cunningham



Artistic Close-up Category, third place:

3-way TIE

C-9 ‘Conway seedling 3’

photo by Claudia Conway

“The photographer of this shot got in nice and close so that the observer feels they are there, in the moment, admiring this tiny creature. This is a very nice close-up, with the pollen grains visible on the petals of the daylily and the garden visitor featured prominently. Nicely captured. --Carol Brashear

“Very nice and cute; wonderful capture of this unusual frog.” --Ed Cunningham

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Artistic Close-up Category, third place: 3-way TIE

Far right, C-18- Bee caught in Isabel Hibbard's 'Whisper' (Sayers 2013) photo by Chris Petersen

Below, C-14- 'Love Fest' (Stevens D. 1982) photo by Jerry Gantar



C-14: "Striking, Dynamic, Good Color, Freshness, Clarity, Depth of field." --Ed Cunningham



C-18: "Wonderful clarity and composition." --Linda Keohan

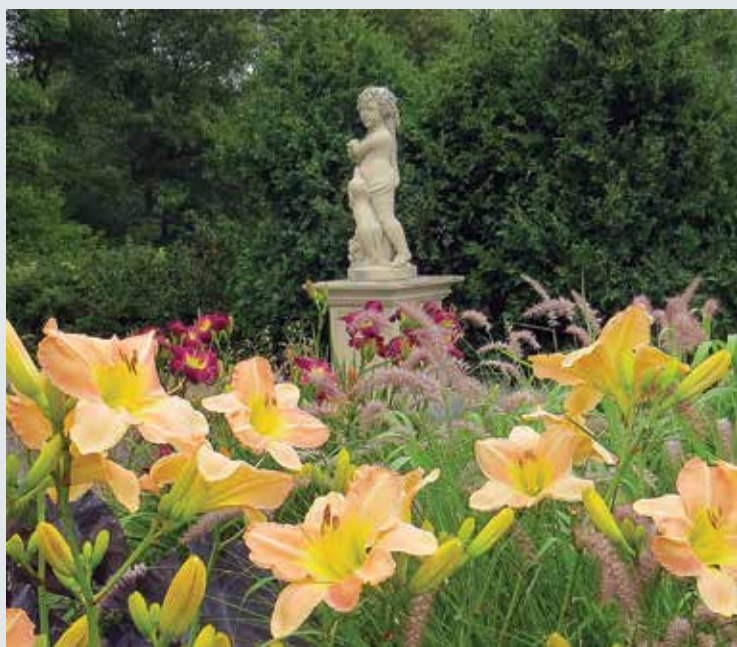
Winner, Landscape Category:
L-1 'Les Jardins Delisle-Paris' photo by François Paris



L-1- "Great composition, clarity, depth of field and play of dappled sunlight. A beautiful shot: 'Buddha in Paradise'. The hydrangea (like a moon) in the background is a nice touch. A concern is that Buddha is the focus of attention and the paradise of [day]lilies is only an adornment of him." --Ed Cunningham

"Nice composition and lighting." --Linda Keohan

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Landscape Category, second place: L-6 ‘Tower Hill Botanic Garden 2’ photo by Chris Petersen

“The focus of this landscape shot are the perfect daylilies in the foreground. Wonderful! Eye is then drawn to the statue which is also nicely in focus and really stands out against the dark background of greenery. I also like the movement that the included grasses lend to the photograph. (This could only be slightly improved by rotating either the camera or the finished photo by 2 degrees, so that the viewer doesn’t feel like the statue might tumble off the left tilting pedestal.) This is a lovely landscape.”

--Carol Brashear

“Excellent clarity. Turgid daylilies are prominent and “in your face”, a vibrant, playful scene of lush vegetation.”

--Ed Cunningham



Landscape Category, third place: *TIE* L-5 Garden of Roland and Peggy Corbeil photo by Chris Petersen

“Nice contrast between the evergreen tree and the daylilies.” --Linda Keohan

“Wonderful clarity. Beautiful contrast of bright light color with bright darker color, and general contrast of light and dark. Good supply of blooms with an abundance of plump buds, good assortment of colors.” --Ed Cunningham



Landscape Category, third place: *TIE* L-7 Rex and Craig’s Garden in Maine photo by Marlene Harmon

“This entry included the most daylilies. The lighting of the scene is uniform throughout and pleasing to the eye. I like the path leading the viewer back into the scene.” --Carol Brashear

“This is an excellent magical fairy-land garden. The tall yellow lilies on the right impress as a flight of sprites/fairies/nymphs taking wing. Good clarity and depth of field. This is a Garden!!!”

--Ed Cunningham

2015 Region 4 Photo Contest Judges and Prizes

Thank you to all who entered the photo contest. A special thanks to the photo contest judges:

Ed Cunningham, Pawtucket, RI

Ed Cunningham has been a life-long gardener. He began as a toddler, growing tomatoes with his mother. In his teens, he started growing sweet corn, and other vegetables. In his early 20's, he got his first SLR, and has primarily shot nature/landscape photos since, along with some candid. Ed moved on to Indian corn and Hybrid wine grapes in his 30's and early 40's. Later on in his 40's, Ed and his wife became rose enthusiasts, at one time growing over 250 varieties. They joined the American Rose Society, became Consulting Rosarians, and later Exhibition judges. Subsequently, Ed participated as a judge in the annual ARS Photography contest for 3 years.

Around 10 years or so ago, Ed's wife began operating in the world of roses as an "Agent Provocateur" for the notorious Hemerocallis Cartel, which led to the hemerocallis addiction of numerous unsuspecting rosarians, and to Ed's participation as a judge this year.



Carol Brashear

I am the Northeast Region Director of the American Hosta Society and know many of the daylily members we have in common. I am an avid photographer of hostas and have been enjoying gardens through the lens of a camera for nearly 25 years. Many of my photos in the early years were used to start the hosta photo library on the internet in the late 90's. Since then I have contributed my photos to hosta publications, websites, catalogs and even for plant labels. I continue to share photos on the hostalibrary.org and I tell friends I garden so that I can take photographs. [Photo, right: a luna moth on Hosta "Lunar Moth"(Meyer)].

I thoroughly enjoyed your daylily photo contest by participating as one of the judges. You have some amazing talents and I hope you enjoy the winning photos in this newsletter. Congratulations to all who entered!



Linda Keohan

Linda is an artist and art teacher with a BA in painting from the Massachusetts College of Arts and a Masters in Art Education from Notre Dame College, NH. Her paintings are available through www.etsy.com. [Right: "Flower", acrylic painting on birch]



Thank you to Charlie Zettek, Bob Sobek, and Carl and Marlene Harmon of Harmon Hill Farm who have donated the photo contest prizes!



Prize for "Single/Multiple Bloom" winner:
'Cobbs Hill Jester'
 (Zettek, C. 2012)
 Dip, 29" tall, 3.5" bloom, EM



Prize for "Close-up" winner:
'Matte Rouge'
 (Sobek, B. 2014)
 Dip, 33" tall, 4.25" bloom, E

*Harmon Hill Farm
 invites the winner of this
 photo contest category to
 choose any Mike Huben
 introduction which is in
 stock!*

Prize for "Landscape" winner:
 Contact
www.harmonhillfarm.com to
 make your selection.

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT THE REGION 4 NEWSLETTER FOR 2016!

Starting in 2016, Region 4 is making a big change in the publication of our newsletter, *Daylilies in the Great Northeast*. For the past several years, Region 4 income has not kept up with our expenditures for the newsletter and postage. Where does Region 4 income come from? It comes from:

- Club public plant sales
- Auctions at Region 4 summer meetings

When clubs hold public plant sales as part of our educational mission, Region 4 asks that they consider giving 25% of the profits back to the region. Currently 10 of our 16 clubs contribute to the region. The remainder of the regional income comes from auction profits at summer meetings. The 2015 Summer Meeting, hosted by CDS, was a huge success and the club has given a sizeable donation to the region. THANK YOU, CDS!

NEDS has stepped up to host the 2016 Regional meeting next July but beyond that, no clubs have offered to host a meeting.

You can see the numbers in the table below. Since 2011, club contributions have held relatively steady whereas the cost of the newsletter and postage has increased. As a result, our bank account balance has steadily declined since 2011.

Year	Account Balance	Club contributions	R4 Meeting contributions	Host club	Newsletter & Postage	Gain/Loss
2011	\$41,548	\$3,399		ODS	\$8161	-\$6884
2012	\$34,702	\$4,816	\$5030**	FieLDS & ODS	\$7172	+\$1405
2013	\$36,154	\$3,696	\$2500	LIDS	\$8308	-\$4163
2014	\$32,015	\$4,661	-----	-----	\$9875	-\$5803
2015	\$26,228	TBD	\$4000	CDS	TBD	

**FIELDS - \$3,595 from their 2012 R4 meeting; ODS - \$1,435 from the 2012 CanAm and 2011 R4 Meeting

It's important for the region to be fiscally responsible, and while we all love our full color newsletter, our bank account cannot sustain the continued expenses with no matching income. To cut costs, starting in 2016, our spring newsletter will **still be full color and will still be mailed to our members**. The fall newsletter will be **full color online only**. It would be available on the Region 4 website. **If members do not have internet access and need a print black and white copy of the newsletter through the mail, they must request that service.**

If the Region 4 finances improve in the next few years, we will certainly revisit the issue. But for 2016, if you want a print copy of the fall newsletter, you **MUST** fill out the **NEWSLETTER REQUEST form** and mail to our editor, Adele Keohan.

Region 4 Fall Newsletter Request Form

Please mail me a black & white print copy of the Fall 2016 Region 4 Newsletter.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip: _____

You only need to return this form if you do NOT have access to the internet and want a print copy of the newsletter.

Please print legibly and return by July 1st to: Adele Keohan, Editor, 304 Lowell Street, Wakefield, MA 01880

Planting the Seed

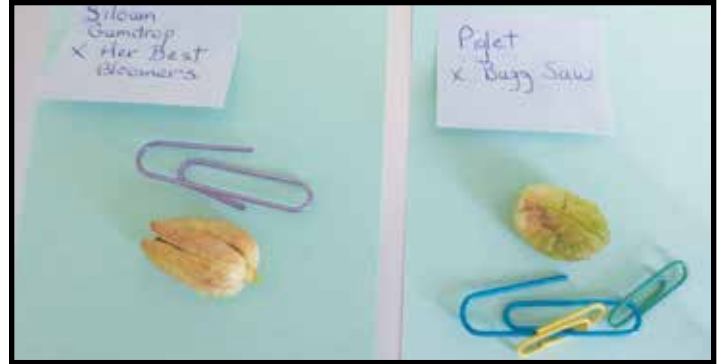
by Jane Fish, Ontario

For hybridizers and grandparents, life is too short. I am the sort of grandparent who gives toddlers amaryllis bulbs for Christmas. I'm convinced it's never too early to introduce the pleasures of patience and nurturing and the development of something alive. Plastic and batteries never deliver those gifts.



Three years ago, when the grandsons, Sean and Nik, were 5 and 7, they visited during peak bloom. They ran under the sprinkler, dangled a rod hopefully in the small lake at the back, and got their first experience with crossing daylilies. They were instructed to choose a mother and a father from the 600 choices, making sure that both had D or T on their labels. Then we did the short explanation of pistil and stamen where we lost the five-year-old who was distracted by his two-year-old cousin, Esme. Nik persevered, made careful deliberation, and did the deed, marking the blooms with paper clips. I was pleased that he chose diploids, 'Her Best Bloomers' and 'Siloam Gumdrops'; there would likely be plentiful seed.

When during a phone call I reported pod development, there was a total meltdown featuring inconsolable wailing interspersed with 'I reeeally wanted to do it, too'. Fortunately I had anticipated this development and had done a T cross for Sean using 'Buzz Saw' and 'Piglet' which I hoped would get us past crisis disappointment. I sent the boys e-mail photos of pod development, and later of collected pods and seeds.



The following year in my rented seedling plot, all my seedlings and theirs were lost to overspray from the adjacent soybean crop. Total disaster!

However, undeterred Nik [below, putting pollen on *H.* 'Her Best Bloomers'] and Sean [bottom, with 'Buzz Saw'



pod] returned in peak bloom and with laser concentration set about making several very deliberate pairings, dutifully marked. The surprising first question the next morning was "Grandma, can we do more hybridizing?". Several of their interesting

crosses are seedlings.

Esme, a natural nurturer, should be ready next year and Sam, her baby brother, will get his amaryllis this Christmas.

I was feeling disappointed that this year there was no peak bloom visit, and few blooms remained. I needn't have worried. My daughter told me that the boys reported that they had been making crosses among her daylilies. Apparently, the seed has been planted.

La Journée de l'hémérocalle

La première fin de semaine d'août 2015 de l'AAHQ...
par François Paris, Québec

La journée de l'hémérocalle est une activité annuelle sociale très courue des membres de l'Association des Amateurs d'Hémérocalle du Québec (AAHQ). Le comité d'administration (CA) de l'AAHQ reçoit les demandes de membres souhaitant accueillir leurs collègues membres pour cette activité. Les participants apportent un lunch qu'ils prendront ensemble tout en discutant hémérocalle. Ils auront l'occasion de participer à un concours photo à trois volets; l'hémérocalle en fleur simple ou double, l'hémérocalle en talle et l'hémérocalle en aménagement. Outre les concours photo, les membres aiment participer à un concours de fleurs en vase. Ils peuvent ainsi présenter des cultivars qu'ils collectionnent ou des hybrides qu'ils ont créés. La possibilité de participer à un encan où des cultivars sont mis aux enchères est également très estimée. Les plants ainsi offerts proviennent de dons des membres d'une part, ou de plants bonis reçus par l'AAHQ lors des achats groupés effectués pour les membres, auprès de fournisseurs, en début de saison. La journée se termine généralement par des prix de présences et le partage d'un gâteau pour l'occasion.

Depuis quelques années, les membres de la région du Bas-St-Laurent, plus particulièrement de Rivière-du-Loup, avaient soumis leur désir de voir l'activité se tenir dans leur coin de la province. Le CA a donc décidé cette année de tenir deux activités dans la région au cours de la même fin de semaine. Comme il fallait inviter les gens à un déplacement de plus de deux cents kilomètres, un coucher à l'extérieur devait donc être envisagé. L'occasion devenait belle de visiter quelques jardins des membres de la région le lendemain matin avant le retour vers Québec ou la maison...

Les membres étaient donc conviés à la rencontre annuelle de la journée de l'hémérocalle à la résidence d'Antonio Morin et de Gaétane Thériault, le samedi 1er août 2015. Comme Antonio et Gaétane avaient une fête familiale la fin de semaine suivante et que la température estivale québécoise est toujours variable, nos hôtes ont eu la bonne idée d'ériger un chapiteau dans leur cour.

Dès 11 :00 heure, la journée était déjà en branle. Une fois les photos remises à l'accueil et le "bonjour je m'appelle" affiché sur soi, les membres présentant des fleurs se présentaient à Jocelyn pour identification des cultivars et /ou des hybrides. D'autres apportaient leurs plants destinés à l'encan en s'annonçant à Sylvie qui prenait note de tous ces généreux dons.



La compétition s'annonçait plutôt relevée, autant du côté des cultivars que des hybrides. Du côté des concours photo, les participants

étaient nombreux à vouloir présenter leurs « clichés ». ...



Après un certain temps, tout le monde était arrivé, incluant les absents... qui voulaient participer à l'encan à distance...



La journée et la parlotte ont pu commencer... Même la télé avait été demandée pour tourner des images de l'activité. Les participants ont ainsi pu voir « Télé-cino » se

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promener autour des tables et panneaux de photos. Antonio était fier de montrer que l'événement avait déplacé des gens de Québec pour l'occasion: (http://cimt.teleinterrives.com/nouvelle-La_bonne_nouvelle_CIMT_Les_amateurs_d_hemerocalles_se_donnent_rendez_vous-21065). Antonio avait aussi pris soin de montrer ses derniers chiots qui ont fait le délice de quelques-unes des invitées...

Tout un chacun a pu exprimer son vote pour ses préférés, après avoir mangé. Une fois la compilation des votes terminée, les gagnants ont pu être annoncés...



Christian Falardeau et Rodrigue Gamache sont arrivés ex aequo dans la catégorie fleur seule et un tirage au sort a déterminé que Rodrigue serait l'heureux gagnant du prix de la catégorie. Lucie Turcotte a remporté le prix dans la catégorie de la photo de l'hémérocalle en talle et votre humble serviteur, celui dans la catégorie de la photo de l'hémérocalle en aménagement.

Pour les fleurs d'hémérocalle en vase, la catégorie des cultivars a été remportée par Antonio Morin. Quant à la catégorie des hybrides, la compétition s'est révélée chaude, puisque cinq concurrents ont remporté le même nombre de votes. Il s'agissait de Roland Dufour, Serge Goulet, Lucie Turcotte, Claude Goulet et Michel Goulet. Le sort a finalement désigné Lucie Turcotte pour recevoir le prix. Félicitations à tous ceux qui ont participé aux divers concours et bravos à tous les gagnants!

Avant le début de l'encan, notre hôte Antonio Morin a fait tirer au sort des plants en guise



de prix de présence aux participants. Un grand merci à Antonio pour cette générosité.

Notre encanteur Jocelyn Blouin a pu prendre le crachoir, comme on dit, et a mené rondement la vente à l'encan des dons et des plants qui avaient été reçus en boni lors des achats de groupe du printemps. Ainsi, plusieurs membres ont pu s'offrir des plants à bon prix. Certaines insistant

auprès de leur conjoint, pour assouvir des désirs gardés secrets jusque-là...



Nous avons ensuite dégusté un gâteau et avons tout ramassé pour nous diriger à St-Modeste, visiter le coin de paradis de Rodrigue Gamache et Lina Ouellet. Avant de vous parler plus abondamment de cette visite, je me permets

de remercier tous ceux qui ont conjugué leurs efforts pour le succès de cette journée, particulièrement Renée Thibault, nos hôtes Antonio Morin et Gaétane Thériault, et votre CA.



Après nous être rendus à la queue leu leu sur la route, nous sommes arrivés chez Rodrigue et Lina.



Nous étions bien au bon endroit, à St-Modeste; au dire de plusieurs, nous ne pouvions pas imaginer ce qui nous attendait à l'arrière à

la vue de l'avant de la maison, où les hôtes avaient subi des travaux d'excavation pour réparer un bris d'aqueduc de la municipalité, quelque temps avant notre venue...



Plusieurs visiteurs ont été impressionnés par l'atmosphère de sérénité qui se dégageait dans ces beaux jardins, l'intimité, le calme et la sérénité avaient un air apaisant pour chacun, une sorte de recueillement nous accompagnait... Laissons parler les quelques images qui suivent...

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Une nouvelle journée, un nouveau lieu et des arrangements différents, voilà ce que Michel nous avait promis, des endroits offrant des variétés différentes et des arrangements diversifiés, et nos hôtes ont tenu parole, nous avons été choyés à chacun de ces endroits. Nous avons pu observer diverses formes au jardin, et quelques objets de décoration. L'histoire ne nous dit pas s'il s'agissait là du premier vélo de Michel qui se serait aussi bien conservé... Quoi qu'il en soit, nous y avons bien vu un souci de décoration et cela à plus d'un endroit au jardin! Laissons parler ici aussi quelques images...



Quelques photos ne peuvent pas rendre toute l'atmosphère que nous y avons retrouvée, mais nous remercions bien sincèrement nos hôtes de ces moments de doux bonheur partagés avec nous dans leur paradis si bien aménagé.



Merci, Rodrigue et Lina, de la part de tous vos visiteurs!

Nous sommes repartis vers nos chambres aux divers hôtels, que

nous avons choisis, avant de nous retrouver au St-Hubert pour un souper dans un salon privé où nous avons pu nous ravitailler, échanger et rire des histoires contées par les uns et par les autres... Le temps du repos étant venu, nous sommes retournés nous coucher pour la plupart, alors que d'autres allaient débloquer leurs freins...

Yves nous avait donné rendez-vous le dimanche matin au Days Inn pour que nous puissions nous suivre et nous diriger chez Michel Goulet et Louise Ouimet, qui nous ouvraient les portes de leur jardin en cette matinée ensoleillée... Malgré quelques déviations, nous sommes arrivés à destination à temps...



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Nous avons eu l'opportunité de voir de très beaux spécimens en observation. Michel nous expliquait que Maryse et Louis accueillent les hybrides de Claude, Michel et Serge et garnissent ainsi leur cour arrière de belles hémérocalle qui sont constamment renouvelées. Claude serait, semble-t-il, l'homme à tout faire auquel Maryse n'hésite pas à faire appel pour divers travaux tant en horticulture qu'en menuiserie... Il est très habile de ses mains, nous a-t-on dit! Ses talents ne sont pas négligeables non plus, quand vient le temps de raconter des histoires. Si vous mettez Antonio et lui ensemble dans un party, vous allez rire à vous taper les cuisses... mais attention aux histoires un peu trop salées au goût de certaines...



Avant de partir, Michel et Louise ont tenu à remercier les visiteurs en offrant des plants en prix de présence ici aussi. Merci de cette attention, mais merci d'abord et surtout de nous avoir offert de visiter votre coin de paradis à vous aussi. Nous en sommes repartis avec des idées de forme de plate-bande pour d'aucuns, et des idées d'aménagement pour d'autres. Merci beaucoup de votre accueil Michel et Louise.

Michel nous a ensuite conduit chez sa sœur Maryse qui accueille les bébés de la famille, les hybrides, entendons-nous bien!...

À notre arrivée chez Maryse Goulet et Louis Gagnon, nos hôtes étaient heureux de nous accueillir et le conjoint de Maryse, Louis nous partageait la devise de tout bon huissier, « Nous voulons votre bien et nous l'aurons... » Sur cette touche d'humour, la visite débuta...



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Et voilà qui mettait fin à cet avant-midi de visite des jardins de Michel et Louise, et de celui de Maryse et Louis. Merci encore d'avoir partagé avec nous ces beautés qui comblent vos « œils », comme dirait un ami à moi, de toutes ces belles couleurs, de ces formes et de leurs odeurs que la brise porte à vos nez!

Nous sommes repartis heureux de nos découvertes et pleins d'espoirs pour la suite. Il nous fallait tout de même prendre une pause « pipi » et nous ravitailler à nouveau, avant de nous rendre à Notre-Dame-du-Portage.

À notre arrivée chez Serge Goulet, notre nouveau membre de l'Ontario avait déjà fait la tournée du jardin et était prêt à repartir. Longue route oblige! Serge était très content lui aussi de nous accueillir chez lui. Plusieurs visiteurs ont été impressionnés par l'immense rosier en fleurs à l'avant de la maison.



en utilisant des plates-bandes au format réduit et varié, et en plus grand nombre. Les conifères servent de coupe-vent pour les plantations de fleurs. Il était plus difficile pour le photographe de faire une prise de vue de l'ensemble. J'ai donc pris plusieurs parties de l'ensemble pour essayer de rendre justice au lieu.

Voici quelques exemples éloquentes :

Nous pouvons donc dire en terminant, un autre grand



merci à Serge pour nous avoir ouvert son jardin et avoir offert des plants en guise de prix de présence lui aussi.

Nous sommes repartis de cette belle région du Bas-Saint-Laurent heureux de chacune de nos rencontres tant avec les gens qu'avec l'expression de leur passion au travers leurs jardins. Merci à tous pour l'accueil, pour votre participation et au CA pour l'organisation de cette fin de semaine.

Au plaisir! --François

Le terrain en pente a été exploité d'une manière originale

[English translation:] Daylily Day

The first week-end of August 2015 of AAHQ...

by François Paris

The Daylily Day is a social annual activity very appreciated by the members of the "Association des Amateurs d'Hémérocalles du Québec" (AAHQ). The administrative committee (AC) of the AAHQ receives offers from members wishing to welcome their member colleagues for this activity in their garden. The participants bring a buffet that they will set together while discussing day-lilies. They will have the opportunity to participate in a photo-contest at three different levels; the daylily flower - simple or double flower, the daylily in a bunch and the daylily in landscape. Besides the photo-contest, the members also enjoy to participate in a cut-flower daylily contest. They can so present cultivars which they collect or hybrids which they created... The possibility of participating in an auction where cultivars are put up for auction is also highly esteemed. Plants so offered come from donations of the members on one hand, or, on the other hand, from plants bonuses received by the AAHQ-AC during the group purchasing made for members, at the beginning of the season. The day ends generally by prizes attendance and sharing of a special cake. Since a few years, the members of the Bas-St-Laurent area, more particularly from Rivière-du-Loup, were inviting the members to hold the activity in their region. The AC thus decided this year to hold two activities in the region during the same week-end. As it was necessary to invite people for a travel of more than two hundred kilometers, hotels were recommended to members for one night stay in the area. The opportunity to visit some gardens of the members of the region the following morning before return towards Quebec or home was then a very nice deal ...

The members were thus invited to the annual Daylily Day at Antonio Morin and Gaétane Thériault place, on Saturday, August 1st, 2015. As Antonio and Gaétane were holding a family party the following week-end and as the summer temperature in Quebec province is always variable, our hosts had the good idea to set up a big top in their yard....

As soon as 11 00 AM, the day was already in motion. Once photos for contest given to the reception and "hello my name is" posted on one, the members presenting

flowers showed up to Jocelyn for identification of cultivars and / or hybrids. Others brought their plants dedicated to auction by registering them to Sylvie who took note of all these generous donations.

The competition looked rather spicy, as much on the side of the cultivars as the hybrids. Also on the photo-contest side, the many participants were pleased to present their "pictures"...

After a while, everybody had arrived, including the absentees which wanted to participate to auction remotely ...

The day and the chitchat began ... Even the TV had been asked to shoot images of the activity. The participants were so able to see "Télé-cino" walking around tables and photo-panels. Antonio was proud to show that the event had moved people of Quebec for that day:(http://cimt.teleinter-rives.com/nouvelle-La_bonne_nouvelle_CIMT_Les_amateurs_d_hemerocalles_se_donnent_rendez_vous-21065). Antonio had also taken care of showing his last puppies which made the delight of some of the guests ...

Everyone was able to express his vote for its preferred, having eaten. Once the compilation of the votes ended, the winners were announced ...

Christian Falardeau and Rodrigue Gamache arrived ex aequo in the daylily flower - simple or double flower category and a drawing lots determined that Rodrigue would be the happy winner of the prize. Lucie Turcotte won the prize in the category of the photo of the daylily in a bunch and your humble servant, in the category of the daylily in landscape. For the cut-flower daylily contest, Antonio Morin was the winner in the cultivar category. As for the hybrids category, the competition showed tight as five competitors received the same number of votes. Roland Dufour, Serge Goulet, Lucie Turcotte, Claude Goulet and Michel Goulet were the winners. A draw has appointed Lucie Turcotte as recipient of the prize. Congratulations to all those who participated in the diverse competitions and bravos to all the winners!

Before the start of the auction, our host Antonio Morin did draw lots of plants by way of prizes to participants. A big thank you to Antonio for this generosity.

Our auctioneer Jocelyn Blouin could take the spittoon, as they say, and conducted smoothly the sale by auction of donations and plants that had been received in

bonuses during the spring group purchases. Thus, several members were able to offer plants at good prices. Some urging their husbands, to satisfy the desires kept secret until then ...

Then we enjoyed a cake and have all picked to lead us to Saint- Modeste, visit the paradise of Rodrigue Gamache and Lina Ouellet. Before I talk more extensively this visit, let me thank all those who have joined forces for the success of the day, especially Renée Thibault, our hosts Antonio Morin and Gaétane Thériault, and your CA.

After we followed, almost in single file on the road, we arrived at Rodrigue and Lina's home.

We were in the right place in Saint-Modeste, but we could not imagine what awaited us in the yard, watching the front view of the house, where the municipality had to excavate to repair a water main breaks, some days before our arrival. Multiple visitors were impressed by the atmosphere of serenity that emanated in these beautiful gardens, privacy, peace and quiet had a soothing air for everyone, a kind of meditation accompanied us ... Let the few following images speak by themselves ...

Some pictures cannot take all the atmosphere that we found there, but we sincerely thank our hosts for these sweet moments of happiness shared with us in their paradise so well laid out.

Thank you, Rodrigue and Lina, from all your visitors!

We returned to our rooms at the various hotels, we had chosen, before returning to the St-Hubert for a dinner in a private lounge where we were able to refuel, share and laugh at stories told by some and by others ... The time of rest came, we went back to bed for most, while others had to release their brakes...

Yves gave us an appointment on Sunday morning at the Days Inn in order to follow us and direct us at Michel Goulet and Louise Ouimet, who opened the doors of their garden in this sunny morning ... Despite some deviations, we arrived at destination on time...

A new day, a new place and different arrangements, this is what Michel had promised, places offering different varieties and diverse arrangements, and our hosts kept their word, we were pampered at each location. We observed various forms in the garden, and some decorative items. History does not tell us if this was Michel's first bike

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that would have been as well preserved ... Anyway, we will have seen the sake of decoration and this in more than one place in the garden!

Here again, the few following images speak by themselves ...

Before leaving, Michael and Louise have thanked visitors by providing plants prizes here too. Thank you for this attention, but first and foremost thank you to you too for offering us to visit your paradise. We are left with flower-shaped ideas for some, and design ideas for others. Thank you for your welcome Michel and Louise.

Michel then drove us to his sister Maryse, who welcomes babies of the family, seedlings, let us be clear! ...

Upon arrival Maryse Goulet and Louis Gagnon, our hosts were happy to welcome us and Maryse's husband, Louis, shared us the motto of any good bailiff, "We want your good and we will have it ..." On this touch of humor, the tour started...

We had the opportunity to see beautiful specimens under observation. Michel explained that Maryse and Louis are wel-

coming Claude, Michel and Serge's seedlings and so adorn their backyard beautiful daylilies that are constantly renewed.

Claude would be, it seems, the handyman Maryse does not hesitate to call for various jobs in horticulture as in carpentry ... He is very good with his hands, we were told! His talents are not negligible either, when it comes time to tell stories. If you put Antonio and him together in a party, you will laugh to type in the thighs... but watch the stories a bit too salty to someone's taste ...

And here that ended this morning to visit the gardens of Michel and Louise, and that of Maryse and Louis. Thank you again for sharing with us these beauties that fill your "eye" as a friend of mine would say, all these beautiful colors, these shapes and their smell the breeze door to your nose! We left pleased with our discoveries and full of hope for the future. We had still to take a "pee-break" and refuel ourselves again before going to Notre-Dame-du-Portage.

When we arrived at Serge Goulet, our newest member from Ontario had already made the tour of the garden and was ready

to leave. Long road oblige! Serge was very happy also to welcome us home. Many visitors were impressed by the huge rosebush in bloom in front of the house.

The slope was exploited in an original manner using the reduced flowerbeds and varied format, and in greater number. Conifers serve as windbreaks for planting flowers. It was more difficult for the photographer to take a shot of the whole. So I took several parts of all to try to do justice to the place.

Here are some good examples:

We can therefore say in conclusion, another big thank you to Serge to have opened to us his garden and have offered plants as a door prize too.

We left this beautiful region of Bas-Saint-Laurent pleased by each of our meetings with people as well as expressing their passion through their gardens. Thank you all for the welcome, for your participation and to the Board for the organization of this weekend.

Au plaisir! -- François

AHS Region 4 Youth News

by Kathy D'Allessandro
AHS Youth Chair

These youth contests have been extended to December 31.



BINGO on the AHS Portal – March 1 to December 31
Perform the required tasks in the Youth Group to obtain the letters B I N G O.

Repeat the process to obtain more BINGO's.
The one with the most BINGO's is the winner.
There will also be a second and third place winner.
Prize daylilies donated by Mike & Sandy Holmes of River Bend Daylily Gardens.

Official rules are posted on the Youth Group homepage, www.daylilynetwork.org



Win a copy of The Illustrated Guide to Daylilies
Send the ticket, printed in the fall/winter issue of the AHS Youth News, to the Youth Chair to be eligible for the drawing on December 31.

There will be two \$1,000.00 Bertie Ferris Scholarships offered in 2016 since the scholarship was not awarded in 2015.

The application period is January 1 to March 31. Details are on the AHS web site, www.daylilies.org and the Youth Group of the AHS Portal.

The application period for the Christine Erin Stamile Youth Award which offers an AHS life membership annually is January 1 to March 31. Details are on the AHS web site, www.daylilies.org and the Youth Group of the AHS Portal. Chris Petersen is the photographer of the book cover.

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Lates And Very lates: September bloom revisited

by Stephen Tooker, Massachusetts

For anyone interested in extending the daylily bloom season, the Fall 2014 issue of *Daylilies in the Great Northeast* contains a very useful article. In "September Bloom," Nick Chase, a skilled photographer and past President of the Bedford-based Patriot Daylily Society, discusses later blooming daylilies. The article received the AHS prize for best article about cultivars at the 2014 National Convention in Asheville, NC. Nick's thesis is simple: He would like September daylily gardens to present more than a forest of brown scapes.

To this end, Nick considers roughly a dozen late and very late blooming daylilies, among them *Hemerocallis* 'Autumn Minaret' (Stout, 1951) and *H.* 'Sandra Elizabeth' (Stevens-D., 1983), two well-known varieties in our area. He notes the predominance of oranges and yellows among the later blooming plants, and yearns for a wider palette, as my wife and I have. My article follows up on Nick's, referring to cultivars blooming on original scapes in our Scituate, Massachusetts garden in the first week of September 2015. NOTE: I include the year because the timing of bloom varies from year to year.

Late blooming cultivars tend to cluster around the names of several

hybridizers. Nick cites Don Marvin's radiant 'Bermuda Coral' (Marvin, 1986). Frequently, it blooms into September in this garden, but not this year. On the other hand, Don's 'Lord of Autumn' (Marvin, 2005) [at right], which is even later than the very late BC, is in full flush. In a



phone conversation a couple of years ago, Don told me that he hoped someone would work with LOA to "clarify" its color. Based on its performance here, I'm not sure that is necessary, but LOA does fall into that yellow/orange family Nick wants to expand.



Dan Bachman, an Ohio hybridizer, has created a number of late blooming cultivars.

In most years, his 'Mascara Snake' (Bachman, 2002), a tall, maroon spider, blooms into early September here in Scituate. But this year it stopped blooming in the last days of August. 'Charon the Ferryman' (Bachman, 2003) [below, left], which is similarly colored but not quite as intense, continues to hang on, while the creamy peach 'Suzy Cream Cheese' (Bachman, 2001) [right] is exuberant with bloom.

Jim Murphy and Margo Reed, husband and wife hybridizers from the mountains of Virginia, have produced many hardy late and very late blooming cultivars in colors other than yellow and orange. Several stopped blooming here in the last week of August. However, Margo's 'After Awhile Crocodile' (Reed, 1997) and Jim's 'Last Chance For Romance' (Murphy-J.P., 2007) are going strong in early September [below, left to right]. Closer to



final bloom are Margo's 'Yorktown Beach' (Reed, 2010) and Jim's 'Joanne McCormick Murphy' (Murphy-J.P., 2012), named for his mother [above, left to right]. I'm not sure whether to include Margo's 'Zen Pavilion' (Reed, 2013) because we received it in the spring. But it is worth noting that many buds remain, and the plant is still on a Virginia

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schedule this season [left]. Surely it will be even later next year when it is on a Scituate schedule.

Dr. George Darrow registered a number of lates and very lates. This summer we visited Harmon Hill Farm in NH where Carl Harmon dug us a clump of 'Olallie Mack' (Darrow, 1978),

a peachy pink cultivar and one of Darrow's latest daylilies [below, right]. Despite being transplanted (or, perhaps, because of it), OM started to bloom on August 31st. Dr. Darrow's grandson, Chris, has continued his hybridizing program at Olallie Daylily Gardens in Vermont.



Dr. Joseph Barth hybridized in Maine, using Native American terms and Maine geography in the names of many of his creations. 'Chewonki' (Barth 1981) [below] is registered



as a mid-season bloomer, but often performs as a late mid-season or even late bloomer in this garden. Perhaps, this is because we rarely have consistent snow cover in our coastal Massachusetts garden, and the plant struggles each spring before coming on strong later in the season. It provides a splash of brilliant

scarlet continuing most years, including this, into the beginning of September.

Isabel Hibbard gardened and hybridized on Long Island in New York. She specialized in late and very late daylilies. Unfortunately, I learned about her hybridizing program when she was near the end of her life. Not realizing how sick she was with cancer, I wrote requesting several cultivars. Our communication was hesitating in part because she did some of her work on a patch of ground far re-

moved from her garden. If I wanted a particular plant, she couldn't always step outside her back door to see whether she had one to send. And then there was the illness. I ordered something like eight of her plants of which she was



eventually able to send only four. Three of those four lates stopped blooming here in the last two weeks of August; however, 'September Serenade' (Hibbard, 2005) [left] is still going strong.

I should add that never once in our correspondence did Isabel mention her cancer. Her plants arrived one day in May with a handwritten note apologizing for sending just four, and several days later on the Daylily Robin a notice appeared announcing her death. Her garden has been broken up, and I do not know whether anyone has picked up her hybridizing program.

Bret Clement hybridizes in Canada and has registered nearly 150 cultivars. Many are registered as ML/mid-late,



and a few are registered as late or very late. We bought his 'Clowns In Washington' (Clement, 2009) because of the name and were pleased to discover that it bloomed into the last week

of August. On the recommendation of Margo Reed and Jim Murphy we also acquired his 'Blast From The Past' (Clement, 2006), whose large, pale, creamy gold blossoms are remarkably elegant and will continue to open for another week or two [above].

Then there are the oldies. 'Autumn Minaret' and 'Sandra Elizabeth' are both blooming here in the first week of September. So is 'Richard' (Norton, 1947), a hardy orange bud-builder which often blooms right up to frost, albeit with much smaller flowers on scapes that twist as they

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Above, left to right: 'Autumn Minaret', 'Sandra Elizabeth', 'Richard'.

grow ever taller. Bob Sobek's 'Pumpkin Time' (Sobek, 1984) [near right] is also a late bud-builder which usually blooms to frost. Although it is another cultivar in the yellow/gold spectrum, PT is a particularly brilliant gold—a real beacon in the late garden. "Autumn Accent" (Richards-V., 1965) [far right] is a welcome brick red just coming into full bloom in early September. 'Winemaker' (Norton, 1951) [second row, left] with its many miniature, rust-colored blossoms has been blooming for a month and has, perhaps, another week of bloom remaining, unless it decides to be a bud builder this year. 'Wee Willie Winkie' (Richards-V. 1963) [second row, right] is just starting to produce its profusion of pale yellow flowers on scapes that would be dramatically taller if we hadn't moved the clump last June.

'Barbara' (Sheets, 1965) [third row, left] is an old faithful, reliably producing yellow gold blossoms each year, starting in mid to late August; what amazing scapes it has with 4-7 way branching guaranteeing bloom deep into September. 'August Queen' (Jablonski, 1979) [third row, far right] opened its first bloom of the season a few days ago and isn't even close to peak. Its rosy pink blossoms definitely expand the late color palette; most years it bud-builds well into October.

Finally, I should mention Betty Harwood's work. Among her 51 registrations are several lates and very lates. Her 'My Heart Sings' (Harwood, 2005) is a lovely, large pink blend whose final bloom opened on August 31st. However, her 'Autumn Oddity' (Harwood, 1998) [bottom of page], probably the latest daylily on the market, hasn't yet started to bloom. The scapes are emerging, but the plant doesn't usually start to bloom until sometime in mid-September. It continues into October, and what a treat that is, even if the blossom is "only" a 5" ruffled yellow.

Thanks to Nick Chase, whose article inspired this one.

--All photos taken by Janet Tooker in our garden.



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CDS

Connecticut Daylily Society

Submitted by Russ Allen, President

CDS invites all daylily enthusiasts to attend our meetings which are held at the Avon Senior Center, located about 8 miles west of Hartford at 635 West Avon Road in Avon, CT. There are no dues to join us -- just wonderful daylily related events, friendly folks, and great food! Bring some friends with you to our next meeting to enhance their appreciation for daylilies!



March 21, 2015 Meeting – Our guest speaker was Dan Pessoni (above, left with Gary Jones) whose gardens on Cape Cod are renowned for their beauty. Dan shared his experiences with building his beautiful gardens which prominently incorporate daylilies.

May 16, 2015 CDS Plant Sale -- Thanks to all those participating in our annual plant sale. Thanks to the efforts of so very many volunteers, this event raised over \$3,600 from donations from the sellers to help fund our club activities. One remarkable accomplishment was to sell over 100 large clumps of completely unknown landscaping daylilies for \$10+ each.

Summer 2015 Open Garden Program -- Thanks again to all the garden hosts who opened their gardens throughout New England as part of the Open Gardens Program.

2015 AHS Region 4 Summer Meeting – Extra special thanks to all our many volunteers who contributed to our hosting of a very successful Regional Meeting on July 17-19. We were delighted to have over 150 registered attendees from across New England, New York, and Eastern

Canada attend this fun-filled event. Our meeting theme, "Celebrating 25 Years of Flowers and Friendship," was perfect indeed. Please refer to a separate section of this newsletter for more details on the Regional Meeting including photos of highlights from the event. Gary Jones led the entire effort, which proceeded flawlessly.

Sept. 12th Meeting with Greg Haggett -- Our guest presenter was our club member and renowned photographer Greg Haggett who prepared a marvelous presentation with photos from all the activities taking place during the Regional Meeting. The gorgeous garden and flower photos were inspiring, and his photos of the daylily auctions (enthusiastically chaired by Paul Owen and Dave Mussar), speeches, and award ceremonies all helped capture the many joys of attending this event. This meeting also served as our rescheduled

Annual Business Meeting at which Club Officers and Executive Board Members were elected to 2-year terms including: Gary Jones as VP and Program Chair, Cheryl Fox as Secretary, Phillip Douville as Treasurer, myself as President, and Executive Board Members including Greg Haggett, Linda Kozloski, Kim Krodel, and Stacey Whitney. A new set of volunteers to serve as Committee Chairs was also approved by the President and Executive Board.

Upcoming Events -- Key upcoming events include the following:

- Nov. 7, 2015 Meeting – Michael Miller from Small World Daylilies in Chester, Virginia (Zone 7a) will be our guest hybridizer speaker at our November meeting. Michael Miller is a prolific hybridizer with 26 introductions during 2015. He prefers large, round, ruffled, eyed, edged, miniatures, spiders and unusual forms which are primarily tetraploids. His goal is to produce taller northern hardy plants with great branching, plant habit, rebloom, and a pretty face. He donated generously to our recent Regional Meeting auction

where his gorgeous cultivars were quite popular and commanded high prices. For more details, check out his garden website: <http://www.distinctly.on.ca/smallworldgardens/>

- Jan. 16, 2016 Meeting – This meeting is traditionally our popular "Soup's On" meeting with the best soups you've ever tasted to accompany the best daylilies you've ever seen! This meeting will also serve as our official celebration of the Club's 25th Anniversary with special photo presentations and festivities. Don't miss it!

- February 18-21, 2016 -- The Club will again have a CDS Booth at the Connecticut Flower & Garden Show being held at the Convention Center in Hartford from Feb. 18th – 21st. We will be signing up volunteers to man our booth throughout the show beginning with our November meeting -- which also earns volunteers a free entry pass to this wonderful flower show!

- Additional upcoming events to note on your calendars include our March 19th meeting when we'll have Melody Campbell as our guest speaker on the topic of late blooming daylilies, and the May 21st Plant Sale.

Many thanks to the myriad of volunteers that make our CDS Club work so smoothly!

HADS

Hudson Adirondack Daylily Society

submitted by Debi Chowdhury, Chair

2015 has been a great year for HADS. We've had some fantastic speakers. In November, we had Joanne Strevey come and speak about David Austin Roses and companion plants such as daylilies and other perennials. She also talked about growing cottage garden plants such as delphinium, peonies, clematis, and mixing fragrant roses with perennials. She loves to create beautiful, manageable gardens to enjoy for years to come.

In October, Steve Rice spoke about gardening without soil. He showed us how to put together a self-contained system in a structured garden. It allows vegetables and herbs to grow in small places, and for the production of fresh produce throughout winter. Because of its unique

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aeroponic technology and vertical design, the tower garden uses less than 10% of the water and land required by traditional soil based agriculture.

After the meeting we had a work party, to put our display garden to bed for the winter.

In September, Chris Gordon came to talk to us about Iceland. Conde Nast Traveler magazine named his company as a Trip of a Lifetime. Iceland is currently the seventh most requested destinations by Lonely Planet, the largest travel guide book and digital media publisher in the world. Did you know that Iceland plants the most trees? Iceland always has been and always will be organic. They have virtually no crime, and the highest possible literacy rate.

Dave Jennings came to this meeting with many beautiful hostas and everyone took home some. In our August sale, we made the most money ever and 25% - over \$1385 dollars was given to the region.

We had our members' sale this year, and that went very well. This year as previous years we had representation both at the national and the regional. This was my first trip to the national convention in Atlanta and we all had a great time. The regional was fantastic. HADS continues to provide a bus to the regional for their members to attend every year. HADS also provides scholarships for members to attend regional conventions as needed. Our scheduled meetings for 2016 are as follows.

January 16- at Stanford Town Library- planning a garden

Feb 14 – Winter Doldrums Party –co-op extension, hosted by Hosta Society

March 19 – getting ready for spring

March 18-20 -Capital District Flower Show at Hudson Valley Community College

April 16 - Gardening

May 14- Members' Auction

June 18 Babysitter Plants

June 29-July 2 AHS national convention, Louisville, KY

July 9- Summer Picnic at Display Gardens at Coop Extension

July 22-24- Regional Convention in New Hampshire

August 20 – Annual Sale at Faddegons

HVIDS Hudson Valley Iris and Daylily Society



submitted by Jim Rabinowitz, president

HVIDS continues to offer its membership and the general public interesting and innovative speakers. Amanda Chase the owner of Something to Crow About Dahlias presented a lecture on Dahlias. Amanda's garden in Sharon, Conn. has approx. 1700 dahlia flowers. Once again, our officers decided to modify the club's May activities to include all the club's May activities into an interesting and innovative "Iris Weekend". On May 23, we had our 19th Annual Iris Show with Rosemary Sorbello winning Best of Show with Broken Pattern. The show silver medal went to Frank Sorbello and the bronze went to Faith Larson. The HVIDS "Jerry Murphy Award" was won by Faith Larson for Burst. There was no Magdellen Award winner. That evening, we hosted a special dinner meeting featuring M.J. Urist, one of our judges talking about "Louisiana Iris". On Sunday, May 24 our club took a daytrip to Presby Memorial Iris Garden in Montclair, New Jersey. We "lucked out" with a beautiful day and saw the garden in "Peak Bloom". Our "2015 Welcome Back" September meeting featured an informative and interesting presentation on Ornamental Grasses by Master Gardener, Brooke Elkan-Moore.

HVIDS hosted the fifteenth annual daylily exhibition on July 25. Other summer club activities included annual summer fundraising activities: iris rhizome and daylily fan sales at Adams Fairacre Farms, and a two day Iris Rhizome & Daylily Sale in the Poughkeepsie Galleria. Earlier this fall, HVIDS sent its annual check from the money raised at these activities to the AIS Region 2 and AHS Region 4. Additionally, HVIDS raffled off the newly announced 2015 Dykes winner "Gypsy Lord" at our summer sales with all the proceeds (\$81) going to our AIS Region 2.

SPRING/SUMMER 2016 (Tentative)

March 1- Monthly Meeting TBA

April 5- Monthly Meeting TBA

May 21/22- HVIDS Iris Weekend

July 16/17- HVIDS Daylily Exhibition/Open Gardens

August 13- HVIDS Sale at Poughkeepsie Adams

August 14- Iris Prep Party at Sorbello Home

August 19- Daylily Prep Party at Robinowitz Home

August 20/21- HVIDS Sale at Poughkeepsie Galleria

HVIDS Officers:

President, Jim Robinowitz
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Vice President, Georgette Martin
Secretary, Sue Rivard
Treasurer, Frank Sorbello

LIDS Long Island Daylily Society



Submitted by

Chris Petersen

2016 LIDS' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 23 - Pat Sayers, "Hybridizing 101 or Sex in the Garden", Whispering Hills, Huntington, NY (**Time and Building TBA**)

February – No meeting

March 26 – 12 PM: Luncheon-, Scott Elliot, Maneki Neko Gardens, Ellabell, Georgia

Clarion Hotel, Ronkonkoma

April 16 – 10 AM: Spring Garden Spruce-up, 1 PM: Lori- Ann Jones, Knoll Cottage Daylilies, Westfield, CT (**G**)

May 10 (Tuesday) - 7 PM: May Daylily Auction (**HC**)

June 11 – 10 AM: LIDS Garden Spruce-up, 12 PM-Member's Plant Sale, 1 PM Business Meeting (**HC**)

June 29 - July 3 – AHS National Convention, Louisville, KY

July 9 – 9:30 AM: Flower Show Set-up (**HC**)

July 10 – 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM Annual Flower Show (**HC**)

Meetings are held in the Main Greenhouse (G) or the Horticultural Center (HC) at Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay, NY. Please check the LIDS website for more information: www.lidaylily.org.

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LIDS members at a picnic at the home of Joan Turano and participating in a garden cleanup of the LIDS Display Garden at Planting Fields Arboretum. Photos: Chris Petersen



Above, left to right: Doug Raimondi at the grill; Marilyn and Michael Suzan; Carolyn Huggins and Joan Turano
Below, left to right: Bob Kann, Jillian and Arlene Koello; Holly and Marge Del Re; Gene Moglia and Pam Millikan at the grill.



Below, left to right: Bob Stanton, John Stahl and Richard Norris ; Irene Bossert; Carolyn Huggins, Richard Norris and Patricia Golder.
Bottom: Liz Koraleski and Blair and Marc Whinston



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NEDS

New England Daylily Society

(www.nedaylily.org)

Submitted by Kathy Viamari, secretary

Meeting Place - Tower Hill Botanic Garden
11 French Drive

Boylston, Ma 01505

www.TowerHillBG.org

2016 Calendar of Events

Jan 9, 2016. (To be held in room C). AM Photo Contest. PM Door Prizes, Regional meeting reports.

Feb 2016 No meeting

March 12, 2015 AM Daylily Bingo and Regional meeting discussion as needed. PM Guest Speaker TBA

April 9, 2016 AM Flex time NOON - POT LUCK PM Door Prizes, Guest Speaker Charmaine Rich, Hold'n Heaven Daylilies, with auction to follow.

Meetings are usually the second Saturday of each month from October to April (with the exception of October when the meeting is the first Saturday so as not to conflict with Columbus Day). Our May and August public sales will be held at the First Parish Congregational Church in Wakefield, MA, where we have had more participation than at the Tower Hill location.

The latest NEDS schedule and newsletters can be found on the NEDS web site (www.nedaylily.org). During the winter months, listen to the weather reports and check the Tower Hill Botanical Gardens web site (www.towerhillbg.org) or contact any one of the officers listed above to verify that

the meeting has not been cancelled due to snow.

Tower Hill Botanic Garden is a beautiful facility located in Boylston, Massachusetts and the headquarters of the Worcester County Horticultural Society [WCHS], which is one of the oldest active horticultural societies in the U.S. The WCHS purchased Tower Hill Farm in 1986 and opened it to the public in order to better fulfill its goals of advancing the science and practice of horticulture. Tower Hill has a beautiful courtyard with reflecting pool and three buildings housing many plants. The outdoor gardens include an apple orchard, vegetable garden, educational garden, wildlife garden and winter garden. It is well worth the trip to a NEDS meeting just to see the outdoor gardens or indoor plant displays at Tower Hill Botanic Garden. There is no entrance fee for anyone attending the NEDS meetings; just mention the NEDS meeting or say "daylilies" if you are stopped at the gate. We hope you will drop by and attend a meeting. All are welcome.

In Memoriam

Just days before the NEDS Daylily Exhibition in July, we were very saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Paul Tarmasewicz, President and long-time member of the New England Daylily Society. Paul, an avid gardener and lover of daylilies, was a very active contributor and supporter of NEDS and will be sorely missed. He regularly entered scapes in our exhibition, helped organize many of our events and brought in several new

members to our club. We will miss his willingness to volunteer, positive attitude, friendly disposition, great smile and sense of humor. We send our deepest sympathy to his family. Below is his obituary.

Paul Stephen Tarmasewicz, 74, of Westminster, passed away on Thursday, July 23rd, at his home in Westminster.

Paul was born in Gardner, MA to Josephine Stankiewicz and Stephen Tarmasewicz on April 15, 1941. He graduated from Gardner High School. He was married to Katherine Esther (Jerome) Tarmasewicz on February 21st, 1968 in Winchendon, MA. He worked at Worcester Polytechnical Institute for 25 years as a Supervisor in Plant Services. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War and served in the Army. He was the President of the New England Daylily Society.

Paul is predeceased by his parents, Josephine Stankiewicz and Stephen Tarmasewicz, and his brother-in-law, Raymond Damien.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine "Jerome" Tarmasewicz; sister, Diane Damien of Leominster, three children, Karen Kirkwood of Orange, Loreen Amdon of Gardner, and Edward "PeeWee" Tarmasewicz of Westminster, three grandchildren, Tracy Chase, Robert Kirkwood and Kelly Kirkwood; great-grandchildren Victoria, Kaitlynn and Maggie Chase; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family requested that in lieu of flowers; Memorial Contributions be made in his name to the New England Daylily Society: www.nedaylily.org.



On the grounds of Dracut Open Space-Ogonowski Memorial Preservation Farmland in June 2015, a raised bed garden around a flag pole was designed and planted by NEDS member, Lisa Lipomi. The perennial plants including many hybrid daylilies were supplied by NEDS members.

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ODS

Ontario Daylily Society

submitted by Dave Mussar

The Fall ODS meeting in September took on a bit of a different format this year being held at the Royal Botanical Gardens rather than at a hotel. Attendance was up and members appreciated the lack of a registration fee. The day featured two guest speakers, Dan Bachman from Valley of the Daylilies in Ohio and Barry Matthie from Bonibrae Daylilies in Ontario. Both gave excellent overviews of their programs and a lively auction for some of their introductions followed. The Fall meeting is also the venue for the ODS Annual General Meeting and Elections. The new Executive of the ODS is as follows: President: Don Blakely Vice-President: Mike Falconer Treasurer: Ross Dettweiler Secretary: Nina Maskulka Director: Jane Fish Director: Kelly Noel Director: David Retallick Member at Large: Sandra Lex Many thanks to the past members of the Executive and to the new members who have stepped forward to take on new roles within the club.

The planned schedule of events for 2016 include:

January 30th - Winter meeting
March 5th - Hybridizer's Forum
April 29th - April 30th - 20th Annual Can-Am Classic; Toronto Airport West Hotel, Mississauga
June 2nd - Babysitting plant meeting
July 16th - ODS Picnic – True North Daylilies, Hobbs Hollow Gardens of Tim Hobbs and Donna Pass
September 17th - Fall meeting and AGM
October 22nd - Monthly meeting
November 26th - Holiday Pot Luck & meeting

All meetings will be held at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Burlington, Ontario unless otherwise indicated. Monthly meetings usually start at 10:00 am. Please see the ODS website www.ontariodaylily.on.ca for speaker announcements, room locations and other details.

PDS

Patriot Daylily Society

Officers: President: Patsy Cunningham
Vice President: Phil Warbasse
Secretary and Past President: Nick Chase
Treasurer: Mary Collier Fisher
Directors: George Doorakian and Bonnie Brown
Photos by Adele Keohan



At the PDS Holiday Party

Top to bottom: incoming PDS president, Kate Reed and current president Patsy Cunningham; left to right: Bob Ruszala, Mary Collier Fisher and Nick Chase; Enid Sackin Reddick and Sharon O'Connor; Tom Riccio and Lisa Lipomi

SMDHS

Southern Maine Daylily and Hosta Society Club Report

Submitted by Rex Beisel, president

2015 has been a busy and fun year for SMDHS. We began the year in March with our annual photo contest. Best in show was won by Lee Harvie for a landscape photograph taken at Barred Owl Daylilies in Otisfield, ME. As winter's grip finally began to loosen in April, we had our spring pot luck luncheon and enjoyed wonderful presentations given by Darlyn Wilkinson of Greywood Farm and Curt Turner of A-Daylily-A-Day Farm. Both speakers focused on the fascinating results of their hybridizing programs and their many beautiful introductions.

On May 9th the club successfully completed the rebuilding of our daylily display bed, located on the campus of Southern Maine Community College. The bed was downsized the previous fall to make it easier to care for. In May, the remaining plants were dug and divided and the bed was weeded and given a top dressing of compost before being replanted. It was decided by the club to replant it with cultivars hybridized by Region 4 hybridizers. Many thanks to everyone who participated in this project.

Our annual plant sale was held later in May and in June we had our member/guest auction. In July, Lisa and Paul Bourret extended a gracious invitation to club members to join them for a pot luck picnic in their beautiful gardens at Rockhaven Daylilies in W. Newfield, ME. The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed a delicious repast while relaxing amongst the daylilies.

Of course our biggest event of the year is our annual "Lobstah Classic" in August, and this year's celebration did not disappoint. Whether it was the silent auction, live auction, guest speakers or the lobster dinner, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Our speakers featured Lori-Ann Jones from Knoll Cottage Daylilies and Jeff Miller from Land of the Giants Hosta Farm. Both presentations were lively and informative. Our speakers were followed by a humorous and exciting live auction hosted by our auctioneer team of Mike Shadrack and Paul Bourret. With a capacity crowd at the dinner, this year's "Lobstah Classic" was

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the best one yet.

Coming up in fall is our October business meeting and soup social, followed in November by "Mediterranean Plants in Maine Gardens" a presentation by our club member Harriet Robinson. December brings our holiday party. To keep up with our list of events please visit our website, www.smdhs.info, or find us on Facebook under SMDHS.

SMDS

Southeastern Massachusetts Daylily Society

Submitted by Pat Wessling, President

Hello all!

The Southeastern Massachusetts Daylily Society had a fun summer and fall season with the two meetings we had scheduled. Don Church, of Blue Hill, Maine put on quite an interesting program for the club in October. He has quite an extensive knowledge of plants and trees that was very entertaining. Our second meeting was Daylily Bingo that seemed to spark quite a bit of interest from other clubs regarding "how to" run Daylily Bingo. I fielded a few inquiries as did our bulletin editor, Stephen Tooker. It is a worthy endeavor, fun for the members and a good fund raiser for the club. I was first told of it from a friend in the Daylily Chatroom, Hemchat, and he was from Kentucky and they just loved it. We have a couple of great gardeners coming to speak at our spring meeting from Cachato Nursery in Holbrook, MA on February 21, 2016. It should be great fun! I hope you can join us!

Look forward to a mild winter and a great spring. Happy holidays to you all!
--Pat Wessling

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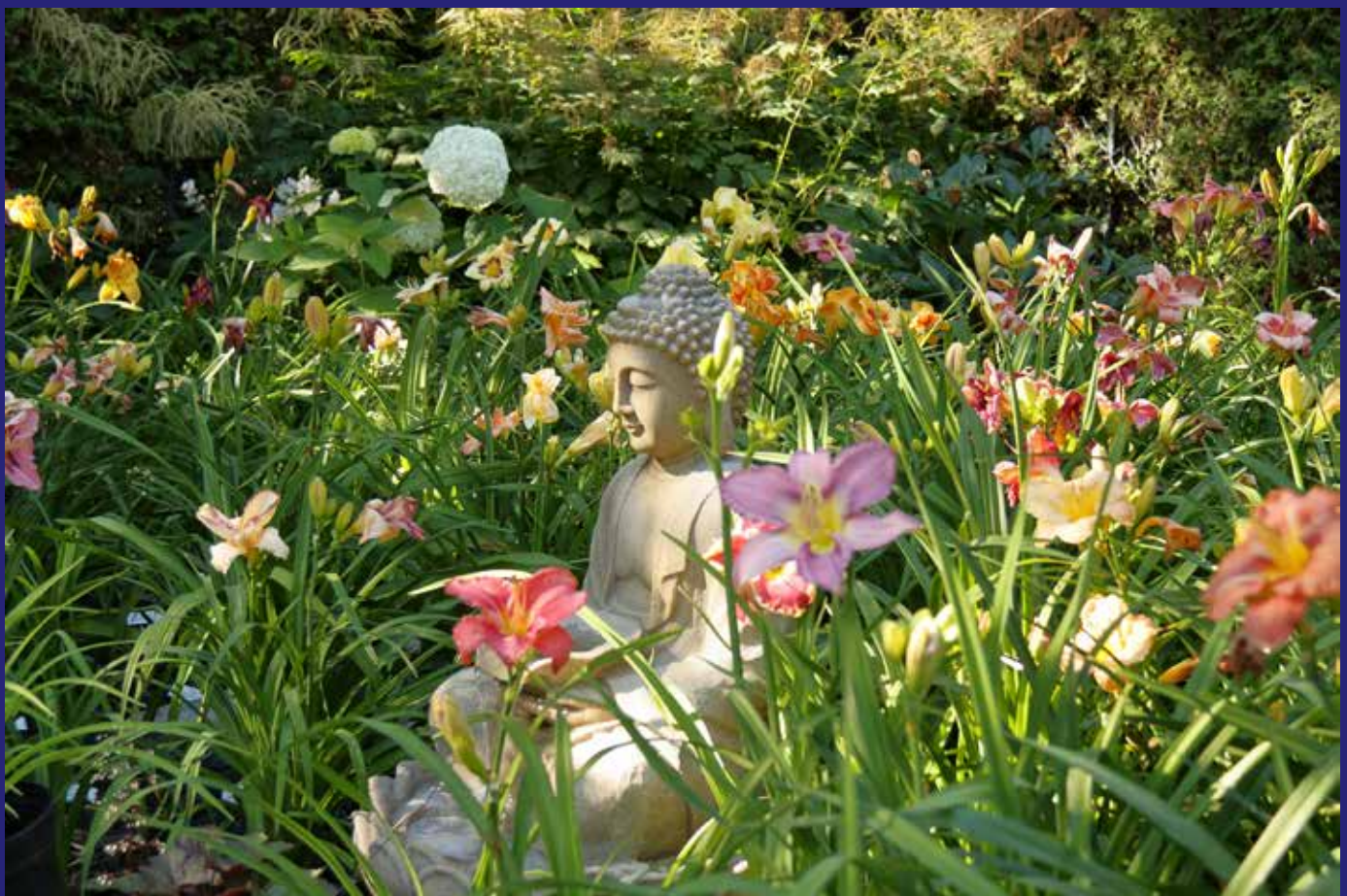


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