

AHS Region 10 Newsletter—Ky & TN

The Daylily Appeal

H.'Cat Bird Seat" (Rice J., 2006)

President's Message

Welcome to the Fall/Winter 2014 Daylily Appeal! Due to circumstances beyond our control we are not able to use our usual printing format for the Fall/Winter edition and are instead utilizing Microsoft Publisher as a means to get our Region 10 news out to the membership in a digital format via the AHS Membership Portal. And as a reminder, Region 10 continues to have an opening for a newsletter editor and would be willing to discuss the position with anyone who thinks he/she might be interested



in assuming this important position. The Region 10 Board is willing to consider creative solutions for our newsletter publication and recognizes that it is more important to PUBLISH a newsletter in some format than to necessarily continue what has always been done in the past.

For those of you who missed the 2014 Summer Meeting hosted by the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society in Lexington, KY, you REALLY missed seeing some wonderful gardens. BGHS assembled not one but TWO days of garden tours and I know that those of you who saw the gardens left with many exciting ideas and beautiful pictures by which to remember the event. Please see the garden articles and pictures in this edition of the Daylily Appeal. The 2014 AHS National Convention was held in and around the mountains of Asheville, North Carolina and many Region 10 members were able to attend due to its proximity. Again, we have included some pictures in this edition for everyone to look at. Being a "mountain" person, I know I am planning on retuning to the Asheville area for a visit soon.

Don't forget to review the results of our most recent Popularity Poll as published by Susan Okrasinski in her RPD article. Hemerocallis 'Primal Scream' won the overall poll, but I continue to be amazed by how the difference of just one or two votes can make in being judged as the most popular in our region. Everyone should vote—your vote truly makes a difference.

From a business perspective, our financial reports for the last half of 2014 are published in this edition and indicate that we are on a sound financial basis. Many thanks to Sandra Merritt for maintaining meticulous financial records and to Chris Schardein for insuring that our business meetings are properly recorded.

Coming up is the 25th Silver Anniversary of the Mid-Winter Symposium to be held in Chattanooga, Tennessee at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo. Lee Pickles and David Kirchhoff have assembled a list of speakers and events that will truly commemorate twenty-five years of the founding of the first daylily winter symposium. I hope to see many of you there!!

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Dues are payable by January 1 each year. Make checks payable to AHS and mail to the Executive Secretary.

Individual:

Family:

One Year. 25.00
Three Years. 70.00
One Year. 30.00
Three Years. 83.00
Youth. 10.00
Sustaining 65.00
Individual Ufe 500.00
Dual Ufe 750.00

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From the AHS Region 10 Director - Rich Rosen

We had our fall AHS Board Meeting in Louisville in October. The two Louisville clubs did a great job of hosting and they received glowing words of thanks from many board members. They are gearing up to host the 2016 AHS National Convention.

Membership in AHS continues to decline by about 400 members or 6% each year. Please redouble your efforts this year to attract people to garden tours, flower shows, and educational programs. Then sign them up for your

local club and AHS.

AHS has published an excellent new book for beginners and experienced gardeners alike. It is called "An Illustrated Guide to Daylilies" and is available for \$15.00 from the AHS On-Line Store on the internet.

The database of daylily registrations continues to grow with new introductions. Debbie Monbeck of Frankfort, KY is working to find photographs of older cultivars for the database. And Janice Wood of Memphis, TN has been finding data for any that are missing or in error. Thanks to Debbie and Janice.

I encourage all of you to register to attend this year's AHS Convention in Atlanta on June10 -14, 2015. I think it will be one of the best (and they are always good). Even closer to home is our Region 10 Meeting hosted this year by the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society on June 19-20 in Nashville.

And, if you regularly enjoy visiting daylily gardens such as our regional meeting, pleas consider becoming an AHS Garden Judge. These are the people who get to vote for the award

winning daylilies each year. It is not hard, lots of fun, and will make you a more discerning daylily gardener.

As always, if you have questions or concerns regarding AHS, please contact me at (502) 352-4210 or rrosen3@fewpb.net. Happy gardening to you all.

From the Regional Publicity Director — Susan Okrasinski

The results of the 2014 daylily popularity poll are in! I would like to thank everyone who took the time to send in their ballot. The top 11 daylilies in our region are listed here along with the number of votes they each garnered. The complete list can be found on the American Hemerocallis Society's website and there are many more winners on that list.

Primal Scream	29 vote
Webster's Pink Wonder	21
Stolen Treasure	15
Peggy Jeffcoat	14
Autumn Wood	12
Beautiful Edgings	12
Bela Lugosi	12
Julie Newmar	11
Regency Heights	11
Dorothy and Toto	10
Lavender Blue Baby	10



What a fantastic summer this has been! We have had a superb growing season for daylilies. This was very evident at the National meeting in Asheville. From the large gardens of Paul Owen and Bob Selman to each of the smaller gardens, there were oceans of beautifully grown daylilies to revel in. Each convention has its own unique flavor and this one was right up there at the top of the list. And by the way, congratulations to Brenda Macy for winning this year's Region 10 service award! It is certainly a well deserved honor.

Garden Judges Liaison Report by Bill Schardein

At the Region 10 Summer Meeting taught by Adele Keohan and myself there were three students for the Garden Judges Clinic I, one who took the class and two who audited the class.

The Garden Judges Clinic II was held on the bus ride to David Kirchhoff's garden for the written material taught by Brenda Macy and Adele Keohan, assisted by myself. The hands-on portion was done in David's garden. We had 14 to take the class.

Exhibition Judges Liaison Report by Lorene Crone

Ever wanted to know what those judges were looking for when they gazed at your exhibit? I did, so I took the judges clinics. I never intended to be a judge. I just wanted to know what to do to make my daylily a winner! After completing the course tests and doing pretty well, I decided to pay for the credit course. Besides, it didn't cost much and "I'm not going to be a judge anyway". Well the more I studied, the more interesting the process became. Before I knew it, I was ready to judge shows and I wanted to! This is a great way to be of service to AHS as well as your local club. You can teach your fellow club members how to groom and prepare their exhibits for their debut in front of the judges.

Consider becoming an exhibition judge. Clinics are offered at Region 10 events MWS, and the Summer Meeting/Garden Tours. They are also offered in other surrounding region meetings as well as the national convention every year. The guidelines are found in the AHS Judging Daylilies Handbook which may be downloaded for <u>free</u> from the AHS website at <u>www.daylilies.org</u>. To get started, you only need to have been an AHS member for two consecutive years prior to clinic I.

Let us know you are planning to attend a clinic by indicating to the registrar when you register for a region meeting. If you have any questions about becoming a judge, please ask any of the many judges in our region. We will be glad to have you join us in the fun of judging daylily shows.

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AHS Region 10 Treasurer's Report January 1— December 31, 2014

Treasurer's Report - AHS Region 10

June 30, 2014 – December 31, 2014

Balance on June 30, 2014 \$14,372.39

Income:

Regional meeting auction (Lexington) 2015 MWS – registration fees

\$4,660.00 2,640.00

Total income \$7,300.00

Total balance + income \$21,672.39

Expenses:

Postage	152.80
Printing	118.21
RP national meeting expenses	254.18
AHS liability insurance premium	90.50
Annual business filing fee	7.14

Total expenses \$ 622.83

Balance on December 31, 2014

\$21,049.56

Sandra Merritt, Treasurer AHS Region 10

AHS Region 10 Business Meeting Minutes — July 4, 2014 Lexington, KY

Region 10 President, Will Coltharp, opened the annual Business meeting at 7:15PM at the Campbell House in Lexington, KY.

Secretary's Report - Will noted that the minutes from the 2/8/2014 MWS meeting were published in the spring edition of the *Appeal*. He then called for approval. Susan Okrasinski approved and Debbie Monbeck second.

<u>Treasurer's</u> Report – This was also published in the spring edition of the *Appeal*. Sandra Merritt had put copies of the report on each dinner table for the members to review. She went over the report and asked for questions. With none being asked, Will called for approval. Susan Okrasinski approved and Greg Trotter second. Sandra asked that if anyone had questions to see her after the auction.

Exhibition Judges Report - Jack Alexander reported that of Exhibition Clinics I,II and III, only Exhibition Judges Clinic III was held. There were eight students and they had a good class.

<u>Garden Judges Report</u> – Bill Schardein reported that he and Adele Keohan (from Region 4) team taught three students. He also stated that GJWII would be held for the first part on the bus during the ride to the gardens so there would be more time to see the garden after the final half of the instruction/class.

<u>Director's Report</u> – Rich Rosen reported that the 2015 National will be in Atlanta, GA and the 2016 will be in Louisville, KY (hosted by the Louisville Area Daylily Society and the Daylily Society of Louisville). He noted that Julie Covington and Kevin Walek gave praises to all the work our Region 10, BGHS member, Debbie Monbeck has done on updating the picture posting of all the daylilies, past, present and historic, on the Portal. Great Job, Debbie! Rich told members to check it out and send Debbie any of their own photos that may be missing from the listings so she can add them.

Rich also noted that at the Board of Directors Meeting in Asheville, NC, Julie Covington announced that an anonymous donor has come forward to match all donations to the AHS (two to one) up to \$20,000. This will help tremendously with the current state of the treasury. As you know the membership is down significantly this year. This will continue for the next six months.

On that note, Rich announced that starting with the 2015 AHS National Convention, the registration fee will be set by the host club limiting it to AHS members, but that an extra fee of \$25.00 will be charged if the person is not an AHS current member. In other words, the person can join AHS <u>and</u> send the fee in <u>or</u> just add an extra \$25.00 if they do not want to join AHS.

Rich announced that soon there will be an on line version of the Exhibition Judges Clinics that can be used. He then announced the Region 10 winners of awards from the National Convention.

Rich posed two questions for members to think about:

How many people use the AHS Portal? (About 1/3 of those at the meeting.)

AHS is looking to future sites. If there could be a convention in Ontario, Canada, would having to have (or get) a passport to go there be a problem or prevent you from attending? (Most seemed to think it would not be a problem.)

With no further Old or New Business, Will called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Harvey motioned and Mort Morss second at 7:30PM.

**At the Saturday night banquet, Bill Schardein reported that since the Garden Judges Workshop started on the bus ride to the gardens the count for the students went from seven to a total of fourteen who were new or renew students for the course that ended at Daylily World.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Schardein

July 4, 2014 Region 10 Board of Directors Meeting-Lexington, KY

Region 10 President Will Coltharp called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM at the Campbell House in Lexington, KY. Those also in attendance were: Susan Okrasinski, Publicity Director; Treasurer, Sandra Merritt; Secretary, Chris Schardein; and Lorene Crone, Exhibition Judges Liaison.

Secretary Report - The Minutes from the 2/8/2014 Mid Winter Symposium Business meeting were published in the Spring **Appeal**. Will is to call for approval at the Summer Business Meeting.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Sandra will have copies of the Treasurer's financial report on each table at the Banquet so everyone will have a chance to look them over. She will present the report for approval. This also includes the financials from the 2014 MWS. She will ask for questions from the members and tell them to see her after the meeting for any further questions.

Old Business - Sandra mentioned that some clubs misunderstood where the money from the Knoxville club (\$5000) went. This was given to the **Region 10 treasury** to help with the 2015 Summer meeting to be held in Nashville since Knoxville had dissolved their club this past year. It was not given to the Middle Tennessee club.

Sandra noted that at the MWS, the Board had voted to not supply instructors unless people sign up for the workshops for Exhibition and Garden Judges. At this meeting, people had only pre-registered for the Exhibition Judges Clinic III, Garden Judges I & II, so no other clinic/workshops were held.

<u>New Business</u> – Susan reported that at the National Convention Regional Officers Meeting that all clubs were encouraged to take a turn at holding a Regional in their area. Someone thought that the Region helped the clubs financially in this event. Sandra asked who would be in control of the financial part if that happened. We had no answers at this time. We determined that our Region 10 is not financially able to help clubs with Regional meetings at this time. (The AHS does loan up to \$6000 to clubs who host the National, but it is to be paid back to AHS within three months of that event.) Chris stated that for either event, the three highest expenses would be the Hotel, Meals and Buses. This is where it is extremely important to set a budget early that will cover those items and others in the cost of registration for that event.

Susan also gave Will the list of Region 10 AHS award winners from the 2014 National Convention in Asheville, NC.

Will noted that he will need to call for nominations from the floor at the 2015 MWS for a nominating committee for the 2016/2017 Region 10 President. The first person nominated will be the Chair for this committee. The new President will appoint his own board members. This will need to be published in the Spring **Appeal** no later than 45 days prior to the 2015 Region 10 Summer Meeting. Will is to send the criteria to all club presidents to present to their own clubs for selecting a new president for our region.

Will announced that Tim Jenkins, a graphic artist, will be taking over as layout person for the Appeal for the next edition. He is knowledgeable in the type of software that we are currently using. Jack Alexander will be asked to become the new editor. Greg Crane is also moving into the Hendersonville TN area and has said he could possibly help work on the Appeal after he gets settled in his new job.

Service Award – LaVonne Jolly will receive the Lee Pickles Service Award tonight.

Brenda Macy, of the Daylily Society of Louisville, won the Region 10 Service Award at the National Convention in Asheville last weekend.

Jack Alexander will give the invitation to the 2015 Mid-Winter Symposium. This will be the 25th anniversary of the event and will be held in Chattanooga, TN, where it had been for so many years, with many new and old speakers and many surprises.

With no further business, Sandra Merritt motioned and Susan Okrasinski seconded that we adjourn the meeting at 5:20PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Schardein

Region 10 Secretary

From the Regional Youth Liaison— Libby Hickman

The 2014 National Daylily Convention in Asheville, North Carolina was certainly one to be remembered. The gardens had amazing landscaping, and views like I have never seen before. The owners were both friendly and interested in the youth and our experiences. Most people were interested in what we had to say and do.

At every garden we learned something new. We actually had Bill Maryott teach us how to hybridize and what specifications we should look for to make a better plant. Plant height, branching, bud count, and fading are all very important factors I never dreamed of considering. We also took a class on arranging flowers in an oriental style. We all received a daylily and various other elements of nature to put together a "beautiful masterpiece" (which for some of us was a bit difficult, and by "some of us" I mean me).

All of the youth got to tour the gardens with special prizes along the way including monopoly money for our long awaited youth auction. The auction itself was action packed with us teaming up with one another to get the plants we really wanted. I am so thankful to everyone that donated plants, it meant a lot to all of us and you spread a lot of joy.

Already looking forward to next year in Atlanta. You haven't seen the last of the youth. By Lauren Hickman

Future Region 10 Meetings

2015—Nashville, TN
2016—Louisville, TN (DSL) (combined Regional & National in cooperation with LADS)
2017—Memphis, TN
2018—Chattanooga, TN
2019—Tri-Cities, TN
2020—Louisville (LADS)

Future National Conventions

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2015 -The Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta & The Cobb County Daylily Society
June 10-13, 2015
Atlanta, GA
2016 -The Daylily Society of Louisville & The Louisville Area Daylily Society
June 29-July 2, 2016
Louisville, KY
2017 -The Tidewater Daylily Society
June 21-24, 2017
Norfolk, Virginia
2018—Open
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AHS Youth Photography Award Winner

Intermediate Division Stephen Smith

We are pleased to announce that our own Region 10 youth, Stephen Smith, won the National AHS Youth Photography Award in the Intermediate Division Category. Below is his winning photograph.



H. "Brandywine Vampire Revenge" (Smith-HB., 2009)

Stephen not only is an excellent photographer but hybridizes as well. Below are three of his new introductions for 2015 and two unnamed seedlings.

'Kathryn Pafford'









Contributions to American Hemerocallis Society

Contribution at Silver level to AHS General Fund Matching Gift Campaign

Susan Okrasinski

Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Hall

Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society

Contribution at Supporting level to AHS Archives Fund Ms. Debbie Monbeck

Contribution at Silver Level to AHS Archives Fund

Ms. Kate Patrick

Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society

Contribution at Silver level to William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust Tri-Cities Daylily Society in memory of Jim Jeffcoat

Contribution at Supporting level to Bertie Ferris Youth Fund Middle Tennessee Daylily Society in memory of Donna Gray

Contribution at Supporting Level to AHS General Fund Matching Campaign

Ms Marifran Hiltz

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Rosen

Mr. & Mrs. Greg Trotter in memory of Katherine Charlene Patrick

Middle Tennessee Daylily Society in memory of Randall Oakes

Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Simpson in honor of Jay & Peggy Turman & Laura Rosser



H. 'Siloam Double Classic' (Henry, P., 1985) Photo by Richard Porter

Region 10 Summer Meeting—Lexington, KY

DAYLILY WORLD—Gardens of David Kirchhoff & Mort Morss By Janice Wood

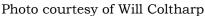
As the bus struggled up the narrow wooded bumpy road to Daylily World the riders were all atwitter with anticipation. When we cleared the trees, acres of blooming daylilies and the lovely historic home on top of the rise came into view. The home has wonderful views of the surrounding countryside, rolling hills in the front, and beds of daylilies, perennials, shrubs and trees to the sides and back. An obelisk that Mort Morss and David Kirchhoff transported from Florida when they moved to the Bluegrass State provides a punctuation mark to the fabulous garden. The beds of daylilies draw you in to wander ever farther into the garden.

David continues to advance tetraploid double daylilies with new colors and now toothy frilly edges. JEANNE ROWLES, JUDY ROMANO and BARBARA WATTS are breathtaking with those fancy edges. TRUFFLICIOUS is yummy looking. JOAN JACKSON is a dark purple double that David has been using lately in his hybridizing. There is even a double named for one of my favorite singers- JANIS JOPLIN.

David's reds just continue to be better and better. BARBARA MANDRELL was chosen by Barbara herself for its intense red color with glowing green throat because she was born on Christmas Day.

Mort Morss has many beautiful purple and lavender colors and patterned eyes daylilies. His SO MANY RIV-ERS with its deep purple color and white edge caught my eye. Patterned MARILYN MORSS JOHNSON, named for his sister is outstanding. His GOD SAVE THE QUEEN is fabulous. I have seen it growing well from Texas to Minnesota. I think it has a good chance to win the Stout Medal in the future.

Daylily World also has daylilies from other hybridizers blooming. Most interesting were two from Gil Stelter from Ontario Canada. He is using species daylilies in his crosses with modern daylilies and has some fabulous results. GRYPHON ARLO STOUT (a burgundy color) and GRYPHON HANKOW LEGACY (an orange with orange red eye) are growing and blooming well in Kentucky.





Thoroughbred Daylilies—Gardens of John and Annette Rice By Helen Porter

Oh, the beautiful weather we had the day (Friday, July 4th) we visited John and Annette Rices garden! We couldn't have ordered better. "Thoroughbred Daylilies" is located in the countryside outside Paris, Kentucky, and the ride out there afforded lovely vistas of Kentucky's rolling hills and black or white fenced horse farms. When our bus pulled onto the property, John and Annette boarded and John gave us an overview of his gardens. He told us they are down-sizing, and their daylily selling-beds now encompass 2 acres of the 9-acre property.

Behind the house and yard, which is wonderfully shaded by an enormous hackberry tree, is an old horse barn now used for garden equipment. To one side of the barn are 3 bottle brush buckeye bushes, which together span 60 feet, and which were covered in large blooms resembling bottle brushes, hence, the name. On the other side of the barn stands a large pond which was full of lovely pink and white lotus lilies, a bustling, buzzing haven for many and various types of dragonflies flitting just above the water.

To the right of the house and driveway are the daylily gardens, resplendent in beautiful hues of every color imaginable. John hybridizes for large blooms, and boy were those blooms in abundance everywhere we looked. John's favorite fertilizer is milorganite, and he uses it early and then as needed.

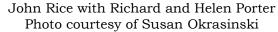
The Rice's keep their daylily beds immaculate with nary a weed or blade of grass anywhere, and each plant's label is in bold, black print and in full view so that we "older" (is that politically correct? No?... Oh, well.) visitors could read them easily without having to "bend or stoop" at all.

Hey, it saves one's back, and I appreciate the convenience! One of the clumps grown in this garden was chosen "Best Clump" by the Regional

attendees: "H. Shattered Glass", hybridized by John Rice himself!

There are many, many trees on the property, including approximately 50 Paw-Paw trees, lined up along one border of the acreage. Elms and evergreens are also in abundance, and contribute to the beauty of the place. The Rice's grow American and deciduous hollies, a golden rain tree, viburnum bushes and magnolias. And it was under the hackberry by the house that we had our picnic of homemade chicken salad or pimento cheese sandwiches. We socialized and enjoyed our cool haven until our bus captain, Michael Stephens, blew the whistle for us to be on our way to the next garden.

I thoroughly enjoyed "Thoroughbred Garden" and could have stayed all day under that tree drinking in the beautiful colors and scents of the daylily beds there. This was truly an idealic experience for us all; wonderful to behold and visit! Yes, "Thoroughbred Daylilies" is a "little Eden" right here in the heart of Kentucky! John and Annette can certainly be proud of what they've accomplished. We were all refreshed and inspired, and for me, the time there was way too short!





Gardens of David & Linda Donald

By Shirley Fincannon

For those of us not blessed with a large plot of land on which to spread our gardening wings and our daylily collection, Linda and David's 1/2 acre lot gives us inspiration. Work began in 1988 and the garden now contains over 350 varieties of daylilies.

To the left of the house, extensive beds are laid out in tiers. The highest level is topped by a rock wall and centered with an arch and stone bench. Two more levels of daylily beds are placed down the incline of the hill, the lower one interspersed with other perennials, notably pink, purple and white phlox and Oriental lilies backed by an original low stone wall and ending in a corner multi-level cascading waterfall and small fish pond with their pool and deck area adjacent. The years of hard but happy work is evident in this lovely place.





Photos courtesy of Susan Okrasinski

Linda Donald in her garden

Gardens of Debbie Monbeck

By Linda Hassler

As we drove down the quiet lane to Debbie Monbeck's home, outside Frankfort, KY, the early morning sunlight was shining over her garden in such a way that everything seemed to sparkle.

Right away, even before viewing flowers, many of our group were drawn to a display of classic Ford Mustangs; very appropriate choice for this area renown for 'horses'. Several of our more knowledgeable car enthusiasts were appreciative of the hoods raised for a closer inspection of the inner workings of these lovely cars.

In addition to their impressive collection of cars, Debbie and her partner are collectors of vintage signage and vintage tins. As a backdrop to the garden, the outside garage wall provided a great display of various vintage signs. These old advertisements are now treasured works of art. As visitors wandered round to the front of the garage, where refreshments were offered, we were able to enjoy Debbie's antique tins pressed into temporary service to hold her potted plants. Another standout was the arrangement of her dried alliums, which she had hand painted red, white and blue for a 4th of July 'fireworks' effect. Debbie is indeed a woman of many talents and gifts!

Debbie is known throughout Region 10, and beyond, for her photography. The same artistic ability for composing a pleasing photo is seen in the design of her garden. Debbie's collection of beautiful daylilies is showcased in island beds, which invite close viewing. Her selection of companion plantings was varied and enhances her daylilies. The tall Orienpet hybrid lilies were quite showy and clumps of Liatris were attracting butterflies, dragonflies, and a swarm of 'shutter bugs'.

This garden and its owner offered a very warm welcome and provided an atmosphere for a most enjoyable visit. As the bus whistle blew, I heard many express the regret of having to leave so soon. Debbie Monbeck's 'jewel' of a garden was truly a highlight of our Region 10 summer tour.



Debbie Monbeck in her garden



'Lily Drive' in the Monbeck Garden

Rosemont—Gardens of Elizabeth & Greg Trotter

By Susan Okrasinski

After a soothing bus ride through the horse country of Kentucky, we arrived at the Trotters' driveway. We knew we were at the right place by the large planter full of daylilies (H. Blessings in Disguise from Bob Selman and H. Little Opal Annie Owen/Byerly were calling our names). Also in this bed was a large sign that read Rosemont, the name of the Trotter's homestead. In addition to growing many daylilies they also have a great love of roses. Greg Trotter was waiting with a van to drive some of us up their ¼ mile driveway. I was happy to walk as the day was cool and the wooded scenery was enjoyable. We stopped to take in the sights of a large pond full of wildlife like ducks and croaking frogs. We knew we were almost at our destination by the bevy of galloping metal horses welcoming us!

Wow, what a view! The Trotters' beautiful home is surrounded by well tended landscaping and many garden beds. You can see for miles from certain vantage points. Elizabeth and Greg grow over 1,000 daylily cultivars. They are planted en masse and also among companion plants such as roses, lilium and perennials such as wild geranium and coneflower. There is a peaceful sense of harmony throughout the beds.

The first daylily that stopped me in my tracks was a splendid clump of H. Purple Cheetah, one of James Gossard's introductions. Also looking top notch was H. Classy Columbus from John Rice and H. Westbourne Little Lamb from Mary Jane Meadows. Both are Region 10 hybridizers by the way. As I wandered along trying to take in all the beauty and not miss any details, I came across an impressive waterfall and fish pond snuggled at the base of several blue spruce trees. In addition to being an AHS Display Garden, Rosemont is also a certified National Wildlife Federation Habitat. I noticed there were sunflowers and coneflowers growing next to the pond as well as other plants designed to feed and shelter wildlife.

There are many hybridizers well represented in this garden. H. Glorious Autumn and H. Peachberry Truffle from David Kirchhoff were outstanding that day! H. Rapid Eye Movement, (one of Dan Trimmer's introductions) was full of perfect blooms as was H. Thundercat from James Gossard. And of course, John and Annette Rice were represented by H. Elizabeth Trotter, H. Greg Trotter and H. Martha Chamberlain.

I can't rave enough about the skillful way that Elizabeth and Greg have incorporated art pieces into their garden. At the center of a circular bed of daylilies stands the bust of a proud steed with a flowing mane, mounted on a cement plinth. At this point the coincidence of the owner's name being Trotter was not lost on me. There was also an engaging round bubbler surrounded by very lifelike cement birds tucked away among the plants. There are so many treasurers to discover in this garden that make me want to return, as I am sure I will miss something.

As I continued on my way toward the backyard, I noticed a pair of eyes watching me from the edge of the woods. They belonged to Lexi, one of Elizabeth's cats. I took a moment to sit down and make friends and exchange a few head pets with face rubs. Nothing makes a garden more perfect than a friendly pet! Speaking of wildlife, the next vision as I rounded the bend to the backyard was another large waterfall and pond. This one was surrounded with many naturalized plantings as well as cultivated ones. This was a huge area and was teeming with bees, butterflies, dragonflies, birds and fish. Behind the pond was a charming garden shed complete with landscaping, window boxes, solar roof windows and rain barrels. The final structure that beckoned was a gazebo sitting at the edge of the woods, almost hidden from view. This was certainly a tranquil place to come and sort out your thoughts on the painted bistro set sitting inside. A gorgeous stained glass window featuring daylilies was hanging in just the right spot to catch the morning light.

At this point I noticed quite a crowd gathered at the side of the house so I went over to investigate. In addition to seating in the shade, there was an incredible selection of goodies! Jackie Canner, a fellow BGHS member, contributed cookies which looked just like vintage seed packets as well as pink daisy petit fours. While I was ogling the array of food, Elizabeth's mother, Martha Chamberlain came along with 4th of July bracelets and commemorative mint tins she was passing out to all the visitors. What a thoughtful gesture! As I sat down to sample some of the goodies, I noticed out of the corner of my eye, a lovely fairy garden planted at the base of a tree. I almost missed this!

One last treat was waiting for us before making the trek back down the driveway, a tub full of cool herbal scented moist washcloths to refresh us and bid us adieu. As I walked, I thought about what a privilege it was to experience not only the garden, but the generous spirit and loving attention to detail of the owners, Elizabeth and Greg. This is a garden that will stay with me for a long time.

Hickory Springs of Montgomery Daylilies—Gardens of Charlene Patrick and Donna Jones by Richard Porter

Leaving our Lexington hotel and over the stunning Kentucky countryside into Montgomery County, near the village of Camargo, we arrived on a very cool morning at our first garden, Hickory Springs.

Beautiful Hickory Springs is a 112 acre former tobacco farm, now growing a fantastic crop of over 1,300 registered daylilies. An historical farm for 7 generations, it is operated by Dorothy Jones and her daughters, Charlene Patrick and Donna Jones. This family has naturally mulched, well labeled clumps fertilized by milorganite.

The farm offered a panoramic view of the surrounding area, with the Appalachian Mountains in a distance. Jackets were in vogue with temperatures in the 50's! We were all so very welcomed by the family. Then, we were treated to goodies.

Outstanding cultivars were everywhere and my wish list grew to include H. 'Sailing into the Blue', 'Madness to See', 'Lake of Fire', 'Hem of His Garment', 'My Mama Thinks I'm a Star', 'Carpenter's Choice', 'Double Oh Two', and 'Violet Victory'.

In Memoriam

Katherine Charlene Patrick, of Mt. Sterling, passed away Sunday, October 19, 2014. She was a 60 year old native of Virginia, daughter of Dorothy Daniel Jones of Mt. Sterling and the late Charles William Jones, a registered nurse, and a board member of the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society.

Charlene, along with her mother Dorothy Jones, and her sister Donna Jones, operated Hickory Springs of Montgomery Daylilies in Mt. Sterling, Kentucky. We were fortunate here in Region 10 to be able to enjoy the results of all their hard work when their garden was on tour during the 2014 Summer Meeting. Charlene and her family had worked the past several years, looking forward to having their farm in tip top form to inspire visitors with beautiful daylilies viewed against the magnificent backdrop of the Appalachian Mountains. The Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society was proud to feature their garden on this tour as one of the jewels of the Bluegrass area, and we will greatly miss her contributions to the club and our lives.

Elizabeth Trotter President, BGHS



Charlene Patrick



Garden Hall-Gardens of Rich Rosen and Anna Marie Pavlik

By Kate Patrick

Garden Hall is the Frankfort, Kentucky home of Rich Rosen and his wife, Anna Marie Pavlik. Built in 1913 by Graham Vreeland, owner and publisher of the local newspaper, it was designed by the same architect who was responsible for the iconic grandstand and twin spires of Churchill Downs racetrack in Louisville. The house occupies a corner lot in the historic district of Frankfort. It presents an imposing and stately exterior and is surrounded by gardens which have what we can only call "good bones". There is a small front garden replete with clipped boxwoods, a wrought iron bench and a parterre of daylilies. Two fierce lion statues guard either side of the front door. It is all fairly shady as tall trees line the streets.

To enter the rear garden you pass through a gate and find yourself on a terrace surrounding an inviting swimming pool that is set like a perfectly round jewel at the foot of the back stairs. A pergola along the rear of the patio area offers shade and was where lunch was served. The grounds are terraced down from that point and many of us sat in the shade of mature fir trees or on garden benches scattered about the grounds.

According to Rich, the beds that once held roses now hold daylilies whereas the rest of the landscaping is pretty much as it was when they moved in four years ago. As in the front, the rear garden is defined by hedging—yew this time—and gravel paths, leaving a wide circle of lawn in the center. The design is very classic, drawing the eye to a white pergola at the very far end of the garden. Daylilies line the paths in all the sunny places. I found myself wondering how long it would be before the central lawn is plowed up and planted out with hemerocallis! I know I would not be able to resist the urge, even at the sacrifice of that serene and classic design.

Although this garden has all the elements of formality, it is still an intensely personal one. Scattered among the daylilies and perched on various walls were all sorts of cat and frog statues. A tortoise studded with sea shells sat at the base of the back stairs and an arch formed by an elongated shovel and garden fork made an entrance into one of the paths. I also discovered a nice little vegetable garden tucked out of sight in the far back corner. Who would think such a formal garden would have room for such a thing-- and a compost pile? The owner's sense of humor was evident in these little touches that made the garden feel more welcoming.

In two of the largest beds in the middle terrace there was a wonderful assortment of daylilies and lilium. Three of my favorites were Carpenter's THE KING IS COMING, a deeply saturated purple with a lighter eye, JUST FOR JOANNE by Herrington which was a nice red, and CAROLINA BLUE-EYED GUY by Boatwright. The last one was not blue but more like a dark mulberry with a lighter eye and just the right amount of ruffling on the petals. I am not familiar with the hybridizer but I saw several of his cultivars on this regional tour and intend to find out more about his plants and maybe add some to my garden. One item of daylily culture that I saw in this garden that I thought was extremely practical was the narrow strip of inverted carpet running between the rows in these beds. Rich told me he got the idea when living at another house and a plumbing leak necessitated tearing out the carpeting. He put the carpet to good use in his daylily beds. He did say he had put fresh carpet down for the tour!

An amazing treat in this garden was not really part of the garden at all but the display of a single print by Anne Marie Pavlik who is obviously an extremely gifted artist. The print is of a buffalo and from far away it just looks like the drawing of an animal. However, when you approach nearer the buffalo is made up of dozens of smaller images of plants and other animals. An otter forms the horns, a heron the rump, the tail is actually a snake and so forth. I took a photograph of it and have spent some time picking out the details. I don't know enough to say what printing process she used but the image is so provocative of the wilds of America all contained within the body of the one beast. Amazing!

My understanding is that this garden will be on the National tour in the year it will be held in Louisville, Kentucky. So if you missed it the first time around you can look forward to another open garden in a few years. It really is one you will want to spend some time in. Thanks to Rich and Anne Marie for sharing it with us.

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RESULTS

Daylily Society of Louisville

Best Extra Large

H.'Rolling Like A River' (Shooter-E., 2001) Exhibited by Joe Powell

Best Large

H. 'Vintage Bordeaux' (Kirchhoff, 1986)

Exhibited by Summer D. Marks

Best Small

H.'Early and Often' (Huben, 2001)

Exhibited by Doris Stonska

Best Miniature

H.'Magic Elf' (Stamile-G., 2004)

Exhibited by Bill Schardein

Best Double

H.'Rise & Shine with Dolores'

(Wolff-D., 2012)

Exhibited by Don & Claudia Wolff

Best Spider

H.'Rococo' (Biery, 1972)

Exhibited by Brenda Macy

Best Unusual Form

H. 'All I Want for Christmas'

(Wilkerson, 2010)

Exhibited by Nancy Estes

Best Seedling

Exhibited by Don & Claudia Wolff

Best in Show

H. 'Magic Elf'

(Stamile-G., 2004)

Exhibited by Bill Schardein

Sweepstakes—Bill Schardein

Best Flower by Region 10 Hybridizer

H. 'Bourbon on Ice' (Wolff-D., 2011)

Exhibited by Don & Claudia Wolff

TN Valley Daylily Society

Best Extra Large

H.'Song of Promise' (Dougherty-H, 1995))

Exhibited by Nathan Allison

Best Large

H. 'Great Mercies' (Bell-T., 2007)

Exhibited by June Scoggins

Best Small

H.'Awesome Candy' (Stamile, 2000)

Exhibited by Nathan Allison

Best Miniature

H.'Peanut Butter Frenzy'

(Apps, 1999)

Exhibited by Deloris Clark

Best Double

H.'Spring Bling' (Pryor-J, 2006)

Exhibited by June Scoggins

Best Spider

H.'Susan Heimerdinger'

(Bachman, 2008)

Exhibited by Karen Newman

Best Unusual Form

H. 'Peppermint Twizzler'

(George-T., 2004)

Exhibited by Karen Newman

Best Seedling

Exhibited by Ralph Gordon

Best in Show

H. 'Spring Bling' (Pryor-J., 2006)

Exhibited by June Scoggins

Sweepstakes—Karen Newman

Popularity Poll

H. 'Primal Scream' (Hanson-C., 1994)

Exhibited by Joan Trundle Youth—H.'Comic Strip'

Exhibited by Lauren Hickman

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Middle TN Daylily Society

Best Extra Large

H.'Gift From Heaven'

(Joiner, 2000)

Exhibited by Rusty/Sharon Turner

Best Large

H. Yellow Explosion'

(Oakes, 1991)

Exhibited by Rusty/Sharon Turner

Best Small

H.'Teenie Girl'

(Reinke-B, 2004)

Exhibited by Jack Alexander

Best Miniature

H.'Bertie Ferris'

(Winniford, 1969)

Exhibited by Don & Nancy Felts

Best Double

H.'Micro Wave'

(Trimmer-J., 2005)

Exhibited by Don & Nancy Felts

Best Spider

H.'Skinwalker'

(Roberts-N., 1997)

Exhibited by Rusty/Sharon Turner

Best Unusual Form

H. 'Angel in Oz'

(Herrington-K., 1997)

Exhibited by Rusty/Sharon Turner

Best Seedling

Exhibited by Cullen Merritt

Best in Show

H. 'Skinwalker'

(Roberts-N., 1997)

Exhibited by Rusty/Sharon Turner

Sweepstakes—Don & Nancy Felts

Popularity Poll

H. 'Big Kiss'

(Joiner, 1991)

Exhibited by Don & Nancy Felts

Design Tricolor Award– Denise Thorne

West TN Daylily Society

Best Extra Large

H.'Heavenly United We Stand'

(Gossard, 2009)

Exhibited by P & C Sims

Best Large

H. 'Elohim Candy Corn'

(Sims, PD., 2008)

Exhibited by P & C Sims

Best Small

H.'Janice Brown'

(Brown, EC., 1986)

Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best Miniature

H.'Grape Kool-Aid'

(Holley, S., 2008))

Exhibited by Lorene Crone

Best Double

H.'Strawberry Truffle'

(Kirchhoff, 2001)

Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best Spider

H.'Small World Laughing All the

(Miller, M., 2010)

Exhibited by Joann Garrison

Best Unusual Form

H. 'Queen of Halls'

(Reinke, J., 2002)

Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best Seedling

Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best in Show

H. 'Grape Kool-Aid'

(Holley, S., 2008)

Exhibited by Lorene Crone

Sweepstakes—Phil & Carol Sims

Popularity Poll

H. 'Red Volunteer'

(Oakes, 1984))

Exhibited by Lorene Crone

Region 10 Club Reports

Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society by Martha Chamberlain

By Martha Chamberlain, Columbia, KY

President: Elizabeth Trotter Vice President: Debbie Smith

Secretary: Margo Couch Treasurer: Patti Byerley

Webmaster: Elizabeth Trotter

Parliamentarian: Martha Chamberlain

The March meeting was held at the Leestown Road Garden Center in Lexington, KY. President Elizabeth Trotter opened the meeting with a drawing for door prizes that she brought, all with butterfly themes. We had a brief business meeting with an update on our Region 10 Summer Meeting and the need for volunteers. Our speaker was Joanna Kirby, who is President of Garden Clubs of Kentucky. She presented an informative and inspiring slideshow program, "Creating Monarch Butterfly Waystations and Attracting Other Butterflies." Elizabeth presented her with a special butterfly garden decoration in a butterfly-shaped box.

The April meeting was held at the Eagle Creek Library in Lexington, since the garden center was in the process of being sold. Elizabeth Trotter conducted a brief business meeting, then gave an update on the planning for our Regional Summer Meeting. Members were encouraged to volunteer for a committee. We had our fun annual bingo game with Paul Clough calling the numbers. Winners chose daylilies brought by members as their prizes.

The May meeting was held at the Scott County Extension Office, since we have to be out of libraries by 9:00 p.m. and our daylily auction meetings tend to run long. Daylilies were provided by Thoroughbred Daylilies and plants members brought. Charles Walker gave a report on the club bed at the Kentucky Horse Park. It is looking good thanks to the park groundskeepers, and also Charles and Beverly and Elizabeth's work in looking after them.

The June meeting was a picnic held at the lovely home and garden of Beverly and Charles Walker. The club furnished the meat, and members brought delicious side dishes and desserts. Also in June, several of our members attended the AHS National Convention in Asheville, North Carolina, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

The 4th of July weekend brought our own Region 10 Summer Meeting, "Daylilies and Fillies," held at Campbell House Hotel in Lexington. Elizabeth Trotter and John Rice did a magnificent job as co-chairs of the **first ever** two-day tour in Region 10. They made all the arrangements for the hotel, programs, meals, and for the buses to tour 7 beautiful gardens. Those attending received wonderful goodie bags filled to overflowing with useful garden items, such as gloves, fertilizer samples, tape measures, insect repellent, mini flashlights, and more. There were snacks, hand sanitizer, and even tiny pewter key chains shaped like hand pruners! They were a huge hit with attendees. Thoroughbred Daylilies and Daylily World each donated half of the gift plants worth \$150.00 each. We had people from 14 states -- Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, Illinois, Michigan, Florida, California, Pennsylvania, Arkansas, Georgia, Massachusetts, and Mississippi! There were 101 registered.

There was time for attendees to visit the boutique, which had an abundance of daylilies, raffles, many silent auction items, and other gifts with many one-of-a-kind items, including a beautiful hand-made daylily quilt throw and a hand-crocheted daylily pillow. Speakers were Curt Hanson of Crintonic Daylilies, Dan Hansen of Ladybug Daylilies, and David Kirchhoff of Daylily World. Dan donated bus plants for each attendee, plus prizes for the scavenger hunt in each garden. Curt donated plants for the Region 10 Auction. The meals at the hotel, gourmet boxed lunches, and refreshments in the gardens were all first rate. The gardens were at peak bloom, and the weather was great both days. The 4th of July theme was carried out with decorations in the gardens, patriotic bracelets handed out to everyone on the buses, and red, blue, and silver

BGHS Club Report cont.

Mardi Gras beads worn at dinner.

'Shattered Glass' (Rice-JA, 2010) won the Region 10 Hybridizer Clump Award, and 'Rosy Complexion' (Rice-JA, 2010) was the runner up. A big thank-you goes to Elizabeth Trotter and John Rice for all their hard work and dedication in coordinating all the intricacies involved to make this summer regional event a memorable one for all the attendees.

The August meeting was our members' only Private Sale. This meeting is intended to reward all the club members who volunteer and support the club throughout the year. Daylilies were provided by Nicole's Daylilies, Browns Ferry Gardens, and Knoll Cottage Daylilies .

For the September meeting, members enjoyed a fall auction of daylilies provided by members and Bob Selman of Blueridge Daylilies. President Elizabeth Trotter brought fabulous door prizes and daylilies from her garden to share with everyone.





Tri-Cities Daylily Society by Rebecca Hall

President: Susan Okrasinski Membership/Growth: Dennis Marshall

Vice-Presidents: Jean & Sharon Fleischer Speaker Liaison: Chris Massengill

Treasurer: Dennis Hall Webmaster: John Wagner Secretary: Rebecca Hall

TCDS members have enjoyed this summer's daylily season by visiting members' gardens and attending conventions (a little calmer this year after hosting the regional meeting last summer). Several of our members took advantage of the close proximity of Asheville, N.C., and attended the AHS National Convention in June. This was followed by wearing our red, white, and blue at the Region 10 Meeting in Lexington, KY, over the Fourth of July. Both these were wonderful, enjoyable events. We were proud of our own up-and-coming hybridizer, Chris Massengill, who served as auctioneer at the regional meeting and even offered one of his new introductions for auction. We closed out the summer with a successful, fun picnic and auction on Bays Mountain.

Earlier spring programs included a March power point presentation on wildflowers and daylilies presented by talented photographer Bob Hale. The April program involved an auction of beautiful daylilies from Bob Selman's Blue Ridge Daylilies, and our May meeting included an informative presentation by Rachael Steidel on her hybridizing program.

Our mid-September meeting will feature Michael Miller, hybridizer and owner of Small World Daylilies in Chester, Virginia. We will conclude the calendar year with our annual Christmas party and meeting in the Kingsport Public Library auditorium.

TCDS, along with other daylily gardeners throughout the country, was saddened by the July 7 death of Jim Jeffcoat of Singing Oakes Gardens in South Carolina. Jim and his wife Peggy were great supporters of our club in its early years. The club recently voted to make a donation in memory of Jim to the AHS. Members of the TCDS wish all you a beautiful fall and wonderful holiday season.

DAYLILY SOCIETY OF LOUISVILLE by Richard Porter

Daylily Friends: We have had a fun year, and been educated on many aspects of growing fabulous daylilies.

Jason Nally from the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Department, our March speaker, explained ways to keep animal pests out of our gardens, and even demonstrated erecting an electric fence to stop deer!

Master Gardner June Sandercock (Wallitsch Nursery employee) presented a wonderful program in April, covering soil testing, soil improvement, and weed prevention.

May's program featured Jeff Wallitsch, one of the Nursery's owners. He demonstrated how to create a Fairy Garden. Bringing his own container, plants and supplies, he made a Fairy Garden on the spot. Our Club decided to give one of these as a major prize at next month's annual AHS Flower Show.

June is Flower Show month for us! Planning over the last several months culminated at this meeting with Helen Porter and Don Wolff, both AHS Exhibition Judges, giving a thorough program on the "art of grooming". The Flower Show and companion public sale of daylilies was a great success at the Mid-City Mall in the Highlands area of Louisville. Our show winners are listed in another article in this issue.

Ah, July!! We can relax. Our show is over - all but the bragging! Our

Sale was great, so when added to several earlier Spring sales, our show expenses were met in full. Don Wolff presented the July meeting program.

He gave a very educational slide show from AHS' library (material available for any club). We learned about "very tall" and "very late" daylilies.

Tall daylilies run from 48" on up to over 78" in a few cultivars. This month was the Regional Meeting. Many DSL members went to Lexington, Kentucky, as the club there hosted the regional this year. All the tour gardens were just lovely. The Bluegrass Club did a fantastic job!

For August, Dennis Walsh came from Frankfort, Kentucky (our State Capital) and presented a very good slide show as Head Gardener at Buffalo Trace Distillery. This locale is 130 acres and is a designated national landmark. This brings up another on-going committee of DSL --- the National Convention Committee is regularly meeting under Chris Schardein's and Michael Stephens' leadership, planning the AHS Convention in Louisville which will be held in June, 2016. Buffalo Trace Distillery has been selected as one of the tour bus stops for the Convention. It looks like a lot of fun for all who attend the 2016 National Convention.

September's meeting was our annual picnic at Creasy-Mahan Nature Preserve in Oldham County, just east of Louisville. Our great cooks brought pot luck dishes and the club provided fried chicken. We swapped proliferations and had a drawing for donated perennials.

Every meeting of DSL features a raffle of two daylilies, a pot luck meal, and many, many donated door prizes. We have really come to expect these features at every meeting. The Daylily Society of Louisville meets 10 months out of the year, skipping December and January, due to possible inclement weather. And, instead of a "meeting" in November, the club has a catered holiday dinner and party at our usual meeting place. It is a fun way to end the club year!

Kentucky Daylily Fans by Laura Teague

The Kentucky Daylily Fans club began the spring with a successful sale at the Pennyroyal Master Gardeners' Spring Lawn and Garden Fair on April 26. We had a bright sunny day for the event, and sold most of the plants that several club members had donated. In October Brenda Macy will attend our meeting and conduct a Garden Judge class. Nikki Schmith will help us round out a successful year, visiting our club and presenting the November program.

Seven members of Kentucky Daylily Fans (Adrianne, Julie, Michele, Bill, Donna, Beri, and Laura) toured the Western Kentucky Botanical Garden on June 23, 2014. We enjoyed the beautiful daylilies and the informative talk in the nice shady gazebo. We had planned to visit a daylily farm, but discovered that it had gone out of business, so we had lunch at the Moonlite (where Bill Clinton ate when he was in Owensboro) and started home. Not ready to quit for the day, someone asked, "Is there anywhere else we can stop?"

"Let's stop at that house with all the daylilies!" suggested another club member.

We had all noticed the "house with all the daylilies" every time we traveled from Madisonville to Owensboro in summer, because half of the front yard is planted in hundreds of daylilies. Donna, our driver, having a bold streak, pulled into the driveway, all the way up to the garage door. Nobody moved. Finally Julie said, "I'm going to the door!" No one seemed to be home, so we all piled out and began enjoying the beautifully landscaped beds.

A few minutes later, Adrianne announced, "There are some "Return to SWIDS" markers over here!" In order to understand the confusion we felt, you have to know that Julie and Laura, in addition to being members of Kentucky Daylily Fans, also belong to Southwestern Indiana Daylily Society in Evansville, IN. In fact, Laura had prepared the very markers that Adrianne had observed!

"Whose house could this be?" we wondered. We finally thought of someone in SWIDS who lived in Owensboro, and concluded this must be their garden. "They're in Florida! We could just dig what we want!" quipped Julie.

The SWIDS members felt a bit silly, having known the homeowners and the daylily garden and never having connected the two. Laura later e-mailed the homeowners and told them the whole story. They replied, "Yes, we are in Florida. We left before they started to bloom, only six were blooming then. Glad someone could enjoy them. And you tell Julie to leave her shovel at home!"

West TN Daylily Society by Danny Robinson

Upcoming Events:

First thing to know we held election of officers and all the officers serving this year agreed to serve in the 2015 year.

We will have our annual spring sale on May 2nd 2015 in conjunction with the Jackson Master Gardeners sale now is tentative to be held at the Agriculture Station but may be changed due to construction on site.

Annual picnic will be June 14th at Brian and Barbara Fowler's Home

The daylily show will be June 27th at the Old Hickory Mall in Jackson TN entrees must be in by 10:30 AM Annual Fall plant sale will be held August 8th at the Farmers Market in Jackson.

If any one would like more information they can contact Danny Robinson at 731-784-5418 or <u>dannydrobbie@bellsouth.net</u>.

Tennessee Valley Daylily Society by Karen Newman—Delano, TN

2014 TVDS Officers

President: Jane Dixon

First Vice President: Lee Pickles

Second Vice President: Joan Trundle

Treasurer: Libby Hickman

Secretary/Reporter: Karen Newman

The first meeting of 2014 was held on February 15th at the Rib & Loin in Hixson, TN. President (Jane Dixon) called the meeting to order and promoted the Region 10 Annual Summer Meeting and the 2014 AHS National Convention to be held in Asheville—both within a reasonable driving distance for our club members.

Jane then turned our meeting over to our Youth members. Tucker Gaby gave a report on MWS/Nashville held the week before our February meeting and Amy Bell gave a report on some of the Youth activities. Lee Pickles informed us that the 2015 MWS/Nashville will be relocated to Chattanooga to commemorate its 25th Anniversary. More information will be given at a later date. And Libby Hickman distributed some rack cards she had prepared to place in Plexiglas holders at several locations to promote TVDS meetings.

Lauren Bell (another one of our Youth members) introduced our guest speaker, William Marchant of *Druid City Daylilies* in Douglasville, GA. William is an Elementary School Principal who hybridizes both dips and tets. About 80% of his seedlings/introductions are dormant and he began to get serious about hybridizing in 2010. He loves doubles and uses a lot of Kirchhoff genes in his doubles program. His goal is to get a double that is 11 to 12 inches across...and have scapes sturdy enough to hold up the blooms! He has some future doubles that measure around 9".

Our April 12th meeting was also held at the Rib & Loin in Hixson, TN. President (Jane Dixon) called the meeting to order and asked Amy Bell to read the Mission Statement for TVDS—always keeping our Youth involved.

Linda Hassler read our TVDS Club Plant Guidelines and club plants purchased from Cindy Dye were distributed. The Youth helped with distribution and Libby obtained a signature of each member for the contract for receipt of the plant(s).

Lauren Hickman reported on the latest Youth project—going to Jane Dixon's garden where the youth learned about pre-emergent, fertilization and weed pulling.

Our guest speaker was David Kirchhoff from *Daylily World* in Lawrenceburg, KY. David presented a most interesting program that incorporated a history of his daylily breeding. Classic daylilies from his early breeding program (first introduction in 1976) to his current introductions were viewed. David and Mort brought Auction plants which were snapped up quickly.

The June 7th meeting opened with a video preview of the July 3 – 5, 2014 Region 10 Summer Meeting and the announcement that the Youth will meet at the home of Libby Hickman on June 12th where Hamilton County Extension Agent, Tom Stebbins, will give a talk on "Good Bugs, Bad Bugs".

With our annual flower show scheduled for the following week, Rick Keith gave a program on *Grooming and Getting Ready for a Show*. Show results are detailed elsewhere in this publication.

The final event for this meeting was an auction. Lee Pickles and Rick Keith, the two prominent hybridizers in our club, brought some of their own recent introductions and other plants to auction. There were some good bargains and the sellers donated 25% of the sales price to the club. So everybody won!

As the second half of 2014 is underway, we will be hosting Nicole Harry at our August meeting and Bill Waldrop will have charge of our October meeting. Of course, everyone is looking forward to the Christmas luncheon in December...when the weather will hopefully be a bit cooler than it is at the time of this writing.

Middle Tennessee Daylily Society by Jack Alexander

At the end of February, the MTDS members hosted a booth selling daylilies at the Nashville Lawn and Garden Show. This was a great event with lots of members participating in the four-day event. In addition to being a great venue to encourage new members, it is typically an excellent opportunity for fund-raising.

In March, the MTDS club hosted a meeting featuring Mark Carpenter from Center, TX. His enthusiasm and presentation of his hybridizing program really energized the club and set the tone for a great year of programs.

In April, the MTDS club meeting was held at Cheekwood and featured Linda Hassler, a hybridizer in Crossville who is a member of both the MTDS and the TVDS clubs. She did a wonderful job sharing her hybridizing program and making in personal and educational for those who are just beginning to dabble in hybridizing. The club really enjoyed his low-key but entertaining program.

In May, our annual Cultivar Acquisition Program and auction was held at Cheekwood. The auction was a big success and over 20 people got brand new cultivars from Dan Trimmer or Sandy Knalls as part of the award program. In 2016 these cultivars will be available for auction to all of the club members.

In June, Breakfast in the Garden was held at the home of Duncan and Virginia Callicott. The hosts were so welcoming and what a spectacular garden. It was truly a treat to visit their garden. A week later, the club held its annual show and sale. We had a great turnout of members, daylilies, design division entries, and buyers for the daylily sale. A big thanks to Lucas Holman and his students from the high school who helped with setup and had several entries in the design division.

In September, a "potting party" will be held to pot up plants to winter over for the Lawn and Garden Show Sale next March.

Our Fall Outing in October will be a special event this year. MTDS turns 25 this year and an anniversary celebration will be held. We are really looking forward to this event.

MTDS Celebrates 25 Years !!



Photo by David Wilbur

West Tn Daylily Society by Carol Sims

The WTDS has been very busy this year. In December, the club enjoyed fun and fellowship at the annual Christmas dinner. The following new officers were installed after a wonderful dinner at Brooksie's Barn in Jackson, TN:

President Danny Robinson

1st Vice President – Bryan Fowler

2nd Vice President - Phil Sims

Secretary - Linda Browning

Treasurer - Lorene Crone

Corresponding Secretary - Carol Sims

Historian - Mary Wray

May brought a successful Spring Plant Sale at the West TN Agricultural Center. Several new members joined our local club, and current members enjoyed the beautiful day and the company of daylily friends, both old and new.

In June, the club meeting convened at the home of Phil and Carol Sims for the summer picnic. Many flowers were blooming in the garden, and members enjoyed looking at the early midseason cultivars before partaking in a delicious pot luck lunch. The members discussed the final details for the upcoming West TN Daylily Society Show at the Old Hickory Mall.

Saturday June 21st brought the 2014 daylily show, chaired by Lorene Robinson. Members gathered at the Old Hickory Mall on Friday evening to set up tables, prepare the display vases, and decorate the head table. All cultivars were registered by 10:30 on Saturday morning, judged, and open for the public to enjoy after 1 p.m. Members were excited to share the joy of growing daylilies with interested passers-by, and several more new members joined the local club.

Here is a list of the show winners:

Best in Show Grape Kool-Aid (Lorene Crone)

Sweepstakes Phil and Carol Sims

Extra Large Heavenly United We Stand (Phil and Carol Sims)
Large Elohim Candy Corn (Phil and Carol Sims)
Small Janice Brown (Danny and Robbie Robinson)

Miniature Grape Kool-Aid (Lorene Crone)

Double Strawberry Truffle (Danny and Robbie Robinson)

Spider Small World Lighting all the world (Clyde and JoAnn Garrison)

Unusual Form Queen of Halls (Danny and Robbie Robinson)

Youth None

Popularity Poll Red Volunteer (Lorene Crone)

Seedling Phil and Carol Sims

Best Red Heavenly United We Stand (Phil and Carol Sims)
Best White/Near White President Ronald Regan (Phil and Carol Sims)

Best Eyed Mary Alice (Phil and Carol Sims)
Best Pink Color Me Happy (Pat Bevil)

Best Yellow/Gold Smuggler's Gold (Bryan and Barbara Fowler)
Best Lavender Jungle Beauty (Clyde and JoAnn Garrison)

July 13th, Danny and Robbie Robinson hosted an evening garden tour with cookies and lemonade. Their gardens were lovely with many beautiful cultivars still in bloom. One of the clumps had 16 flowers. The evening temperature was great, the cookies (made by Danny) were scrumptious, and the beverages were cold and refreshing.

West Tn Daylily Society cont. by Carol Sims

August 2^{nd} was the date of the fall sale at the West TN Farmer's Market. The market was bustling with people and the daylilies sold well. Once again, we had the opportunity to talk about our favorite flower and bring new members into the club.

It has been a very busy and successful year. Although we have lost several members, and we miss them greatly, we have also been blessed to add several new daylily enthusiasts to our group. However, we would be remiss if we didn't remember those who have left us:

Jack Forrester– Jack left us after a battle with cancer caused by his time of service in Viet Nam. He was an ardent daylily enthusiast and a hybridizer for polymerous spiders, such as his Poly Foxing Around. He was extremely excited about his introduction, Goliath on Steroids, an exceptionally large tetraploid spider. Some of his registrations and seedlings can be seen at the University of TN Gardens in Jackson, TN.

Richard T. Burke – Richard left us unexpectedly shortly before his 84th birthday. Richard's passion was in hybridizing for teeth and blue eyes. He loved his daylilies and registered beautiful tetraploid flowers. Some of his seedlings and registrations can be seen at Elohim Gardens in Jackson, as well as in the gardens of other club members.

Eva Fern Mann – Fern was a woman of many talents. She loved flying and was a member of the women's pilot association. She loved daylilies and grew beautiful flowers that she showed and shared with friends. She was a member of Memphis Daylily Society as well as the West TN Daylily Society. No matter what the club needed, Fern was someone that could always be counted on to help if there was a job to be done.

Joe Tidwell – Joe was the husband of Janene Tidwell and was known to the club members as a barbecue "master." Several years ago, the members were invited to Joe and Janene's home for the fall picnic. It was a beautiful October day in the Tidwell garden with Joe providing delicious barbecue pork. Supportive of the club, Joe could also be counted on to be there when something was needed.

We have been blessed to know each of our West TN Daylily Club members, both past and present. Our club is looking forward to a restful fall and winter before gearing up for the daylily season 2015.



Photos courtesy of Carol Sims





2014 AHS Flower Awards for Region 10 Hybridizers

AHS Award of Merit H.'God Save the Queen (Morss, 2005)



AHS Honorable Mention H. 'Hotter than July' (Kirchhoff), 2002)

AHS Honorable Mention H.'Circus Truffle' (Kirchhoff, 2008) AHS Honorable Mention
H. 'Regency Heights' (Dougherty, 1991)





AHS Honorable Mention H. 'Seattle Dreaming' (Kirchhoff, 2002)

Region 10 AHS Service Award Brenda Macy



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H. 'Shattered Glass' Winner of the Region 10 Hybridizer Best Clump Award 2014 Region 10 Summer Meeting



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