

Region 15 Award Winners and Fall Meeting

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Front Cover: Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award Winner 'Blue Deva' (Therrien 2014)

photo Duane Therrien

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Region 15 President

With a chill of winter in the air forcing me to spend more time indoors, I often find myself reflecting on this year as it rapidly approaches its end. Where did it go? It seems only yesterday that we were wishing each other happy holidays and making new year's resolutions. Now, it's almost time to do it all over again. 2018 has really been a banner year for Region 15 in many ways—an outstanding ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach as well as an excellent fall regional



at Clemson, the formation of a new club, an upward trend in ADS membership, exemplary accomplishments by many of our hybridizers and flower show exhibitors, national and regional recognition for several of our members, and the addition of three new ADS Display Gardens in the Carolinas. For all of this I am grateful to each of you who played any part in making this a most successful year.

Speaking of gratitude, I would like to thank the Georgetown Area Daylily Club for its generous donation to the region in support of our award-winning newsletter. We are so fortunate, not only to have an outstanding editor and outstanding contributors, but also to have the means for hard copy publications. What a treasure we have in our *Hemalina*!

Gratitude is also in order for the Upstate Daylily Society, hosts of a most successful fall regional meeting; for all of you who donated plants to the auction; for clubs and individuals (including a lot from Upstate) who donated raffle and silent auction items; and for everyone who had a part on the program—Raymond and Wanda Quinn, Paul Owen, Eric Simpson, Anne Winningham, Mitchell Hagler, Becky Hinshaw, John Martin, and others who gave reports, helped with the auction, and did whatever needed to be done. Thank you.

Congratulations to our fall award winners: Van Sellers and Vic Santa Lucia for the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award; Kathy Tinius for the Carolina Service Award; Duane Therrien for the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award for 'Blue Deva,' and to Bob Selman for his 'Alien DNA' being the top vote getter in the Pop Poll.

Yes, 2018 has been a very good year. Looking ahead to 2019, it's not too early to start making plans for next year's daylily activities—the summer regional hosted by the Lowcountry Daylily Club, the National Convention in Madison, WI, visits to your favorite gardens with maybe a few new ones added to your list, and the Region 15 fall meeting hosted by_____.

Why not fill in the blank with the name of your club? Our Club Meetings Liaison, Michael Luther (mluther13@hotmail.com) would love to hear from you. He's fairly new at this job. Give him a break and make his day, by coming to the rescue. He, and the entire region, would greatly appreciate it. And this time next year I'll be writing about the successful meeting you hosted.

Meanwhile, don't forget to renew your ADS membership if it's expiring December 31. Have a joyous holiday season and a happy 2019. Make a New Year's resolution to get more involved with your local daylily club, Region 15, and ADS.

Nancy Womack

ADS Director

The Fall AHS Board of Directors Meeting was held in Savannah, GA on October 27 at the beautiful and historic DeSoto hotel, hosted by the Ogeechee Daylily Club. Many thanks to them for a tasty meal on Saturday night and an opportunity to bid on some "priceless" daylilies in an auction to help offset the costs of the meeting. The 2020 ADS National Convention will be in May at the DeSoto hotel in Savannah (thedesotosavannah.com) and will be an unconventional convention — held



Monday thru Wednesday. Monday will be the Board Meeting, Tuesday will be devoted to sightseeing Savannah via trolley and/ or attending clinics and forums at the hotel, and Wednesday will be the single tour day. Buses will take visitors to three gardens—Joiner garden, Elliot garden, and Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens at the Historic Bamboo Farm (coastalbg.uga.edu). The DeSoto hotel is in the Savannah historic district with beautiful squares and many shops within walking distance or a trolley ride away. It should be a memorable convention.

News and Actions from the 2018 Fall Board Meeting:

The Daylily Journal. As many of you know, Journal Editor Meg McKenzie Ryan had announced her retirement to be effective December 31. I am happy to share the name of her replacement: Adele Keohan. Adele is a member of Region 4, past president of NEDS (New England Daylily Society), Garden Judge and Garden Judge Instructor, Master Gardener, and she has served as the Region 4 newsletter editor. She will start effective November 1. For the months of November and December, both Meg and Adele will be under contract to ensure continuity in The Daylily Journal.

ADS 2020 Fall Board Meeting. As no region, club, or group of clubs have as yet volunteered to host the 2021 ADS National Convention, the Board approved a budget of \$3,000 and authorized Nikki Schmith to form a committee to facilitate and oversee planning the 2020 Fall Board meeting. 2021 will be the 75th anniversary of the American Daylily Society. It will be a shame if there is not a convention on that special anniversary year.

Endowments. Endowments Chair Kathleen Schloeder (Region 3) reported that donations were down. ADS will be holding another Facebook Auction January 20 - 26, 2019, with all proceeds going to the General Fund.

Membership. As of July 1, membership overall had declined 3.8%, but six regions had increased: Regions 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, and 15.

ADS Photo and Video awards. Rules changes: 1) An entrant may submit up to five digital images or videos in each award category, unless specifically noted otherwise. 2) Only registered cultivars published in the check list are allowed.

Policies and Procedures Manual. Changes were made to the language of the Policies and Procedures manuals for E-Newsletter, Garden Judges Record, Marketing, Regional Officers, Regional Newsletter Awards, and Social Media to keep the manual current. These can be found on the Members Portal under Administrative files.

Popularity Poll. John Martin has resigned as Popularity Poll Special Chair and this chair is currently vacant. The Regional Officers Chair will study the issue and report at the next Board meeting.

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ADS Director (Continued)

Technology. Several technology projects were approved. 1) Meet current website change requests. 2) Re-write much of the existing code for daylily registrations and database search. 3) Find a new eCommerce solution. 4) Develop a Photo Repository solution to store the thousands of photos belonging to ADS. These projects will not require new funding but will use funds already budgeted for technology. Jacob Braun is appointed as the Website Manager.

2018 Lenington All American Award. The award was won by 'White Eyes Pink Dragon' (Gossard 2006).

Becky Hinshaw

Garden Judges Liaison

At the Region 15 Fall Meeting in Clemson, a Garden Judge I Workshop was held for five attendees (four for credit and one auditing). I am hopeful we will soon have four new Garden Judges.

Garden Judges I Workshops can be held anytime of the year. Garden Judges Workshop II must be held in gardens in bloom season. I encourage clubs to plan these workshops in members' or local public gardens at times other than regional meetings. Contact me at hinshaw@rtelco.net-we can discuss dates and I will help find Instructors.

Each region is allowed to have 20% of its membership as Garden Judges. Region 15 is currently at 13%, the second highest percentage (Region 1 has 15%). We have 55 Garden Judges, but we can have 32 more, so there's plenty of room for anyone who would like to become a Garden Judge.

Becky Hinshaw

Deadline for Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award

Each year Region 15 offers the opportunity for any hybridizer to nominate one of their best cultivars for the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award. Nominations are accepted until February 1.

Don't be shy!!! This is for ALL hybridizers in Region 15, subject to the exceptions noted in the rules below. The purpose of this award is to recognize our region's advances in hybridizing and to encourage a new level of achievement.

The rules are simple:

- Any cultivar registered in the past 10 years
- A high resolution photo is required with each nomination (300dpi or 1000 pixels or higher) (Editor's note: please send your largest size. We might need to use it later.)
- Hybridizer submitting nomination cannot have won in the past three years
- Nominations must be received no later than February 1, 2019
- Send nominations to Anne Winningham's email address pwinningham@homesc.com

Right, left to right: Previous Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award nominees 'Dearest Mahogany (Hensley-D., 2013) and 'Gandhi Tours the Taj Mahal' (English 2011) Photos by the hybridizers

Far left, page 4: 'Nancy Womack' (Simpson-E., 2019)

Regional Publicity

'm writing this just as the leaves begin to turn, after a later than normal cold snap here in the mountains of western NC. As the autumn season begins to unfold, I find myself reflecting on the past season. It was a busy one, filled with thrills, color, and smiling faces. Many of you are part of those memories, and for that I'm grateful.



We've recently returned from our very successful, well-attended Fall Meeting in Clemson, SC, hosted

beautifully by the Upstate Daylily Society. I'd like to thank the club for their efforts, the auction plant donors for their generous donations, our outstanding speakers, Raymond and Wanda Quinn, for delighting us, and all who were able to attend.

At this meeting, I did a PowerPoint presentation announcing our Pop Poll winners and talked about our plans for the new Carolina All-Stars list. This year's 2018 Region 15 Pop Poll Winner is 'Alien DNA,' hybridized by Robert Selman. Congrats, Bob!

See the back cover for photos of the 2018 Pop Poll Top Five:

- (1) 'Alien DNA' (Selman, 2009)
- (2) 'Webster's Pink Wonder' (Webster-Cobb, 2003)
- (3) 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011)
- (4) Tie 'Cherryville' (Santa Lucia, 2009)
- (4) Tie 'Primal Scream' (Hanson-C., 1994)

'Alien DNA' will now be removed from future Pop Poll ballots and added to our Carolina All-Stars list. In the next few weeks, we will be adding a special page to the Region 15 website for the Carolina All-Stars that will contain names, photos, and details of all previous Pop Poll winners. I will also be putting together a PowerPoint presentation that can be viewed online or downloaded to use in your club. We want to make sure that everyone can easily access and share this important list.

The names of everyone participating in this year's Pop Poll were entered in a drawing for one of my new introductions, 'Nancy Womack' (Simpson-E., 2019). At the fall meeting, one lucky winner's name was drawn by our Regional President, Nancy Womack. Congratulations to Allison Tietz of Indian Trail, NC, your plant will be shipped in early May, 2019.

Our region had the fifth highest Pop Poll participation with 32% of all Region 15 members voting. Thanks to all who voted this year!

As we look ahead to what the new year will bring, I want to wish you all a blessed and safe holiday season and I look forward to serving our fine region in any way I can.

Eric Simpson





2018 Region 15 Fall Meeting

Submitted by Dawn Whitley, Region 15 Secretary ADS Region 15 Fall Business Meeting, Clemson, SC October 6, 2018

Please note, references to who made motions and who seconded have been removed for brevity; all motions passed.



ancy Womack, Region 15 RP, welcomed ancy womack, negion 15 ..., everyone and thanked the Upstate Daylily char Society for hosting this meeting. Roll Call: Charleston Daylily Club, Foothills Daylily Society, Sandhills Daylily Club, Georgetown Area Daylily Club, Lowcountry Daylily Club, Mid-Carolina Daylily Society, Piedmont Daylily Club, Raleigh Hemerocallis Club, Triad Daylily

Fans and Garden Club, Western North Carolina Daylily Club, Upstate Daylily Club.

The minutes of the Summer Meeting were approved. Mitchell Hagler gave the Treasurer's report: Income \$6,690.37, Expenditures \$4,163.74, CD1 \$5,581.57, CD2 \$2,178.57, Savings \$2,513.60, Balance \$13,080.37.

Old Business:

1. Nancy thanked the Georgetown Area Daylily Club along with other Region 15 members who helped with the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach. Kathy Tinius made a presentation from GADC to Region 15 of a \$7,500 check from profits made at the National Convention.



New Business:

1. A Nominating Committee was elected with volunteers Raymond Quinn, Anne Winningham, and Richard Warren. They will present a slate for Regional President, Treasurer, and Board Member-at-Large at the Fall 2019 meeting.

General Announcements:

1. Anne Winningham and Perry Gaskins invited everyone to Monck's Corner for the 2019 Summer Meeting on May 31-June 1, 2019. Michael Miller from Small World Garden will be the speaker.



They will be serving Lowcountry Boil with Shrimp and reminded attendees to note on their registration form of any allergies. The hotel is the Monks Corner Inn. which has 40 rooms reserved, and the reservation deadline is March

1. There is no elevator, so Anne encouraged everyone needing a ground floor room to make their reservations right away. The next closest hotel is 15 miles away in Summerville or Goose Creek so make your reservation early. Tour gardens will be Perry Gaskin's, Anne Winningham's, and Michael Luther's. Anne will be collecting

names of auction plants and asked each club to consider donating a raffle basket.

2. Kirk Milleman shared that the Foothills Daylily Society has the seedling bed ready for the 2020 Summer meeting. See page 31.



3. The deadline for the Region 15 digital photography contest is November 1 and guidelines are on the Region 15 website. Anne Smethurst will be resigning after this year; a volunteer is needed.

4. Chuck Wilson warned everyone about cyber scams. Officers of many clubs have been contacted through email by someone posing as another club member asking to send money or gift cards for some urgent need. Nancy reminded all to confirm any request verbally before acting.

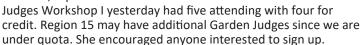


5. Van Sellers reported that a movie has been filmed at Charlie Shaw's Sunshine Daylily Garden in Georgia. This is a Clint Eastwood film called The Mule based on Leo Sharp's life. (See articles on pages 14 and 15.)

6. Linda Sue Barnes shared a wish list from Cape Fear Botanical garden for the daylily bed that is being moved and refurbished. Please let her know if you are willing to donate or sell daylilies to the garden. They are looking for award winners and Region 15 hybridizers plants.

7. The 2019 ADS National will be in Wisconsin on July 11-13. Reports / Announcements for Regional Directors and Liaisons:

- 1. ADS Regional 15 Director, Becky Hinshaw reported that the ADS website has been improved and she encouraged everyone to thoroughly explore it at daylilies.org.
- 2. Garden Judges Liaison, Becky Hinshaw, reported that the Garden





3. Exhibition Judges Liaison, John Martin, reported we have 38 exhibition judges with nine also being instructors. We need to build our pool of judges, so John encouraged participation. You must attend two clinics and then judge a show to become a senior judge. Interactive

training programs are now being put online for certification. John Martin and Raymond Quinn took a recertification class online and reported it was very good. All that is required is a computer and phone. John told anyone planning a show to contact him and he will help link your club with judges.

4. Regional Meetings Liaison, Michael Luther, reported that a host club is needed for both the 2019 and 2020 Fall Meetings. The volunteer club is needed right away for 2019 so planning can get underway.

5. RPD Report - Eric Simpson



a. Eric asked presidents to send him their updated club rosters of email addresses.

b. Pop Poll: 138 people voted this year. Eric has named a new 2019 introduction for our RP, 'Nancy Womack' (Simpson-E., 2019) (see back cover for photo).

2018 Region 15 Fall Meeting (continued)

He brought the names of each person who voted in the Pop Poll and Nancy Womack pulled Allison Tietz' name. Allison is from the Piedmont Daylily club and will receive the plant in the spring.

- c. Region 15 has the fifth highest percent participation in the Pop Poll-32%, up 6% from last year.
- d. Winners are shown on the back cover of this newsletter.
- e. The Carolina All-Stars are Pop Poll winners from the past 30 years. The list has been published in the *Hemalina* since its inception last year and is posted to the Region 15 website. Eric will also do a PowerPoint highlighting the All-Stars that clubs can use in programs. Clubs should use the list when educating the public and

new members on which cultivars grow best in our region.

- 6. Special Recognition
- a. David Hall Memorial Award winner for 2017: Bill Gluck
- b. Ophelia Taylor Award winners: Richard Warren & Robert Gaddy from Raleigh Daylily Club (see page 11)
- 7. 2018 Region 15 Fall Awards
- a. Jeffcoat Hybridizers Award, sponsored by the Lowcountry Daylily Club, won by Duane Therrien for 'Blue Deva' (see page 11)
- b. Region 15 Carolina Service Award, sponsored by Mid Carolina Daylily Society: Kathy Tinius (see page 9)
- c. Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award, sponsored by Triad Daylily Fans: Van Sellers and Vic Santa Lucia (see page 8)
- 8. The meeting was adjourned.

Addendum to Minutes:

At the fall regional Leadership Team meeting, a question came up about the region providing seed money for new club start-ups. We remembered this being done in the past but did not know if it was done on a case-by-case basis or if it had been voted on as common practice. Subsequently, Mitchell Hagler researched the question and found that it had been handled case-by-case. With a new club (The Charleston Daylily Club) having been recently formed, the Region 15 Board, using email (as is authorized in our by-laws), voted unanimously to donate \$250 to the new club. In addition, the board unanimously agreed that we would put this issue on the agenda for the summer business meeting in 2019, with the idea of making this standard practice, pending the availability of funds. We also discussed the idea of creating some guidelines and procedures for establishing new clubs.

Addendum submitted by Nancy Womack, RP

More Happened at the Fall Meeting:

Brenda Coggins gave a heartfelt thanks to everyone able to attend. This Fall Meeting was a labor of love for her late husband Charles Coggins and he would have been absolutely delighted to see all the friendly faces and to watch everyone enjoying themselves.



(See page 19 of the Spring 2017 edition of the Hemalina for more information on all that Charles did for and with the Region and the Upstate Daylily Society.)



The evening before the business meeting, Paul Owen from Slightly Different Nursery led a rousing auction of some of the region's finest daylilies. Bidding was fast and furious, and most attendees went home with very special plants.

After the business meeting, Raymond and Wanda Quinn of Windyhill Gardens gave a pair of wonderful presentations. Raymond walked attendees through the many years they spent developing Windyhill and the exciting developments in their hybridizing program. Theirs is a story of beauty, drive, and a shared vision of how delightful their little rolling valley could be.

Wanda did a presentation on the dozens of hummingbirds attracted to her feeders and flowering plants and shrubs. She shared her recipe for hummingbird nectar: 2/3 cup sugar per 2 cups water; microwave for one minute to ensure a good mix; refrigerate overnight. Keep your feeders clean and use only real sugar. No red dye is needed, the hummingbirds will find your feeders without it. In addition to sugar water, hummingbirds are attracted to small, trumpet-shaped flowers like salvias and small-flowered vines. Wanda warned to be careful of red





plastic items like plastic garage door handles that might lure hummingbirds into a garage where they can get trapped. If you keep or have bees, maintain a separate water source for them away from your feeders. Only fill your feeders half full and do not slosh sugar water when hanging them up to avoid attracting bees and wasps to the spillage. Check the hummingbird migration website (hummingbirds.net/map.html) and put feeders up when they are 4 to 5 days away. Generally, they arrive in early April and leave in late September.

Don't miss out on the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting

- 1. Go right now to page 25
- 2. Make a copy of that page or tear the page out
- 3. Make your hotel reservations by calling the Moncks Corner Inn at (843)761-5900, telling them you're with the Lowcountry Daylily Club
- 4. Fill out your information on the form
- 5. Write your check
- 6. Address and stamp an envelope, insert your registration form and check
- 7. Mail off your registration
- 8. Write the dates on your 2019 calendar (May 31 June 1)
- 9. Plan what plants you'll donate to the auction and what kind of raffle basket you'll make

Below: Take action now so you'll get to see the amazing Moncks Corner gardens, which will be at least as beautiful as the B&B Garden, on tour in 2016 photo Kathy Dolae



Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award

Vic Santa Lucia and Van Sellers

le nominate Vic Santa Lucia and Van M. Sellers for the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award for 2018. We are nominating Vic and Van due to all of the assistance they have offered our club, the Foothills Daylily Society (FDS), and because of the generous help they have personally offered us in getting started as new daylily hybridizers.

During the time we have known Vic and Van they have been active in mentoring the members of Region 15. The following examples outline some of their more recent efforts.

This June, Vic and Van held the Garden Judges Workshop II at Iron Gate for our club. They encouraged our active participation during the training and helped us with all of our questions and concerns.

In June of 2017, they helped our club at our first-ever sanctioned flower show. Prior to the show, their shared flower show experience provided much useful guidance for our club members' preparation. During the show, Van co-chaired the Classifications Committee while Vic co-chaired the Tabulation committee.

In 2016, Vic presented the program, "Growing and Hybridizing Daylilies Over the Years," at the February meeting of our club. His presentation covered the history of their hybridization efforts at Iron Gate Gardens and included slides of their beautiful daylilies. In May of that year, Van gave a program on preparing daylilies for flower show presentation. His program discussed choosing buds, transporting flowers, and grooming the daylilies prior to the show. He demonstrated the proper procedures along with the unique hauling apparatus he used. Prior to that, in 2015, Van gave our entire club written instructions for hybridizing along with free tags for marking crosses!

At our club meetings Vic and Van always participate in our monthly open session called "What's Happening in Your Garden." During these segments, they have given us a variety of useful information such as telling us about an Oscie Whatley hybridizing article on the AHS website, how they fertilize their daylilies, and when is the best time to plant trees and shrubs. Vic always offers his time to our club when we sell daylilies at Rutherfordton's May Fest celebration. (Many of those daylilies are freely contributed from Iron Gate Gardens.) Vic enjoys meeting with the town's people and offering planting instructions and other details.

In February of 2014, the Executive Committee of the FDS awarded Vic Santa Lucia and Van Sellers lifetime memberships to our club in honor of their valuable contributions. Those contributions included: mentoring club members in the hybridizing and growing of daylilies, generously donating daylilies for fundraising events, and actively participating in club functions

On the personal side, Vic and Van have been the inspiration for us to begin our own hybridizing programs. In the summer of 2013, Vic and Van offered a class in hybridizing at Iron Gate Gardens to all interested members of the FDS. Kirk and I attended the training. We both learned so much and had fun, too. After attending this class, we started making our first crosses in our backyard garden. Since then, when we have questions, we've asked for their help at meetings of the FDS or we contact them by email or visit them at Iron Gate. They are always happy to answer



our questions. Vic visited our seedling beds both in 2017 and 2016. He gave us very helpful advice on starting our own "line," the spacing of seedlings, and of course, choosing for color! Vic and Van have also included us in their monthly breakfast club group where we have been able to meet other daylily hybridizers and enthusiasts from the area.

At the Fall Region 15 Meeting in Rutherfordton in 2012, the FDS honored Vic and Van for all they do for our club. As noted in the Fall 2012 Hem-alina, they "have been mentors, coaches and expert resources in growing and hybridizing daylilies" for our club members.

We can't believe we are so fortunate as to receive so much help from TWO Stout medal winners! We feel it was our lucky day when we came to our first meeting of the Foothills Daylily Society and met Vic and Van. We thank them for their caring, sharing spirits, for their pursuit of excellence and the acceptance of nothing less, and for allowing all of our club members to share in their love of daylilies!

While our nomination mainly speaks to Vic and Van's mentoring of our club and us personally, I would like to mention that Vic and Van have over the years been very active in mentoring daylily lovers in the entire region and nationally, too. I know that Vic made a presentation at the Region 15 Fall Meeting in Charlotte in September of 2014 and I also heard him participate in a hybridizer's forum at the national meeting of the AHS in Asheville in 2014. I know both of them have been very active in Region 15 for a very long time. One can find evidence of their activity by searching the internet and, for example, finding references to them speaking to the Western North Carolina Daylily Club in December of 2006 and instructing a Garden Judges workshop at Iron Gate in July of 2008. Nancy Womack in her article "A Visit on the Porch" in the Fall/Winter 2015 Hem-alina writes about all of the daylily conversations that have occurred on the porch at Iron Gate Gardens. I am sure that members of Region 15, who have been involved for more years than us, could contribute many more examples of Vic and Van's contributions and may recall chatting on that same porch, too.

Thank you for your consideration of our nomination,

Nan & Kirk Milleman

Photo of Becky Hinshaw presenting the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award to Van Sellers and Vic Santa Lucia by Linda Sue Barnes

Carolina Service Award

Kathy Tinius

f Webster had an entry for "Most Deserving Recipient of the AHS Regional Service Award," we would certainly find a picture of Kathy Tinius. Her tireless efforts, her expert organization skills, and her heartfelt passion for the promotion of daylilies are undeniable. Even though she has been in Region 15 for only six years or so, her accomplishment and contributions are mounting. She is undoubtedly a jewel in the Region 15 crown, just as she is for the Georgetown Area Daylily Club [GADC].

Prior to moving to Myrtle Beach, Kathy was a member of the National Capital Daylily Society, where she found one of her passions...flower shows. Upon joining the GADC, she guickly shared that passion by single-handedly organizing and running its first flower show with the intention and the promise of more in the near future.

Within her first year, Kathy stepped into the 2013 Summer Regional in Georgetown, SC, and thoroughly impressed Heidi Douglas as a genuine asset, too good to go untapped. "I enjoyed working with Kathy so much that I knew I wanted her to be the Vice President during my Presidential terms. Initially, Kathy hesitated, citing her inexperience," Heidi recalls. Fortunately, Kathy dove right into that position the following year. Her dedicated efforts, coupled with those of President Heidi Douglas, contributed to membership revitalization and renewed goals at the club level. A breath of spring for an already great club.

Kathy Tinius wears many hats...from her club leadership with a helping hand for everyone and her expertise in everything, to her personal life with extensive volunteer work [i.e.: The Friends of the Carolina Master Chorale and heartfelt dog rescue activities], and in her Region 15 goal-driven work as the editor of the newsletter, the Hemalina.

Assuming the role as editor of the *Hemalina* after only a few years of her membership was an outstanding accomplishment. A few of Kathy's initial goals have been to involve more Region 15 members as contributors striving for more interesting and informative articles, to enhance the newsletter with attractive layouts and the beauty of daylilies, to help promote and seek advertising funding, and to complete it all in a timely manner. Her major success deservedly earned the Best Newsletter Award and the Best Use of Pictures and Graphics Award at the 2017 National Convention. A true testament to her hard work and dedication.

In her continual efforts to promote the love and understanding of daylilies, Kathy visits various venues to give her own PowerPoint presentations and educational programs. She always returns with rave reviews and often with increased club membership.

As an AHS member, Ms. Tinius enthusiastically attends Region 15 summer regionals, Fall Meetings, and National Conventions. Her motivation is to further educate herself, to meet national members, and to network for the advancement of the AHS and her beloved daylilies. Appreciating the tremendous labor and enjoying the resulting beautiful gardens are added perks.

As co-chair of the GADC 2018 ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, Kathy went above and beyond her responsibilities. She

set a high bar and led by example in every way. Yet, ask Kathy about her accomplishments or contributions on behalf of Region 15 or GADC, and she will humbly reply with a shoulder



shrug. She will then go on to acknowledge and credit the countless others who volunteered to help with the National. Because of her copious networking and the tremendous respect Kathy has earned in Region 15 and far beyond, the response to her quest for volunteers exceeded all expectations. Without doubt, everyone knows that beyond her ready smile and quiet demeanor, lies a fiercely dedicated, unrelenting activist at all levels of the AHS. Kathy Tinius is truly an inspiration!

Uppermost to consider in Kathy Tinius's nomination is the fact that her myriad accomplishments have occurred in only six short years of membership.

- a valuable asset at the 2013 Summer Regional, even as a
- a coach/cochair for the hugely successful 2018 National
- the editor of the award winning Hemalina for Region 15
- the tireless Vice President and invaluable member of Georgetown Area Daylily Club
- a motivator and educator for anything "daylily"
- etc., etc., etc...as detailed

Kathy's great successes will heighten our anticipation for many years to come. Kathy Tinius is truly deserving of the 2018 Region 15 Service Award.

Submitted by Janice Ullmeyer

Photo of Peggy Jeffcoat presenting the Carolina Service Award to a tearful Kathy Tinius by Linda Sue Barnes

Poetry Corner



photo Kathy Tinius

The friendship we share is like a garden in spring... where daylilies smile in rainbow colors and butterflies waltz through blue skies

The friendship we share is like a garden in spring... that blooms in my heart all year long

submitted by Lynne Broderius

Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award Duane Therrien's 'Blue Deva'

Region 15 has amazing hybridizers. Each year, they are encouraged to submit their best and brightest introductions for the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award. Originally known as the Lambert Award (established in the late 1970's), the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award serves two purposes: first, to recognize advances in hybridizing; and second, to encourage regional hybridizers. Sponsored by the Lowcountry Daylily Society since 2008, the



award is now named in recognition of the hybridizing contributions of Jim and Peggy Jeffcoat and their outstanding

service to the mission of ADS and Region 15.

The award winner for 2018 is Duane Therrien for 'Blue Deva.' Duane and Ed Zahler own and manage the I Can't Believe It's a Dip garden in Conway, SC. Their delightful garden was on tour during the 2018 ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach.

Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award 2018 Results: Winner: 'Blue Deva' (Therrien 2014) 2nd place tie: 'Cherryville' (Santa Lucia 2009) &

'I'm So Vein' (Quinn 2013)

3rd place tie: 'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow' (Selman 2014) &

'Gimmie that Look' (Bruce 2018)

Above: 'Blue Deva' (Therrien 2014) Left: (I-r) Duane Therrien and Ed Zahler of the I Can't Believe It's a Dip garden hold Duane's Jeffcoat Hybrizider Award for 'Blue Deva'



Service Projects of the Piedmont Daylily Club

by Mitchell Hagler

You can't live a perfect day without doing something for someone who will never be able to repay you.

hortly after she became Region 15's president, Nancy Womack Shortly after she became Region 13 s president, Name, Welliams

challenged each of our clubs to engage with the community in some kind of service project. She reasoned that by being visible in our communities, we could promote daylilies, attract potential members, and do something good for someone else.



In September, the Piedmont Daylily Club contacted the Habitat for Humanity office to ask if we could help landscape a Habitat house. At the time, there were no houses quite ready for landscaping but Rachel Eldridge, volunteer service manager, and Michael Matthews, operations manager of the Charlotte office, were eager to spruce up the entrance to the Charlotte office. They explained there is a lot of traffic at the office entrance and that it needed to look more inviting.

It turned out there were three beds at the entrance with a lone crepe myrtle tree in each and some overgrown clumps of daylilies of unknown description. We determined that it was just the sort of manageable project that we could handle on a Saturday morning, and so we did.

Clockwise from above: John Smethurst tills flower beds; Bill Gluck and Joyce Plyler move bags of soil; and, Mitchell Hagler (back to camera), Joyce, and Linda Gluck plant daylilies in the resulting loose loam in the Habitat for Humanity beds Photos Mitchell Hagler

Member John Smethurst brought his favorite garden toy-his tiller-and went to work while Bill Gluck added soil amendments. Linda Gluck. Joyce Plyler, and Mitchell Hagler followed with the easy work, planting in the soft loam. We

edged each bed with variegated liriope and planted red and yellow daylilies in two of the beds. Azaleas and daylilies went in the third bed. After a couple of trips back to John's house for mulch from his huge pile, we put a nice dressing over the plants, cleaned up our messes, and watered. It was hard but satisfying work.

I doubt that the folks at the Habitat office had ever heard of our club and many probably weren't even sure what a daylily was. But now they do and come next summer they are going to have an attractive entrance.

For our spring service project we will again solicit canned goods and other non-perishable food items to benefit Second Harvest Food Bank. We did this for the first time last year, impressed that they have been in existence since 1981 and serve 19 counties in North and South Carolina.



Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award

Richard Warren and Robert Gaddy

Not many ADS members are familiar with the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award, possibly the most difficult ADS award to earn in an ADS accredited flower show. This year, Region 15 has a reason to get to know it well–Richard Warren and Robert Gaddy qualified for this award, which was presented to them at the Region 15 Fall Meeting. The Raleigh Hemerocallis Club is to be congratulated for offering those entering their flower show with the opportunity to apply for this award. Read here to learn how you, too, can qualify for this prestigious award.

ADS Region 12 has made available the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award (formerly a medal, now a pin) in memory of Mrs. Bright Taylor. This pin may be earned at any accredited AHS show. An exhibitor may receive this award only one time. If this award is to be offered, it must be printed in the show schedule.

Classes 1 and 2 must be judged by Senior Exhibition Judges on a special score sheet furnished by the ADS Exhibitions Chair. Upon completion of judging, the General Show Chair or Tabulations Chair must collect the score sheets from the three judges, and the Tabulation Committee shall tabulate the scores. Any winning Entry must score 95 points or above individually for each of the five scapes from each of the judges. No person who has an Entry in this section may serve on this Tabulation Committee, nor may such an exhibitor observe the score sheets or the Tabulation Form.

Each of the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award Judges shall sign and date the score sheet. Upon completion of the judging and tabulation, the score sheets shall be sealed in an envelope and returned to the AHS Exhibitions Chair with the Final Show Report

within 2 weeks of the show date. Scores should not be discussed with the exhibitor(s) or anyone except the Show Chair and the Tabulation Chair. The score results will not be official until they have been verified by the **Exhibitions Chair** or the Exhibitions Committee.

Awards are given for five different registered



Above: Raymond Quinn (r) of the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club congratulates Richard Warren (top photo) and Robert Gaddy (bottom photo) on earning the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award

Photos above, Wanda Quinn; photos below, Linda Sue Barnes





Richard Warren's Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award-Winning Entries



'Harlem Nights' (Sellers 1988)



'Innocent Delight' (Netherton 2011)



'Texas Sunlight' (Lewis-J., 1981)



'Wigglesworth' (Schwarz-B., 2005)



'Birdwing Butterfly' (Burkey 2000)

Robert Gaddy's Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award-Winning Entries



'Brilliant Circle' (Sellers 1984)



'Dash Dash' (Zahler 1989)



'Pimiento Pepper' (Joiner 1993)



'Siloam Red Toy' (Henry-P., 1975)



'Novelty Number' (Lambert 1965)

Snaps from the Region 15 Fall Meeting

Hosted by the Upstate Daylily Society







Above, left to right: Richard and Janet Warren check out the fabulous silent auction items *photo Kathy Tinius*; (I-r) Mitchell Hagler, Mike Denson, Perry Gaskins, Becky Hinshaw, Kirk Milleman, John Martin, and Michael Luther enjoy the Leadership Meeting *photo Kathy Tinius*; (I-r) Becky Hinshaw, Barbara Peterson, and Nancy Womack wait with others for a chance to bid at the auction *photo Bill Hurt*







Above, left to right: Elizabeth Carroll shows Patricia Turner how Christopher Blackston's camera works *photo Mary McCabe*; Bill Hurt (front right) waits for Marshall Morrow to prepare his beverage *photo Christopher Blackston*; Nancy Womack partakes of the delightful selection of plants sold by Tammy and Kelvin Bryant *photo Kathy Tinius*







Above, left to right: While attendees wait in line to get their lunch, Nancy Womack chats with Vic Santa Lucia and Van Sellers *photo Christopher Blackston*; Nancye McClure checks out bidding in the silent auction while Robin and Chuck Wilson look over raffle items *photo Kathy Tinius*; Nancy Womack pulls the Pop Poll participation winning name *photo Linda Sue Barnes*







Above, left to right: Wanda Quinn talks about hummingbird migrations *photo Bill Hurt*; Region 15 members walk through the Cove Forest and along paths at the South Carolina Botanical Garden at Clemson *photos Linda Sue Barnes*



Region 15 2018 Award Winners

Congratulations to the winners!!! Region 15 is extremely well represented in the Honorable Mentions.

All photos provided by the hybridizers; 'Alien DNA' by Jane Guillard

Award of Merit 'Alien DNA' (Selman, 2009)



Award of Merit 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011)



Extra Large Diameter Award 'Browns Ferry Royalty' (Douglas-C., 2011)



'Asheville White Winged Dove (Selman, 2014)

Honorable Mentions

'Boss Hogg' (Douglas-H., 2015)



'Cynthia Lucius' (Douglas-C., 2015)



'Garrett Allen' (Douglas-C., 2014)



'Don't Leave Emptyhanded' (Selman, 2014)



'I'm Gonna Love You Through It' (Douglas-H., 2013)



'MeMe's Tuitti Fruitti' (Douglas-H., 2013)



'Baby Viking' (Albers, 2005)



'Redheaded Hussy' (Davisson-J., 2016)



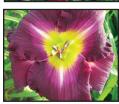
'Burnin' Down the House' (Owen-P., 2010)



'Midnight in Burgess' (Albers, 2009)



'Riot Act' (Owen-P., 2014)



'Gorilla In The Mist' (Owen-P., 2011)



'Carolina Cool Down' (Davisson-J., 2008)



'Dancing on Ice' (Douglas-H., 2014)



'Threshold of A Dream' (Owen-P., 2010)



'Passive Aggressive' (Owen-P., 2013)



'Womanizer' (Douglas-H., 2009)



'MeMe's Lovin' the Limelight' (Douglas-H., 2015)



'A Day in Paradise' (Owen-P., 2014)



'You Glow Girl' (Selman, 2004)



'What's Up Down South' (Davisson-J., 2008)

Movie Magic in Western North Carolina

by Eric Simpson & Bob Selman

Blue Ridge Daylilies was contacted by the set design team of Warner Brothers Films in regard to the upcoming movie about daylily hybridizer and drug smuggler, Leo Sharp. The movie will star Clint Eastwood, Bradley Cooper, and Taissa Farmiga and is directed by Clint Eastwood.

The company asked if they could pay us to provide 50+ clumps of daylilies (of course we said yes!). The movie crew showed up in the garden the next morning and dug and potted more than 60 blooming clumps and hauled them to a previously-designed movie set in Atlanta.





They were fantastic and fell in love with our garden. We had a fun day and made some new friends. After seeing the gardens here, they were all interested in daylilies and asked many questions about them. It was a good day to be discovered by some important people and to introduce the daylily to new enthusiasts.

Local news also visited and Eric was interviewed on live tv (WLOS).











Left, above, middle, below: The Mule movie crew plans which clumps to dig; clumps are loaded onto the movie crew's truck; Eric and Bob (I-r in light blue shirts) ham it up with the movie crew of hard workers

Above, top to bottom: WLOS Newscasters Frank Fraboni and Darcel Grimes discuss the excitement about Blue Ridge Daylilies; background shots of Blue Ridge Daylilies flower beds used in the WLOS story; screenshot of Eric Simpson interview

Photos and screenshots Bob Selman

Leo Sharp as I Remember Him

by Van Sellers



Back in the day when I knew Leo Sharp, he was one of several "colorful" characters on the daylily circuit at that time. Though not from the South, he projected the image of the true "Southern Gentleman." He was best known at national conventions as the man dressed in a white linen suit and white shoes—Colonel Sanders, minus the beard. More often than not, he would have a lovely "Southern" lady hanging on his arm—a different one each year. I won't call any names, but we all knew the ladies; they were daylily folk, too.

Leo, who lived in Michigan City, IN (near Chicago), was best known as a hybridizer of small flowers, called "ponies" in earlier times. He used seedlings and named cultivars from Pauline Henry, Lucille Williamson, and other Southern hybridizers. Pauline, who also had a keen interest in small flowers, liked Leo and assisted him when possible. Another common element is that they both used place names as prefixes to the names of their registrations. While Pauline prefaced hers with "Siloam," from her beloved Siloam Springs, Leo used "Brookwood," the name of his garden.

One of Leo's best known cultivars, 'Brookwood Ojo Poco' (1994), a miniature daylily—apricot with a bright orange-red eye—is still widely grown today. So is another miniature, 'Brookwood Black Kitten' (1995), a very pretty, purple daylily. However, it was with

the round, full, ruffled greenish yellows that he excelled. They were most desirable! I wanted all of them. In addition to growing beautiful daylilies, he was also a connoisseur of hostas. He grew many varieties around his home and large yard in Michigan City.

Another thing I remember about Leo is that he loved to travel. As a young soldier, World War II took him to Italy where he spent time fighting Nazis, and earning a Bronze Star in the process. After the war, he went to Hawaii on multiple occasions, where (I've heard said) he had a wife. He often organized tour groups to Hawaii and served as their guide for exclusive island vacations. In the mid 1970's when the Chinese government opened the country to tourism, Leo became quite famous for being

one of the first to lease a plane and take a group of Americans on a grand tour of this mysterious foreign land.

Among those on Leo's tour to China were a couple of very wealthy, well-travelled daylily enthusiasts from Armonk, NY— Paul and Louise Watts, whom



I called "Uncle Paul" and "Aunt Louise." I loved them and loved to hear about their travels. They said that the trip to China with Leo's group was one of the best they had ever taken.

The last time I saw Leo Sharp was in 2004 at a grand celebration of his 80th birthday. As in earlier times, he wore his signature "white," though more casual than before, with a jaunty cap and the same signature smile. Beneath a large canopy to protect guests from the sun, waiters dressed in black and white carried glasses of champagne to adoring visitors, while a harpist played softly in the background. If you closed your eyes, you would have thought you were in Leona Hemsley's dining room in the Palace Hotel in New York City. Leo was in his element!

How the Leo Sharp I knew—the acclaimed horticulturist, the gracious, likable "Southern Gentleman"—became "El Tata" (the grandfather), "the world's oldest drug mule," is a story for someone else to tell. I feel certain that Leo, "Uncle Paul," "Aunt Louise," Pauline Henry, and countless others who have passed on, are laughing at the thought of Clint Eastwood playing Leo in a major motion picture.

I just know one thing: No person who grows daylilies can really be all that bad.

Photos by Van Sellers and Vic Santa Lucia Counterclockwise from upper left: Leo and waiter at his 80th birthday party in 2004; Vic Santa Lucia celebrates with Leo; Van Sellers poses with Leo; Leo Sharp









Design Class

with photos by Linda Sue Barnes

Editor's note: My misunderstanding of what the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award is (see page 11) led to a discussion of the Design Section in daylily flower shows. The design section is a spectacular display of art and engineering. Any club with members interested in and able to compete in design is indeed fortunate.









Above, left to right: All are from the design section entitled "Life Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness through Flowers." Leftmost is by Don Myers, middle is by Lynne Broderius, and right is the Best in Class and Best in Show winner created by Melanie Wyatt, shown in the photo below



From daylilies.org regarding the Tri-Color Award: A special award in the Artistic Division, given annually to an AHS member whose arrangement is judged best of the tricolor rosette winners of AHS accredited shows. Selection by a panel judges from the National Council of State Garden Club, Inc. is made on the basis of photographs. From the award's inception in 1958 through 1980, it was called the Mabel Yaste Tricolor Award. Shown at left is the 2017 Tricolor Award winner created by Floanna Crowley.

Photos Linda Sue Barnes; photo at left from daylilies.org



Use the Carolina All-Stars to Promote Daylilies

Each year, everyone who is an ADS member in our region is eligible to vote in our Popularity Poll to help identify daylily cultivars that perform especially well in North Carolina and South Carolina. See the back cover of this newsletter for the 2018 winners.

Once a plant has won the poll, it is moved to the Carolina All-Stars. This is an esteemed list of plants that have performed as well in the hill country as in the lowcountry. Those new to daylilies should expect them to perform as well in their own gardens.

Check out the list on region15daylily.org/popularity-poll.html and use these names in educational and marketing materials for your club.

Photo of one of Eric Simpson's slides from his 2018 Popularity Poll results presentation by Linda Sue Barnes



Fun in Hampton Court Republicies



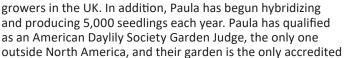
with Paula Dyason

You know the energizer bunny you met at the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach and have often seen out shopping with her Bestie, Georgetown Area Daylily Club's Heidi Douglas? That's Paula Dyason who splits her time between South Carolina and Histon, just north of Cambridge in the UK. In Histon, Paula and her husband Chris own and operate Strictly Daylilies, a large Hemerocallis garden, selling mail order daylilies to the UK and Europe. Paula and Chris also spent weeks this summer at Browns Ferry Gardens, helping Heidi and Charles Douglas with final preparations for visitors during the national convention.





Strictly Daylilies has over 20.000 plants of 1,500 varieties on 5 acres and has become one of the largest



ADS Display Garden in the UK and one of only four in "the rest of the world." She has also just completed an official American Hemerocallis Historic Display Garden and has a British National Collection of modern daylilies. She is a Royal Horticultural Society committee member on the Hemerocallis Trials Forum which designates the British Awards of Garden Merit.

After returning to the UK in July, Paula and Chris fulfilled a long-held desire—exhibiting in the Floral Marquee at the Hampton Court Palace Flower Show. It was an awesome experience that they will never forget. After potting and growing 400 cultivars, they selected 75 of the most spectacular for the exhibit. The tiered display titled 'The Spirit of Mimi' was highlighted by a sculpture by Derek Kinzett of 'Mimi' in honor of Paula's mother, Doris Crosland Haley, an avid daylily collector in her time.

"Daylilies are very hard to exhibit at their best in the dim light of the Floral Marquee but we achieved non-stop bloom by limiting our selections to early morning openers or nocturnal varieties. Our display was very popular and we were on the go all day every day talking daylilies non-stop. Daylilies are not wellknown in Britain, so we must have explained a million times that although each bloom lasts just a day.... you know the story! We were kept late at the show each evening deadheading to ensure the display looked its best the next morning. Eleven days later the show was over and we were back home, exhausted but oh so happy that our display won an RHS Silver Gilt award. Although we won't exhibit in 2019 we are looking forward to 2020......fingers crossed for The Gold!"

Photos strictlydaylilies.com







Above, top to bottom: Strictly Daylilies' display at the Hampton Court Palace Flower Show was entitled 'The Spirit of Mimi' to honor Paula's mother; exhausted workers after eleven days of deadheading and primping.

Right, clockwise from bottom right: Sample flowers from Strictly Daylilies' website 'A Groovy Kind of Love' (Douglas-H., 2015), 'Zero Dark Thirty' (Marchant 2013), and 'Be Bop a Lula' (Brooks-BB., 2013)

Display Gardens by Wanda Quinn

DISPLAY GARDEN AMERICAN DAYLILY SOCIETY

hanks to each of these garden owners for their time and contributions to this article; a special thanks also for their hard work and dedication as Region 15 Display Gardens. As you prepare for your travels in 2019, add some of these gardens to your plans. If you don't know the owners already, it may be the beginning of a friendship that will last a lifetime. If you want your display garden shown in the next issue, please feel free to email me at windyhillwanda@gmail.com.

Existing Display Garden:

Carolina Davlilies

Owners: Tom and Linda Bruce (tombruce@windstream.net)

Location: Lexington, SC (carolinadaylilies.com)

Q: What inspired you to create a Region 15 Display Garden? Over the years, we have been on local and regional tours. In 2009, we were on the Region 15 Summer Garden Tour. After retirement, I was able to devote more time to all aspects of gardening including being able to accept tour requests from clubs and individuals. At that time we decided to request to be both an ADS and a Japanese Iris

Q: How did you come up with your garden name?

Society Display Garden.

We researched names of gardens in both North and South Carolina and were surprised to find out that none of the gardens had taken the name of Carolina Daylilies. It has been a great choice except that the Japanese Iris Society was not very fond of the name when I first applied to be an official Japanese Iris Display Garden. For that group, I use the name "Carolina Daylilies and Iris Too!"

Q: How did your love of gardening with daylilies begin? Sometime in the early 1980's we purchased a house in a subdivision that was almost devoid of blooming plants. We were looking for perennials and just before Father's Day my wife saw an ad in The State newspaper for 25 daylilies for \$25. The late Bob Kennedy's daughter sold his discarded seedlings from his garden in Camden, SC. (Guess what I got for Fathers' Day?) We purchased first 25 and on a second trip another 25. When they bloomed the next spring, we were hooked on daylilies and have been ever since.





Q: How would you describe your garden?

The garden is divided into three parts. Around the garden building and enclosed by the fence is the Display Garden. Here you can view mature clumps of my introductions and many plants from Region 15 and Georgia hybridizers, as well as plants from notable national hybridizers. To the right of the building is the Sales Garden with potted daylilies, iris, and hostas. In this area, we also sell both planted and unplanted hypertufa containers and bagged compost that we produce from our own large composting operation.

Q: What inspired you to create your garden design?

We had visited many gardens over the years and collected ideas on what we wanted in our own garden. Some of the things were: a public restroom; wide level grass pathways; a compact garden that did not require walking great distances; minimal time waiting to go home with your selections; and, a shaded or air conditioned place for people to sit out of the sun while selecting daylilies. We also wanted to offer a variety of companion perennials. All of these have been included in the final designs for our sales and display gardens.

Q: What are a few of your favorite daylilies that people must see? I hope they see our introductions and the many Region 15 hybridizers' plants. We have a large collection of doubles including many from the Joiners.

Q: When should people plan to visit for peak bloom?

> From the last week of May until the second week of June.

Q: Do you have any words of wisdom for others considering Region 15 display garden status?

Enjoy and learn from all of the interesting and knowledgeable people you meet in your display garden.

Can daylilies be purchased?

Yes, we sell plants in 2 gallon containers. Note that all sales are in the garden except for Tom

Bruce introductions, which can be shipped.

Photos Tom Bruce; photo of Tom showing one of his latest "keepers" Single flowers (I-r), future seedling from Tom's doubles program and 'Gimmie That Look' (Bruce 2018); clump, 'Stand Up and Cheer' (Bruce 2014)



Existing Display Garden:

White Hall Garden

Owners: Wanda and Jim Willis

Location: Gastonia, NC

Q: What inspired you to create a Region 15 Display Garden? We made a week-long trip to visit daylily gardens from Columbia, SC, to the mountains of NC. We started making trips to visit the Jeffcoat's and Paul Owen. It was then that we knew we wanted to make our garden a Daylily Display Garden for others to enjoy.

Q: How did you come up with your garden name?

We wanted our garden to have a name that was significant, and since we lived on White Hall Place, we decided on "White Hall

Q: How did your love of gardening with daylilies begin? Jim and I have always loved gardening and after becoming friends with Gail and David Gribble and Cindy Dye, our passion became daylilies. We became members of the Piedmont Daylily Club and after our first Daylily Show and a single blue ribbon, we were hooked. Cindy tutored us on the different classifications of daylilies and the different seasons they bloom.

Q: How would you describe your garden?

Our garden is a blend of many things. We started in our small backyard with daylilies from Brenda Robinson at Mountain View Daylily Garden. I will not forget paying \$10 for a daylily and

thinking I had done something special. We had a lot to learn. That first garden grew to three small gardens of daylilies blended with a fountain, garden art, and other companion sun-loving plants. We added stepping stones (due to the increase in traffic) and a koi pond with a waterfall. We then moved to the front yard and created our largest two gardens. Our collection quickly increased





to over 400 cultivars. We have shade gardens on the east & west sides of our house. It is a beautiful stroll all the way around as you pass from one section to the other.

Q: What inspired you to create your garden design? We wanted our garden to be natural and to appeal to all visitors. Adding a wide variety of textures, colors, seating, and visual stimulation makes it fun. The compliment we get most often is there is something for

everyone...not just daylilies (which everyone loves).

- Q: What are a few of your favorite daylilies that people must see? Our favorite daylily (of course), is one that was hybridized by Paul Owen and named for me, 'Wild Wanda' (Owen-P., 2016). It could not be a more perfect flower. My favorites are spiders, UFs, and vellow greens-this amazing, sturdy plant is both. Also, very popular flowers in our garden are 'Queen Charlotte' (Santa Lucia 2006), 'Santorini Sunset' (Baucom 2007), 'Heavenly United We Stand' (Gossard 2009), 'Bass Gibson' (Rice-J., 2006), 'Caroline's Passion' (Dye-K., 2014), 'Curls Gone Wild' (Selman 2012), 'Eminent Domain' (Owen-P., 2011), 'Cherryville' (Santa Lucia 2009), 'Linda Gluck' (Dye-C., 2004), and many more.
- Q: When should people plan to visit for peak bloom? Our peak season here in Gastonia is usually the first two weeks in June. We have early, mid, and late season blooms...but the "big bloom" is the first two weeks.

Q: Do you have any words of wisdom for others considering Region 15 display garden status?

The instructions given to me by my mentor, Cindy Dye, were: 1. You need to have a few of all forms including historic. We started with about 10 each: Single, Double, Poly, Unusual Form, and Spider. 2. Keep your plants insect- and disease-free, fertilize, keep beds

clean of weeds, and water, water, water. Can daylilies be purchased?

While we do sell our daylilies in late summer, we mostly trade with other daylily lovers.

Photos Wanda and Jim Willis; yellow flower below 'Wild Wanda' (Owen-P., 2016), pink seedling Photo of Wanda and Jim by Janice Ullmeyer





Newly Approved Garden:

Blue Ridge Daylilies

Owners: Robert Selman and Eric Simpson

Location: Alexander, NC

- Q: What inspired you to create a Region 15 Display Garden? Now that the garden has matured and over 300 visitors from all over the country visit us each year during bloom season, we decided it was time to put out the welcome mat and become an official ADS Display Garden.
- Q: How did you come up with your garden name? Since we are in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Blue Ridge Daylilies seemed like the perfect choice for the name.
- Q: How did your love of gardening with daylilies begin? Bob innocently purchased his first daylilies on the side of the road from a little old lady for \$1 per fan in 1993. Later that same year, he was buying brand new introductions from the Stamiles, Salters, and Daylily World. He immediately caught the hybridizing bug and his obsession with daylilies has not stopped.

Eric started collecting daylilies in the late 1990s and very quickly developed a passion for daylily hybridizing. He moved his program from Indiana to join forces with Bob at Blue Ridge Daylilies in the fall of 2015.

Q: How would you describe your garden?

Two acres of daylilies are surrounded by extensive borders featuring conifers, hardy tropicals, azaleas, daffodils, hybrid Redbuds, ornamental grasses and a wide range of colorful shrubs and



garden art. There is something of interest all during the year-even when the daylilies are not blooming. In addition to nearly 1,000 cultivars from a wide range of hybridizers, the garden also features the hybrids of Bob and Eric.

Q: What inspired you to create your garden design?

The garden is located on the farm where Bob grew up. He always thought a field of flowers would be more attractive than tobacco and tomatoes. Bob's goal was to create a garden people would enjoy even if they were not daylily collectors. The garden is constantly changing and expanding with new additions to the landscape each and every vear.



Q: What are a few of your favorite daylilies that people must see? Bob's award-winning 'Alien DNA' (2009) and many of its descendants are always popular with garden visitors. 'Wacky Dragon' (2014). 'Mardi Gras Indian' (2014), 'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow' (2014), and 'Weird Science' (2017) are among Bob's favorites.

Eric's 'Teddy Bear Eyes' (2013), 'The Carpenter's Heart' (2016), 'Hearts on Parade' (2012), and his many colorful patterned and blueeyed seedlings are visitor favorites.

Q: When should people plan to visit for peak bloom?

Peak bloom is always the 4th of July at Blue Ridge Daylilies. Best bloom can be seen from the last week in June until the middle of July.

Q: Do you have any words of wisdom for others considering Region 15 display garden status?

Sharing your love of gardening with others is the biggest reward and a great way to promote daylilies.

Can daylilies be purchased?

Yes, daylilies can be purchased in the garden during bloom season and on our websites: blueridgedaylilies.com and simpsondaylily.net.

Photos Bob Selman



Hybridizer Liaison

Presenting Exciting Region 15 Seedlings

If our regional hybridizers, as well as most folks reading this *Hemalina*, are like me, they would rather see pictures of pretty potential futures than to read more words from me, so, I will have little to say this issue.

Some of these seedlings are likely to be introductions, while others may not make the cut. Either way, they are pretty faces for us to enjoy as this growing season ends and we dream of next summer. Each photo has been provided by the indicated hybridizer.

If you like what you see, have a comment to make, or have a question about a cross, contact the hybridizer. They'd love to talk with you about their hybridizing programs.

I hope to do this again in late winter for the spring issue, so hybridizers—be on the lookout for my email again if you missed out this time.

Happy Hybridizing, Raymond Quinn







Harry Pratt: (I-r) (Midnight at Tiffany's x Unknown); 14-146 (Sonya Starchak x Mean Joe Green); 14-223 (Sacha x Open House)







Heidi Douglas: (I-r) H15-11 (Papa Goose x Dancing on Ice) (won a Junior Citation this year that will be awarded in 2020 when it is registered); H18-05 (Emerald Starburst x (Seedling x RFK))x((MeMe's Tuitti Fruitti x RFK) x Dancing on Ice); H18-06 (Meme's Tuitti Fruitti x Dancing on Ice)x(Tropicana Treat x Crackling Fire)







Eric Simpson: (I-r) ES200 (Seedling x Get Jiggy); ES300 (Angelic Voice x Rainbow Reef); ES301 (Seedling x Teddy Bear Eyes)







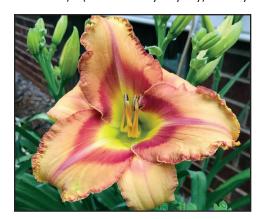
Scottie Godwin: Enjoy these samples of Scottie's hybridizing program







Charles Douglas: (I-r) 16-08 (Tropical Fusion x Jurassic Fiesta); 16-22 (Cynthia Lucius x Linda Bell); 18-04 ((Some Sweet Day x Jennifer Trimmer) x (Browns Ferry Royalty) x Sharyn Lianne)







Kenneth Wilkie: (I-r) 09-19-2 (Seedling x Mean Green); 12-45-1 (Diamond Star Halo x Venus Fly Trap); 12-54-3 (Rolling Raven x Blackberry Dragon)





 $\label{eq:Gene Crocker: (I-r) (Green Spill x Evelyn Gates) dip with green throat that holds all day in extreme heat; (Memphis x Faye's Delight) tet$



Kenneth Wilkie: (continued) Q1-4 (Roses for Dallas x Dreamliner)

Increasing Membership - We Have The Tools by Bill Hurt

The greatest challenge we daylily growers face is not how to grow these beautiful, awesome flowers. The greatest challenge is to inspire others to love gardening with daylilies as much as we do. This includes new friends in this generation and sowing the seeds for future generations of daylily gardeners. To do this, it would be helpful if we each examined how we got started in daylilies.

As a child, I developed a love of flowers from my mother and both grandmothers. They were my inspiration. Back then, our gardens were annuals planted from seeds. Buying potted plants was not an option because we lacked the money and there weren't as many garden centers as we have today.

It was not until I became an adult that I became serious about growing flowers. Buying my first house and planning how I could make my yard beautiful became a top priority when I wasn't working 7 to 5. I had to become a weekend warrior. I focused on this flower or that flower, whatever attracted me in catalogs or in neighboring yards. There were gladiolus, iris, roses, daffodils, tulips, and many more. Daylilies were not a love then. I didn't care for the colors of just orange or yellow, and I didn't know daylilies came in other colors.

In the 1980's I focused on iris and had friends give me some hybrids to grow. They invited me to an iris flower show, and Wow! I wanted those beauties. I wanted to win Best in Show and one day, I did!

It wasn't until the early 1990's that I received my first daylily catalog, from Roris Gardens. I had never seen such beautiful colors, with eyes and patterns. But oh my, they were expensive! I had never spent over \$5-\$10 on any plant. A friend told me of a daylily garden in a nearby town that sold gorgeous daylilies at a reasonable price. I visited and bought some that were pretty for a few dollars each. But I kept coveting those new ones I couldn't afford. I was certainly not aware of awards or popularity polls showcasing plants with proven success.

Fast forward in time to my move to North Carolina in the early 2000's. I lived in a condominium and had no yard but I did have planters and pots! I sought out a commercial garden advertised in a gardening magazine. At that time I had no knowledge of clubs, daylily shows, or other daylily growers near me. When I did try to contact this daylily hybridizer from the magazine, I got a total runaround. There were no call backs and no way to purchase the daylilies. I could have given up, but I loved flowers too much. I bought a few from Home Depot and grew them in pots on my balcony. I went to bookstores and tried, sometimes in vain, to find books on daylilies. There were very few. Culture information was very limited and I had no one to turn to. My job was very stressful and I had no yard. You might think this was the end of my gardening life.

It was seven years later that I retired and bought a home with a small yard. Time to grow again! At this time I just happened to receive a Carolina State Magazine with an article about a woman in western Carolina who grew and sold daylilies. I contacted her and visited her garden. There, I bought three daylilies that grew beautifully for me. Those daylilies were 'Johnny Cash' (Stamile, 2004), 'Facepaint' (Stamile, 2006), and 'Cindy's Eye' (Salter, 1994). I was hooked again. She shared information pamphlets about the American Hemerocallis Society and that Region 15 was the organization for North and South Carolina. There was no local club

at that time in Greensboro.

It was then I decided to attend a regional meeting in Raleigh and visited their flower show the following summer. The rest is history. I met some of the finest people with a common interest and felt I had a new family. Information flowed. Access to flowers and new friends fueled my passion.

Now, today, I want you to find the same support, but I do not want you to spend all your time looking for sources of information like I did. I shared my story because I believe there are many future gardeners in our generation plus many young people willing to invest time in gardening, collecting, and hybridizing. So many times I have blamed young people's use of technology and an addiction to gadgets in preventing them from enjoying beauty in the natural world around them. But I have decided we must use that technology to attract younger people to our world of beauty! Our daylilies can be found, purchased, and grown better using

New members in clubs throughout

the knowledge of the internet.

North and South Carolina have information about daylilies at their finger tips. Region 15 and the ADS have websites with "tons" of information. All anyone has to do is go to region15daylily.org, scroll down to "Region 15 Newbies" and click the link. You'll be taken to



the Region 15 Newbies Facebook page where you'll not only find guidelines on daylily selection, places to purchase plants, and

Region 15

Newbies

tips for daylily culture, but you'll also be able to quickly get answers to any questions you might have. There is even a video compiled for your convenience on how to select and plant daylilies.

In summary, I want you to ponder the following questions as you become more involved in your local, regional, and national events. Use these questions as an exercise in an upcoming meeting to stimulate conversation, extend learning, and bond with other members. An option is to break out in small groups to cue each other on these thoughts. Or you could take a question each month to discuss to encourage new member involvement.

- What was your first gardening experience like growing daylilies?
- What sources of information did you seek and where did you find this information?
- Why are you a gardener and a daylily gardener?
- How do you decide what daylilies to purchase?
- What is your inspiration to garden?
- How did you meet other daylily growers and who has been a mentor?
- What growing issues still offer you a challenge or that you still need assistance with now?
- How did you learn about clubs, membership, events, and shows?
- What have you found is the real value in club and regional events?
- Who supports your gardening habits?
- How do you use the internet and websites to feed your daylily addiction?
- And finally, how do you see yourself helping to cultivate the next generation of daylily gardeners and hybridizers?

Use the tools available and experience the joy in sharing. Challenge yourself to learn and to mentor at least one other person. Our next generation will grow and enjoy daylily gardening even more than we did! Happy learning and growing all year long.

So You Want to Start a Daylily Club

by Mike Denson

The Charleston Daylily Club (CDC) is the newest in Region 15. We organized our first meeting in April 2018 and are on a good trajectory to become a solid club into the future. Currently we have about 25 paid members, and near 40 on our mailing list (thinking about it). However, this started with a core of just six people all committed to making this club happen.

To begin a new club we used the following roadmap:

Identify the Need

Many of us in the Charleston Daylily Club belong to the Lowcountry Daylily Club and/or the Georgetown Area Daylily Club. However, for those of us living in Charleston/Mount Pleasant that's about a 1.5-2 hour drive to monthly meetings. We have heard from many folks in Charleston garden clubs and at flower events that they love daylilies! They are easy to grow, beautiful, and versatile. Daylilies really sell themselves! The discussion usually shifts to joining a local club, coming to a meeting, and then the question inevitably comes, "So where is the meeting?" Oh, it's in Monks Corner/Georgetown. The answer is almost always, "That's way too far." Recognizing the potential to have a critical mass of members, we just needed a club closer to the city.

Find the Venue

Finding a low cost/no cost meeting venue is a problem I have seen in many other horticultural clubs and societies. Finding a place requires a good bit of effort and sometimes money. Weekdays usually exclude younger members working full time and taking care of kids in the evening. Sundays are popular days for daylily clubs to meet, but that often makes church meeting rooms out of the question. Other options are the meeting rooms of local businesses, municipalities, or colleges. Some can be quite cost prohibitive, or have restrictions like no food, cleaning fees, deposits. It simply requires persistence and connections. We were lucky, several CDC members work at the Marine Resources Research Institute so we now meet in their classroom on the third Sunday of the month.



Advertise the Meeting

We set a date for the first meeting, developed a flyer with time, date, location, and contact information, and advertised in the Charleston Garden Magazine. We sent out notifications to the Master Gardener program, Charleston Horticulture Society, Atlantic Coast Camellia Society, Charleston Lowcountry Rose Society, and both of the local daylily clubs-anywhere you might find gardening enthusiasts. We were also able to get names of daylily gardeners living in the Charleston area who had previously inquired about clubs at Browns Ferry Gardens. We next contacted





the Region 15 president, Hemalina editor, and all of our friends to spread the word.

Plot a Course

Before the first meeting, the core group made a plan. We contacted Scott Elliott (ADS VP) and he provided us with the constitution and bylaws template to officially form the club. We then discussed the general meeting format (introductions, business, refreshments, program) and the path forward for the club for the next year. We got a checking account. We began to plan out the calendar of programs, contacted speakers, and arranged garden tours. We believe that having organization and a future plan instills confidence in potential members that this thing is for real.



Crush the First Meeting

At the first meeting, we made introductions and discussed the formation of the club and membership. We then got to business, voting to adopt bylaws and installing interim officers. We took volunteers and nominations from the floor, filled a slate of candidates, and voted to install our new interim officers. Our now ratified bylaws outline how future selection of officers will occur. We next reviewed the monthly calendar for the year and took ideas from the attendees. Business done, we enjoyed a chicken dinner and an assortment of snacks before sitting down for the program "Daylilies 101" (graciously provided by Heidi Douglas and Georgetown Daylily Club). Meeting adjourned. Crushed it!

Left: Perry Gaskins gives a tutorial on exhibiting daylilies

Top, left to right: Perry's seedling 'Cat-Eyed Glasses' (Gaskins-P., 2019) and Mike Denson's seedling (Papa Goose x Green Arrow)

Above: Mike Denson's garden where the newly-formed Charleston Daylily Club held their second meeting. Photos Mike Denson

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So You Want to Start a Daylily Club? (Continued)

Set the Hook

The second meeting was held in a member's garden so people could see daylilies in a garden setting. Slides are nice, but real flowers in beautiful clumps can't be beat. As you all know, this feeds the daylily obsession. We chose a garden with daylilies of every color, size, form, with seedlings, named varieties, and established clumps, Holy Cow! Look at that new cultivar, I gotta have it!...and what's that I hear about hybridizing your own, it's easy?...and where did you get that?...and you mean that hybridizer will be at our meeting next month and auction that plant off? "Holy Cow!...Wha-what?" They take the bait...just reel them in.

It's all about fun, right?

Our plan is not only to expose new members to ADS activities and membership, but also to expose them to the bigger daylily world. At the last meeting, we discussed the recent national convention and experiences of members who attended, talked about the upcoming Region 15 fall and summer meetings, and had a program on daylily exhibition. Our goal is a balance of education, discussion, hybridizers and their daylilies, and garden tours. Oh, and have I mentioned it's supposed to be about fun? We are going to build slowly towards some events, fundraisers, and then who knows?



I'm sure that there are numerous variations to this roadmap, but so far, these have worked for us. There is nothing especially difficult about starting a club, but it does take a few people willing to do the hard work to get the ball rolling, a location that's easy to get to, and a plan to keep people engaged.

Above and below: Mike Denson's seedling (New Dawn Sunrise x Solar Sweet); the Denson garden, visited by CDC *Photos Mike Denson*



The Charleston Daylily Club meets the fourth Sunday of each month at 2:30 pm at various locations in the Charleston area. To get on the email list for notifications of each meeting, send an email to Mike Denson at mrmike66@gmail.com.

Agenda: Region 15 Summer Meeting

Friday, May 31, 2019

United Methodist Church 1833 Pinopolis Road Pinopolis, SC 29469

1:30 - 4:30 Exhibition Judges Clinic I, II, & III

2:30 - 4:30 Garden Judges I

4:30 - 5:30 Leadership Team Meeting

(Region 15 Officers & Club Officers)

5:30 - 6:00 Region 15 Board Meeting

5:00 - 6:00 Registration

6:00 - 7:00 Dinner Lowcountry Style 7:00 Business Meeting & Auction

Perennial Plant Sale Table - Friday and Saturday!

Saturday, June 1, 2019

Moncks Corner Inn 505 Rembert C Dennis Blvd Moncks Corner, SC 29461 7:30 - 7:45 Registration

7:30 - 7:45 Registration 7:45 - 8:00 Loading Buses

8:00 Buses Leave for Garden Tours

United Methodist Church

5:30 - 7:00 Awards Dinner

7:00 Michael Miller, Small World Gardens Auction, Small World Gardens Daylilies

Sunday, June 2, 2019

United Methodist Church

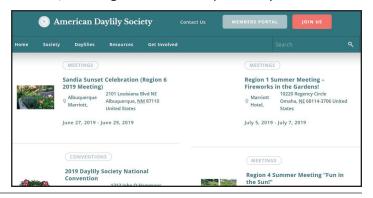
8:00 - 10:00 Garden Judges Clinic I & II





Check Out daylilies.org/events

Making travel plans? Check out daylilies.org/events to see if you'll be near a club/region meeting, exhibition, or convention in a different region. Meet some new daylily FANatics, see some gorgeous new daylily gardens, check out some different cultivars, and bring home some new plants for your friends.





Registration **Form**

Region 15 Summer Meeting Lowcountry Daylily Club May 31 & June 1, 2019

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Mail To: Please enclose check made payable to "Lowcountry Daylily Club"

Bill Hayes, Registrar 110 Englewood Rd Goose Creek, SC 29445

Email: hayes6227@bellsouth.net Phone: 843-797-1840 (Confirmation will be sent upon receipt of fees.)

Hotel Information: Room reservations are to be made directly with the Moncks Corner Inn, 505 Rembert C Dennis Blvd, Moncks Corner, SC, 29461. Phone # (843)761-5900. Must make reservations by March 31, 2019. There is no elevator. Nightly rates: King Size \$105 plus tax, 2 Queens - \$116 plus tax. Mention Lowcountry Daylily Club

Questions: Perry Gaskins, Co-Chair (843)729-4426 pcgaskins@homesc.com Anne Winningham, Co-Chair (843)312-6874 pwinningham@homesc.com Anne Winningham (843)312-6874 pwinningham@homesc.com Auction:





Club News

Catawba Valley Daylily Club by Rita Katz

The club was invited to attend the Multi-Club Summer Picnic at Blue Ridge Daylilies in July with Bob Selman and Eric Simpson. Only a couple members were able to attend that day, but they had a wonderful time examining the beautiful daylilies.

One they luckily found in bloom, 'Janice Parker' (Selman 2012), is named after one of our members. Janice has devoted many hours over the years working with daylilies in her garden, with our club, and with the Western North Carolina Daylily Club. Here's a photo of her checking the long list of daylilies for sale while the chief rooster overlooks the garden.









In September we held a plant exchange with unusual plants in addition to daylilies. We discussed our remaining 2018 future meetings, which will be with a photography studio, a local hybridizer, and, of course, our annual holiday gathering. In November we will be meeting at Hickory Finest Custom Framing and Art Gallery with the photographer.

Above, left to right: Janice Parker and friend; the other 'Janice Parker' (Selman 2012)

Left, both views: Amazing and delightful daylilies as far as the eye can see in the Blue Ridge Daylilies Garden, visited by members of the Catawba Valley Daylily Club during the Multi-Club Summer Picnic *Photos Rita Katz*

Charleston Daylily Club by Mike Denson

The Charleston Daylily Club has planned to meet every month of the year to keep up momentum in our inaugural year.

In July, the club was lucky to have our own expert Perry Gaskins (garden judge, exhibitor, and exhibition judge) give the club a tutorial on daylily exhibitions, how to groom daylilies for the show, and how judges assign points. He used several daylilies from local gardens to demonstrate. (See photo page 23.) The club discussed hosting a daylily show in the future.

In August, another founding club member, Tim Stout, gave us the lowdown on insect pests in the daylily garden. He also showed us the updated ADS website and how to find useful information in this new layout. Tim is a horticulture expert with decades of work in the industry and we're very glad he's joined our club.

In September, Charleston was under a mandatory hurricane evacuation order from the Governor's office. The state facility at which we meet was closed even though the skies had cleared and the sun shone. We were unable to have our meeting and our guest speaker graciously agreed to reschedule to October.

Scott Elliott, Vice President of ADS, gave a rousing presentation in October and generously donated plants for auction. Heidi and Charles Douglas agreed to shuffle down to the November meeting! Thank goodness everyone is so accommodating when the weather turns ugly.

We hope folks from other clubs come and visit our new club, you'll enjoy meeting our friendly members.







Above: Mike Denson's beautiful seedlings Photos Mike Denson

Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society by Ken Ferguson

Many readers in the Carolinas to some degree felt the impact of hurricane Michael. Most of our members reside in Currituck County which is bounded by the Atlantic Ocean to the east and the Albemarle Sound to the west. There was some road over-wash in the community and wind gusts topped out at about 50 mph. Thankfully, this weather event ended up just being a minor nuisance for us, although the rain did force us to cancel several of our planned summer plant sales.



The fall colors in northeast North Carolina were underwhelming to say the least. The last week of October was predicted to be the peak of color here, but it was obvious the trees didn't get the memo. With extended wide temperature swings, many trees simply dropped their leaves while they were still green. The change

of seasons didn't slow down member Pat Mansfield's daylilies: 'Shericka' (Hensley-D., 2015) and 'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow' (Selman

2014) were still popping and looking absolutely gorgeous in the second week of October.

At our October business meeting we began filling up our agenda for 2019. We look to partner with early learners in Camden and Pasquotank county schools, with programs on planting, growing, and collecting seeds from daylilies. Though just in the planning stage at this point, the membership is really excited about





introducing daylilies to these area youth. We also started setting an aggressive schedule for plant sales next year to make up for our less than stellar sales this year.

Our annual Plants for Members Auction (held at the same meeting) helped make up those losses and provided the funds necessary for the 2019 program. As usual, it was fast, furious, and fun for everyone who attended. We will be selecting our PFM vendor at our final meeting of the year in November.

And our final look ahead is a ramping up for our Night Out on the Town. This has been our annual chance to get together

in an exclusively social setting and just have fun with fellow daylily enthusiasts.



Left: Bidding is exciting during the Plants for Members Auction with auctioneer Janet Hong

Above: (I-r) Sherry Richardson and Mary Bock talk to shoppers at the Elizabeth City Farmers Market. The Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society booth featured not only plants for sale, but also educational materials on daylilies and informational brochures on the society and ADS

Photos Ken Ferguson

Foothills Daylily Society by Nolan Newton

he Foothills Daylily Society is continuing its efforts to provide a learning experience for its members and to engage our community through service. Sales of plants at local events provided funds for society activities, including guest speakers at monthly meetings.

Several society members attended the national meeting in Myrtle Beach and enjoyed the fellowship, garden visits, and educational opportunities. The Region 15 Fall Meeting in nearby Clemson was attended by 12 of our members.

A generous donation of daylily plants by charter/former member John McWhorter and his wife Frankie and the energetic work of several members in preparing and selling these plants has brought a significant boost to our finances. Some of these plants were used by society members to install a planting at a local elementary school. Planning for the Region 15 Summer Meeting is underway with the leadership of Region 15 President Nancy Womack.

Looking forward to our annual holiday party in November when the winners of our photo contest will be announced!



Above: (I-r) Hilda Moore, Linda Martin, Barbara Neuman, and Nancy Milleman assemble the very popular Foothills Daylily Society basket for the Region 15 Fall Meeting. (I didn't win that one either - Editor) Items for the basket were also donated by Mary Saunders, Nolan Newton, John Martin, Kirk Milleman, Barbara Peterson, and Nancy Womack.

Photo Nancy Womack

Georgetown Area Daylily Club by Kathy Tinius

ugust always brings the annual Popularity Poll Party to the AGeorgetown Area Daylily Club and this year was no different. President Chuck Wilson pulled together a fun presentation with lively discussion of each cultivar, quite a few of which were featured in the national convention tour gardens. Members



voted and also reviewed the candidates for the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award.

In September, the auction scheduled for October was moved a month early so garden owners could line out their seedlings as soon as possible. We ended up with so many plants to auction, we decided to change from an auction to a plant sale. Buyers were thrilled!

Left: (I-r) Ann Howell, Barbara Haynes, Louvenia Holmes, Marie Parsons, Charles Douglas, Lee Calhoun

(behind Charles), Odessa Bourne, Ed Zahler (rear), Johnny Bourne, Robin Wilson (behind Johnny), Duane Therrien discuss daylilies at the August meeting

Above, Right: (I-r) Evelyn Olszewski, Barbara Haynes, Robin Wilson, Marlon Howell, and Donna Redick select from among dozens of plants at the September auction that changed to a plant sale Photos Kathy Tinius



Lowcountry Daylily Club by Neil Duffy

Several of our members assisted at the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, attended by daylily lovers from all over the US and even some foreign countries, including China. Our members very successfully coordinated and ran the daylily plant sale which brought in over \$11,000. It's exciting to think that some of the plants we sold are now growing in foreign lands and even in China! It was a very successful convention.

Raymond and Wanda Quinn spoke at our August meeting. The Quinns own and operate Windyhill Garden in Fuquay-Varina, NC. The Quinns gave a great presentation of their hybridizing program and showed us slides of their introductions. Wanda told us about her very successful program for attracting and feeding hummingbirds. The Quinns also brought several of their daylily plants that were auctioned to members.

We will host the Summer Meeting in Moncks Corner next year. We're excited to report that we'll have perennials in addition to daylilies for sale. Judges clinics and workshops will be offered. Out of town attendees are encouraged to book their room at



the Moncks Corner Inn as soon as possible (call 843-761-5900, tell them you're with the Lowcountry Daylily Club). The Inn is very small and the next closest hotel is a good 20 minutes away. See page 25 for the registration form and agenda.

The club will switch its meeting place in 2019 to the Interpretive Center at Old Santee Canal Park in Moncks Corner. (900 Stony Landing Drive, Moncks Corner, SC,



29461 oldsanteecanalpark.org)

The speaker scheduled for September was not able to make it, so a question and answer session led by some of our daylily pros was enjoyed by the members.

Our last meeting for the year was held October 28. For this meeting, the club provides the meats and members bring delicious side dishes and desserts. It was a delightful afternoon of fellowship and chatting about this year's accomplishments and next year's challenges.

Left: Lobby of the Moncks Corner Inn, hotel for the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting *Photo Moncks Corner Inn*

Above: The new 2019 meeting location for Lowcountry Daylily Club, the Interpretive Center at Old Santee Canal Park *Photo oldsanteecanalpark.org*

Mid-Carolina Daylily Society from Carolyn Cliett

The crisp, fresh days of fall are here with all the splendid colors from the trees. Our club activities have included plant auctions with many daylilies and travel to the ADS National Convention in Myrtle beach. Club members visited Paul Owen's Slightly Different Nursery where he presented our members with a new introduction "Mid-Carolina's Daylily Society Mommas." What a very nice surprise.

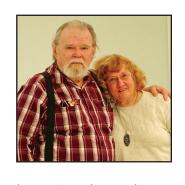
We had two in-house speakers: Amy Wright with "Good and Bad Trees" and Peggy Jeffcoat with "Everything you ever wanted to know about Daylilies." We were thrilled to have Bret Clement of Carmel, Indiana, speak to us on "Spider and Unusual Form



Daylilies."
Our Annual
Picnic &
Auction in
May was held
at Elaine and
Walt Tyler's
home.

We had a break until September and then Paul Owen visited us again. He generously brought plants and we quickly sold out. In fact, all of our plant auctions and sales this year have been complete sell outs.

Curtis and Linda Sue Barnes presented our October program, "A Review of the American Hemerocallis Society National Convention in Myrtle Beach, South



Carolina." Those of us unable to attend were given the next best thing as Linda Sue's pictures were beautiful. Afterward we had our annual plant swap and everyone came away with more plants and goodies.

November's program will consist of slides of members' gardens and our annual photo contest. We are all looking forward to our annual December Christmas Party with covered dish and gift exchange.

Our club's success has been due to our members being willing to take on much of the work. A special thanks goes to "a tall gentle man with a beard, wearing either a white or black Stetson hat with boots" (Jim) and Peggy Jeffcoat for their work and for starting this club over 30 years ago.

We are looking forward to 2019. Merry Christmas to All and Happy New Year. Memo: I am absolutely certain that some are daylily addicts.

Left: Dee Waddell and Leslie Mauck buy some unique umbrellas at the Mid-Carolina Daylily Society plant swap and sale

Above: Curtis and Linda Sue Barnes, who gave a presentation that made society members feel like they had gone to the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach *Photos Sheila Caldon*

Give a Spider Hug for Christmas!

Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club is selling fabulous t-shirts with this gorgeous original art to help fund their community events.

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Make your show plans now, I'll be asking for them in February!

Many people are only involved in daylilies for the flower shows. Dozens of delicious flowers, displayed in their perfection, rewarded with awards, ribbons, and trophies. Public outreach at flower shows is unparalleled-no one



can just walk by a display without stopping to take a peek and pick up a brochure. Some clubs that don't have shows instead have the next best thing, plant sales! What fun to watch people get introduced to daylilies for the first time.

Talk this winter. Make plans. Set dates and times. Fix locations. Then send an email to Kathy Tinius at ktinius@yahoo.com with the details. Your show and/or sale details will appear in the Spring 2019 Hemalina that should be in everyone's mailbox before the end of March. Talk. Plan. Set. Fix. Email. Photo Tony Cox

Piedmont Daylily Club by Mitchell Hagler

ur club doesn't meet in July and August so we were all looking forward to starting a new year with our September meeting. Traditionally at this meeting, we have a daylily auction and a \$5 sales table. Unfortunately, Hurricane Florence had other plans. Although we didn't have much damage in the Charlotte area, we had massive amounts of rain. We knew that folks couldn't dig plants in the rain and that our attendance would be way down. So we reluctantly decided to cancel the meeting.

That made our October meeting even more special. For our program, we asked members to send in "Everything I've Always Wanted to Know But Was Too Shy to Ask" questions and our member panel discussed these. We were also able to still have our daylily sales table. Flower show chair Connie Moffett presented the head table winners with a framed photo of their winning entries. Most importantly, we had a new member join on his first time visiting!

In October we also helped landscape an area outside the Habitat for Humanity main office in Charlotte. There is more about that project in a separate article (see page 10).

Nine of our members attended the Region 15 Fall Meeting sponsored by the Upstate Daylily Society. Eric Simpson had challenged all members to vote in the Popularity Poll and he offered his 2018 introduction, 'Nancy Womack' (Simpson-E., 2019), as an incentive. One of our youngest members, Allison Tietz, had her name drawn as the lucky winner. Piedmont Daylily Club contributed a very nice basket for the meeting raffle.

Our Executive Committee has been asked to come up with a club T-shirt design to present to our members in

November. Linda Sue Barnes is scheduled for our November meeting with a program on "Photographing Daylilies in the Garden."

We don't meet in December so we are already looking forward to 2019.





Raleigh Hemerocallis Club by Richard Warren

appy fall greetings to our ADS Region 15 members from the Raleigh club! Can't believe the year is almost over and we are rapidly approaching the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. It's been a great year in our gardens and for connecting with old and new friends at our national, regional, and club events.

In our October meeting, the club voted unanimously to equally distribute funds to several organizations including the Hemalina, ADS Bertie Ferris Youth Fund, Cape Fear Botanical Garden in Fayetteville, and JC Raulston Arboretum in Raleigh.

Looking ahead for 2019, our kickoff February club meeting will be combined with the Sandhills Daylily Club. The event will include a potluck meal at a location still to be determined.

Mark your calendars-on June 15, we'll host our annual flower show and plant sale at Crabtree Valley Mall in Raleigh. Plans are well underway.

Check out our website raleighdaylily. weebly.com for more details about our club.



Sandhills Daylily Club by Linda Sue Barnes

he speaker for our August meeting cancelled at the last minute, but we had a very productive program by having each person name a few of their favorite flowers and tell why they liked them. It turned out to be a very interesting discussion.

In September our speaker didn't show up. Club members brainstormed possible speakers and ways to increase membership. It was decided that we need to have a program on reserve that we could show when we need a program at the last minute. Several are available from ADS and Linda Sue has some PowerPoints that the club hasn't seen. We decided we would like to have a joint meeting between the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club and Sandhills Daylily Club in February. Linda Sue was to take the idea to the Raleigh club at its next meeting.

The program for our October meeting was the delightful PowerPoint presentation of the 2018 National Convention by Curtis and Linda Sue Barnes.

Linda Sue reported that the new entrance garden/daylily garden at Cape Fear Botanical Garden is looking good (except for the deer problem). We would like to thank Region 15 members who have donated plants. A special thanks goes to Janice Kennedy who not only donated plants but also made arrangements with Meadowlark Botanical Garden in Vienna, VA, to donate plants to CFBG. Curtis and Linda Sue drove to Virginia to help dig plants and haul them back to NC. There were around 80 plants and they were

all in the ground before Hurricane Florence made her visit.

The Raleigh club agreed to the joint meeting in February. We hope to have the meeting in Dunn, NC, so it will be roughly half way between the normal meeting places of the two clubs. We will probably have three speakers and pot luck lunch. Date and location will be nailed down soon. Plans for a Christmas party were also discussed.

On June 8, 2019, Sandhills Daylily Club will host Daylily Day at CFBG. An accredited show will be



held, several short talks or demonstrations will be available during the judging, and we will have a grand reopening of the Bettie Jernigan Historical Daylily Garden.

Right, top and bottom: Views of the daylily beds at the Bettie Jernigan Historical Daylily Garden after the rains and winds from hurricane Florence washed away mulch and soil. Fortunately, there was no lasting damage. Photos Linda Sue Barnes

Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club by Lynne Broderius

riad Daylily Fans received a Greensboro Beautiful, Inc. Award for curating 107 daylilies in four gardens at the Bicentennial Gardens, 1105 Hobbs Rd, Greensboro, NC. As a club, we have planted, fed, weeded, and cut back these donated Region 15 beauties. When we first requested donations, we stated our purpose was to show off Region 15 hybridizers, educate the public, and grow our membership. We think we've achieved each of these. Take a look at the G.I.S. Map of the gardens at arcg.is/1mC0DC and our website at triadnc.weebly.com. Ryan Richardson and Dave Palmer of the Bicentennial Gardens helped club members establish the G.I.S. map since name tags cannot be placed in these memorial gardens.

JD Stadler was our guest September 9, sharing how he built his 144+ registered cultivar history from his Charlotte yard. During the follow up Q&A session, JD brought out some humor in his pursuit of the perfect reds and doubles. He further shared those delightful stories of naming each of them. Childhood friends from his "ole' stomping grounds" in Reidsville, NC, joined us for lunch and delighted us with their precocious memories. Our budding hybridizers and collectors embraced the excitement!

October 7, Sharon Yarbrough showed us the way in "Art of Hybridizing." As a Master Gardener as well as a daylily hybridizer and collector, her patience with each of us was extraordinary. Achieving this "art" is not easy when choosing

parents and later deciding which seedlings make the grade to register or not to register. Ridgeville Daylily Garden is owned by Sharon and her husband Jerry. Located at 1225 Ridgeville Road in Prospect Hill, it includes a Stout Medal

Garden, various hybridizers' collections, and sales gardens.

Our Photo Contest with art shots, garden views, and abstracts were on view November 4 and prizes were awarded! The Q & A Panel Discussion was informative with Sharon Yarbrough covering the pests of the daylily, Becky Hinshaw reviewing the registration process for those rascal daylilies, David DeKort

regaling us with deer options and solutions, and Lynne Broderius highlighting feeding of the soil.

In December, we'll have our annual Christmas get together. On January **Late Breaking News!**

November Photo Contest Winners: Single bloom: Kathy King, Marietta Charmer Multiple bloom: Jerry Yarbrough, Dances With Giraffe Clump: Sharon Yarbrough, Cherryville Landscape: Lynne Broderius, I Can>t Believe It's A Dip Garden Photographer's Choice: Rod Swonguer, Seedling Seedling: Sharon Yarbrough, Seedling B2-3 Photos will appear in the spring edition

6, Region 15 Director and American Daylily Society Registration Chair, Becky Hinshaw will share "The Naming Game" in the Daylily World! This will amaze, entertain, and entice your imagination for your own cultivar name choices. Join us, won't you? Please make plans to enter our Second Historic Flower Show June 22, 2019.

Left: Sheila Caldon, Master Gardener, gives a great presentation Above, top: Becky Hinshaw at the Lillian Livingston Memorial Daylily Garden Above, bottom: During the 22 Gardens Tour of High Point University, Lynne Broderius takes a break on a convenient perch

Photos Lynne Broderius





Upstate Daylily Society by Mary McCabe

August 19 found our group at the Anderson Library having a club auction of our Stadler collection. Donna Bobby acted as our auctioneer. Proceeds from this auction went directly into our



treasury to support future plans. The main discussion during the business meeting was the upcoming fall regional.

For our September meeting, we met at Bill and Karen Manning's home in Abbeville. We were pleasantly surprised to be served a catered full course meal on the plush lawn of their country home. During

the business meeting, President Brenda Coggins, went over Fall

Meeting final plans, details, and instructions.

October 5 and 6 brought our well-attended Region 15 Fall Meeting held at the Best Western in Clemson, SC, with a garden tour of the SC Botanical Garden. Our plant sale table was a huge success. The Silent Auction and Raffle



was another big success with our club members donating baskets and items above and beyond what was expected. Three clubs very generously donated impressive raffle items. The Friday night auction for Region 15 was a two-hour fun event with beautiful daylilies and an entertaining auctioneer, Paul Owen of Slightly Different Nursery.

Saturday brought a business meeting first thing and the conclusion of our Silent Auction and Raffle after lunch. Speakers for this event were Raymond and Wanda Quinn of the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club. Raymond showed many



interesting slides of their new home, animals, and gardens. Wanda spoke on hummingbirds, her other passion. At end of the event, there was a garden tour of the SCBG headed up by Patrick McMillan from 1 PM to around 3 PM. The history he provided

enhanced our tour of this historic garden. Between all these activities, door prizes were given away. Much fun was had by all!

One of our favorite activities of the entire year, came on October 21 at the Hornbuckle Club House in Easley. As guests of Jim Bazzone, we participated in our plant swap and covered-dish dinner.



Counterclockwise from above: Brenda Coggins addresses members of the Upstate Daylily Society at their plant swap and covered-dish dinner as Jim Bazzone's guest at the Hornbuckle Club House; Brenda and Neal Richardson confer; Donna Bobby leads a robust club auction; club members enjoy a catered lunch at Bill and Karen Manning's lovely home.

Photo Mary McCabe

Western North Carolina Daylily Club by Bob Selman

he Western North Carolina Daylily Club had our Ice Cream Social and Plant Swap at Blue Ridge Daylilies in August. We welcomed several new members and everyone went home with something special to add to their garden. In September we had our Bonus Dollar Auction at Chuck Deyton's Railroad Crossing Daylilies. It's always fun to spend time in the barn with the mules and chickens not to mention good food, time to visit with other



club members, and spend bonus dollars and real money on some very special daylilies to enjoy next season. We're looking forward to our Christmas Party in December and we have a full calendar of events planned for 2019.

If you would like to join the Western North Carolina Daylily Club, new

Above: Mules at Chuck Deyton's Railroad Crossing Daylilies, visited by the members of the Western North Carolina Daylily Club

Right: The Western North Carolina Daylily Club assembles on the bridge at Blue Ridge Daylilies

Photos Bob Selman

members who attend three meetings will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Blue Ridge Daylilies. Please visit our club website at wncdaylilyclub.com and check out our Facebook page for upcoming events.



"Right now, I'm winning the 2020 seedling contest!" announced Kirk Milleman at the Region 15 Fall Meeting

he Foothills Daylily Society will be hosting the Region 15 Summer The Foothills Daylily Society will be nosting the region of the Meeting in June of 2020 but they need your seedlings NOW. Every year, bus tour attendees vote on their favorite daylily seedlings and the winning hybridizer is honored in the Saturday evening awards ceremony.

This is fun and an exciting part of the Summer meetings. You will definitely want to be part of it.

Contact Kirk today if you have seedlings to enter: Kirk Milleman, 704-670-4155 or nankirkmilleman@me.com American Daylily Society Region 15, North and South Carolina Hemalina Kathy Tinius, Editor 657 Hemlock Ave. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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2018 Popularity Poll Results

Winner: 39 Votes 'Alien DNA' (Selman, 2009)



Second Place: 38 Votes 'Webster's Pink Wonder' (Webster-Cobb, 2003)



Third Place: 37 Votes 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011)



Fourth Place Tie: 33 Votes



'Cherryville' (Santa Lucia, 2009)



'**Primal Scream**' (Hanson-C., 1994) Thanks for voting!

Pop Poll Contest Drawing Winner:

Allison Tietz

wins 'Nancy Womack' (Simpson-E., 2019)



On Facebook: Region 15 AHS

Carolina Daylily All-Stars

Region 15 Annual Popularity Poll Contest Winners

Year	Cultivar	Hybridizer
2018	'Alien DNA'	Selman
2017	'Cat Ballou'	Gluck
2016	'Thelma Douglas'	Douglas-C
2013-15	'All American Chief'	Sellers
2011-12	'Carnival in Mexico'	Santa Lucia
2010	'All American Chief'	Sellers
2009	'Carnival in Mexico'	Santa Lucia
2003-08	'Peggy Jeffcoat'	Joiner J.
2002	'Strawberry Patch'	Douglas C.
1998-2001	'Strawberry Candy'	Stamile
1997	'Barbara Mitchell'	Pierce C.
1995-96	'Strawberry Candy'	Stamile
1992-94	'Barbara Mitchell'	Pierce C.
1991	'Mabel Nolen'	Nolen
1990	'Beauty to Behold'	Sellers
1988-89	'Fair Tale Pink'	Pierce C.
1987	'Brocaded Gown'	Millikan B.
1985-86	'Ruffled Apricot'	Baker S.H.
1984	'Sabie'	MacMillian
1983	'Ruffled Apricot'	Baker S.H.
1982	'Butterpat'	Kennedy
1981	'Prester John'	Allgood
1980	'Tender Love'	Yancey-Harrison
1978-79	'Iron Gate Glacier'	Sellers
1977	'Winning Ways'	Wild
1976	'Rozavel'	Lambert
1975	'Iron Gate Glacier'	Sellers
1974	'Winning Ways'	Wild
1973	'Rozavel'	Lambert
1969-72	'Dorothy Lambert'	Lambert
1968	'Frances Fay'	Fay
1967	'Satin Glass'	Fay-Hardy
1965-66	'Frances Fay'	Fay
1964	'Cartwheels'	Ray-Russell
1963	'Frances Fay'	Fay
1962 (tie)	'Fairy Wings' / 'Frances Fay'	Lester / Fay
1961 (tie)	'Fairy Wings' / 'Frances Fay'	Lester / Fay

2017 winner photo attributes: Photos provided by hybridizers except: 'Webster's Pink Wonder' by Kathy Tinius; 'Primal Scream' from strictlydaylilies.com

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