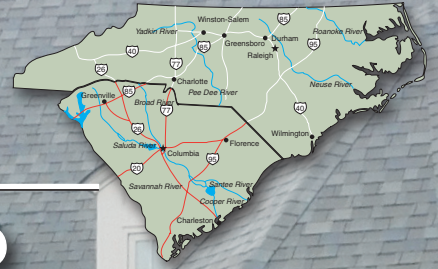


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Above, left: 'Navajo Pony' (Gossard, 2011) was a standout in the Windyhill Garden, *photo Kathy Tinius*

Above, right: 'A Tick Kissing a Moose on a Wednesday' (Baxter, 2006) made a gorgeous display in the Just One More... Garden, *photo Kathy Tinius*

Right: Serene patio invited guests to sit a spell in the Windy Ridge Garden, *photo Linda Sue Barnes*

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As you open these pages and begin to read the summer edition of the *Hemalina*, I hope you realize you are holding something very special in your hands. You are holding an AHS award-winning newsletter edited by our own Kathy Tinius. Even before Kathy and I officially assumed our current positions with Region 15, we talked a lot about the newsletter and our remarkably similar visions for moving it forward. Both of us wanted more by-lines by more people, more photo credits from more of our members, more variety in content, and a lively, up-beat appearance. I told her then that my goal was for her to win the Best Newsletter Award at some point; and she did it in less than two years! Not only did the *Hemalina* win the "Best Newsletter Award" at the 2017 National Convention in Norfolk, but it also won "Best Use of Pictures and Graphics," "Best Article about a Hybridizer" (Mitchell Hagler's backyard hybridizer story about Lacy English and Monika Begum), and the "Best Use of Humor"—none other than the A.W. Shucks article, "What Mother Never Told You about the Birds and the Bees." Congratulations and thank you, Kathy, Mitchell, and A.W. Thanks also to all of you who, on a regular basis, contribute articles, reports, photos, poetry, and proofreading time to help make the *Hemalina* a success.



We are fortunate in Region 15 that we still have the means to print a quality, full-color newsletter. Not all regions are in that position. At least one has gone to publishing its print issues in black and white while having a full-color edition available online. Some are considering doing a combination of print and online publications, and others are talking about transitioning completely to online publishing. So, as you hold this issue in your hands, think about Kathy and all the others who make it possible. Think about those who help fund it through plant donations for our regional auctions and to those who raise the bids a little higher. I realize that some of you prefer digital media. If you are one who does, we have that too. Our webmaster, Chuck Wilson, puts the *Hemalina* on our website about as soon as it comes off the press.

The *Hemalina* awards at the National Convention definitely made us proud of Region 15. So did two of our members (Ken Cobb as the recipient of the Moldovan Mentoring Award, and Ed Zahler as the winner of the AHS Region 15 Service Award). They will be featured in our fall/winter issue, along with several of our hybridizers whose cultivars were recognized as Honorable Mentions or Awards of Merit.

But right now you have our current issue in your hands: a wealth of information about people and activities from this summer—our excellent Region 15 Summer Meeting sponsored by the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club, with details about the beautiful gardens we toured and the garden award winners, results of flower shows, and lots of pictures for you to enjoy! Treasure this artifact—this particular bit of Region 15 history. And don't take it for granted.

Nancy Womack

P.S. We cannot contain our excitement that next year's AHS 2018 National Convention will be held in Region 15, Myrtle Beach to be exact! If you haven't made your hotel reservations yet, call today! A registration form is enclosed for your convenience. Make sure you read it thoroughly as it has lots of details you'll want to know!



Daylily Fan Feedback

Since I've had no responses to my last two feedback questions, I'm beginning to wonder if anybody even reads this little section of our newsletter, but let's test it one more time: For the fall issue of the *Hemalina*, I plan to write an article called "Making the Carolinas More Beautiful One Daylily at a Time." It will feature clubs that have done service projects involving getting daylilies into community gardens. For this I will work directly with club presidents. However, I would also like to mention individuals who have contributed to this concept in the last

It's been another amazing season with all the activities that happened in June!! Seems every weekend was another great daylily event.

Thanks so much to the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club for hosting the Region 15 Summer Meeting. They did a wonderful job, the gardens were amazing, and I don't think any of us were hungry for a single second. It was a special treat to have speakers on both Friday and Saturday night. Eric Simpson and Bob Selman from Blue Ridge Daylilies are both coming out with some very pretty daylilies.



Looking forward to seeing everyone this September in Columbia for our Fall Meeting hosted by the Mid-Carolina Daylily Club.

The 2017 AHS National Convention in Norfolk, Virginia, was another great one for the books. The gardens at that convention will be hard to top. They were all magnificent and the daylilies were very well grown. Thanks so much to the Tidewater Daylily Society for hosting; we know firsthand just how much work it entails.

The AHS held their annual business meeting at the National Convention. You may recall last year one of the major topics was the much-needed improvement to the technology supporting AHS. Well, a good bit has been done in just one year. The Daylily Database was upgraded, so finding names is much easier. The registration process was improved from several manual steps to a mechanized process where all the information moves automatically into place when it is entered online by the registrant. In addition, AHS received an anonymous donation of \$10,000 to build a new, more functional website.

It has not gone unnoticed by AHS board members that participation in daylily events has been shrinking. Membership in the national society has gone down from over 12,000 during its peak about twelve years ago to just under 6,000 today. I would like to see each club in Region 15 purchase an AHS membership for two of their members each year. Try something new to get more club members to attend regional meetings and national conventions. Attending these events expands your club members' worlds in wonderful ways through seeing different gardens and meeting so many new people. Don't forget... "We came for the flower, but we stayed for the people" has never been more true.

Nikki Schmith's term as president will be over on December 31. Judy Branson, director from Region 13 for Louisiana and Arkansas will be the new president starting January 1. We wish Judy much success and thank Nikki for all her hard work and dedication. She has accomplished much to be proud of in her two years.

It was very exciting to see so many Region 15 people win some big awards this year. Ed Zahler won the AHS Regional Service Award, Kathy Tinius won both awards for best use of graphics in a newsletter and best newsletter, and Ken Cobb won the Moldovan Mentoring Award. Mitch Hagler and Ken Cobb won for newsletter articles and of course our amazing Region 15 hybridizers came home with Honorable Mentions.

It's exciting to think that next year's National will be right here in Myrtle Beach! I know the Georgetown Area Daylily Club is working hard to make National a huge success. If you are interested in helping, they would love to hear from you. You can contact Heidi at heidi@brownsferrygardens.com or Kathy at ktinius@yahoo.com.

couple of years. I would love to hear from you if you've shared your daylilies with a new neighbor, helped landscape someone else's yard by adding daylilies, worked with an organization to add daylilies to a landscape, worked with children and donated daylilies to a school garden, landscaped a Habitat for Humanity house—or done anything else that would tie in with the title of the article. Please email me at my new address, nancyhwomack@gmail.com, and I'll be sure to get your name in the article.

Regional Publicity

Based on a recommendation from the AHS Board of Directors, last fall a review of the Popularity Poll process was undertaken to determine a) if the Pop Poll should be continued, and, b) if so, what changes need to be made to keep it relevant and usable in today's garden world. Participation in the Pop Poll has been decreasing. In 2016, only 18% of AHS membership participated in the Pop Poll while in Region 15, our participation has continued in a range of 25-30%. About ten interested AHS members (mainly RPDs, myself included) completed the requested review and our recommendations were presented to the Board at the AHS Summer Meeting in Norfolk in June.



Following is an overview of the review team's findings and recommendations:

- The Pop Poll process is the responsibility of the regions; at the national level, the AHS staff coordinates the process for efficiency and communications;
- The Pop Poll is developed each year by the Regional Publicity Directors, who have been designated by Regional Presidents;
- The ballot size is dependent on region membership size, ranging from 45 to 90 cultivars, and should consist of cultivars from the previous year's ballot that have received a minimum of four votes;
- Each regional ballot should provide space to allow voters to write in up to five registered cultivars;
- The team identified the following ways to add newer cultivars to the poll:
 - Include cultivars hybridized in the region which have received AHS Awards and Honors the previous year;
 - Add winning cultivars from regional contests;
 - If a region hosted the National Convention, that region could add the winners of the AHS National Convention cultivar awards, regardless of region hybridized; and,
 - After the first year, special additions to the Pop Poll would remain or be removed per the region's regular process.
- Once a daylily has won the highest number of votes in a single year, it will be removed from the ballot and placed on a Region's Winners List; and,
- In their recommendations, the review team incorporated items that are already in use in some regions, brought back some older recommendations that never really came to fruition, and developed some new ideas of their own.

Honoring Regional Pop Poll Winners:

A Winners List gives a history to show the evolution of taste while honoring former winners. With improving publicity, we better honor the winning daylilies each year.

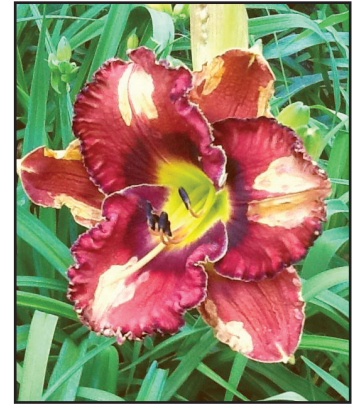
- Each region should establish a list of Pop Poll Winners with photos for at least the last 10 years; additional years would be a bonus for the region and researchers.
- The word "Daylily" should appear in the winners list's title, so that it will appear in search engines and provide more access to the public. Examples are: Carolina Daylily Honor Role, Carolinas Daylily Hall of Fame, Daylily All Stars in the Carolinas, etc. The final name of the winners list will be determined and approved by each region's membership.
- Each region's winners list should be displayed on that region's website and updated as quickly as feasible as each year's results are determined.
- AHS will continue to display the David Hall Memorial Award Winners on its website, recognizing national winners.

Increasing participation, public recognition, and value of AHS Brand:

We are diverse, especially in use of technology and social media. The aging of our membership means we must appeal to younger members.

Hybridizer Liaison

All right, hybridizers, we're into a new year, and I know you have lots of fresh seedlings or introductions you would love for the public to see. I myself have seen quite a few great flowers while visiting nurseries and gardens recently, and I've thought those should be out there for everyone to enjoy. All you have to do is send photos to Chuck Wilson at rcsmuggler@gmail.com. Chuck is Region 15's webmaster, and he will post them in the gallery on the region15daylily.org website.



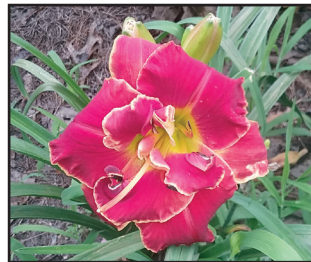
Remember there are a lot of daylily nuts out there and they would love to put some new introductions in their gardens. I know I'm one of them. Also, this gallery is available for viewers around the world, not just Region 15 members. So send those pictures in and remember you can change these out every few months.

Thanks for your cooperation. We're waiting and watching.

Perry Gaskins

P.S. Check out the special Fall/Winter advertising rates on page 3 and 16!

Photos Perry Gaskins



- RPDs should maintain both an electronic and paper Pop Poll ballot. Both ballots should be highly visible, available, and used with an open, easily-audited process.
- Each region and club should have a Facebook page and/or website to market its activities as well as to publicize Pop Poll results.
- Pop Poll results should be shared with local and regional printed media, radio and TV outlets, and special interest groups.
- Based on resources available, each region should maximize its opportunities to create buzz and publicity to encourage increased interest in daylilies, with an objective to increase membership in local clubs and AHS.
- Each RPD should serve proactively as the focal point for coordinating these activities.

The launch of this effort to revitalize the Popularity Poll throughout AHS will begin in 2018. Many of these recommendations are already in place here in Region 15. At our Fall Meeting, the Board will submit names for our regional winners list which will be voted on at the general meeting. Members are encouraged to submit names for consideration to either our Regional President or RPD prior to the meeting date.

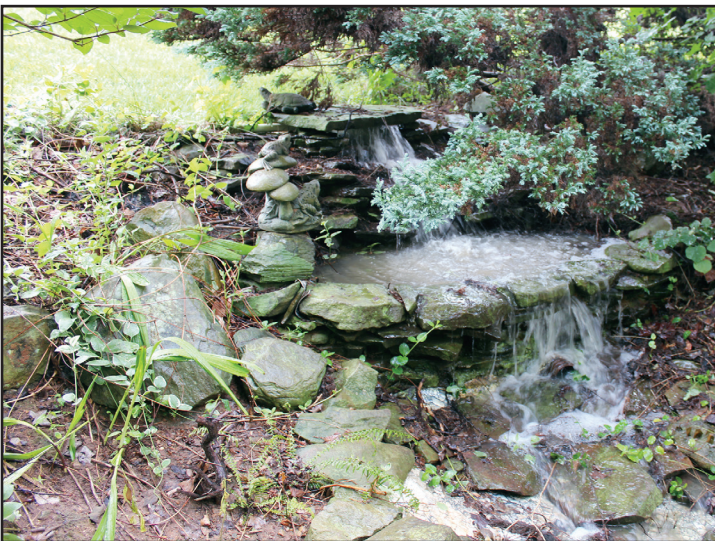
John Martin

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Just One More... Daylily Garden - Steve & Mary Edwards

Linda Sue Barnes

Twenty years ago when Mary and Steve Edwards bought their new home it was the only house on the cul-de-sac. They quickly realized that runoff from the other lots was causing an erosion problem in the stream that ran beside their yard. Steve began hauling rock and soil to shore up the banks of the stream. After a while, he figured that if he had to do all this work he might as well make it pretty. He brought in a few more rocks and created a waterfall, then dropped a pump into the stream to divert water over the fall. Backfill hauled in to control erosion created a nice mound of dirt that became a lovely berm garden at the edge of the house.



Above: Finding a creative solution to erosion control led Steve Edwards to create this refreshing waterfall

Below: Daylilies from vintage to brand new colorfully line the driveway to Just One More... Garden

Right, top: Mary and Steve Edwards

Right, bottom: Garden art and choice evergreen specimens show off the very well grown daylilies in the side flower bed

Photos Linda Sue Barnes



The Edwards were hauling buckets from the stream to water the new garden when Steve had another epiphany. With the waterfall pump in the stream, he could also pump water for irrigation. Are you beginning to see a pattern here? When they seem to be doing more work than necessary, Steve is able to quickly figure out some kind of energy saver. When Mary spots a garden feature she likes, Steve can usually build something similar to fit into their garden. Steve is in charge of the hardscape in the Just One

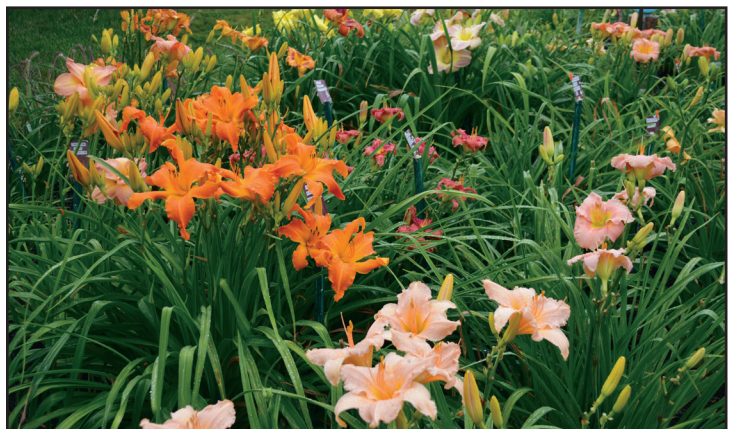


More... garden while Mary is the record keeper. She can tell you how many cultivars were blooming on any given day during the bloom season, plus when each cultivar started and ended blooming. The first daylilies added to their garden actually came from Mary's aunt and grandmother's farmhouse. The cultivar names may be lost to time, but the plants still occupy prime positions on the edge of the berm.

A trip to Lakeview Daylily Farm in Garner and meeting Noel Weston got Steve and Mary hooked on modern daylilies. Today, nearly 400 daylily cultivars are set among eight beds,

interspersed with a variety of conifers, Japanese maples, hostas, helebore, balloon flowers, alstromeria, and other companion plants.

Mary and Steve enjoy most forms and sizes of daylilies. **'North Wind Drifter'** (Schaben, 2001), **'Navajo Pony'** (Gossard, 2011), **'Bali Watercolor'** (Stamile, 2002), and **'Magic of Oz'** (Herrington-H., 1995) are examples of the spiders and unusual forms in their garden. A nice clump of **'Primal Scream'** (Hanson-C., 1994) called for attention as soon as you set foot in the yard. Several clumps of Pauline Henry's cultivars including **'Siloam Merle Kent'** (Henry-P., 1984) and **'Siloam Virginia Henson'** (Henry-P., 1979) represented the smalls and miniatures, but anyone who has been around Steve long knows that his favorite is **'Lil' Black Buds'** (Begnaud, 2009). His large clump had bloomed-out scapes, scapes in full bloom, and a few that hadn't even started to bloom. No wonder that it won the 2017 Bumgarner Small/Mini Award.



Tasteful garden art in the form of signs; cloth, wood, and metal whirligigs; and enameled gazing balls were scattered through the garden. Even the stepping stones in the garden have a story. The terra cotta tiles were left over from a project at their son's home—an example of the recycling they have often used in the hardscape. The decorative tiles

Above, top to bottom: **'Kansas Kitten'** (Carpenter-J., 2002) always puts on a great display; **'Navajo Pony'** (Gossard, 2011) was a great performer in all gardens; The orange of **'Primal Scream'** (Hanson-C., 1994) stands out in the front flower bed in the Just One More... Garden

Left, above: Bumgarner Mini/Small Award Winner **'Lil' Black Buds'** (Begnaud, 2009) demonstrating winning form

Left, below: This delightful garden art of a hummingbird above a daylily flower lights up at night

Photos Linda Sue Barnes; photo 'Primal Scream' Kathy Tinius



were souvenirs from favorite trips. When the Edwards walk through their garden, they are taking a trip down a very fond memory lane.

The plant markers that were high enough to be easily read were made from blinds retrieved from Mary's mother's house. The Edwards have to leave a little grass for the grandchildren to play on, but the beds always have room for Just One More...

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Windy Ridge Gardens - Richard & Janet Warren

Lynne Broderius

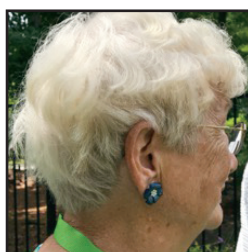
On this fine summer afternoon, Saturn's ringed planet and moons were at their closest approach to earth, its face illuminated by the sun. A southern garden where azaleas are bursting, bluebirds chirping, bees buzzing, dogwoods budding, Windy Ridge Gardens is home to Janet and Richard Warren. There they are, waving us in with Janet's mother, Mary! Our innermost antiquity soaked in nature's space. Oh, that spacious front porch!



Blind faith apparently has its hands-down over expertise as the little things that run the world (daylilies). Mary took photos of our expressions as we joined the right or left flank of hemaholic friends streaming into their garden. I admit to

obnoxiously photographing her blue leather daylily earrings!

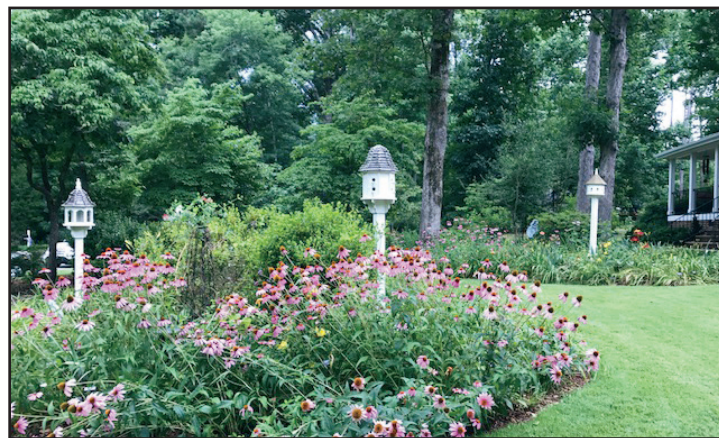
It helps to think as if of three minds: one part artist, one part scientist, one part honeybee. To be one part of each and to witness nature from that triple perspective, without prejudice, is to fully appreciate such a beautiful garden. Wistfulness for favorite oldies and gratefulness for current daylilies abounded. On and on the gardens went, creating a wonderful collage of colors.



Walter, Janet's late father, and her mother grew plants and hybridized daylilies at Bones Daylily Display Gardens. Mary's mom and Janet visited her grandmother's friend's gardens,

making memories as the days got longer from spring through fall of years past. The Warrens attribute Jane & Jim Sovine for re-igniting their passion for daylilies.

The most important tool a gardener can possess is a sense of humor. As Richard sprouted *Artemesia* leaves (historic spirits of the garden), there he was looking deep into the hole in the ground he dug. Dreaming, "What could be more perfect than the background music of a waterfall to relax?" Gardening offers a place in the mind where the boundaries between the



Left above, top to bottom: Mary Jordan snaps photos of visitors filing into the luxurious back garden at Windy Ridge; Mary's special blue leather daylily earrings; Visitors stream up the driveway greeted by Janet Warren, left.

Right above, top to bottom: Garden owners Janet Warren, left, and Richard Warren, with Janet's mother, Mary Jordan; The Warren's inviting back patio is surrounded by absolutely delightful new and old daylily cultivars; Attractive birdhouses and feeders rise above thick beds of daylilies and coneflowers in the front garden



Above: Odessa Bourne gets some delicious ice cream from Jim and Jane Sovine on the shady back porch

Below: A gurgling frog fountain in front of majestic crinum's liven up a small portion of the expansive back garden

Bottom: Cheerful garden art and companion plantings were everywhere in this garden, including this welcoming sign and bright geranium in a galvanized tub



and subtracting all the while, too, right alongside you but without the respect of advance notice, making any possible mathematical proof a moving target. Hybridizers know that whatever goodness they put into the ground comes back to us. After the counts were done, Ed Zahler's #5 gleaned the winning votes! Pretty, Pretty, Pretty!

Richard laments his kitchen garden in that vast open space in the other half of their property behind the house. He often refers to the healing power of plants and the joy of physical labor. It is a place of quietness, a little wildness, allowing nature's space to take over a bit.

Janet and her mom talk daily about which cultivars are blooming in their respective gardens. We were all excited to know we could join the excitement having successfully bid on plants at the convention auction!

That ethos of insatiability is not about greed but rather speaks up in favor of maintaining perpetual curiosity and aromatherapy.

Photos Lynne Broderius



cultivated and wild are blurred. Retirement brings out the romance of offering his bride relaxation with homemade lemonade and his own home cooking! The water feature is gorgeous, isn't it?!

Then there's the further layer of complexity, the Region 15 Seedling Bed, gently planted and tended far in advance of *Summer Fest!* This location around Yates Mill Pond has been referred to as "Like Pompeii" for soils. Forces other than yourself will be doing both adding



Above: A large whirligig frames visitors to the back garden at Windy Ridge, highlighting large daylily beds with gorgeously grown specimens

Below: The front porch beckons visitors to sit a spell and enjoy the peaceful expanse of luxurious flower beds



Region 15 Summer Meeting

Patterned Daylilies - Di DeCaire & Ted Miller

Sharon Yarbrough

We were so delighted the rain stopped and the skies became just overcast on our way to the first garden on the Region 15 Summer Meeting tour. This was the garden of Di DeCaire and Ted Miller in Fuquay-Varina. A wide-open property bordering on tobacco fields and gorgeous horse farms, Di and Ted's Patterned Daylilies is a hybridizers' dream, I mean, garden. Rows and rows of deliciously-grown daylilies cover the large backyard.



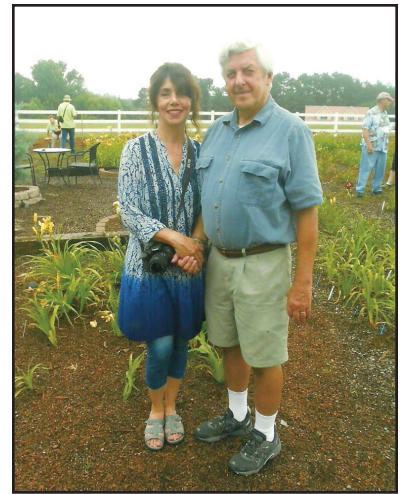
Above, top: Morning mist beginning to clear over the Patterned Daylilies garden of Di DeCaire and Ted Miller

Above, bottom: Visitors take in thousands of Di's seedlings, each one different
Photos Kathy Tinius

Right, top: Di DeCaire and Ted Miller

Right, middle: Flowing evergreen bed along the neighbor's fence

Right, below: Surprising Di seedling in vivid colors
Photos Sharon Yarbrough



As we looked out across the thousands of daylilies, we couldn't imagine the amount of work needed to move nearly all these plants from New York only eighteen short months earlier. The hard work shows, with the bones of an excellent landscape plan enhanced by expert growing skills. Large clumps attested to wonderful growing conditions while even first year seedlings seemed to grow as we watched them.

In the near future, a young winding border backed by a wooden fence will give a lush and varied backdrop to the garden. To add color to this mixed evergreen border, Di and Ted have planted many annuals including petunias, dahlias, marigolds, and red verbena. Accent perennials planted in cement pots dot the beds. Clever garden art made from recycled irrigation pipes, hoes, and shovels caused more than one chuckle.



In the center of the garden is an inviting seating area with a round table and chairs. It is the perfect place from which to survey the beds and look for eye-catching flowers. A comfortable screened porch on the back of the house with an open deck next to it almost feels like the prow of a ship making way through a sea of daylilies.

The main event is the enormity of Di's tetraploid seedlings. From right to left across the garden, they are shown at different stages of development so even the greenest novice can learn how daylily hybridizing



Do you have these on your calendar?

Region 15 Summer Meetings

- 2018 - Myrtle Beach, SC, Georgetown Area Daylily Club
- 2019 - Moncks Corner, SC, Lowcountry Daylily Club
- 2020 - Rutherfordton, NC, Foothills Daylily Society

Region 15 Fall Meetings

- 2017 - Columbia, SC, Mid-Carolina Daylily Society
- 2018 - Clemson, SC, Upstate Daylily Club
- 2019 - TBA

progresses from seed to first year to second year to final selections and introductions. Wide pathways facilitate examining each bloom. During our visit, quite a few seedlings were blooming and showed an enormous array of pretty faces. Creamy petal colors in yellows, pinks, and near whites provided the canvases for brilliant eyes and etched faces. Close inspection was needed to ensure each bit of veining or etching or color change could be appreciated.



The main breeder for Di's seedlings has been 'Four Beasts in One' (DeCaire, 2009), which has produced some of her favorite seedlings. Di's goal is to have open form daylilies



Above: Di DeCaire's seedlings demonstrate her work in creating distinctly different pretty faces
Photos Kathy Tinius

Left: 'Four Beasts in One' (DeCaire, 2009) the foundation of Di DeCaire's Patterned Daylilies
Photo Di DeCaire



Above: (L to R) Charles Douglas, Lynne Broderius, Anne Winningham, Bill Hurt, and Barbara Hayes explore Patterned Daylilies
Photo Kathy Tinius

Below, right: A favored seedling with plum markings is high on Di's list of contenders.

Below: Smooth river rocks are a great way to identify special seedlings or plants with specific potential
Photos Sharon Yarbrough

that are tall and well-branched. Considering the relatively brief period of time her garden has been planted, it is easy to see her hybrids are robust and she is well on her way to achieving her goals.

Di is working to get patterns in wine and red that extend down the length of the petals and sepals. On one favorite seedling, seen to the right, the plum cream design has great coverage with upward hugging sepals that lift the pattern.



In a move that is eye-catching while being in keeping with the style of the garden, round river stones are used to mark specific keepers. Detailed plant markers next to each cross



list parents and other specific notes.

There is something really special in a new garden. Young evergreens will vie for attention as the garden matures and grows into the space. Annuals will self-seed and dominant

plants will fill the gaps. Daylily seedlings will be rejected and pulled and remaining plants will be grown and watched. One can just imagine how many spectacular patterned cultivars will be introduced from this garden in years ahead. Here's hoping we can visit again in the future to see what is possible!

Region 15 Summer Meeting

Windyhill Gardens - Raymond & Wanda Quinn

Nan & Kirk Milleman

Upon leaving the DeCaire/Miller garden, the weather decided to turn ugly as the rain began to fall. But, we all had faith that Ray and Wanda Quinn would see to it that the rain would stop in time for us to enjoy their 10 acres of wonder at Windyhill. And it worked. Although the blooms have raindrops on them in the photos, the people do not.



As we drove down the crepe myrtle lined driveway to get to the gardens, we could see oak leaf hydrangeas peeking out. The huge *Vitex* shrubs were in full bloom as well as the *Buddleja* or butterfly bushes. Passing by the pond, we came upon a vision of daylily paradise. Overlooking the pond were three amazing perennial beds centered around very large pottery urns. The perennials included hot pink, orange and white coneflowers, little pink snapdragons, and the white flowered spikes of obedient plant.



Top: The official welcome sign for Windyhill Gardens sets a whimsical tone next to the formal gate

Above: Daylilies weren't alone in the gardens, bright and spectacular coneflowers proved to be ideal companion plants, highlighting pastel daylily colors and enormous glazed pots

Now on to the daylilies, of which there were more than 1,000 named cultivars (so we'll only mention a few). Region 15 was well represented with '**Dancing With Linda**' (Zahler, 2008), '**Amethyst Applique**' (Gluck, 2011), 2017 Carolina Best Clump Award winner, '**Mean Green**' (Davisson, 2008), '**Yuma Twist**' (Hensley, 2011), and '**Southern Cotton**' (Therrien, 2014). '**Windyhill's Dreamsicle**' (Quinn, 2015) and '**Dawn's Morning Light**' (Quinn, 2016) showcased some of the Quinn's homegrown beauties. They were surrounded with other showy clumps like '**Neon Flamingo**' (Gossard, 2006) and '**Little Gold Nugget**' (Herrington-T., 2005).



Top: Garden owners Wanda and Ray Quinn pause in front of the garden house

Middle: Even the best photos didn't seem to do justice to the outstanding Carolina Best Clump Award Winner, '**Mean Green**' (Davisson, 2008)

Bottom: Smaller flowers can be just as amazing, like this brilliant clump of '**Little Gold Nugget**' (Herrington-T., 2005)

Ray and Wanda have caught the hybridizer bug in a big way. While Ray says his goals are finding the UF with good color, form, and plant habit, Wanda is trying for the perfect companion plants for her perennial beds. Both have been very successful with their programs as evidenced by the wide array of cultivars in their seedling beds. Ray and Wanda donated their 2017 introductions to provide a gift plant for every person at the conference, and we are grateful for their hard work and generosity. My wife and I received Ray's 'Ruby Red Sundrops' (Quinn, 2017) and Wanda's 'Bloody Marys at Windyhill' (Quinn-W., 2017).



Top: Ray's own 'Dawn's Morning Light' (Quinn, 2016) reflects his efforts to create luscious unusual forms

Below: 'Windyhill's Dreamicle' (Quinn, 2015) is a real standout in the garden, especially in a beautifully grown clump

Garden art was not left out of the equation when the Quinns planned their gardens. The dachshund on the Windyhill sign and on the weathervane near the pond set the whimsical tone for the gardens. The bed in front of the garden house is lined with whirligigs that were made by Region 15 crafters Curtis and Linda Sue Barnes. At the garden house, refreshments were served with a backdrop of music from a violin and guitar duo. The tranquility and hospitality made guests not want to get back on the bus to leave.



But time dictated that we needed to move on. I know many people were imagining themselves sitting on the lovely patio behind the house overlooking the pond and gardens with a drink in hand enjoying Windyhill. Thank you Ray and Wanda for allowing us to share in your daydream gardens.

Photos Kirk Milleman

Top: The seedling beds reveal the Quinns will be introducing new cultivars for years to come, exciting news for everyone

Middle: Charles Douglas and Nancy Milleman evaluated the daylilies in Windyhill's expansive display beds

Bottom: Can you imagine sitting on this patio at the end of the day with a refreshing drink in your hand, listening to the hummingbirds chirp, and looking out over the spectacular gardens?



Region 15 Summer Meeting

Submitted by Dawn Whitley, Region 15 Secretary

The Region 15 summer business meeting was held on Saturday, June 17, 2017 with Regional President Nancy Womack presiding. Several items discussed earlier by the regional Leadership Team and the Region 15 Board were brought to the attention of the membership. These included the following:

1. Concerns about decreasing attendance at regional meetings. (Several suggestions were made including the use of social media to generate more interest, and to reach out to garden clubs, Master Gardeners, high schools and colleges outside the daylily world.)
2. Memorial gifts. (The board agreed to not make memorial gifts to AHS from Region 15 when a member dies, but to encourage clubs and individuals to make contributions.)
3. Suggestions from the Photo Contest Coordinator. (Change the entry deadline from December 31 to November 1, and to limit the number of entries per category to five.)
4. Concerns regarding the Seedling Bed rule which states that the seedling bed host cannot enter his/her own seedlings. (The deletion of the rule was announced.*)

Other announcements included the following:

1. Webmaster Chuck Wilson encouraged people to make more use of the website; he also announced that while he will be happy to provide guidance for clubs, he cannot develop club websites due to personal time constraints.

2. Heidi Douglas, 2018 National Convention Co-Chair, announced that clubs will be getting a list of things that are needed to help with the National in 2018 and encouraged members to participate, stating that this is a Regional event, not just a Georgetown Area Daylily Club event.
3. Anne Winningham, Awards Chair, encouraged members to submit their Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award votes and nominations for the Region 15 Service Award and the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award to her prior to September 1.

*Subsequent to the business meeting, the board discussed the seedling bed rule further and decided to propose the following alternate statement in lieu of deletion: "The seedling bed host is expected to treat all seedlings equally in terms of number of fans planted, placement, irrigation, and fertilization." This will be discussed at the Fall Meeting.



Left: Summer Fest Chair Wanda Quinn (R) presents Regional President Nancy Womack (L) with the speakers fees very generously donated back to Region 15 by Bob Selman and Eric Simpson, photo Linda Sue Barnes



Clockwise from above: At Windyhill Garden, visitors enjoyed violin and guitar music; (L to R) Odessa Bourne, Barbara and Bill Hayes enjoy the flowers in Windyhill Garden, photos Kathy Tinius; Gurgling fountain adds a tranquil background to the beautiful Windy Ridge Garden, photo Kirk Milleman; Festive garden shoes and sandals, photo Lynne Broderius; Fun trowel whirligig at the Warren's Windy Ridge Garden, photo Linda Sue Barnes; Bright sprinkler and view across tobacco fields at Di DeCaire and Ted Miller's Patterned Daylilies, photo Kathy Tinius





Above and below: Winner of Carolina Best Clump Award, 'Mean Green' (Davisson-J., 2008), photo Kathy Tinius; Sandhills Daylily Club President Eddie Walters presents Carolina Best Clump Award to garden owners Raymond and Wanda Quinn, photo Linda Sue Barnes



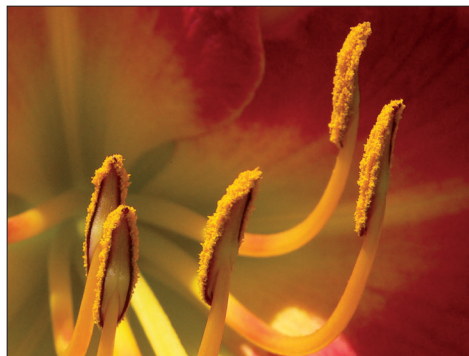
Above and below: Winner of Bumgarner Best Small or Miniature Flower Award, 'Lil' Black Buds' (Begnaud, 2009); Raleigh Hemerocallis Club President Wanda Quinn presents Bumgarner Best Small or Miniature Flower Award to garden owners Steve and Mary Edwards, photos Linda Sue Barnes



Above and below: Winner of Carolina Seedling Award, #5 by Ed Zahler; Foothills Daylily Society President John Martin presents Carolina Seedling Award to AHS Region 15 Director Charles Douglas for Ed Zahler, photos Linda Sue Barnes



Above and below: The expansive mixed perennial beds featuring hundreds of lushly grown daylilies at Windyhill, the home of Wanda and Raymond Quinn; North Carolina Daylily Fans President Becky Hinshaw presents Raymond and Wanda Quinn with the Region 15 Landscape Award for their wonderful Windyhill Garden, photos Linda Sue Barnes



Above and below: One of Bob Selman's winning photos, 'Pollen Anyone?' photo Bob Selman; Anne Wittingham, Region 15 Awards Chair, presents Bob Selman with certificates for winning first place in the photo contest in the Artistic, People, and Region 15 Hybridized Flowers categories, photo Linda Sue Barnes



Above: Garden Judges Workshop, looks like Becky Hinshaw is looking for another cultivar for them to evaluate.
Below: Kathy Tinius (L) and Heidi Douglas (R) show off their bikini bodies before inviting everyone to join them next June at the AHS 2018 National Convention, Ocean Views and Daylilies, Too photos Linda Sue Barnes



Increasing Membership - Newspaper Articles

Submitted by Lynne Broderius

We're all looking for ways to increase membership and to share our favorite flower with new friends. Contact your local paper and ask them to interview a member of your club or to do a feature article on daylilies or your club. Lynne Broderius worked with Janet Whitehorne from the *Jamestown News* on this article, which was published in the paper copy circulated around town as well as their online version, extending their readership.

"It's all about the daylily"

Janet E. Whitehorne, Staff Writer, *Jamestown News*, May 24, 2016

"Nothing matters but the flowers," said Lynne Broderius.

Broderius and other members of the Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club come together because of their mutual love for the delicate, but hardy, daylily. The organization is relatively new to the area having begun about a year and a half ago.

With meetings conducted the second Sunday of each month, from September through June, at the Greensboro Council of Garden Clubs building on Lawndale Drive, the group meets to celebrate and enjoy the multitude of daylily varieties.

"It's all about the love of the daylily," said Broderius. "There are 100,000 varieties. Some are so glorious that they look like orchids because of their delicacy and uniqueness.

However, the flower is very hardy and easy to grow in many areas. Its beauty, as well as its low-key maintenance, has made it a favorite for many amateur and professional gardeners.

Broderius attributes her love for the bloom to spending time on a sustainable farm in Austria as a child when her family lived in Europe during her father's military service. After returning to the United States, she continued participating in a variety of outdoor activities, including gardening.

As an adult living in Georgia, she became involved in a daylily club there as well as participated in activities of the American Hemerocallis Society Inc. (AHS), a non-profit organization founded in 1946 "to promote, encourage and foster the development and improvement of the genus *Hemerocallis* and public interest therein." *Hemerocallis* is the scientific name for the daylily.

Upon moving to North Carolina, Broderius regularly returned to Georgia for AHS events and participated in activities with daylily clubs in Charlotte and Raleigh because there were no clubs in the Greensboro area. Finally, after 20 years of living in the Piedmont Triad, Broderius decided it was time to remedy that problem.

Along with other like-minded people, Broderius formed the Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club. The organization and its members are part of Region 15 of AHS as well as The National Garden Club, which is the largest volunteer group of its type in the world.

"My whole inspiration is to have flower shows," said Broderius. "These flower shows can be open to the entire general public as well as members of our club and members of AHS."

In addition to flower shows, the club's regular monthly meetings include programs on various topics pertaining to growing and cultivating daylilies. Club members also participate in AHS Region 15 activities such as summer and fall meetings. Summer meetings feature garden tours, workshops and judges' clinics. The organization's business is handled during fall meetings, which also include workshops, judges' clinics, award ceremonies and programs on newly cultivated plant varieties.

Triad Daylily Fans member Becky Hinshaw serves as an AHS Region 15 officer in the capacity of Garden Judges Liaison. Hinshaw is both an AHS exhibition judge and instructor and garden judge and instructor.

Also, the local club will be hosting the region's fall meeting later this year.

Along with the camaraderie fostered by the organizational activities, members get first chance at purchasing the newest varieties of daylilies. Broderius said new varieties can be very expensive, ranging in price from \$80-\$100.

Another enterprise Triad Daylily Fans have taken on is maintaining the Lillian Livingston Daylily Garden within the Tanger Family Bicentennial Garden on Hobbs Road in Greensboro.

"This is just fun," said Broderius. "As a gardener, you like to share your garden with others and show off what you have that nobody else has.

"The daylily is beautiful. Cultivating new varieties is a science, but some people like to say it's just putting pretty on pretty."

For more information about the Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club, visit the organization's webpage at www.ahsregion155.org/Clubs/Triad.

Janet E. Whitehorne can be reached at 336-841-4933 or jamestownlegals@northstate.net (photo not attributed in article)



Hybridizers and Growers:

The *Hemalina* is again offering our special advertising rates for the Fall/Winter issue. This is timed perfectly to reach people sitting back at the end of the season, evaluating their garden's performance, and lusting after new plants for the new year. Get your ad ready and contact ktinius@yahoo.com to directly reach all Region 15 members!

Special Fall/Winter 2017 Edition Color Advertising Rates:

	Rest of the Year	Fall / Winter Edition
Full Page	\$150	\$125
Half Page	\$ 85	\$ 62.50
Quarter Page	\$ 55	\$ 31.25
Eighth Page	\$ 40	\$ 20

Photographers:

Run through your photos, pick out your best, and send them to Ann Smethurst for the Region 15 Photo Contest! You could be a winner and your photo could appear on the cover of the Spring 2018 edition of the *Hemalina*!



Region 15 Photography Contest
Send photos by November 1, 2017
to smethurst07@gmail.com

Above: 'Blue Deva' (Therrien, 2014), photo Duane Therrien
Right: 'Kissed by Moonlight' (Douglas-H., 2014), photo Kathy Tinius

Correction:

Please note the phone number for Checkerberry Gardens in the "Clubs & Daylily Display Gardens" (page 13, Spring 2017 *Hemalina*) has been updated to 336-392-2378.



Where in the garden is *H.* ‘Waldo Gone Wild’?

by Ken Ferguson

Surely the Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society is not the first club to lose track of names in their display bed. Children or vandals can move or remove tags, maintenance workers can unintentionally put a tag back on the wrong plant, or names may have been incorrectly located on the planting plan. To address all of these issues, our club developed a four-point strategy to ensure that plants can be properly identified for many years to come.

1. Verify plants are correctly identified before they go in the ground. We start with Brother® TZe 1” black on white tape. The adhesive on these labels stay on securely in blazing summer sun or freezing cold buried in snow. Per AHS standards, on the tag we note the name of the cultivar, the hybridizer, and the date of registration. The labels are placed on relatively inexpensive metal tags.

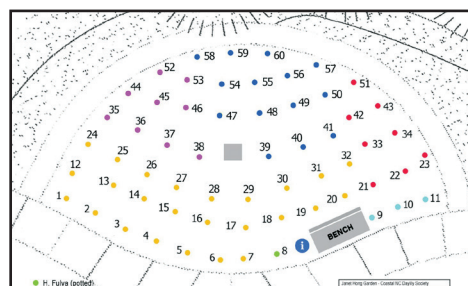


2. Add a second metal tag with a 1” high number identifying the plant on the garden plat. Because of the depth of our display beds, we want to discourage visitors from walking into them to identify a specific bloom, and this number is easily readable from 20’ away.



3. Make a 6” plastic plant tag, seal it in a sandwich bag, and place it under the plant. Again we used our Brother® TZe 1/2” black on white tape. The sandwich bag just adds another layer of protection as the tag may get intertwined in a large clump of roots.

4. Draw out a garden plat once all plants are in place. In the building trades, it is called an *as-built*. While you may have had a planting plan, when shovels actually hit the soil, decisions may change that original plan.



The as-built plan drawing actually documents what is where by number. This document is then tied to an Excel spreadsheet, which details what is planted in each position, including all of the plant characteristics. If a plant is replaced, the number position stays the same and only the cultivar information is changed.

PLANT #	REGION	CULTIVAR	HYBRIDIZER	YEAR	FORM	PLC/D	SCALE Hgt	FLOWERS	SEASON	FLORIGENE	OTHER	NOTES
13		Ponca Brave	Harder	1991	SNGL	TET	28" 5.75"	L M	DOR	FR		
14		Tanabara	Meyer	1992	SNGL	TET	25" 5.5"	L M	DOR	FR		
15		Simply Pink	Peat	2007	SNGL	TET	28" 6"	L EM	SEV	FR		
16		Rosie Meyer	Alexander	1999	SNGL	DIP	32" 6"	L E	EV	FR		
17		Alabama Jubilee	Webster	1968	SNGL	TET	28" 7"	X M	DOR	FR		
18		Forsyth Carolina Snowfall	Lefever	2009	SNGL	TET	30" 6"	L ML	EV	FR		
19		Forsyth Painted Lady	Lefever	2009	SNGL	TET	28" 4.5"	L EM	EV	FR		
20		Sun Stitching	Quinn	2003	FRG	TET	24" 3.75"	S MID	SEV	FR		
21		Quana	Whitley	1998	SNGL	TET	28" 7"	X M	DOR	FR		
22		Forsyth New Red	Lefever	2009	SNGL	TET	30" 6"	L ML	SEV	FR		
23		Cleopatra	Thomas	1999	SNGL	DIP	34" 6"	L E	EV	FR		
24		Forsyth Ruby	Lefever	2009	SNGL	TET	28" 6"	L M	DOR	FR		
25		Sweet Summer Breeze	Quinn	2008	SNGL	DIP	25" 5"	L M	DOR	FR		
26		Spider Man	Duro	1988	SPD	TET	24" 7"	X EM	DOR	FR		
27		Forsyth Red Eyed Delight	Lefever	2009	SNGL	TET	28" 4.5"	L M	EV	FR		
28		Harlem Nights	Sellers	1988	SNGL	DIP	26" 5"	L M	DOR	FR		
29		Silky Moon	Houston	1995	SNGL	TET	28" 4.5"	L M	EV	FR		
30		Forsyth Catawba	Lefever	2001	SNGL	TET	34" 6.5"	L M	EV	FR		
31		All American Chari	Sellers	1994	SNGL	TET	32" 9"	X EM	DOR	FR		
32		Polly's Folly	Quinn	2003	SNGL	TET	28" 6.5"	L EM	SEV	FR		
33		Forsyth Christmas Celebration	Lefever	2006	SNGL	DIP	30" 6"	L M	SEV	FR		

We make a handout available to the public with the plat and an abbreviated description of the cultivars. A QR code will allow visitors to view the AHS database and get official descriptions of any of the plants in the garden.



Happy tagging!

A Little Experiment

by Kathy Dolge



Each morning, I like to go in the garden to see what is blooming. Since I can't bear to be out in the heat of the day, I pick some blooms to enjoy inside the house.

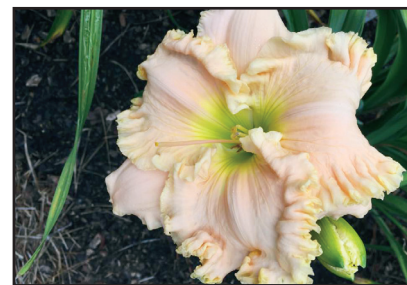


During a recent heat wave, I found I had a scape of 'Jan's Twister' (Joiner-J., 1991) with two nice blooms open. Selecting one, I put it in a small blue vase, and brought it into my air conditioned house. A little after 3 p.m., I went out in the garden and found the other bloom

very sad looking and wilted from the high heat and humidity. I picked it, put it in a tiny vase, and brought it inside next to the one I picked that morning (first photo, left top).

When I checked about 8 p.m., much to my surprise I found the sad looking Jan's Twister had perked up quite a bit (second photo, left middle). At 11 p.m., the flower moved to air conditioning early still retained most of its shape and color (third photo, left bottom).

Photos Kathy Dolge



Region 15 Hybridizers:

Call for Seedlings!

Lowcountry Daylily Club is hosting the **2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting** in Moncks Corner, SC. What a perfect location to feature your exciting seedlings!

Gather your favorites and send no more than five seedlings (up to three fans each) to:

Mike Denson
1020 Kip Lane
Mount Pleasant, SC 29464
mrmike66@gmail.com

Above: Zahler seedling, photo Duane Therrien

Region 15 Fall Meeting

Consider the Daylilies! Hosted by Mid-Carolina Daylily Society

You are invited to a very special occasion September 29 and 30, 2017. Mid-Carolina Daylily Society will be hosting the Region 15 Fall Meeting in Columbia, SC, and has been working hard to make this an educational and enjoyable occasion.

Business before pleasure. We have scheduled judges training clinics/workshops on Friday afternoon along with the regional board meeting and the leadership team and club officers meeting.

The fun begins with an ice cream social and visiting with daylily friends while checking out the daylily and perennial plant sales tables and viewing raffle items. There will be quite a few good and unusual items available. Friday night's auction will offer some great daylilies to support publication of the *Hemalina* led by auctioneer extraordinaire Paul Owen, always entertaining!

The Keynote speaker, William Marchant of Druid City Daylily Garden, will present *The Principles of Hybridizing* on Saturday with good information for beginning and advanced hybridizers and those who just like daylilies. Will has an unusually varied program which includes work with doubles, singles, unusual forms, patterns and blues. His 'Viva Glam Girl' (Marchant, 2011), an extra-large unusual form double, won Honorable Mention in 2015. Following his talk will be an auction for some of his introductions.

After lunch, we'll show off some local talent. Amy Wright,

landscape designer for the city of Columbia, will present a program "Designing the Perennial Garden." We are proud to have this talented lady as a member of MCDS. Amy is knowledgeable in horticulture, pesticide application, environmental landscaping, and is a certified arborist. Bring your questions! Did I mention lunch will be barbeque with all of the trimmings? Remember we are famous for our barbecue!



Take a look at all of the details on the schedule of events below and don't miss out on a grand time as we start our entrance into fall here in the Carolinas.



Hotel Rates \$99 Single, \$104 Double, Holiday Inn, 8105 Two Notch Rd, Columbia, SC 29223, **803-736-5600**, mention "MCDS Region 15" for reduced rates, continental breakfast included. Make your reservations by 9/15 for special rate.



AHS Region 15 Fall Meeting
September 29 - 30, 2017
Columbia, SC



Friday, September 29

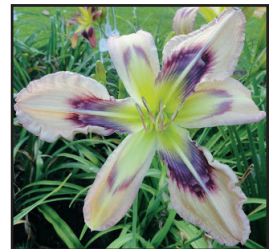
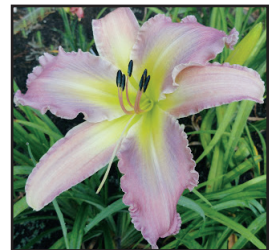
- 1:30 pm - 4:40 pm Exhibition Judges Clinic I* & III*
 - 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm Garden Judges Workshop I*
 - 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Leadership Team and Club Officers Meeting, Holiday Inn
 - 4:45 pm - 5:30 pm Regional Board Meeting, Holiday Inn
 - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Registration Open
Raffle Ticket and Perennial Plant Sales
 - 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Ice Cream Social
 - 8:00 pm Welcome - Nancy Womack, Region 15 President
 - 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Regional Auction, Paul Owen, Auctioneer
- All events with the exception of the Regional Board Meeting and Officers Forum to be held at the Garden Club Council Building, 1605 Park Circle, Columbia, SC, 29201
*If no registrations received by September 15, the clinic will be canceled

Saturday, September 30

- 8:00 am - 9:00 am Early Bird Social Hour - Light Refreshments Served
Registration Continues
Raffle Ticket and Perennial Plant Sales
- 9:00 am - 10:00 am Region 15 Business Meeting
Presentation of Awards and Announcements
- 10:00 am - 10:15 am Break
- 10:15 am - 12:00 pm Keynote Speaker: William Marchant
Druid City Daylily Garden
The Principals of Hybridizing
Marchant Plant Auction
- 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm Lunch - Doc's BBQ
- 1:15 pm - 1:45 pm Amy Wright, City of Columbia, SC
Landscape Designer
Perennial Garden Design
- 1:45 pm - 2:00 pm Wrap-Up & Raffle Drawing

A separate registration form has been included in this edition for your convenience.

Left, top to bottom, then right top to bottom: William Marchant of Druid City Daylily Garden; 'Falling Waters,' 'Dancing in the Fountain,' 'Galactic Outburst,' 'Min Alskade Far,' 'Multi-Ring Pileup,' 'Stir It Up,' 'Double Peach Cobbler,' all (Marchant, 2017), photos William Marchant



Region 15 Nominations

Voting takes place at Region 15 Fall Meeting

The Region 15 Nominating Committee, comprised of John Martin, Eric Simpson, and Wanda Quinn and elected by majority vote during the 2016 Fall Meeting, would like to bring forward the following nomination recommendations. A special thanks to each for their work and support of Region 15.

If any Region 15 member has additional recommendations for any position noted, please send these back to Wanda Quinn at windyhillwanda@gmail.com no later than September 15. This will allow time for a committee member to contact the individual regarding their interest prior to the Fall Meeting planned for September 29 and 30 when the election of officers will take place.

Nominating committee's recommendations:

Region 15 Director* Becky Hinshaw
Regional President Nancy Womack
Treasurer Mitchell Hagler
Member at Large Bill Hurt

*Currently held by Charles Douglas, term expires 2017 and Charles chose not to pursue a second term. A special thanks in advance to Charles for his service to Region 15.

Right: 'Dosey Doe' (Hensley-D., 2011), photo Kathy Tinius



Extracted from the AHS Regional Bylaws as a refresher:

Section 3. Nominating Committee for Election of RP, Treasurer and a Region 15 Board Member at Large.
 The RP, Treasurer and Board Member at Large shall be elected by members of the Region. Nominations for the positions of RP, Treasurer and Board Member at Large shall be made by a nominating committee of three members from the Region who shall be elected by a majority vote of the regional members at the annual fall business meeting preceding the annual fall business meeting at which the election is conducted (or in the case of elections conducted by ballot the annual fall business meeting at which the results of the election are announced). Only one of the three members can have served on the nominating committee during the prior election of a RP, Treasurer, and Board Member at Large, and under no circumstances can a member serve more than two consecutive terms on the nominating committee. Any candidate for RP nominated by the nominating committee shall meet the requirements for a RP set forth in the AHS Bylaws. The Nominating Committee shall not nominate anyone who is related either by blood or marriage or who is residing in the same household.
 Section 4. Procedures for Election of RP, Treasurer and Board Member at Large.
 The chair of the nominating committee shall present the committee's nominees to the regional membership at the annual fall business meeting, and the floor shall be opened for additional nominations. The election shall be determined by a majority vote of the regional members casting a vote at the meeting. If no candidate receives a majority of votes cast at the meeting, a runoff election shall be held between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes. Balloting at a regional meeting under this Section 4 can be by show of hands or by written ballot with space to write in the names of candidates nominated after the floor has been opened for additional nominations.
 Article 12. Regional Director of the AHS.
 The Bylaws of the AHS are structured so that each region of the AHS elects a regional director of the AHS. The members of the Region shall be responsible for electing a regional director of the AHS and the Region shall be responsible for conducting the election of the regional director of the AHS. The election of the regional director of the AHS shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions for same contained in the AHS Bylaws for election of regional directors of the AHS, which provide for alternative methods of conducting elections that are substantially similar to methods of conducting elections for RP as set forth in Article 4, section 4 hereinabove. If a Region has not otherwise selected a method of conducting its elections for regional director of the AHS as contemplated by the AHS Bylaws, the method of conducting its election for RP selected in Article 4, section 4 herein above shall apply to the Region's election of its regional director of the AHS.

In the Spring 2017 issue of the Hemalina, the wrong photo was shown in the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award list of candidates for 'Spanish Senorita' by Bill Gluck. A correction email was sent out by John Martin, Region 15 Regional Publicity Director, and the corrected page was posted to region15daylily.org. With sincere apologies to Bill Gluck for the error, following are the correct 2017 Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award candidates. Don't forget to vote by September 1!

Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award

Region 15 hybridizers nominate their best cultivars for this award. All Region 15 members are eligible to vote. Please support our hybridizers by taking the time to look for these cultivars as you visit gardens this summer and by voting for the one you appreciate the most.

Send completed ballots to the Awards Manager after the bloom season, postmarked or emailed by September 1.

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Only AHS Members are permitted to vote.
 Please vote for one cultivar per member.
(Images were provided by the hybridizers and are not attributed.)



'Blue Deva' Duane Therrien 2014



'Boss Hogg' Heidi Douglas 2015



'Dr. Thomas Alexander' Sharon Yarbrough 2014



'Gandhi Tours the Taj Mahal' Lacy English 2011



'Midnight in Burgess' Don Albers 2009



'Mitchell Hagler' Cindy Dye 2011



'Shawne's Smile' William Hemmingsen 2014



'Spanish Senorita' Bill Gluck 2016



'Sunny Attitude' Tom Bruce 2012



'Windyhill's Designer Red' Wanda Quinn 2015

Previous Winners:
 2016 'Browns Ferry Royalty' (Douglas-C., 2011)
 2015 'Dancing with Linda' (Zahler, 2008)
 2014 'Alien DNA' (Selman, 2009)
 2013 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011)
 2012 'Thelma Douglas' (Douglas-C., 2008)
 2011 'Billmore Style' (Hensley, 2007)
 2010 'Caroline's Kiss' (Dye-K., 2008)
 2009 'All Creation Sings' (Dye-C., 2004)
 2008 'Cradle of Bethlehem' (Shooter-E., 2007)
 2008 'Date with Destiny' (Stadler, 2007)
 2008 'Fair to Middlin'' (Jeffcoat-J., 2003)
 2008 'No Boys Allowed' (Davisson, J., 2006)
 2008 'Carnival in Mexico' (Santa Lucia, 2000)
 2008 'Cat Ballou' (Gluck, 2006)
 2008 'Stargate Portal' (Shooter-E., 2000)
 2005 'Pick of the Litter' (Douglas-C., 2003)
 2004 'Holiday Joy' (Albers, 1994)
 to see additional previous winners, go to region15daylily.org

Recognizing the Backyard Hybridizer

9th in a Series by Mitchell Hagler

Wanda and Raymond Quinn

Even if you are fairly new to Region 15, I'm sure you are already familiar with Raymond and Wanda Quinn. You may have met them in their role as president of the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club (having served separately), or have seen them in their roles at the regional level – Raymond as President and Regional Meetings Liaison and Wanda as Display Gardens Chair. Or you may have been invited to their magnificent designer garden, Windyhill, and explored the nearly ten acres filled with over 1,000 registered daylily cultivars, thousands of seedlings, a huge lake, trees, grasses, vines, perennials, and bulbs. Windyhill is also home to fish, birds, butterflies, and pollinators. Ray says that "The daylily garden is part of the supporting cast for the real show. Something has to be in bloom each month to keep the garden interesting."

But even if you have known this dynamic couple from a public perspective, not many realize that they are also backyard hybridizers (admittedly it is a huge back yard to dab in). While Raymond has been hybridizing for a long time, he didn't have a specific focus. By 2005, the vision of their house and garden started to take shape in his mind but it would be another five years before they started putting the garden together. About this time, Raymond realized that "there isn't enough time or energy to focus on all daylilies" so he narrowed his hybridizing to something he was really interested in, Unusual Forms, especially big ones, plus a few small flowers thrown in. Wanda, on the other hand, caught the bug a little later than Raymond and started making a few crosses in 2011. Her first introduction was '**Windyhill's Designer Red**' (Quinn-W., 2015) which is still one daylily she can't live without.



Raymond's UF interest is for both dips and tets but he also makes crosses on big rounds and a few doubles. "In the middle of this UF space are open forms from '**Rose F. Kennedy**' (Doorakian, 2007). I love the big green

flower center in so many of her progeny." Wanda focuses on strong color that "looks like fabric" and also on smaller Unusual Forms. She noted that, "When I am analyzing a future introduction,

I am thinking of companion plants to grow this with." Together they have thousands of seedlings they are evaluating. As Wanda says, "Whatever we are doing is a team sport."



Clockwise from left: '**Windyhill's Designer Red**' (Quinn-W., 2015); Wanda and Raymond Quinn (in convenient golf cart); six of Raymond's seedlings from '**Rose F. Kennedy**' (Doorakian, 2007) showing great potential

Page 21, left, top to bottom: '**I'm So Vein**' (Quinn, 2013); two photos of the spectacular '**Windyhill's Dreamsicle**' (Quinn, 2015); '**Windyhill's Hidden Secrets**' (Quinn, 2016), the big statement rebloomer.

Photos Raymond Quinn; photo of Wanda and Raymond by Linda Sue Barnes

When it comes to hybridizing, the Quinns have learned to start with the best parents for their vision: “If you want to compete in the Kentucky Derby, don’t bring a mule.” While they both rely on proven parents, they still make crosses from plants that have qualities that they like, hoping for “something great.” Wanda admits that because her interest is in small UF’s, “the market doesn’t have a lot to offer just yet.”



Raymond acknowledges that the daylilies he registered in his early days of hybridizing were pretty but hybridizers have continued to create more unique cultivars since then. His first more recent introduction ‘**I’m So Vein**’ (Quinn, 2013) is a mauve double with darker veining through the petals and sepals.

Rightly so, he is proud of the clever name. In thinking of his daylily friend Jim Sovine who loves the small ones, Raymond registered a well-branched small

‘**Windyhill’s Cherry Drops**’ (Quinn, 2015) and his favorite ‘**Windyhill’s Dreamsicle**’ (Quinn, 2015), a big UF from ‘**Mean Green**’ (Davisson-J., 2008) crossed onto a yellow seedling from Sandy Holmes. In 2016, Raymond registered ‘**Kaci Bug**’ (Quinn, 2016) (named for one of his two granddaughters) which is a cross of ‘**Mister Butters**’ (Davisson-J., 2006) a Judy Davisson introduction with the same Sandy Holmes seeding. Another favorite in the 2016 group is ‘**Windyhill’s Hidden Secrets**’ (Quinn, 2016), a dark purple UF that is registered as a 9.5” flower. Raymond noted that, “It started reblooming a few days after the regional tour in



June, with all the blooms greater than 12” across. As the largest flower in our garden, each bloom makes a real statement.”

In addition to ‘**Windyhill’s Designer Red**’ (Quinn-W., 2015), a red that “looks like

velvet fabric, holds up to the heat, and is also a great rebloomer,”

Wanda also introduced ‘**Bloody Marys At Windyhill**’

(Quinn-W., 2017), that the Quinn’s so generously donated to attendees at the

Summer Meeting in Raleigh. The color of this daylily looks like a Bloody Mary drink but it also speaks to the warm hospitality of this duo.



And what about mentors? The Quinns have been fortunate that for years Charles and Heidi Douglas have encouraged their hybridizing endeavors. They were most eager to acknowledge them and give them thanks for their encouragement, guidance, and help.



The Quinns live just a twenty-five minute drive from Raleigh in Fuquay-Varina, NC, which was originally two separate towns that merged in 1963 to create a modern town. Raymond’s mom got the couple interested in daylilies in 1988, they joined AHS right away, and now are both life members. They are members of the Raleigh and Sandhills clubs.

Region 15 members and daylily enthusiasts from all over can look forward to some pretty amazing UF’s—small to extra large—from this couple on the hill. Windyhill, that is.



Above, top to bottom, left to right: **Windyhill’s Cherry Drops**’ (Quinn, 2015); ‘**Kaci Bug**’ (Quinn, 2016), named for a granddaughter; a small unusual form seedling from Wanda’s hybridizing program; ‘**Bloody Marys at Windyhill**’ (Quinn-W., 2017) is the perfect color to honor this refreshing libation
Photos Raymond Quinn

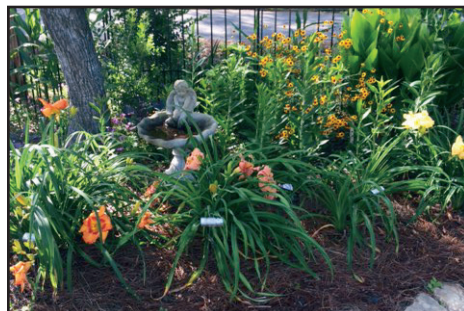
Region 15 to Host the 2018 AHS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, SC

Hosted by Georgetown Area Daylily Club



Contact the Sheraton hotel directly for reservations on 888-627-8203 by 5/5/18 and identify yourself as part of the Daylily Convention to receive the negotiated rate of \$149.

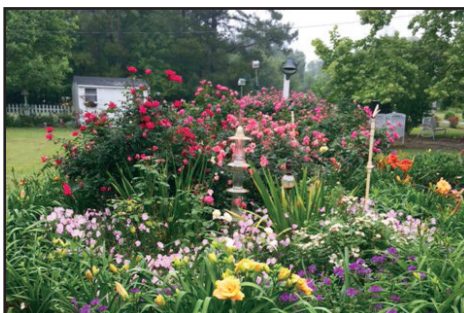
Our convention is during the height of tourist season AND the Carolina Country Music Fest (30,000 people!) will be going on at the same time, so demand is high. Make your hotel reservations as soon as you possibly can - you'll be able to cancel up to 4 pm June 2 if your plans change. Better safe than sorry!



Above Left, Middle, Right: The expansive flower beds in Canterbury Gardens, home of Johnny and Odessa Bourne, *photo Johnny Bourne*; Sweet garden art is featured throughout Southern Charm Gardens, home of Ann and Marlon Howell and Jeanette Howell, *photo Marlon Howell*; Daylilies spanning the years from 1929 to today's favored seedlings highlight the Don Albers Garden, *photo Kathy Tinius*



Above Left, Middle, Right: View across the marsh from Belin United Methodist Church, one of the lunch locations; the newly planted Daylily Walk at Brookgreen Gardens, the other lunch location; Bus plants, all 2018 introductions, waiting and growing in Heidi and Charles Douglas' Browns Ferry Gardens; *photos Kathy Tinius*



Above Left, Middle, Right: Seedling beds hold great promise in the Duane Therrien / Ed Zahler garden where everything is a dip, *photo Kathy Tinius*; Miss Jeanette's glass garden art sets off roses and daylilies, *photo Marlon Howell*; The Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel is the host hotel; *photo Kathy Tinius*

Hybridizers: There are still one or two spots for seedlings in the 2018 Seedling bed. Contact Duane Therrien 843-885-3536 or Ed Zahler 843-995-7151 today!

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The tourist mecca of Myrtle Beach is calling you to drop what you're doing, rush down to the water, and dip your toes into the cooling, refreshing waters of the Atlantic! Join us in 2018 for *Ocean Views and Daylilies, Too!*

The Best is Yet to Be

by *Bill Hurt*

So many of you may not believe the best is yet to be, but it can be! As we age our lives evolve. Instead of children and all their demands, most of us can enjoy occasional visits with our grandchildren which allow us the opportunity to instill a love of plants and gardens in their hearts. Mature gardeners have become one with their gardens. Writer Ray Bradbury, sums up this feeling in the following statements, "It doesn't matter what you do so long as you change something from the way it was before you touched it into something that's like you after you take your hands away. The difference between the man who just cuts lawns and a real gardener is in the touching. The lawn cutter might just as well not been there at all; the gardener will be there a lifetime."



While I can't imagine my life without my garden, I do also realize if I live long enough I will have to make major adjustments in my garden plans. My body is beginning to keep me from doing daily chores that I have always done with relative ease.

I recently visited a garden friend who is taking care of her 101-year-old mother. When I said I wanted to live to that age, she politely

responded, "No, you don't!" This really caused me to ponder how I would continue gardening in a frail body, and made me think of the positives we have at this age:

- More knowledge and experience than ever in our lives
- Ability to spend more quality time in the garden
- Time and opportunity to teach others
- Can travel to learn from Master Gardeners
- More money to spend on plants and tools
- Get to know so many fellow gardeners our age

This past spring I was able to hear Jo Ann Yates speak about ways to adapt our practices. Here are a few ideas:

- Spend more time enjoying the fruits of your labor
- Downsize, keep your garden manageable, but don't give it up
- Use technology to save time, like auto-watering devices
- Use patio pots instead of an open large garden
- Limit yourself to your favorite plants you know grow well
- Drink your favorite beverage in a special place in the garden soaking in the sights, smells and colors of your creation

There are also things we can do to avoid pain and stress in our bodies.

- Get self-coiling hoses that are lighter and easier to use
- Use a kneeling platform/seat (see photo, *below*)
- Divide loads into smaller parts that are easier to carry
- Use a garden cart to move materials
- Ask for help or consider hiring someone to assist with heavier tasks
- Sit while gardening and take regular rest breaks
- Vary your tasks to avoid over stressing one part of your body
- Move around doing different tasks

And finally, there are alternatives that allow you to remain involved and connected to your passion.

- Enter garden photo contests
- Speak to clubs and share your wealth of experience
- Act as a garden coach to friends and colleagues
- Volunteer as an officer in your club or region
- Organize friends to tour gardens
- Become a Garden Judge or an Exhibition Judge

In summary, take a moment, take a break, and enjoy the garden for what it is. Be a gardener not a laborer. Let your garden nurture you. Happy safe gardening. The Best is Yet to Be!!!



Photos Bill Hurt

We'd love to have your help with the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach!

Let us know today how you'd like to be a part of the excitement!



It takes a village to host an AHS National Convention, and our village is open to lots of new residents! We would be ever so grateful for any little bit of help each member of Region 15 could provide. If you know how you want to help, please email ktinius@yahoo.com or heidi@brownsferrygardens.com and let us know what, where, and when and we'll put you on the schedule (we'll also confirm details, send reminders, ask questions, get your input!).

In the gardens:

- Final weeding and deadheading in the days before and during the convention
- Staffing refreshment tables or acting as a docent
- Early arrivals helping with Browns Ferry or Canterbury Garden may prefer a hotel in Georgetown to save some commute time before switching to the convention hotel in Myrtle Beach.

At the convention center hotel:

- On-Site Registration - assembling materials
 - Monday and Tuesday, June 4 and 5
- Raffle & Silent Auction, and Plant Sale - setting up rooms and tables; monitoring rooms and sales; cleaning up rooms after the convention
 - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, June 6 - 9
- Hospitality - people stationed in lobby and registration areas, and in the bus loading area providing guidance
 - Wednesday, June 6, 1:00 - 5:30 pm
 - Thursday, June 7, 7:30 am - 6:30 pm
 - Friday, June 8, 6:00 - 7:30 am; 1:30 - 5:30 pm
 - Saturday, June 9, 6:00 - 7:30 am; 1:30 - 5:30 pm
- Audio/Video Coordinator - keep things running smoothly while working with the fantastic hotel staff

Bus captains or navigators: While we already have several people stepping up to act as bus captains (with our eternal gratitude), we still have openings and want to have a few backups just in case! Please let either us or Raymond Quinn (windyhill101@yahoo.com) know you're interested!

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Club News

Catawba Valley Daylily Club by Rita Katz

Catawba Valley Daylily Club had a very enjoyable meeting in April with Eaker's Nursery owner Alisha Eaker, who discussed soil testing procedures, designing planting arrangements, simple tools to use, and color design. She also answered questions about herbal and perennial gardens alongside daylilies. In May, Lisa Goins and Rita Katz shared slides from the Georgia hybridizers Springtime Celebration held at Maneki Neko Gardens. Then a wonderful Saturday morning in June was spent



in the gardens of Sue Mosteller. Our club and some special

Left: Janice Parker with Terry Bledsoe and Buster Bledsoe

Right clockwise from upper right: Sue Mosteller and friend; delightful garden art; fun watermelon bowl at the June picnic

photos Rita Katz

guests were served a magnificent breakfast. We certainly appreciate Sue sharing her garden and food with us that day! Some left there and went to Bear W Daylily Farm Festival for a very full gardening day. On July 8 our club members joined other clubs at Blue Ridge Daylilies for the annual picnic with Bob Selman!



Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society by Ken Ferguson

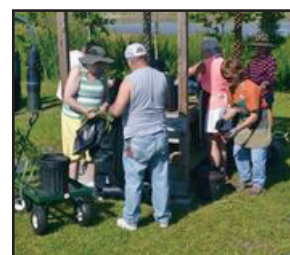
With a very mild winter and a very wet spring, the bloom season this year has been spectacular. We did have a few late frosts that yellowed some foliage, but with them trimmed off, most of our daylilies look none the worse for wear.

The major focus of our society this year has been bringing our display garden up to the standards necessary to become an AHS Display Garden. Things were looking good until Bambi and friends again dined on all of the buds and blooms very early in the bloom season. We have been developing strategies to address this issue and we'll post the results of our efforts in the next edition of the *Hemalina*.

While on the topic of our display garden, we want to recognize and thank the following Region 15 hybridizers who donated plants for our garden. Floyd Boatright, Noel Weston, Chris Shea, and CNCDS members Janet Hong and Ken Ferguson all contributed clumps for the revitalization of our bed. The garden is now fully populated with singles, doubles, spiders, UFs, and a special section of very fragrant blooms. Out of the over 70 cultivars in the garden, 80% of them were hybridized in Region 15. This is a work in progress, and as new plants become available, we will replace some plants to make the garden 100% Region 15. At this time, we are coming up short on doubles and spiders from the region.

The society has also been very active in plant sales, with revenues totaling over \$2,000 YTD. This fund supports our Plants For Members

program and our Passport to Myrtle Beach, an initiative to help defray some of the costs for our members to attend the National Convention next year. We paired up with Master Gardeners in Currituck County and Dare County for two of those sales. We also worked two weekend sales at the Downtown Waterfront Market in Elizabeth City. All of these sales allowed us the opportunity to talk with homeowners and daylily growers, sell a lot of plants, and capture names of potential new members.



Left: Selling at the Dare County Master Gardener Sale, one of six sales this year

Above: Doing their part for World Naked Gardening Day are (L to R) Ernie, Dotti, Mary, Lorraine, Fred, and Ken (last names eliminated to protect the indecent)

Above, right: First of many work sessions to remove unknown plants from display bed. This was remove, replant, and tag..70 times

Right: (L to R) Fred Bock, Jean Kelley, and Sherry Richardson replant and tag plants in the restored display garden

The sale that created the most buzz was our May 5 plant sale at the Southern Shores Marketplace on North Carolina's Outer Banks, which just happened to coincide with World Naked Gardening Day (just Google it.) People from across the globe were encouraged to tend their portion of the world's garden, unclothed as nature intended. In as much as our society believes in getting involved in the community, well... no one can say that we didn't do our part!

We only have two formal meetings left this year. The September gathering is our PFM auction, which is always a lot of fun, and our November meeting will feature a presentation on the virtues of Dormants (or correctly expressed as Deciduous) versus Evergreen daylilies.

Photos Ken Ferguson



Foothills Daylily Society by Steve Earnest

The first six months of 2017 have been one outstanding ride for our group. February 12, we kicked off our season with 35 anxious gardeners in attendance, discussing a wide range of calendar events for the 2017 season. At our March Meeting, Foothills member Debbie Clark talked about the history and current progress at the Lake Lure Flowering Bridge. Last year our group decided to be a valuable participant in the LLFB effort, and Debbie is one of the hard working volunteers who helps keep the bridge looking fabulous!

At our April meeting, Kirk Milleman presented *Daylilies 101*, which was most enjoyable and informative. In May, we took part in the annual Rutherford County Mayfest, with many of our members dividing up their daylilies to sell to the public. We also had an information table and talked with many folks about our group and our many causes. At our May meeting, Becky Hinshaw, one of the judges for our upcoming AHS-accredited daylily flower show, gave us a talk. She showed how to groom flowers and scapes, and gave many tips on what judges look for. Sally Lesher talked about how to prepare arrangements for our flower exhibit.

After much preparation, June 10 finally arrived and we conducted our first AHS-accredited daylily flower show. All of the extra hard work that many of our group members performed paid off! When we opened the doors to the public shortly after noon, a large crowd worked their way in, and we had a steady flow of folks visiting throughout the day.

We sold dozens of daylilies and promoted our group to the public. A successful day for all of us indeed! A special thank you to our judges Becky Hinshaw, Ray Quinn, and Lynne Broderius. They were thorough

and gave us constructive feedback for any future shows that we may endeavor to pursue.

Head Table:

Extra Large Flower: **'Beneficial Sister'**

(Owen-P., 2010) John Martin

Large Flower: **'American Revolution'**

(Wild, 1972) Joe Phillip

Small Flower: **'Theron'** (Stout, 1934)

Kirk Milleman

Miniature Flower: **'Siloam Red Toy'**

(Henry-P., 1975) Chuck Deyton

Double/ Polymerous and Multiform

Flowers: **'Amanda's Little Red Shoes'**

(Eller-N., 2004) Kirk Milleman

Spider Flower: **'Grey Witch'** (Reed,

1999) John Martin

Unusual Form Flower: **'Ice Quake'**

(Gossard, 2011) Steve Earnest

Regional Popularity Poll: **'Alien DNA'**

(Selman, 2009) Victor Santa Lucia

Seedling: Nancy Milleman

Best in Show: Nancy Milleman with her seedling entry

Sweepstakes: John Martin

Design: Peoples Choice Winners

Best in Show: Barbara Peterson;

Small Division: Joe Phillip; Large Division: Hilda Moore

Photos Steve Earnest



Left: Nancy Milleman excitedly shows off her Best In Show seedling

Right: (L to R) Becky Hinshaw, Raymond Quinn, and Lynne Broderius judge a beautiful entry

Above, top to bottom: View of show layout, which facilitates judging and enhances viewing by the public, with plants for sale in the background; View across show entry tables to design entries against the wall



Georgetown Area Daylily Club by Kathy Tinius

The members of the Georgetown Area Daylily Club entered this year's bloom season with more than a little excitement. Tour gardens for next year's AHS 2018 National Convention are getting their last major landscaping and planting bed changes so any remaining plants can be tucked in for a solid year's growth before next summer. Garden owners are making final decisions about plant placement, fertilization, and irrigation schedules (all the more critical with a relatively dry spring).

Signs are great for a spectacular show during next year's tours!

In March, JD Stadler gave club members an overview of his intriguing hybridizing program. Based in a relatively small suburban garden, JD has expanded his program with very strong colors and interesting

shapes. JD very generously provided the club with seven of his gorgeous introductions, which the club used to spice up a late winter month by auctioning them live in two meetings and on the GADC Facebook page! Also in March, GADC had their annual table at the Diggin' It educational event at Brookgreen Gardens, reaching dozens of interested gardeners.

In April, we held our annual auction which had been canceled in October when Hurricane Matthew came to visit. This is always a favorite meeting, with members snapping up old favorites and bright new introductions.

Our own Heidi Douglas gave the May presentation, a brand new collaboration with Paula Dyason called *Hybridizing 101*. Featuring lots of details based on several lifetimes of experience, this presentation generated great discussion among club members whether they are active hybridizers or casual gardeners.

Later in May, club members returned to replant 120 daylilies in the Brookgreen Daylily Walk, a highlight of the garden tours in the AHS 2018 National Convention. All plants are from Region 15 and Georgetown Area Daylily Club hybridizers and are simply spectacular and very popular.

In June, we gave our very exciting invitation to daylily lovers near and far to join us next summer in Myrtle Beach for the AHS 2018 National Convention *Ocean Views and Daylilies, Too!*

Left, from top to bottom, then right: Educational table at Diggin' It; club members and friends replanting 120 daylilies in the Brookgreen Daylily Walk (L-R) Gary Maly, Angie Maly, Heidi Douglas, and Janice Ullmeyer; (L-R) Sally Hattig, Duane Therrien, Ed Zahler, Marian Saunders, Charles Douglas, and Angie Maly put in the final plants; *photos Kathy Tinius*

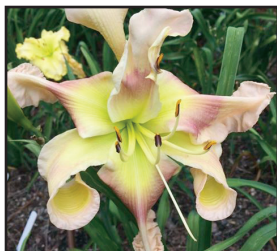


Lowcountry Daylily Club by Perry Gaskins

The summer months were kicked off with the Lowcountry Daylily Club annual plant sale. Held at the Moncks Corner Piggly Wiggly, the sale has become a tradition for community members who rush to the sale each year to see what new plants they can add to their gardens.

In August, Bill Waldrop will visit to update the club on his hybridizing program at Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies. Bill had to postpone his presentation from earlier this year, but he's fully recovered and we're anxious to hear about his exciting seedlings. You can check them out at kennesawmountaindaylilygardens.com.

September will find Ed Zahler and Duane Therrien talking about their latest introductions and spectacular diploid seedlings. They've made tremendous progress with chicken fat and gold edges on some flowers plus others with deep reds and purples. It is sure to be an exciting presentation!



Left: Two samples of the exciting diploid seedlings that Ed Zahler and Duane Therrien will discuss in September
Photos Duane Therrien

Right, above and below: Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies, home of Bill Waldrop, who will be visiting Lowcountry Daylily Club in August; another view of the sumptuous beds at Kennesaw Mountain daylilies
Photos Kathy Tinius



Mid-Carolina Daylily Society by Leslie Mauck

This spring was an exciting time for the Mid-Carolina Daylily Society. In April we celebrated the club's 30th Anniversary. MCDS was founded in 1987 by Peggy and Jim Jeffcoat. We miss Jim who has gone on to his reward but Peg is active in the club as are charter members Ann Coggins and Gene Crocker. That is a dedicated daylily trio!

In May, we were delighted with our annual picnic and auction. Hosts this year were Elaine and Walt Tyler. The Tyler garden features several themed areas and a vast array of daylilies and other perennials. We didn't let a little rain dampen our enthusiasm as we enjoyed a pot luck lunch. The auction was a lively one with many beautiful daylilies on offer and Tom Bruce did a great job as auctioneer. This was the first time members could use Bonus Bucks earned while working for the club. It won't be the last!

June saw members working hard on our yearly daylily exhibition and sale. As usual, wash day was more fun than work. We had fewer attendees this year, but many folks still came to see and buy.

Looking ahead to November, David Kirchhoff will speak to our club on the 12th, and the night before we will honor him with a pot-luck dinner at the Garden Council Building.



Left: Ann Coggins, Peggy Jeffcoat, and Gene Crocker, founding and charter members of Mid-Carolina Daylily Society celebrate the club's 30th Anniversary

Below: Photo of the Mid-Carolina Daylily Society founders (photographer unknown)

Right: Elaine and Walt Tyler, hosts of this year's May Annual Picnic and Auction

Photos Lee Breuer



Our biggest news is that MCDS is happy to be hosting the Region 15 Fall Meeting. Virtually every member in the club will have a hand in making this an enjoyable event for our Carolina hem-head friends. The schedule is on page 18 and registration form is enclosed with this Hemalina. We invite you to come to Columbia to Consider the Daylilies!

Extra Large Flower: **'Verdant Sweet'** (Pierce-G., 2015) Elaine Tyler

Large Flower: **'Odell's Odyssey'** (Jeffcoat-Jeffcoat-P., 2015) Peggy Jeffcoat

Small Flower: **'Muscadine Pie'** (Crocker-Allgood, 1993) Gene Crocker

Miniature Flower: **'Raindrop'** (Kennedy, 1972) Gene Crocker

Double/ Polymerous and Multiform Flowers 5a: **'Nell Dean'** (Joiner-J., 1996) Gene Crocker

Double/ Polymerous and Multiform Flowers 5b: **'Triple Gem'** (Tankesley-Clarke, 2000) Cassie Craig

Spider Flower: **'Easy Ned'** (Brown-B., 1987) Cassie Craig

Unusual Form Flower: **'Heavenly Angel Ice'** (Gossard, 2014) Cassie Craig & Dee Waddell

Seedling: Seedling #1 Peggy Jeffcoat



Piedmont Daylily Club by John Smethurst

The Piedmont Daylily Club changed its bylaws this year to elect its Board of Directors in April so they would have the summer to plan for the coming year. The new board includes: President, Mitchel Hagler; Vice-President, Connie Moffett; Secretary, Cathy Tietz; Treasurer, John Smethurst; At-Large members Terry Baucom, Tom Foster, and Nancy Moore; Appointed members Membership Chair, Linda Gluck and, Webmaster, Ralph Marmion.

We held a very successful AHS-accredited show June 10 with approximately 135 entries. Member JD Stadler walked away with four head table honors:

- Extra Large Flower: 'Sh'Boom' (Bachman, 2012) John Smethurst
- Large Flower: 'Up Mill Creek' (Tanner-G., 2006) Linda & Bill Gluck
- Small Flower: 'Siloam Merle Kent' (Henry-P., 1984) Gail Moore
- Miniature Flower: 'Mary Ethel Anderson' (Alter-E.H., 1995) Linda & Bill Gluck
- Double/ Polymerous and Multiform Flowers: 'Date with Destiny' (Stadler, 2008) JD Stadler
- Spider Flower: 'Lady Fingers' (Peck, 1967) John Smethurst
- Unusual Form Flower: 'Line of Fire' (Stadler, 2016) JD Stadler
- Best-in-Show: 'Line of Fire' (Stadler, 2016) JD Stadler
- Best Seedling: JD Stadler
- Sweepstakes: Bob Richardson

Our off-scape entries as well as our photography contest were judged by the public. What is special about the Piedmont show is that we also have a Design Section judged by members of the Charlotte West Piedmont Judges Club. Jennifer Prowe captured the top design prize, the Tricolor Award. Terry Baucom presented an educational seminar *Cutting Edge Daylilies of Region 15 Hybridizers*. We had an education table with free daylily



literature and seeds for kids to plant. Outside the church, we sold bare root daylilies and garden art, in addition to holding a silent auction of more expensive daylilies. It was a beautiful Saturday and wonderful show.

Although we do not meet as a club in July, we'll be busy planning our programs and activities for 2017-2018.

Counterclockwise from far left: Gail Moore greets Sue Gamble, 93, who has not missed a Piedmont Daylily Show; Jennifer Prowe won the Tricolor Award in the Design Section; Clerks Gail Moore (L) and Marie Foster (R) assist judges (L to R) Steve Arnold, Sharon Yarbrough, and Robert Gaddy; Linda Gluck helps with placement; photos Milton Moffett

Editor's Column

Congratulations to Lynn Moorshead for finding the stylized daylily in the Spring edition and sending an email to me with the page number. Lynn's name was pulled from everyone who wrote, and she won 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011), a wonderful addition to her garden.

This edition, I am offering the fun, interesting, and useful Dramm Garden Scissors (see photo below). Just look for this stylized daylily and send an email to me at ktinius@yahoo.com (or send a note to me at Kathy Tinius, 657 Hemlock Ave, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577) with the page number. I'll draw a name for the winner just before publishing the Fall/Winter edition in October.

Happy Reading!

-Kathy Tinius



Right: Melodye Campbell (R) congratulates Kathy Tinius on winning Best Newsletter at the AHS 2017 National Convention in Norfolk
Photo Linda Sue Barnes

We're blushing and we owe it all to our wonderful contributors!

During the AHS 2017 National Convention in Norfolk (thank you Tidewater!), awards were presented including several newsletter awards. Region 15 was very well represented:

Best Article about a Hybridizer - "Recognizing the Backyard Hybridizer: Lacy English and Monika Begum" by **Mitchell Hagler**

Best Article Using Humor - "What Mother Never Told You about the Birds and the Bees" by **A.W. Shucks**, Cornatzer, NC

Best Use of Pictures and Graphics and Best Newsletter - Kathy Tinius for the *Hemalina*

All I can offer is a humble thank you to the people who send me great articles and photos, you make the process fun and interesting!



Don't forget these important awards!

September 1, 2017, is the deadline for:

Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award (see page 19) recognizes the efforts of Region 15 hybridizers
region15daylily.org/jeffcoat-hybridizer-award.html

Carolina Service Award recognizes outstanding service and is sponsored by Mid-Carolina Daylily Society
region15daylily.org/carolina-service-award.html

Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award honors and perpetuates Herman's mentoring roles in Region 15
region15daylily.org/herman-pruitt-mentoring-award.html

Send votes and write-ups to:
Anne Winningham
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Right: 'Spanish Senorita' (Gluck-B., 2016), candidate for Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award
Photo Bill Gluck



Raleigh Hemerocallis Society by Wanda Quinn

As host for the Region 15 Summer Meeting, we couldn't have asked for a better weather. It rained in our garden just prior to the bus arriving and again just as the bus pulled away. This seemed to be the case at most of the tour gardens. It would rain but as the bus arrived it would stop to give everyone a chance to enjoy the beautiful gardens. For the most part, the worst of the summer humidity also held off, making for very enjoyable garden touring weather.

Although attendance was lower than anticipated, we are so grateful to everyone who attended. We appreciate your generosity in taking time away from your garden to come to Raleigh. Most of all, we cherish your friendship as daylily friends and if you couldn't come, we're hoping we'll see you in the fall. The feedback I've received from the Summer Meeting has been very positive with attendees enjoying the programs, gardens, and the venue. For those who couldn't attend, on behalf of the RHC, I would like to thank the following:

Speakers – Eric Simpson and Bob Selman, a special thanks for coming at such a busy time in your business and for your plant generosity. Also, big thanks for your generosity in donating your speaker fees to Region 15!

Auction Plants – Linda Sue, thanks for leading this critical area and to the following for their generous plant donations: Johnny and Odessa Bourne, Charles and Heidi Douglas, Di DeCaire, David DeKort, Bill and Linda Gluck, Mitchell Hagler, Bill Hurt, Peggy Jeffcoat, Paul Owen, Bob Selman, Eric Simpson, Jim and Jane Sovine, Kathy Tinius, and Sharon Yarbrough

Auctioneer – Heidi Douglas, very special thank you for leading a fun and frenzied auction

Door Prizes – Ken and Ann Cobb, Mary Fisher, Dollie Glaum, Kirk Milleman, John Smethurst, Ken Wilkie, Nancy Womack, thanks for your very generous and creative donations

Silent Auction Donations – Many clubs and individuals donated in this area but I do not have these names and do not want to leave someone out. Thank you for your generosity!

Registration Bags and Plants – Raymond and Wanda Quinn, Danny Robinson, Darlene Lee, Dawn and Alex Whitley, thanks for the plants, and to Richard and Janet Warren thanks for working with Agri Supply for the bag donations

Evening Meal Co-Chairs – Melanie Wyatt and Robin Hough, thanks for the delicious meals

Flower Center Pieces – Melanie Wyatt, thanks for creating fresh and beautiful arrangements

Bus Captains – Ken Cobb and Robin Hough, we could not have hoped for more entertaining or able captains

Buses – Raymond Quinn, thanks for your cool efficiency

Large Flower Arrangement – Don Myers, thanks for an excellent display



Program Guide Editor – Ken Cobb, thanks for your attention to detail

Hotel and McKemmon Center Liaisons – Jim and Jane Sovine, thanks for arranging for such great locations

Registrars – Ken and Ann Cobb, thanks for your usual excellence

Silent Auction/Raffle Logistics – Darlene Lee and Steve Wales, thanks for your hard work

Publicity – John Martin, thanks for sending out reminders

Awards – Anne Winingham and clubs sponsoring the awards, Sandhills, Raleigh, Foothills, and NC Daylily Fans, many thanks

I want to also send a special thanks to Ken and Ann Cobb, and Jim and Jane Sovine for covering activities that were outside of their scope, and to Darlene Lee for her generous silent auction donations. Thanks to Mitchell Hagler and Nancy Womack for their work in the door prize donations, auction plants, and any additional areas needing assistance.

And last, but not least, many thanks to the tour garden owners and club members willing to participate in open gardens.

Tour Gardens – Steve and Mary Edwards, Richard and Janet Warren, Di DeCaire and Ted Miller, and Raymond Quinn for building the garden of my dreams

Open Gardens – Jim and Jane Sovine, Noel Weston, and David DeKort I'm sure there were others working in the background that I may not have visibility to so thank you also for your help

Upcoming programs:

July 13	Richard and Janet Warren's for Region 15 Summer Meeting closeout and club officers nominating committee formed (2018/19)
August TBD	Discussions underway with local nursery
September 12	Sandy Holmes with Riverbend Daylily Garden in Xenia, OH
October 10	Club potluck and officers for 2018 and 2019 voted on and confirmed
Club meetings:	Second Tuesday February to October Powell Drive Community Center 740 Powell Dr, Raleigh, NC 27606 7:15 pm (Doors open 6:45)



Sandhills Daylily Club by Linda Sue Barnes



On April 27 Sandhills Daylily Club met in the St. Pauls, NC, home of Julia Odom. Originally belonging to her grandparents, Julia's 94-year-old Sears home came by rail in four boxcars and was assembled on site. Who knew Sears sold modular homes? After a potluck meal we went outside for a demonstration of air layering. Chuck and Nancy

Left: Marshall Wait won the Youth Category with 'Pocket Change' (Crochet, 1985)

Right: Roger Mercer (center) watches Chuck and Nancy Umstead discuss air layering
Photos Linda Sue Barnes

Umstead used camellias and a pomegranate in Julia's yard for the demonstration and then let Julia get some hands-on experience.

Our May meeting was geared to final preparations for the flower show. Lacy English demonstrated good flower and scape grooming skills in front of one of our newest members, Frances D. McGee. Frances was also convinced to be a clerk for the show so she would learn what judges look for. Dawn Whitley checked in with all the chairpersons to be sure everything was in order.



Sandhills Daylily Club, continued

Finally, the day came. The June 3 flower show was held in the Berns Student Center at Methodist University. We tried something different and had participants groom on the balcony where there was plenty of natural light and less worry about making a mess in the student center. The mini symposium that Dawn Whitley planned was a success. Visitors who came to the sale listened and asked questions while the judges did their work. With this great addition, we had more people actually stay to view the show.

The topics and speakers were:

- Planting and General Care - Alex Whitley
- Hybridizing Basics - Roger Mercer
- The Secret to Winning at a Daylily Show - Linda Sue Barnes
- Hybridizing Advanced - Ray Quinn
- Organic Fertilizers and Pest Control - Leslie Mitchell
- Getting the Most Out of Your Plants Using Air Layering - Eddie Walters
- Make Your Own Herbal Vinegars and Scrubs - Dawn Whitley

Head Table:

- Extra Large Flower: **'Carolina Lemon Squeezer'** (Tanner-G., 2009) Eddie Walters
- Large Flower: **'Ring on My Finger'** (Grovenstein-L.&E., 2004) Jim Sovine
- Small Flower: **'Little Wart'** (Spalding, 1964) Melanie Wyatt
- Miniature Flower: **'Pookie Bear'** (Durio-D., 1984) Marshall Wait
- Double/ Polymorous and Multiform Flowers: **'Arlow Stout'** (Stout, 1960) Eddie Walters
- Spider Flower: **'Let It Rip'** (Joiner-J., 1997) Margaret Waggoner
- Unusual Form Flower: **'Breathing in Snowflakes'** (Douglas-H., 2016) Robin Hough
- Youth: **'Pocket Change'** (Crochet, 1985) Marshall Wait
- Best in Show: **'Little Wart'** (Spalding, 1964) Melanie Wyatt
- Sweepstakes: Jim Sovine
- People's Choice: **'Lil' Black Buds'** (Begnaud, 2009) Jim Sovine



Above, top, left to right: Jim Sovine won the Sweepstakes with his many excellent blue and purple award winners ; Melanie Wyatt won Best In Show with **'Little Wart'** (Spalding, 1964)
Above, bottom, left to right: Eddie Walters demonstrated air layering and Alex Whitley discussed general daylily care and planting, two of the very popular presentations given during the Sandhills Daylily Club Flower Show
Photos Linda Sue Barnes

Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club by Lynne Broderius

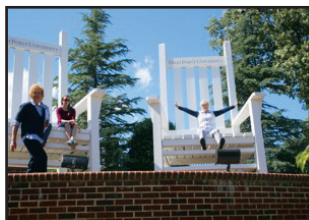
Showboating? Who? Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club, that's who!! Sharon Yarbrough, Master Gardener, presented her third program of the year, *Hosta La Vista Baby*, with April showers' encouragement and various sized hostas for sale. Props to the hybridizing that reduces attractiveness for the snails and slugs! Sharon presented gorgeous landscaping plans to accommodate the various heights, widths, variegations, shades of green, and sun or shade hardiness. "To tier or not to tier?" she asked as she suggested swirls of them on your hillside, waves of varying heights, or just integrating them within your perennial beds.



In May, our infamous High Point University horticulturist toured us through the 26 world-wide influenced gardens. Jon Rothling came up through UNC Raleigh and interned with various fun and creative hybridizers like Tony Avent of Plant Delights in the Raleigh area. Jon's dedication is leading him to creating and using greenhouses to grow plants for program fundraising! Lucky us.

Our own Becky Hinshaw and Lynne Broderius clerked for Melanie Wyatt, coordinating for the North Carolina National Garden Club convention in Greensboro (TDFGC members are also members of the North Carolina National Garden Club).

In June, a clear afternoon in Paris was well represented in the Parisian Promenade. Complete with a poodle competition (for all non-poodles, too) where the MC was just looking for attitude that entertains as the favored pups paraded around the ring. Also featured were artists working on their art with displays for sale, chefs teaching their secret ingredients and providing samples, players on stilts strolling along, and TDFGC selling plants and educating the public about daylilies.



Our four gardens took center stage, and we are an official success with plant sale buyers lined up well ahead of time, plus people signing up for club emails and programs! Sharon Yarbrough judged the flower show in Fayetteville, Lynne Broderius entered eight with all blues, one blue/purple for **'Solid Mahogany'** (Webster, 1993). Becky Hinshaw, Lynne Broderius, Raymond Quinn judged the Foothills Daylily Society first Flower Show in Rutherfordton, a smashing success! Did you know about the International Horse Show coming to town 2018? Half a million people are expected to attend, and most of those will be able to admire our gorgeous daylilies.



Left: Lynne Broderius demonstrates proper protective all-weather gear for sale plant washing and dividing
Above, left to right: The front and back of the second place winning design created by Melanie Wyatt; Stilt-walker adds bright color to the Parisian Promenade

Left, left to right: One of the poodle contestants at the Parisian Promenade; Rocking Chair Challenge; the Cupped Hand display at High Point University, an inspiring reminder that life is to be filled with learning, fellowship, joy, and more
Photos Lynne Broderius

Upstate Daylily Society by Mary McCabe

On February 19, the Upstate Daylily Society enjoyed a guest speaker, Carolyn Collmer, who spoke to us on plant and bloom photography. Her advice to us was to:

- Shoot something every day; practice
- Get in closer; fill the frame
- Shoot a variety of images of a single subject
- Learn how to hold your camera properly
- Be patient and keep trying
- Get better with each photo you take
- SLOW DOWN! Admire the flower's beauty
- Look at all angles, play with lighting
- Use flash during the day to make images sharper
- Always ask permission if shooting within another's garden



In March, Gloria Gallaway, a local herbalist and master gardener, shared where she places her herbs of choice, plus she made recommendations for purchases. She offered this "recipe for a natural, organic pest control, Nana's Bug Juice, that I got from a woman I worked with years ago, who got it from her Italian grandmother, who had been using this for more than half a century. I've been using this successfully for at least 30 years, and it really does work."

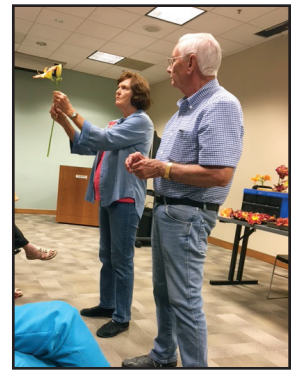


In a 2 quart, non-reactive (stainless steel) pot, add one quart water, one onion cut in quarters, one jalapeno pepper quartered, 3 smashed garlic cloves, a bunch of thyme if you have it. Bring to a boil, simmer 20

minutes, cool. Strain into a spray bottle and add a few drops of dish detergent. Safe to use on fruits, vegetables, and flowers, reapply after it rains. Keep out of your eyes.

Also in March, several club members cleaned up our daylily garden spot as part of a clean up day at the SC Botanical Garden. Spruce up days will be undertaken periodically during the summer months.

Nancye McClure hosted a barbeque at her home in April. Not only did we have a delicious meal with at least twenty desserts, we had the joy of touring Nancye's unusual home, saw lots of lovely, fresh flower arrangements, and saw and talked to her many pets. Fun! Fun!



The club's annual plant sale took place at SC Botanical Garden in Clemson on April 7 and 8. Brenda Coggins, club president, generously donated these sale plants. A second chance sale, with plants from several club members, was held at the same location April 22. Half of the sale proceeds are donated to the SCBG.

Also in April, the collection purchased from JD Stadler was distributed at Brenda Coggins' home.

At our May meeting, the club held a grooming workshop. Brenda Coggins and Bill Manning demonstrated these clean-up skills to help club members prepare for our successful non-sanctioned show and flower sale at the Anderson, SC, Mall on June 3. Later in June, several club members generously opened their personal gardens for members to enjoy and where visitors could purchase daylilies of their choice.



Photos Mary McCabe

Clockwise, from above right: Robust April plant sales at the SC Botanical Garden in Clemson; Bill and Brenda Manning demonstrate show grooming; Bill demonstrates more aspects of scape grooming; club members enjoy barbeque at Nancye McClure's home; Gloria Gallaway (right) discusses herbs; Carolyn Collmer (center) talks to club members about photography

Western North Carolina Daylily Club by Bob Selman

The Western North Carolina Daylily Club Flower Show was June 24 at the North Carolina Arboretum in Asheville. We gained four new club members and everyone had a great time. 'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow' (Selman, 2014) won best in show for the second year in a row.

Our club co-hosted the annual Multi-Club Picnic July 8 at Blue Ridge Daylilies with more than 70 AHS daylily club members present from North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and Georgia. Beautiful blooms, laughter, and smiling faces filled the garden. Faye Morris' hypertufa demonstration kept participants entertained.



Thanks to our Publicity Chairperson, Nancy Rigsby, the daylily display garden at Bullington Gardens in Hendersonville is now a reality and installation has begun.

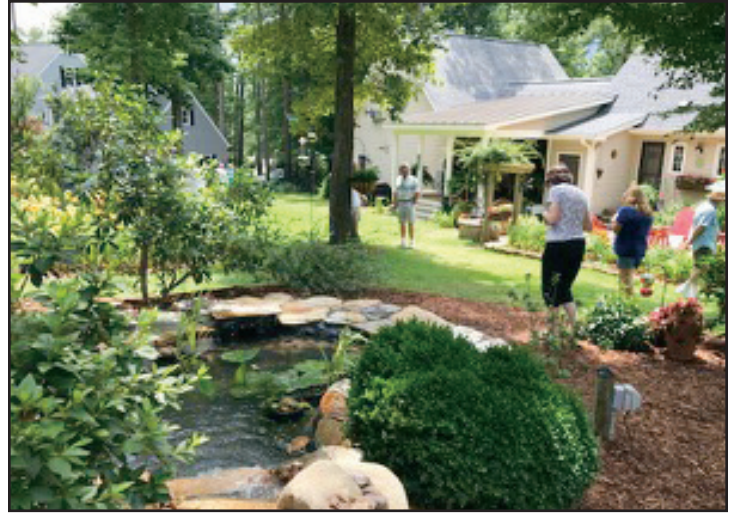
We are looking forward to the Ice Cream Social and Plant Swap at Blue Ridge Daylilies in August as well as the Bonus Dollar Auction and picnic at Railroad Crossing Daylilies in September.

Photos Bob Selman

Clockwise from lower left: View across Blue Ridge Daylilies, location of the July Multi-Club Picnic; 'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow' (Selman, 2014) winner of Best in Show at the Western North Carolina Daylily Club Flower Show; Some of the daylilies on view to the hundreds of seasonal visitors to Blue Ridge Daylilies; Visitors Mary and Steve Edwards plan which plants they can fit into their Just One More.... garden.



A Few Extra Snaps from Summer Fest



Clockwise, from above left: (L to R) Jim Sovine, Eric Simpson, and Bob Selman survey the gorgeous flower beds in Windyhill Garden, *photo Kathy Tinius*; Refreshing water feature sets a beautiful backdrop at Windy Ridge Garden, *photo Lynne Broderius*; Hollyhocks were among the well-chosen companion plants in the Windy Ridge Garden, *photo Lynne Broderius*; Garden art and beautiful flowers in Just One More... Garden, *photo Lynne Broderius*; Di DeCaire and Charles Douglas discuss Di's beautiful seedlings in the Patterned Daylilies garden, *photo Kathy Tinius*; Large enameled Gloriosa daisy sparkles in the Windy Ridge Garden, *photo Linda Sue Barnes*



Judy Bazzone

It is with great sadness that we must report a beloved member of Upstate Daylily Society passed away July 3, 2017, after a lengthy illness. Judy Bazzone, shown here in her garden, was active in our club until just recently when her illness reduced her ability to participate.

Judy and her husband, Jim, received many awards for their beautiful, well-groomed gardens over the period of their 50+ years marriage. They won the Region 15 Landscape Award at the 2009 Summer Meeting.

Judy and Jim were Upstate Daylily Society's Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, for a period of four years. Judy had served in various positions in our club as well as in other garden clubs. They were active members of the SC Botanical Garden in Clemson for years, volunteering their services in many aspects of the operation. Judy will be truly missed by all who knew her.

Mary McCabe

Photo Jim Bazzone

In Memoriam



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We're all on buses to view daylilies both old and new, to share ideas on shapes and sizes, to get input from others' eyes about that new color or that unusual petal form.

We love to scan daylily beds planted thickly with gorgeous flowers, to see again an old favorite or to revel in the sight of a brand new daylily that is taking our world in an exciting different direction.

But sometimes it is not the daylilies that catch our eye. It is not the groomed flower beds, lushly grown grassy pathways, or refreshing ponds and waterfalls.

Sometimes it is something so fun and unexpected, we can't help but stop and stare in wonderment.

The whirligig tree in the Warren's Windy Ridge Garden during the Region 15 Summer Meeting was one such thing.

Absolutely magical! Painted wooden whirligigs representing all the birds you can expect to see in a North Carolina garden, and maybe one or two you could only imagine.

More than one of us stood transfixed as it transported us to a place of our childhood, even if just for a moment.

Left: Curtis Barnes contemplates the painted bird whirligigs he and Linda Sue created, now flying around a large oak in the Warren Garden

Photo: Linda Sue Barnes