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Front Cover: Winner of President's Cup and Ned Roberts Spider/Unusal Form Award for 2018, 'Breathing in Snowflakes' (Douglas-H., 2016)
photo Heidi Douglas

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Region 15 President

Lines from American poet, James Russell Lowell, come to mind when I think of our Carolinas' daylily season this year:

"What is so rare as a day in June?
Then, if ever, come perfect days."

Well, maybe the heat and humidity haven't been all that perfect, but the daylily experiences certainly have. The highly successful National ADS Convention in Myrtle Beach marked a spectacular beginning of the season for Region 15, and for visitors from throughout the country and the world. Congratulations and many thanks are certainly in order for Heidi Douglas, Kathy Tinius, and the Georgetown Area Daylily Club for hosting the event, for all the tour garden owners who worked so hard to make the event special for all of us, those who made presentations, those who served as bus captains and navigators, those who pitched in to help with whatever needed to be done, and for our members who were recognized with both hybridizing and personal awards. I am so proud of all of you.

Beyond the convention, for me, and I'm sure for most of you, June continued to be a month dedicated to enjoying and celebrating daylilies. In addition to visiting all the wonderful gardens on the convention tours, I also spent time visiting with Van Sellers and Vic Santa Lucia at Iron Gate Gardens, Paul Owen at Slightly Different Nursery, and twice with Bob Selman and Eric Simpson at Blue Ridge Daylilies.

I was also honored to tag along with Wanda and Ray Quinn as Wanda evaluated prospective ADS Display gardens. What a joy to meet the Bledsoe family and see their beautiful daylilies. How sad it was that Kathryn (the garden matriarch) passed away just one week after our visit and their approval as an official ADS Display Garden. Congratulations to the Bledsoe Family, who will keep Kathryn's garden legacy alive. Congratulations are also in order to the Howell family, whose garden was recently awarded ADS Daylily Display Garden status. Lucky visitors from near and far got to see this beautiful garden during the convention tours.

With our daylilies about to run their course for this year, now it is time to look ahead. Don't forget to vote for your Pop Poll favorites and for the Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award by September 1, the same date that garden judges need to get ballots submitted and the same deadline for nominations for regional and national awards. Think about all the deserving people in our region and email your nominations to Anne Winningham right away.

The next dates to remember will be October 5-6 for our Region 15 Fall Meeting hosted by the Upstate Daylily Club in Clemson, SC. I encourage all of you to make plans to attend. Believe it or not, we will elect a nominating committee for officer elections in 2019. We will also gladly welcome a new club to our club roll call—The Charleston Daylily Club—with Mike Denson as its primary organizer and first president. Congratulations to Mike and club officers for a great start with more than 20 members.

Finally, now is a good time to start reviewing all those beautiful photos you made this summer. Send your best ones to Anne Smethurst by November 1 for the Carolinas Digital Photo Contest.

Nancy Womack



ADS Director

The 2018 ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach was a great success thanks to the efforts of the Georgetown Area Daylily Club members, the garden owners, and the many volunteers from others clubs in Region 15. A special congratulations to Heidi Douglas for her cultivar 'Breathing In Snowflakes' winning both the President's Cup and the Ned Roberts Spider/UF award at the convention. I believe this is only the second time the same cultivar has won both awards at the same event.



The ADS board meeting was held in Myrtle Beach in conjunction with the convention. The name "American Daylily Society" has been a legal alternate to "American Hemerocallis Society" for a while but the board has approved greater emphasis on using "American Daylily Society" in marketing, education, technology, and outreach efforts.

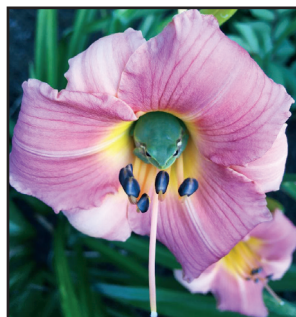
Using "American Daylily Society" for an on-line search will bring you to the new ADS website which went live in May. I urge members to try it out, it is easy to use. The cost was paid by generous donations made expressly for this purpose.

Effective in 2018, the number of votes needed for a cultivar to win an Honorable Mention Award is reduced from 20 votes to 15. The requirement that the votes be received from at least four regions is not changed. This vote reduction is due to a drop in the number of Garden Judges over the last six years. Not only is American Daylily Society membership declining but also the number of members willing to serve as Garden Judges is down.

A new daylily term and definition has been approved. "Color-changer: A daylily flower in which a significant area changes to a completely different color during the day (such as from red to yellow) without visible wilting or loss of substance. The term does not include flowers that merely become a lighter shade of the original color. Environmental factors such as light source may influence the degree of color change."

The online *Daylily eNews* has been renamed the *Daylily Dispatch: the eNews from the American Daylily Society*. As Director (and Garden Judge Liaison), I was proud to learn that Region 15 has the second highest percentage of Garden Judges to members. Regions are allowed to have up to 20% of members serve as garden judges. Region 1 has 16% and Region 15 is a close second at 15% of members qualified as Garden Judges. Please consider becoming a garden judge; workshops are offered at regional and national meetings during the year.

Becky Hinshaw



Right: Richard Warren found a fat frog that barely fit in its selected flower. *Photo Richard Warren.*

Far Right: Jimmy Jordan found a frog who liked to see the world from a different angle (upside down). *Photo Jimmy Jordan.*

Regional Publicity

This has been an exciting summer for our region after a very successful ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach. An enormous thank you is certainly in order for everyone who helped make this a fine and memorable event.

The enthusiasm and joyful smiles of so many of you have been priceless at the beautiful convention tour gardens and here at our garden in Western NC. We are still in good bloom and hosting lots of visitors as I am writing this. I always enjoy the ADS National Conventions and the Region 15 meetings and hope to see more of our fine members in attendance at future meetings. If you haven't already registered for our Region 15 Fall Meeting hosted by the Upstate Daylily Society in Clemson, SC, on October 5-6, 2018, I hope to see you there (see the agenda and registration form on pages 18 and 19). Let's all make an effort to attend and to encourage our fellow club members to get involved in our regional activities.

Now that we have had plenty of time to enjoy our daylilies and tour other gardens, it is time to vote in our annual Region 15 Pop Poll. The deadline is September 1, so please make sure you take a few minutes to go online right now and vote for your favorite daylily cultivars or write in a name or two if your favorites are not listed. Only ADS members are permitted to vote, so please encourage your fellow club members to join the ADS. This year, you can vote electronically on our Region 15 website or you can still download the ballot and mail or email it to me at:

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Vote online <http://www.region15daylily.org/popularity-poll.html>

Your vote is encouraged and appreciated. The final results will be announced at the Fall Meeting and will be publicized in various ways to help promote and increase public interest in our beloved daylily. Enjoy the rest of your summer and I hope to see you all in Clemson in early October.

Eric Simpson

Garden Judges Liaison

In Region 15, Garden Judges are 15% of our membership. It could be 20%. Garden Judges workshops are usually held at both regional and national meetings. For example, Garden Judges Workshops I and II were held at the Myrtle Beach convention in June 2018.

Consider holding both workshops at times and places other than regional or national meetings as a few of our clubs have done. Garden Judge I can be held anytime of the year as it consists of a PowerPoint presentation, discussion of the information in the book "Judging Daylilies in the Garden," and a test. This can make for a fulfilling and interesting club meeting, but allow up to about four hours to complete the workshop.

Garden Judges Workshop II must be held in bloom season and in a garden. It should be a two-hour discussion between instructor and students of plant habit, foliage, and blooms observed in the garden. Example sheets are provided by ADS. The workshop does not have to be held during peak bloom. These days with more late and reblooming cultivars, bloom season is more than just June.

ADS approval is needed for the workshops to be valid. Allow 6 – 7 weeks prior to the workshop for the paperwork to be processed, approved, and mailed to the instructors.

I will be happy to help find instructors and arrange ADS approval for Garden Judges Workshop I and Garden Judges Workshop II for any interested clubs.

Becky Hinshaw



Hybridizer Liaison

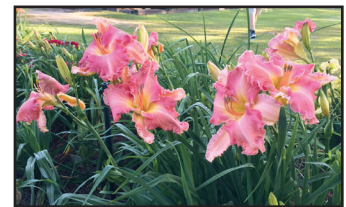
For the second time in the last four years, the AHS (I am slowly migrating to ADS) National convention was held in Region 15. Once again, there was quite a list of Region 15 members who worked long and hard to make the convention successful and fun for all attending from around the world. Yes, WORLD!! There will be many articles written about the convention, and those who planned and executed it, but I would like to also thank the people who created these beautiful daylilies so many of us collect and grow in breathtaking gardens.

Our regional hybridizers had the opportunity to showcase their daylilies and they outdid themselves. Of the five daylily gardens on tour, four of them are owned by hybridizers who contributed a large portion of the show in each of the tour gardens. In addition to their own creations, these garden owners featured a large selection of daylilies from other Region 15 hybridizers. All of us in the region and especially regional hybridizers should be proud of the beauty they shared with the rest of the WORLD.

I wanted to use this issue to thank each of you for your dedication and plant donations. In the next issue of the *Hemalina*, I would like to share some of our regional hybridizers' favorite seedlings blooming for the first time. Some seedlings might have all of what it takes to be an introduction, while others may be only a pretty face. Either way, we will enjoy seeing and discussing them while our gardens are not in bloom.

I look forward to working with you as your Region 15 Hybridizer Liaison. Keep up the great work!

Good luck with your crosses,
Raymond Quinn



Right, above and below: 'Heck of a Dip' (Zahler, 2016) and 'Meme's Merlot' (Douglas-H., 2016) are samples of the amazing work of Region 15 hybridizers on display at the ADS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach.

Right, far below: In the Albers garden, an easy and effective display is used to show off the day's blooms.

Photos Bill Hurt



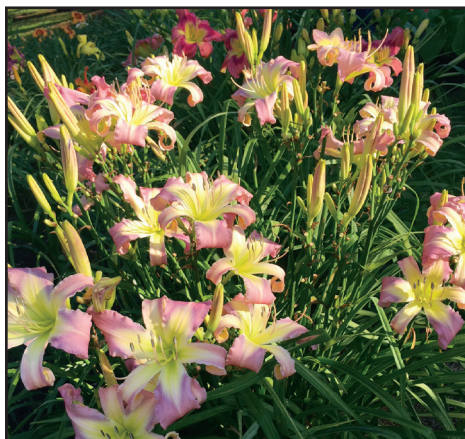
ADS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach

Once in a lifetime event happened in early June - the Georgetown Area Daylily Club hosted the 72nd Annual ADS 2018 National Convention at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center in Myrtle Beach. Five gardens plus Brookgreen Gardens and the Murrells Inlet Marsh were toured by more than 500 visitors from the US, Canada, Great Britain, Lithuania, South Africa, and China. Lisa York led a fast-paced, exciting auction, shaggers from the OD Shag Club demonstrated this smooth dance, and Shutterbooth snapped cute candid. Two evenings of awards ended with a rousing invitation to next year's convention from the folks in Wisconsin. Here, in pictures, are our favorite memories.

Headline: Heidi Douglas wins President's Cup and Ned Roberts Spider/Unusual Form Award



Above: Judie Branson, ADS President, congratulates Heidi Douglas on winning the 2018 President's Cup
Photo Linda Sue Barnes



Above: 'Breathing in Snowflakes' (Douglas-H., 2016) sparkled in more than one garden during the AHS 2018 National Convention
Photo Bill Hurt



Above: Betty Roberts, Region 9 Director, presents Heidi Douglas with the Ned Roberts Spider/Unusual Form Award
Photo Linda Sue Barnes

Bill Hurt wins Newsletter Article Award; Charles Douglas wins Region 15 Seedling Award



Above: Bill Hurt shows off his certificate for the 2018 Regional Newsletter Award for Best Article About Daylily Culture for the article "Daylily Culture Wars" in the Spring 2017 *Hemalina*
Photo Marshall Morrow



Above: Charles Douglas' seedling (#31) won Best Seedling in the ADS 2018 National Convention seedling bed at the I Can't Believe It's a Dip garden of Duane Therrien and Ed Zahler
Photo Bob Selman



Above: Nolan Newton, President of the Foothills Daylily Society, presents Charles Douglas with the Region 15 Seedling award
Photo Linda Sue Barnes

Gene Crocker wins Newsletter Article Award for "The Serendipitous Hybridizing Program of Floyd Boatwright"

Gene Crocker's article was published in the Fall/Winter 2017 edition

Mitchell Hagler wins Regional Service Award; GADC Founding Member Miss Marie attends



Above: Claude Carpenter, ADS Awards Chair, congratulates Mitchell Hagler on his well-deserved Regional Service Award
Photo Linda Sue Barnes



Above: Heidi and Charles Douglas hug GADC founding member Miss Marie Parsons (center), after she gave the blessing at Saturday evening's banquet
Photo Debbie Monbeck



Above: Following an eloquent thank you, GADC President Chuck Wilson presented Convention Co-Chairs Heidi Douglas and Kathy Tinius each with a dozen long-stemmed roses
Photo Linda Sue Barnes

AHS Region 15 General Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2018, held during AHS National Convention - Myrtle Beach, SC Convention Center. Nancy Womack, Region 15 Regional President, welcomed everyone with upcoming dates:

- October 5-6, 2018, Region 15 Fall Meeting hosted in Clemson, SC, by the Upstate Daylily Society;
- May 31 – June 1, 2019, Region 15 Summer Meeting, in Moncks Corner, SC, sponsored by Lowcountry Daylily Club;
- June 8, 2019, Sandhills Daylily Club Show and Sale at the Cape Fear Botanical Garden in Fayetteville, NC;
- July 11-13, 2019, AHS/ADS National Convention is in Wisconsin; and,
- Summer 2020, Region 15 Summer Meeting hosted in Rutherford County by Foothills Daylily Society.

Dawn Whitley noted the minutes of the Region 15 Fall Business Meeting 2018 were printed in the Fall/Winter 2017 edition of the *Hemalina* (pages 14, 15). Those minutes were approved.

Mitchell Hagler gave the Treasurer's Report. Balance \$17,191.92, income \$13,659.36, expenses \$7,018.99, net income \$6,640.37, CD1 \$5,860.52, CD2 \$2,177.49, Savings \$2,513.54.

Nancy mentioned the updated AHS/ADS website (daylilies.org) and members made some suggestions: add drop down menus, change to cell phone-friendly format, make search features more user friendly.

Eric Simpson announced the Popularity Poll will continue to be on the AHS/ADS website. Votes are due by September 1. Go to region15daylily.org/popularity-poll.html to vote online. Please vote!

John Martin noted the great participation in the Exhibitions Judges Clinics at the convention. He further noted some of the gardens on tour have Junior Citation and Award of Merit candidates marked and reminded Garden Judges to look for them and vote.

Nancy said the 2017 Region 15 Photography Contest awards will be presented at the Region 15 Fall Meeting. She reminded everyone that the rules have been changed so that the winner in each category is not eligible in the following year in the same category. Pictures for this year's contest are to be sent by November 1 to Anne Smethurst (smethurst07@gmail.com). Nomination for the Regional Service Awards are due by September 1 to Anne Winningham (pwinningham@homesc.com). Nominations for the national awards are due by September 1 to Claude Carpenter (claudecarpenter@comcast.net); for details go to daylilies.org and scroll down to the awards section.

Right: Upstate Daylily Society members invite everyone to the Fall Meeting. Photo Linda Sue Barnes

Nancy announced a new Region 15 club called the Charleston Daylily Club. Perry Gaskins, one of the founding members, shared they have had two meetings, have signed up 20 members, and have established a blog. Mike Denson is the president and organizer.

Nancy shared that there is a scam active with clubs where someone pretending to be the club president sends an email to the treasurer, telling them there is an urgent matter and to send money to an account number. When the treasurer replies, the email address changes to that of the scammer and not the president. Several club treasurers have received this message and one has fallen victim. Treasurers are reminded to not send money just based on an email, to always verbally confirm payments with their presidents. Clubs are encouraged to consider changes to their bylaws to ensure more than one person has oversight.

Kirk Milleman of the Foothills Daylily Society asked for seedlings for the 2020 Region 15 Summer Meeting to be sent this fall to give them time to be established. Eric Simpson will send out an email.

Eric invited everyone to Blue Ridge Daylilies on July 7 for a multi-club meeting. The garden is open 9:00 – 5:00 and the meeting hours will be 10:00 – 4:00, with food and hourly daylily giveaway.

Emily Burrell announced that Jan Joiner will be closing her sales garden at the end of June. She will continue to hybridize and sell to clubs only. She is also trying to get all of her own cultivars back; if you grow her plants, please reach out to her and see if you have something she needs (joinderdaylilygardens.com 912-433-1414).

Members of the Upstate Daylily Society presented a little skit inviting everyone to the 2018 Region 15 Fall Meeting in Clemson. There will be no home football game that weekend, so no worries about traffic. Ray and Wanda Quinn will be the speakers, and there will be a guided tour of the SC Botanical Garden. Everything takes place at Best Western Hotel, 1310 Tiger Blvd., Clemson (864-986-6200 mention "Upstate Daylily Society" for discount rate of \$99 per night). Registration form is on page 19 and look for Eric Simpson's email.

Submitted
Dawn Whitley,
Region 15
Secretary



Tour Gardens

When we've referred to once in a lifetime, this is more than just a euphemism. Coastal South Carolina is not a daylily mecca. In fact, growing vigorous, lush plants in our poor, sandy soil is more than somewhat difficult. Dedicated gardeners here have to replace their soil or grow plants in pots just to get average quality plants. To get national tour-level plants requires a sincere dedication and so very much hard work. Our tour garden owners worked unbelievably hard and spent uncounted resources to make their gardens lusciously beautiful for our visitors. It is an effort that we just cannot repeat. Age, health, financial pressures, and time constraints have all combined to make this a one-time deal. But what a time it was. Hundreds of eager daylily fanatics visited each garden, gaped at the gorgeous blooms, saw something they would see nowhere else, and went home with many happy memories and with prized daylilies clutched in their hands.



Above, left to right: Visitors explore the sprawling daylily beds in the Albers Garden. Seedling and brand new introductions from Don Albers mix with recent cultivars and old favorites. Explorers saw a history of daylily form and color, with cultivars on display registered in the late 1920s, the 1940s, and nearly every decade up to the current year. *Photo Donna Bobby.* Don's daughter, Cathi Morris, put in countless hours, each served with a bright, warm smile! *Photo Bill Hurt.* Linda Sue Barnes scans the flower beds in the Albers garden, planning her next photos. *Photo Donna Bobby.*



Above, left to right: Bill Waldrop exclaims at the tobacco plants on display at Southern Charm Gardens. *Photo Susan Okrasinski.* Embellished plates highlight a bright and varied daylily bed anchored by a gorgeous angel statue. *Photo Kathy Dolge*

Below, left to right: Visitors couldn't take enough photos of 'Breathing in Snowflakes' (Douglas-H., 2016) that was so well grown at Southern Charm Gardens. *Photo Daralee Newkirk.* Southern belle Lily Howell, seen here with Lynne Broderius, looked right at home in this genteel garden. *Photo Lynne Broderius.* Miss Jeanette Howell and her son Marlon Howell share a laugh as visitors enjoy their lovely gardens. *Photo Pat Mansfield*





Above, left to right: Deliciously full flower beds made Canterbury Garden a big hit. Visitors found dozens (maybe hundreds?) of beautifully grown flowers they just had to photograph. *Photos Bill Hurt.* The front and back beds at Canterbury Gardens were accented with unique birdhouses, birdbaths, and whirligigs. *Photo Kathy Dolge*
Below, left to right: Waist-high scapes made it easy to admire and photograph flowers in Canterbury Gardens. *Photo Susan Okrasinski.* Visitors admire the large front yard planting bed surrounded by sunpatiens. *Photo Margie Wiles.* The centerpiece of Canterbury Gardens - a stunning white fountain festooned with gorgeous daylily blooms. *Photo Bill Hurt.*



Above, left to right: A huge banner proudly exclaims the name of Duane Therrien and Ed Zahler's I Can't Believe It's a Dip Garden. *Photo Elizabeth Trotter.* Everything blooms like crazy in the I Can't Believe It's a Dip Garden. *Photo Chuck Wilson.* Introductions sold like hotcakes at I Can't Believe It's a Dip Garden; pot after pot from their garden were pulled from underneath the buses returning to the hotel. *Photo Pat Titus.*
Below, left to right: A daylily themed table was set enticingly in the backyard of Duane and Ed's home. *Photo Bill Hurt.* Growing seedlings in pots makes the evaluation and elimination processes much easier. *Photo Chuck Wilson.* Tropical and xeriscape companion plants enhance the daylilies in Duane and Ed's backyard. *Photo Pat Titus.*



Tour Gardens (Continued)



Above, left to right: The renovated tobacco barn at Browns Ferry Gardens is where the magic happens. *Photo Curtis Barnes.* 'Mr. and Mrs. Bubbs' (Douglas-H., 2018). Heidi Douglas shows Oliver Hines and Leigh Ann Hines around the seedling beds at Browns Ferry Gardens. *Photos Kathy Dolge.*

Below, left to right: Charles Douglas highlights a particular cultivar for a visitor to Browns Ferry Gardens. *Photo Susan Okrasinski.* Visitors taking part in Garden Judges Workshop II, held at Browns Ferry Gardens, rate the sample plants selected to demonstrate different attributes. *Photo Kathy Dolge.*



Youth at the Convention

Right: Front, l - r: Miah McCluney, Jocelyn Smith, Alyssa Buckingham; Second Row, l - r: Kendra Gaby, Jace Smith, Trevor Buckingham, Rebecca Chappell, Sophia Henry, ADS Youth Chair Kathy D'Alessandro; Back Row, l r: Christopher Njus, Abby Keener, Nicole Njus, Anna Marxen, Jacob Marxen, Tucker Gaby, Michael Kowalchyk, Ashton Lopp. Absent from photo: Leilani Turner, Hans Herrington, Oliver Hines, and Chris Jones. *Photo Kathy Dolge.*



New Tool for Youth Outreach

By Kathy D'Alessandro, ADS Youth Chair

Teaching children about daylilies just got easier because of a new tool available through ADS. "The Exciting World of Daylilies" is a PowerPoint presentation containing basic daylily information in a kid friendly format. It's available for free download in the media library and the youth activities page of the portal. On the youth activities page you'll also find fun accompaniments like coloring and puzzle pages along with craft and game ideas. What more do you need? Maybe some daylilies or seeds to give away and you'll be all set to captivate a young audience. Go to daylilies.org, click "Members Portal," log in, hover on Shop / Donate, click AHS Media Library.



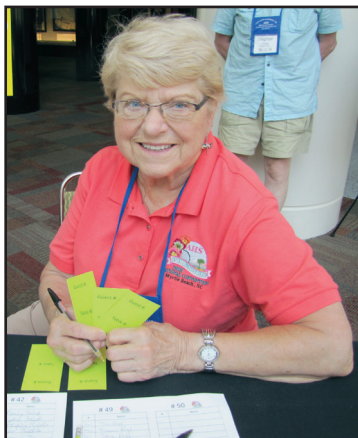
The Exciting World of Daylilies



It's just waiting for you to explore!

Volunteers

When it is decided to host a national convention, the job of finding volunteers to handle all the duties needed the days of the convention starts. With a club as small as GADC, not only do you pull in members of nearby clubs (if two or more hours away can be considered "nearby") but you also pull in family and friends plus church and community members. Our volunteers were amazing and far exceeded what we thought possible. They put their lives aside for several days to come out and do whatever was needed, with boundless energy and always with a smile. Photos weren't available of everyone who worked at the convention center and lunch locations or those who spent sweaty hours in the tour gardens - Jim & Jane Sovine, Janet & Richard Warren, Rikki & Rich Sterrett, Bill Mansfield, Helen Gallagher, Susan Clark, and many, many more. We are so grateful to have such faithful friends.

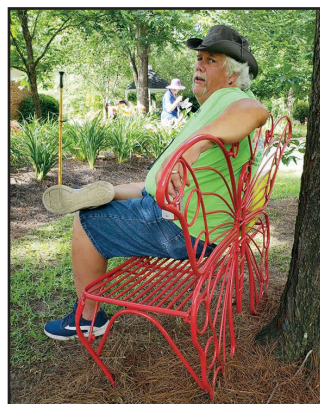


Above, left to right: Intrepid Registration volunteers Coastal NC Daylily Society member Pat Mansfield, GADC member Rosanna Cyrus, Registration Chair Janice Ullmeyer, golfing buddy Carol Bellows, and Kathy's sister-in-law Joan Furlong. GADC member Evelyn Olzewski and her husband John (not shown) worked tirelessly at a number of different jobs; over her shoulder is Stephen Tinius, Kathy's brother who also worked a wide variety of jobs. *Photos Kathy Dolge.* On the eve of the convention, Co-Chair Kathy Tinius (center, left) took super volunteers (l - r) Kathy Dolge (best friend from Florida), Don Webb (husband), and Peggy O'Neil (best friend in South Carolina) to Brookgreen Gardens for an evening of relaxation before the hard work began. *Photo kind volunteer.*



Above, left to right: (right side of table, front to back) GADC members Evelyn & John Olzewski and Ella Ruth Maugans assist attendees with banquet table selections while Raleigh Hemerocallis Club members Wanda & Raymond Quinn assist with bus selections. *Photo Kathy Tinius.* Innumerable volunteers at each garden assisted with weeding, deadheading, and with preparing and serving delicious refreshments, like these at the I Can't Believe It's a Dip garden. *Photo Donna Bobby.* Hard-working GADC members Roland Morin and Molly Gouin compare notes with Janice Ullmeyer before a team weeding session at Southern Charm Gardens. *Photo Kathy Tinius*

Below, left to right: Lowcountry Daylily Club member and Plant Sale Chair Anne Winningham and LCDC member Cathy Coffey work the plant sale (not shown, Lowcountry Daylily Club member Perry Gaskins also worked the plant sale alongside many other volunteers). GADC member and Southern Draw Chair Robin Wilson promotes ticket sales. *Photos Kathy Dolge.* GADC president, bus captain, and megaphone in human form Chuck Wilson takes a brief break. *Photo Daralee Newkirk.* Super volunteers and GADC members Tim Stout and Donna Redick (convention Treasurer) spent many hours working in tour gardens. *Photo Kathy Tinius.*



The View From Above

from Jacob Braun, E-News Chair

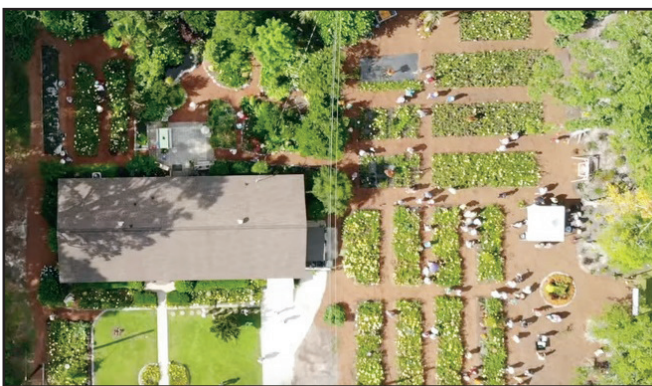
As he visited each garden during the convention, Jacob Braun launched his camera-equipped drone to take overhead shots of the gardens and visitors. Afterwards, he combined these videos with ones taken at ground level, including flower beds, visitors, garden fancies, and spectacular blooms. Get some popcorn and a beverage. Sit down in a comfy chair and bring up these videos in YouTube. Watch each of them again, and maybe a third or fourth time. We are absolutely thrilled to have this resource at our fingertips and are so grateful to Jacob for his hard work and generosity.



Albers Garden: <https://youtu.be/gQkJx0zzRp4>



Canterbury Garden: <https://youtu.be/BNFi1xwKOp4>



I Can't Believe It's a Dip Garden: <https://youtu.be/ePKAr2EH2vs>



Browns Ferry: <https://youtu.be/Lu1gcX2X40Y>



Southern Charm: <https://youtu.be/tiviawz9THA>



Second view of Browns Ferry due to deep shadows

Beware of Scammers! Verify by Calling!

This spring many of our Region 15 club treasurers received emails supposedly from their club presidents demanding emergency transfer of funds to a different account number. A second scheme came to light when a message purported to be from Nancy Womack's Facebook account was sent to her friends telling them that they could easily receive a \$5k grant. The response to both of these should be exactly what Becky Hinshaw did—she picked up the phone and called Nancy, confirming it was a scam. They reported the fraud to Facebook and Nancy changed her password. PLEASE, PLEASE, don't be a victim. Don't respond to something like this electronically, call the person who has allegedly sent you the message. Verify by calling and talking with the person live before you take any action.

2018 Regional Service Award Winner

Mitchell Hagler



A service award should be for a body of work over an extended period. A quarter century ago, just two years after joining AHS, Mitch Hagler hit the ground running by actively serving his region writing for the regional newsletter, *The Hem-alina*. Decades later he remains a frequently sought-after contributor on diverse subjects and styles as attested by AHS newsletter article awards – Humor (2007),

Cultivars (2011), and Hybridizer (2017) – as well as intriguing, descriptive tour garden articles, and informative club reports.

However, he perhaps best uses this talent through his current Backyard Hybridizer series of articles, 8 over the last 4 years and counting, which encourage and promote the region's lesser known, but up-and-coming hybridizers. He even successfully nominated his predecessor for this very award. Thus, his exceptional literary skills demonstrate just one phase of his true selfless service and dedication to AHS.

He became his club Secretary/Treasurer in 1995. He was both Registrar and Treasurer when his club hosted the 1998 Region 15 Summer Regional Meeting. In 2003, he served on the national stage as both Registrar and Treasurer for the 57th AHS National Convention in Charlotte, NC, co-hosted by his Piedmont Daylily Club.

In 2004, his club was so appreciative of his services that it established an annual \$500 Hagler Scholarship at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC, for a horticulture major. Quickly increased to \$750, it is still given to this day.

When the Secretary/Treasurer position was split, he continued as club Treasurer through 2010. He then became club President from 2011-2014. That is 20 total years of continuous service as a club officer. He is currently still serving as a board member of his club.

His effective leadership as president brought the club out of a period of doldrums. It re-instituted a design division in the annual show, added other show activities such as a photo contest, seminars and activities for youth. A more robust website was created. All of this educational outreach promoted both club growth and the daylily. In 2014, the club also hosted a regional fall meeting for the first time since 1997. Did Mitch do all that work himself? No! He led and brought out the best in others!

Simultaneously with his club leadership position he was elected to regional service as AHS Region 15 Secretary/Treasurer, 2012-2016. As expected, his regional minutes were precise and detailed. The two offices were split in late 2016, but he continued as Regional Treasurer. He has been nominated for a fourth term, 2018-2019. (Region 15 is the only region always to have had this as an elective position rather than an appointed one).

He invests and budgets the regional funds and clearly articulates his accurate annual financial reports to the members. He forms a team for each of our regional plant auctions to record the bids and efficiently collect and quickly disburse the funds between region and host club. He once served as auditor of the regional books of a prior treasurer.

As Treasurer, Mitch also serves as the Region 15 Endowments Liaison. He frequently makes donations to AHS while encouraging and publicizing others who do likewise.

As a regional officer, he has also served on the Regional Board of Directors since 2012. The Region 15 Board and all regional liaisons meet annually during the winter or early spring to discuss current issues, regional needs, plans for upcoming regional meetings and newsletter publications. Mitch has volunteered for several years to secure the meeting place, make arrangements for refreshments and lunch, and make sure any needed equipment is available. Always thinking of others!

Publicity is important, too! Since 2013 his garden has been an official AHS Display Garden. He has been published in *The Daylily Journal*. But, daylilies also play an active part outside of AHS. For example, he is a Cabarrus County Master Gardener and on their website you can find a beautiful 2013 slide show of his daylily garden set to music. His garden was also featured in a 2013 Charlotte Observer newspaper article.

Always active in club flower shows as an advisor in many areas, he expanded his AHS service in 2010 to include exhibition judging and to garden judging in 2011. In the former capacity, he has been a certified exhibition judge instructor since 2016.

Taking his duties very seriously, but always with a sense of humor and a smile, we appreciate his calm, steady demeanor in leadership roles, his unique literary talents, and his efforts to promote the daylily from within and without AHS. His continuous service for over a quarter century – from local to regional to national level – clearly shows that his contributions, if anything, are still expanding in scope with no sign he plans to slow down. These all make Mitchell Hagler an ideal candidate for the AHS Regional Service Award.

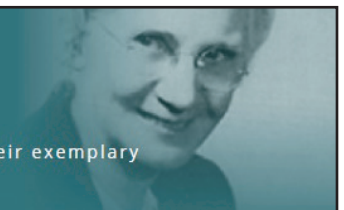
Photo Cindy Dye.

This nomination letter was submitted to the AHS Board in September 2017 - Editor

Consider submitting a nomination for the
2019 Regional Service Award.
Go to daylilies.org/awards/regional-service/ for more details.

Personal Awards

Awards given to people for their exemplary contributions to the society.



Convention Snaps



Above, left to right: Bill & Barbara Hayes take a moment to relax. *Photo Daralee Newkirk.* When you have South Carolina heat, you get shade where you can find it, including this stylish chapeau on Bob Selman. *Photo Elizabeth Trotter.* Marshall Morrow pauses before a gorgeous red flower. *Photo Bill Hurt.* The eternal romantics, Frank and Donna Bobby take the pause that refreshes. *Photo Donna Bobby.*

Below, left to right: Mary Edwards enjoys the statuary in the zoo at Brookgreen Gardens. *Photo Mary Edwards.* Rebecca Board enjoys the lush plantings at Southern Charm Gardens. *Photo Susan Okrasinski.* Robin Hough hugs one of his favorite people, the incomparable Eddie Raye Andrews. *Photo Robin Hough.* Hoping to be the big winner, Bill Hurt places his tickets in the bag for the Upstate Daylily Society basket. *Photo Kathy Dolge.*



Finally a daylily problem we might not need to worry about - yet by Linda Sue Barnes, Scientific Liaison

Hemerocallis gall midge or daylily gall midge is a tiny fly that lays its eggs in young flower buds of daylilies. Developing larvae cause the buds to become swollen and discolored or shriveled and undeveloped. Flowers from affected buds are deformed if they open at all. The midge is believed to have originated in Asia, but it has been known in Europe since the 1880's and was found in England in 1989. It was detected in British Columbia in 2001 and in Washington State in 2007. It has been spreading fairly rapidly in Washington in recent years and has been confirmed in Northern Ontario and Nova Scotia.

The insects have one generation a year; adult midges emerge from the soil, mate, and females lay eggs on daylily buds early in the bloom season. Larvae develop inside the daylily bud causing distorted buds filled with a watery liquid. The larvae emerge from the damaged buds and crawl down the stem to the ground. They complete the life cycle in the soil to re-emerge next spring.

Later flowering cultivars are usually not affected so in areas where the midge is present one way to control the insect is to limit the number of early-blooming cultivars. None of the pesticides available to home gardeners carries a label recommendation for use against gall midges so control must be by mechanical means. In our case the best control is to not bring the insect into our gardens. There are two ways for this insect to spread quickly – in the soil of potted plants and by transporting plants with scapes. If you purchase or get trade plants from Canada or the NW United States make sure that they are sent bare root and without scapes. This is actually good advice to keep from spreading many plant pests.

In those areas where the midge is present control is by removing damaged buds and destroying them. Do not put buds into the trash or compost pile. The larvae will simply drop into the soil and continue to develop. There are several effective ways to destroy the buds – burn them, put them in a zip lock bag and freeze them for a week, or drop them into a jar of bleach. Be sure that your neighbors who grow daylilies are on the lookout for the distorted buds as well. Since the adults are flying insects they are difficult to control, but if everyone is vigilant the numbers can be kept to a minimal level.

Shutterbooth Fun



Steve and Mary Edwards, Dawn & Alex Whitley, Gail & Dave Gribble, Pat Mansfield, Rebecca Chappell, Bill Mansfield



Peggy O'Neil, Kathy Tinius, Janice Ullmeyer, Kathy Dolge, Vickie Jordan, Priscilla Foley, Cathy Coffey, Ann Savage



Curtis & Linda Sue Barnes, Dottie & Ernie Wahlers, Chris & Paula Dyason, QingShu Peng, Zhigou Zhang, Zile Yang



Sherry Richardson, Joanne DiBello, Melanie Wyatt, Lynne Broderius, Nanci Griggs, Mary & Fred Bock, Nan & Kirk Milleman



Bill & Linda Gluck, Joan McDonald, Heidi Douglas, Jay & Nancy Moore, Brenda Coggins, Patricia Turner, Ginny Frechette, Emily Burrell (front), Frank Bobby, Donna Bobby (front), Bill Frechette

Below, left to right: Rebecca Board donated a lovely set of her handmade daylily jewelry for the Southern Draw. This gorgeous kaleidoscope was handmade by Linda Sue Barnes (despite putting at least \$30 worth of tickets in the bag, I didn't win, darn it - Editor) Photos Linda Sue Barnes. Shoppers check out artists' work at the boutique. Photo Kathy Dolge.



Display Gardens

by Wanda Quinn



As the Display Gardens Chair for Region 15, I hope you will enjoy what will become a regular section in the *Hemalina*. In these articles, I will share information and photos on newly-approved and one or two existing ADS Region 15 Display Gardens. I hope eventually to cover all Region 15 Display Gardens. If you would like a specific garden to be covered in a specific issue, please email me at windyhillwanda@gmail.com with your request. Special thanks in advance to all Region 15 Display Garden Owners for making the world a more beautiful place!

Newly Approved:

Bledsoe Daylily Garden

Owners: Kathryn, Buster Bledsoe, and Family
Location: Vale, NC

Since our garden visit, Kathryn has left this world, but thankfully she was able to visit with us out in the garden on the day we came by. Theirs was an open garden during the 2014 National Convention in Asheville, so some of you may still have photos and fond memories.

The Bledsoe garden showcases mature daylilies arranged with numerous companion plants and beautiful garden art bird houses created by their son Terry, a master woodworker.

Another unique feature is a log cabin built with 150-year-old reclaimed barn lumber and constructed as a showplace for church gatherings and garden visitors.

Q: What inspired you to be a Region 15 Display Garden?

Family members encouraged Buster and Kathryn to apply. They love talking about their daylilies and small groups have been visiting the garden for years. It was time to open this up for more people to enjoy.

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

The family name was chosen for the garden to show our love of the Bledsoe family and daylilies. As with many Bledsoe adventures, the entire family has now become involved!

Q: How did your love of gardening with daylilies begin?

Kathryn retired young and needed something to do. She found out about the daylily meetings of the Catawba Valley Daylily Club and ended up joining. She was familiar with 'Stella De Oro' (Jablonski 1975) and 'Green Kwanso' (Stout 1917) but this gave her exposure to newer varieties of daylilies and the rest is history.



Q: How would you describe your garden?

This is a daylily lover's garden that has expanded over the years. As one bed filled up from daylily trips and purchases, new beds were made to accommodate additions.

Q: What inspired you to create your garden design?

The design did not have a plan when first created. As we attended the daylily club meetings and traveled to numerous daylily gardens, ideas were generated. As more daylily purchases were made, more grass was removed to accommodate new beds around our home.



Q: What are a few of your favorite daylilies that people must see when visiting?

This changes from year to year, but for this year it would be 'Lavender Patch' (Santa Lucia 2014), a lavender with a lilac eye and edge with a large white to green throat extending onto sepals.

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

This can vary pending the weather, but usually the third week in June is very good.

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

This is a wonderful way to open your garden to meet new people who can become friends.

Q: Lastly, can daylilies be purchased?

We don't sell our daylilies but we enjoy sharing the love of them with garden visitors. This is a wonderful way to stay physical and is great mental therapy.

Photos Terry Bledsoe; Family photo Wanda and Ray Quinn

Newly Approved:

Southern Charm Garden

Owners: Ann and Marlon Howell
Location: Conway, SC

This was one of the tour gardens for the recent 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach. In the months before the convention, details of this garden were featured in this newsletter and *The Daylily Journal*. What a beautiful and peaceful garden. During our visit, Marlon's seedlings and the garden art utilizing antique glass were the nice surprises. This garden was also on the regional tour a few years back so the daylilies were large mature clumps.

Q: What inspired you to be a Region 15 Display Garden?

We have talked about it several times over the years but didn't feel like the garden was quite ready. After the complete rework of the garden for the national, we decided it was time.

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

We wanted to portray who we are and how we live. While it previously was a tobacco farm, it is now a Southern country garden.

Q: How did your love of gardening with daylilies begin?

My mother and grandmother grew the old daylilies that most of us began with. We would go to Browns Ferry Gardens for open house every year and buy seedlings. One thing led to another, and before





long we were buying new introductions and I started hybridizing about 8 years ago or so.

Q: How would you describe your garden?

It's a combined display and hybridizers garden but they are separated from each other. There are areas dedicated to doubles, spiders and unusual forms, as well as miniatures and small flowers. We are expanding our hybridizing each year and Ann made her first crosses last year working with miniatures and some small flowers.

Q: What inspired you to create your garden design?

There's not much thought put into it really. We just worked around beds and plants we already had and changed some areas over to daylilies.

Q: What are a few of your favorite daylilies that people must see when visiting?

My favorite form has been full forms with wide ruffles so 'Thelma Douglas' (Douglas-C., 2008) is one of my favorites and has been really good to me in my seedling bed. We have tried to collect as many of Tim and Heather Herrington's daylilies as we can find but there are still many more we would like to get in the future.

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

Peak bloom is usually the first week of June, but we can have some bloom in early May.

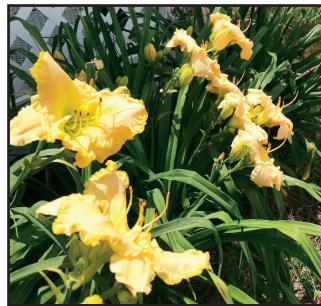
Q: Do you have any words of wisdom for others considering Region 15 display garden status?

It's a lot of work but it's worth the enjoyment you get for yourself and to share with other daylily friends. It's promoting the flower we all love.

Can daylilies be purchased?

We have our own introductions available and we have other plants available in the spring and fall.

Photos Marlon Howell



Existing Display Garden:

Rocking Chair

Owners: Jim and Jane Sovine

Location: Raleigh, NC

Q: What inspired you to be a Region 15 Display Garden?

As we prepared the garden for the regional tour when Raleigh was the host back around 2006, I noticed there were no display gardens in the eastern part of North Carolina. I had visited a few display gardens and was a garden judge so it was a natural fit at that time to apply. We had several hundred different varieties and all sections were represented.



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

When I retired in October of 2005, my team gave me a rocking chair as a retirement gift. I could sit with my grandmother for hours when I was young and rock on her side porch looking out over her field at the cattle.

Q: How did your love of gardening with daylilies begin?

When we moved from Gaithersburg, MD, to Raleigh, NC, in 1994, I was not growing daylilies although I loved to garden. Irene Quinn was in the Quilt club with Jane and invited us to come to the RHC meetings. I remember saying that I would never spend \$100 for a flower. It was not long after that when I got the bug bad.

Q: How would you describe your garden?

We try to have something blooming all year round. Daylilies are the stars but we have a number of different types of iris, Asiatic lilies, camellias and many other flowers and shrubs. Recently I have started growing tree lilies which have added depth and fragrance to the garden.

Q: What inspired you to create your garden design?

The design was totally by accident. The only planned part is the water garden which we wanted off the back deck so that we could hear the waterfall. Additional beds were added as the daylilies started coming faster and faster.

Q: What are a few of your favorite daylilies that people must see when visiting?

When I first started I loved reds, however the color does not seem to matter anymore. I grow many small and miniature daylilies because they do so well in the shows I enter. Lately I have added many Unusual Forms and Spiders. My favorite miniature is 'Spacecoast Tiny Perfection' (Kinnebrew-J., 1998) and my favorite small flower is 'Baby Boomer' (Herrington-T., 1996). 'Summer Star' (Santa Lucia 1999), 'Curls Gone Wild' (Selman 2012), 'True to Whim' (Love-R., 1993), and 'Lois Burns' (Temple 1986) are cultivars that are doing well in our garden.



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

The peak bloom varies some due to the weather in Raleigh. We usually peak around the second or third week of June but have many early bloomers in mid-May and some late and rebloomers in July.

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

Have fun! Grow your favorites but remember you need to have some older ones as well as representation of all classes. I still stress over deer, as they like to raid the garden in the spring.

Q: Lastly, can daylilies be purchased?

We don't sell our daylilies but we enjoy donating them and getting beginners started by sharing them.

Photos Jim Sovine; photo of the Sovines by Linda Sue Barnes

Useful link:

To apply for display garden status please go to:
<https://daylilies.org/daylilies/display-gardens/>



In Memoriam

Kathryn Bledsoe

Catawba Valley Daylily Club is deeply saddened to announce the passing of Kathryn Bledsoe. She and her husband Buster, along with their son Terry and his wife Jill, have been tireless workers in their gorgeous garden, and their efforts were rewarded when the Bledsoe Garden was named an ADS Daylily Display Garden (see page 16).

Nancy Womack, Region 15 President, writes, "Unfortunately, I didn't have the privilege of knowing Kathryn, except by name, until my recent visit with her, just a week before her death. Upon meeting her, I quickly realized how much I had missed. I have never seen a person so happy with her daylily garden and the family and friends who had traveled that journey with her to make it so beautiful and welcoming. Visiting the Bledsoe Garden was truly one of the highlights of my 2018 summer."

Photo courtesy of Hickory Funeral Home.



Howard Parris

Foothills Daylily Society is sad to report the recent death of Howard Parris, the primary impetus behind the founding of our club in 2006. He served as club president for its first four years and remained an active member until he was diagnosed with cancer several years ago.

Through their sales garden, Howard and his wife, Joyce, introduced the love of growing daylilies to many people in our area, as well as to countless strangers who passed along the highway and saw their sign. Their enthusiasm and their exuberant personalities endeared them to everyone.

We will miss Howard. We express sincere condolences to Joyce and the entire Parris family.

Submitted by Nancy Womack; photo courtesy of Eggers Funeral Home.



Daylilies in Tigertown

2018 Region 15 Fall Meeting

Hosted by the Upstate Daylily Society

The Upstate Daylily Society welcomes you to Clemson in the foothills of South Carolina for the Region 15 Fall Meeting October 5-6, 2018. All events will be held at the Best Western Plus Clemson, 1310 Tiger Blvd., Clemson, SC 29631. Finish up your weekend with the SC Botanical Garden tour, which is sure to be memorable. Check it out at <https://www.clemson.edu/public/scbg/visit/map.html>.

Friday night registration will begin around 5:30. We'll have a silent auction, plant sale, and raffle along with heavy hors d'oeuvres. Friday night's auction will offer some fabulous daylilies, including old favorites and the latest exciting introductions -- and including plants from new hybridizers.

Our keynote speakers are Ray and Wanda Quinn, of Windy Hill Garden. Ray will update us on his thrilling hybridizing program and Wanda will delight us with information on attracting hummingbirds to our gardens.

Region 15 Fall Meeting Agenda

Friday October 5

- 1:30 – 4:30 Exhibition Judges Clinic I & III
- 1:30 – 4:30 Garden Judges Workshop I
- 5:30 – 8:00 Registration, Raffle, Silent Auction Open
- 5:30 – 6:30 Region 15 Leadership Team Meeting
- 6:30 – 7:00 Region 15 Board Meeting
- 7:00 – 8:00 Heavy Hors d'oeuvres
- 8:00 Welcome – Nancy Womack
Region 15 President
- 8:00 – 10:00 Auction

Saturday October 6

- 8:00 – 9:00 Early Bird social hour
Hotel guests get free breakfast
Raffle, Silent Auction Open
- 9:00 – 10:00 Region 15 Business Meeting
Presentation of Awards & Announcements
- 10:00 – 10:15 Break
- 10:15 – 12:00 Keynote Speakers
Ray and Wanda Quinn
Windy Hill Gardens
- 12:00 – 1:15 Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 Raffle and Silent Auction
prize winners announced
- 1:30 Patrick McMillan
Tour of SC Botanical Garden





DAYLILIES IN TIGERTOWN

AHS REGION 15
2018 FALL REGIONAL

October 5 and 6



CONVENTION LOCATION: Best Western Hotel, 1310 Tiger Blvd. Clemson, SC 29631

Registration Form

Registration Information: Full registration includes heavy hors d'oeuvres Friday night, snack during break Saturday and lunch Saturday. Please print your names as you wish them to appear on our nametags. Indicate youth reservations with a "Y" following the name.

Attendee #1 _____ Attendee #2 _____

Additional Attendees _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

*Note special, dietary or mobility needs are on the bottom of the registration form.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEES:

Early Registration – Adult \$60.00 postmarked by 9- 20-18.	Number _____	Total _____
Adult Registration \$75.00 postmarked after 9-20-18	Number _____	Total _____
Youth Registration \$50.00	Number _____	Total _____
Companion Lunch \$25.00	Number _____	Total _____
TOTAL		_____

Hotel Reservations: Make your reservations by calling the Best Western Plus Clemson at 1-864-986-6200. Be sure to mention the Upstate Daylily Society to get your discount rate of \$99.00 per night plus taxes. These rates are available from 10-4 thru 10-7. Hot continental breakfast will be provided.

Judges Clinic and Workshop Registration: Please list the name(s) of person(s) who plan to attend. Attendees must bring the newest revision of the Garden Judges and Exhibition Judges Handbooks (available on the AHS website). There is a \$5.00 charge per class that will be collected at the class.

Exhibition Judges Clinic I _____

Exhibition Judges Clinic III _____

Garden Workshop I _____

Any special medical, dietary, or mobility needs? Please specify how we may best support you.

Mail Registration and Checks to: Karen Manning, 1230 Central Shiloh Rd., Abbeville, SC 29620

E-mail kkstoddard@att.net phone 864-979-1563

Donate to the Plant Auction

Contact Frank and Donna Bobby at trouble29657@bellsouth.net and Bill Hemmingsen at knobhillgardens@yahoo.com to let them know what wonderful daylilies you would like to donate. They'll provide you with shipping directions. Needed now.

Donate to the Silent Auction & Raffle

Contact Brenda Coggins at ccoggins1020@yahoo.com to let her know what you plan to bring. She'll make sure a space is all laid out for your fabulous item or basket! Notify or mail to Brenda by 9/29/18.

Right: Ellen Weisseg and Ruth Morrison in front of the truly special basket the members of the Chicagoland Daylily Society donated to the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach. *Photo Kathy Dolge*



Recognizing the Backyard Hybridizer

11th in a Series by Mitchell Hagler

Marlon Howell

If you attended the recent ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, you visited Southern Charm Gardens in Conway, SC, where you saw many of Marlon Howell's own introductions and seedlings. You also saw an expanded and more beautiful garden than the one featured at the 2013 Region 15 Summer Meeting.

Sweet', **'Saltwater Kisses'** and **'Under the Boardwalk'**, all 2018 introductions. If you were lucky, you received fans of **'Under the Boardwalk'** as a registration or bus plant in Myrtle Beach. Maybe yours was the lucky bid in the auction for **'Southern Charm Short and Sweet'** or **'Saltwater Kisses.'**



After receiving some good feedback on his diploid seedlings, Marlon is expanding to bring dormancy with fancy ruffled flowers of all colors. He is now getting taller scapes on full forms. He hopes to build strong scapes with long-petaled UF's and spiders since so many tend to fall over. Ever looking on the positive side, Marlon believes "he can take diploids to a new level." However, he has learned over the years that what people are looking for is a good plant and they are concerned less about whether it is a tet or a dip.



Not only is the garden a "southern" one, but Marlon is also a true Southerner, born and raised and raising his own family in Conway. In fact, the house he grew up in is nearby and the house he and his wife Ann now share was moved about 16 miles to its present site, right next to Marlon's parents and across the street from their son and his family.

Although Marlon realizes that he is fortunate to have a good job selling car parts, the downside is he has limited time to hybridize – and this guy has big plans! He currently grows over 800 cultivars in addition to watching several hundred seedlings each season. He started hybridizing about eight years ago but began in earnest about five years ago.

Marlon favors round tets with lots of ruffles. So far, he has introduced: **'Grandpa's Joy'** (2015), a deep red with a ruffled white edge; **'Orange Pineapple Milkshake'** (2017), light to medium orange with a yellow blend and ruffled edge, 25 buds and 4-way branching; **'Southern Charm Short and**

Since Marlon works full time, he is in the garden at daybreak, peeling stamens back to expose pollen, but still he makes more seeds than he can plant. He is fortunate to have good mentors: Charles and Heidi Douglas and Ed Zahler. Like many others, he started out using seedlings from these folks, then brought in some less expensive cultivars, and then...well, as Paul Harvey used to say, "You know the rest of the story."

Wife Ann has recently become more interested in miniature daylilies and Marlon, too, is changing his attitude. In preparation for the ADS National Convention tour, they

Four photos above: Marlon Howell's diploid program has produced beauties with strong colors and great substance

Photo upper right: Elizabeth Trotter's photo of Marlon Howell against the morning light

Four photos above, right: Marlon Howell's tetraploid program is bringing brilliant edges and delicious colors

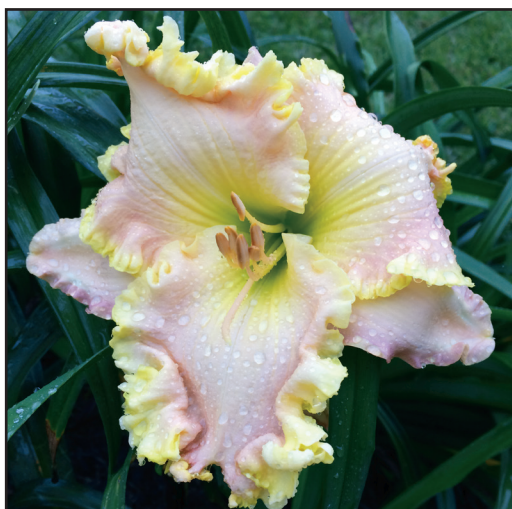
purchased a number of miniatures to make sure there would be something for everyone to enjoy.

Marlon's second love is roses and his collection of David Austin old English roses is pleasing to both the eye and the nose. These old style roses and mounds of Knockout roses provide an unexpected and fragrant backdrop to his daylilies. He also has plans to add tall bearded iris to the garden.



Marlon is active in the Georgetown Area Daylily Club, having served as treasurer for six consecutive years and currently as vice president. He is a proud father and grandfather who is looking forward to a second grandchild in September. Marlon sums up his infatuation with gardening and especially daylilies, "I enjoy growing things."

Region 15 is fortunate to have this young hybridizer dabbling on the weekends!



Four photos above, clockwise from upper left: 'Grandpa's Joy' (Howell-M., 2015); 'Orange Pineapple Milkshake' (Howell-M., 2016); 'Southern Charm Short and Sweet' (Howell-M., 2018); 'Saltwater Kisses' (Howell-M., 2018)

Above: 'Under the Boardwalk' (Howell-M., 2018) bus plant at ADS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach

All photos Marlon Howell except photo of Marlon taken by Elizabeth Trotter

Southern Draw Contest at the ADS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach:

And the winner was...

Sandhills Daylily Club

(Most tickets - \$1,000 in daylilies from
Browns Ferry Gardens)



Above: (l - r) Linda Sue Barnes, Curtis Barnes, Ella Ruth Maugans, Dawn Whitley, Alex Whitley, Wanda Quinn, and Raymond Quinn, members of the Sandhills Daylily Club, celebrate their win.

Photo Nancy Womack

Second Place Winner

Upstate Daylily Society

(Second highest number of tickets - \$500 in daylilies from
I Can't Believe It's a Dip Garden)



Above, from left: Patricia Turner and Brenda Coggins represent all the donors from the Upstate Daylily Society who contributed to their winning basket.

Photo Kathy Dolge

The Four Ps of Making a Daylily Video

by Ken Ferguson, President, Coastal NC Daylily Society

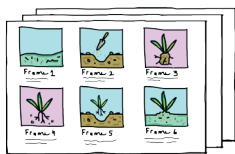


Now that I have bought a daylily from y'all, what do I do with it? I already have a HUGE clump of daylilies in my yard. Can I split 'em? Those are the questions heard at every Coastal NC Daylily Society plant sale. Until now, our response has been a handout on how to plant daylilies combined with holding up bare-root plants and trying with gestures to demonstrate how to dig and split a clump. We often got a deer in the headlights stare.

Knowing that a picture is worth a thousand words and a video is worth tens of thousands of words, we developed a new strategy – we created two one-minute videos that we can even show on our phones at plant sales.

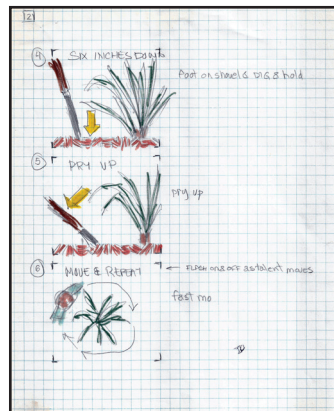
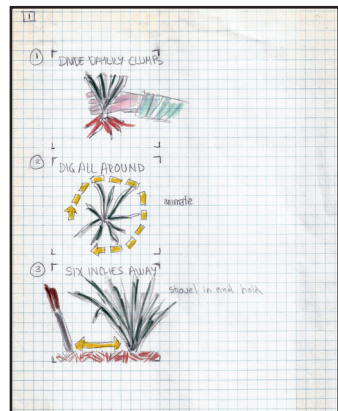
Go to YouTube on your computer, phone, or tv. Type "Coastal NC Daylily Society" in the search window. You'll see our first two videos, "How to Plant a Daylily" and "How to Divide a Daylily."

Want to make your own videos? Want to know how we made these? Just follow the four Ps of making a daylily video: Pre-production, Production, Post-production, and Placement.



PRE-PRODUCTION - Every video needs a story that has a beginning, middle, and end. We wrote everything down we wanted to demonstrate in the video and, when satisfied the story was told, created

storyboards. Storyboards are simple drawings with the visuals and actions we would shoot. For example, our one-minute videos each had about 20 shots.



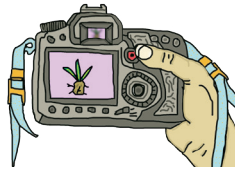
We wanted background music rather than voiceover. Using music or anything that is copyrighted without written permission is a criminal offense, so we used Google to search for royalty-free music. The tracks we selected came with the condition that we credit the owner, which we did at the end of the videos.

	A	B	C	D
2	SETUP 1			
3				PLANTS B & C REMOVED, RAKED UNDIST
4				PROPS - SHOVEL, TAPE MEASURE, SURVE
5	SCENE GRAPHIC		CAM ACTION	
6	C6 Repeat		AG Janet starts at 9, with shovel pry up post	
7			MOVE to 12. CONTINUE all of the way at	
8				CLUMP A REMOVED - DOUBLE FAN PLAN
9	P14 Spacing		AG WIDE - PLANT A is in ground. MEASURE +	
10			MEASURE B to C with TAPE 18" and ADD	
11				PLANT A MUST BE IN GROUND WITH MU
12				

	A	B	C	D
1	EDIT - DIVIDING CLUMPS			
2	SCENE GRAPHIC		CAM ACTION	
3	C1 Dividing daylily clumps		OG STATIC of full, unclean clump on cutting bo	
4				
5	C2 You will need		OG STATIC -MCU - Janet with elbows LOCKED at	
6			to grab the objects. CREW must have props	
7	Shovel		HOLDING Shovel .03 then toss overhead bef	
8	Hose		RIGHT HAND take HOSE .01 then squirt... an	
9	Split tool		LEF HAND take TOOL .02 ... and DROP	
10	Scissors		RIGHT HAND take SCISSORS .03... and DROP	

Planning what actions to shoot from which perspective and in which order came next. We needed shots from above grade, on grade, and below grade. All of the shots from the same camera perspective would be shot at the same time. These actions were shot out of order from the storyboards and some actions had to be repeated to reshoot them from different perspectives.

The last task was a site survey, where the director checks out the shooting location. It is important to make sure the landowner understands what will be taking place. A sketch is made of the location, including utility locations, where equipment goes, where volunteers' cars will be parked, etc.



PRODUCTION – We had eight society members in our production crew. At our 8AM start time, humidity was already 97%, so we knew it would be an uncomfortable day.

Our videos were shot with a Nikon D3300 camera body, using a Nikkor 16-55 mm zoom lens. In the movie setup menu, the camera was set to a frame size of 1280 x 720 progressive, at 60fps (an optimal size for YouTube.) The camera was remotely controlled via USB cable between the camera and a Dell laptop computer, running digiCamControl. With this free app we were able to see what the camera was shooting, start and stop recording, adjust focus, and adjust the iris. We add a graphic overlay (which does not record) to assist in the framing of each shot.



Before the camera rolled, several tasks happened behind the scenes. The high camera rig was set up, clumps were dug, washed, split, and tagged. To make the digging scenes easier, holes were dug, then loosely refilled and top dressed to look like undisturbed soil. The clump used to demonstrate dividing fans was dug up and gently replanted so it would be lifted quickly and easily for the video.

Left, above: Samples of the storyboards illustrating the shots and sequences

Left, below: Samples of the editing and shooting scripts

Above, top: Dottie Wahler and Mary Bock (l - r) watch Ken Ferguson set up camera and graphics software

Above, bottom: View of the digiCamControl software overlay that assists in framing camera shots



It took about an hour to set up, then it was time to record our first scene. From this point on, we just followed the storyboards.

The most difficult shots to stage were the opening “You will need...” sequences. The talent was directed to stand absolutely still, only moving her arms. The people handing the props had to have the tools ready to move in and out of the shot, so they were positioned out of frame on both sides and even below. These scenes required more than one take – 26 to be exact.

The unintended MVP of the day turned out to be the digiCamControl. Initially it was only planned to be used on the high cam shots, but it proved invaluable below grade. After blocking those shots, putting the operator in a very awkward position, the camera never had to be touched to start and stop recording because it was remotely controlled. During all of the on grade shots when the camera was on a tripod, the operator could see the video in HD on a big computer screen instead of the small screen on the back of the camera. With the ability to view the associated graphics, precise framing of each shot was a snap.



Several unusual homemade tools were used in these productions. A Targus Grypton Pro XL camera mount was attached to an 8’ long beam, and hoisted 10’ above grade (thus the need for the USB remote control of the camera) for the digging and cutting board process shots. The cutting board itself was crafted from scrap tongue and groove hardwood flooring. For the underground shots, we dug a trench about 8” deep and 6’ long. Again using the Grypton mount, only flattened this time, we positioned the camera below grade, and used a salvaged storm window to keep soil off the lens.



When the shoot wrapped four hours and 34 scenes later, the temperature had climbed to 83° and the humidity was still at 97%. A hot, thirsty crew is a grumpy crew, so we made sure to have ice and water available.

Top, left and right: Camera in position (circle) on 8’ long beam hoisted 10’ above grade for overhead shots; Targus Grypton Pro XL camera mount holds the Nikon D3300 camera body with Nikkor 16-55 mm zoom lens in place

Left, top: From off screen, Fred Bock, Ernie Wahler, Alan Miles Jr., and Dottie Wahler (l - r) hand Janet Hong (with shovel) each item

Left, bottom: Fred Bock hands Janet Hong a tray of mulch while holding the tray of dirt at the ready, Ernie Wahler watches in the wings

Above, top: Ken Ferguson lines up the camera for below grade shots

Above, middle: The flexibility of the Targus Grypton Pro XL camera mount allows the camera to be placed below grade

Above, bottom: What the below grade camera revealed



POST PRODUCTION - Our productions were edited using Adobe Premier CC2014 on a laptop computer. A complete copy of all of the unedited video (7.1 GB) was backed up to an off-board hard drive.

Every time recording was started and stopped, the camera created a file with a name similar to the file name of a still image (ex. DSC_0056, DSC_0057, DSC_0058). That file name was not really helpful when trying to find a specific scene. Rather than looking at all of the clips (115 on our project), the editor looked at the last take of each scene, which is usually where the director says, "That's a keeper." The file was then renamed to describe the action (ex. Clumps open seq).

With clips identified, the assembly process began. Most editors load the audio track first. This acts like a metronome, providing a sense of rhythm for inserting the individual video shots. Video editing works similar to that of a word processing application. Scenes are cut and pasted together to match the storyboard. They are shortened or lengthened (trimmed) to have the best flow. Graphics, dissolves, or other special effects are added.

this last shot of the day were three rather wimpy fans, which just weren't acceptable. To remedy this problem, we noted the scenes that didn't work and scheduled a second shoot to redo only the problem shots. Once the new scenes were done and incorporated, we were able to finish our videos.

The final step in post is exporting the video out of the editor in a form that people can actually view. There are literally hundreds of output formats, but the one that we consistently use is H.264. This produces an MP4 file at 29.97 frames per second, which can be uploaded to most websites and will playback on just about any device. The resultant file is big (our 1 min video is ~90MB). After all, it is in HD with stereo audio.



PLACEMENT - Now that we had our two videos, we needed a place for them to live. We ruled out Instagram because videos are limited to one minute or less. Facebook is an OK repository, but after you post a new video, that piece will move further down the timeline as newer posts are added. Yes, the video can be located on a different page or pinned, but it is a bit of an effort for someone looking for immediate gratification. That left us with YouTube, which is

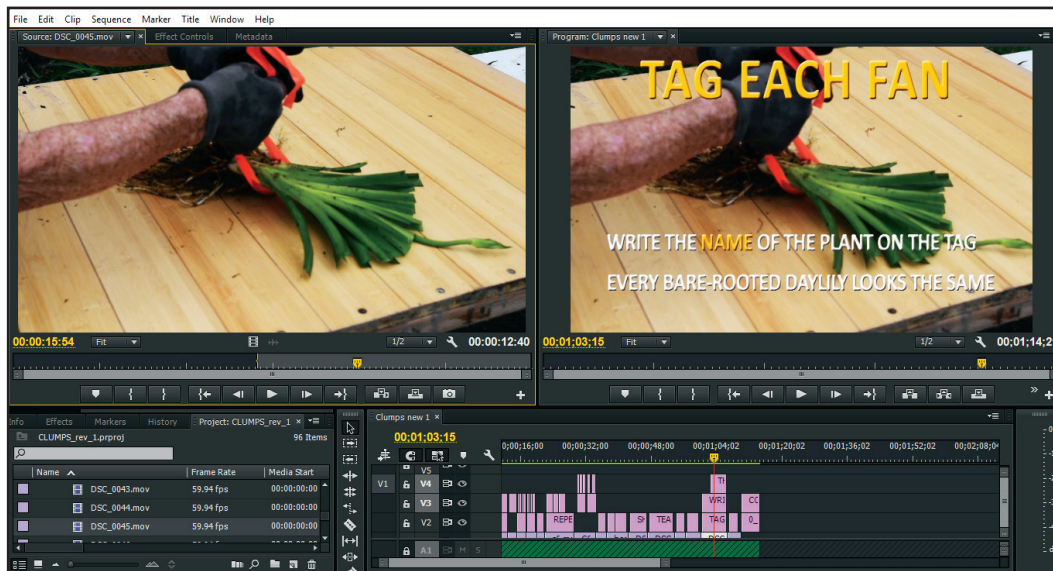
widely known for hosting "How To" videos. We created our own YouTube channel with the same name as our Facebook account to make it easier to locate. We uploaded our videos, then watched as the number of unique viewers has climbed each week. Getting back to why we started all this, we have also designed a business card pointing buyers at our plant sales to the videos and one is included with every plant we sell.

GIVE IT A TRY - We found that producing a video is rewarding on many levels. The process was a great team building exercise, different than maintaining our display bed, and left our

members asking, "When can we make some more?"

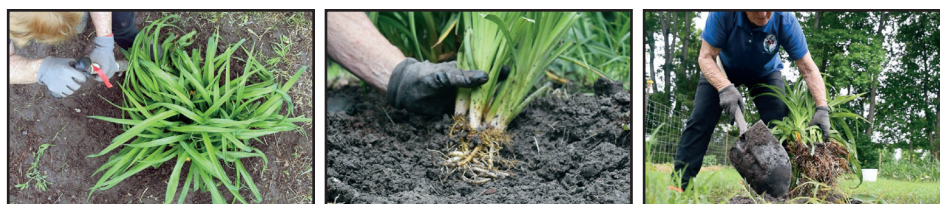
Ken Ferguson is a retired multimedia producer. Contact him directly at coastalncdaylilyociety@mediacommb.net with questions, comments, or for information on how to download the two videos.

*Photos Sherry Richardson
Screen Shots Ken Ferguson
Illustrations Natalie Shenk*



From experience, the whole editing process should be done wearing headsets, as anyone nearby will be driven crazy hearing the same cut of music played over and over as the video is being fine-tuned. Just ask my wife.

Assembly revealed our production issues. Continuity errors mean that when several shots are cut together, the scenes don't exactly match. We had some serious continuity issues that I will lift the curtain on. Below are three frames from the first edit, or rough cut, assembled back to back, demonstrating the problem. The big clump that should have appeared in the middle frame was inadvertently cleaned and divided and used in previous scenes. All we had left for



Left, above: View of editing software Adobe Premier CC2014

Left, below: Sequence of shots revealed continuity issues and the need to reshoot scenes; the fat overhead shot, to the wimpy fans, to the flat clump being lifted

Above: Business card given out at plant sales and events with information to find videos posted on YouTube



Club News

Catawba Valley Daylily Club by Rita Katz

Catawba Valley Daylily Club has been having a great time this year! At our meeting the first Saturday in May we had a Kentucky Derby party and wore our derby hats as we enjoyed refreshments. After announcements and time spent planning, we all headed outside to check out our new planting area. This bed is in front of the Hickory Science Center where we hold our meetings. We were asked to plant more daylilies in the area along with a few other plants from the Center. We did that happily and examined our regular bed for weeds, growth, etc.

Our two new members decided to attend the National Convention along with five people from our club. Another member was commissioned to make a beautiful red "hotel" birdhouse as our donation to the Southern Draw, but Terry Bledsoe donated it after he built it. We enjoyed seeing old friends and introducing our new members to other daylily lovers.

Right, above: (clockwise from front) Lisa Goins, Kathryn Bledsoe, Vickie Jordan, Priscilla Folley, Rita Katz, Barbara Garren, and Buster Bledsoe celebrate the hats of Derby Day. *Photo Rita Katz*

Right, below: (l - r) Beth Hallman, Priscilla Folley, Rita Katz, Vickie Jordan, and Lisa Goins fuel up before traveling to the ADS National Convention. *Photo by Kind Waitress*



July 7, we all traveled to Blue Ridge Daylily Gardens to soak in the beauty of Bob and Eric's daylilies in the mountains.

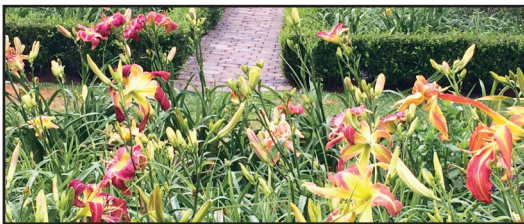
We were all excited and proud to learn that Buster and Kathryn Bledsoe's garden received certification as an ADS Display Garden, a fitting recognition of their hard work and dedication. We were then saddened to learn that Kathryn passed away just a week later. Our hearts are broken and she will be greatly missed.



Charleston Daylily Club by Mike Denton

The Charleston Daylily Club had its first organizational meeting in May at the Marine Resources Research Institute on James Island, just south of Charleston. Eighteen enthusiastic participants voted on bylaws and chose officers: President Mike Denton; Vice President Perry Gaskins; Treasurer David Whitaker; and, Secretary Annette Kibler. The program was "Daylilies 101" kindly provided by Heidi Douglas from Browns Ferry Gardens, preceded by a very nice early dinner brought in by members.

The second meeting was held in Mike Denton's home and garden. The heavens opened up all morning and it poured down rain; however, we agreed to meet rain or shine. The rains began



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to clear as members gathered. Mike oriented the group to the named varieties beds, seedling beds, and winter garden as the sun began to come out. The club discussed hybridizing goals and looked at dozens of 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011) x 'Tahoe Snow Blizzard' (Gossard 2006) seedlings as well as many other diploid and tetraploid crosses. Members also got a sneak peak of the Region 15 seedling bed for the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting, then saw some of the 200 grafted camellias before a nice lunch. While eating, they looked at cut daylilies and discussed the characteristics of each flower and how those traits might be conveyed to their offspring. There were also lots of laughs and fun was had by all!

In June, we enjoyed a delightful presentation from Tom Bruce of Carolina Daylilies. We all enjoyed his discussion of his daylilies, hostas, and irises.

It's clear that relationships are beginning to be built and the club is coming together. These are exciting times for this new club.

Left: Mike Denton's gorgeous garden, site of the Charleston Daylily Club's June meeting. *Photo Mike Denton*

Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society by Ken Ferguson

Spring has come and gone in northeast NC, and the typical hot and humid summer season is upon us. A former member generously donated an enormous selection of registered daylily clumps, sufficient for the rest of the sales season. An entire day was spent digging, cleaning, splitting, potting, and tagging.

Our first sale was the 2018 Home, Flower, and Garden Show, sponsored by the Currituck County Master Gardeners (most of our members are Master Gardeners). The next was in Southern Shores on May 5, a date significant because it was World Naked Gardening Day, Cinco de Mayo, and Kentucky Derby Day. Nobody can say that we didn't do our part to celebrate two out of the three events! Our most recent sale took place at the Downtown Waterfront Market in Elizabeth City. A cool breeze off the Albemarle Sound helped temper the heat of both days.



Society members Pat and Bill Mansfield of Hertford, launched a commercial daylily garden at their home. Our members carpooled to opening day but after four inches of rain earlier in the week the fields

were a muddy mess. Pat said not to worry about parking, "...we have a John Deere to pull 'em out if they get stuck in the yard." Fortunately, it wasn't needed. Later in mid-June, member Janet Hong hosted our regular business meeting plus lunch and a tour of her daylily beds.

Her entire garden was in full, magnificent bloom. Janet has registered 17 daylilies and has seedlings she plans to introduce.

CNCDS actively worked to send a contingent to the national convention. We used our Myrtle Beach Passport project to generate enough money for 10 of our members (almost 50% of our total membership) to go. Everyone had a great time and we had our own table at the banquets. Our collaborative project, "The Seventh Inning Stretch," was a huge hit, bringing everyone to their feet in raucous laughter.

Make sure you read "The Four P's of Making a Daylily Movie" on pages 22 to 24. That article describes what we did with the rest of our time since we last updated this page.

Left: Members Liz, Ken, Charlene, Mary, Fred, and Loraine demonstrate World Naked Gardening Day with a Cinco de Mayo twist. *Photo Bill Kirkland*

Above: Pat & Bill Mansfield on opening day of Mansfield's Garden (search Facebook for "Manfield's Daylilies"). *Photo Ken Ferguson*



Watch for the article "So You Want to Start a Daylily Club..." by Mike Denson, first president of the new Charleston Daylily Club, in our Fall/Winter edition

Foothills Daylily Society by Nolan Newton

The Foothills Daylily Society, of Rutherfordton, NC, meets monthly to improve our gardening expertise and learn more about our growing daylily collections. Recent meeting topics have included daylily hybridizing, rose culture, and spring garden preparation.

We participated in our local Master Gardener training with an exhibit, and provided speakers from our society on topics as diverse as biological control of pests and on rose growing. Our members enjoy using their wide-ranging backgrounds and experiences while sharing their love of daylilies.

In May, we enjoyed a garden tour and refreshments at the home of our resident rosarians, Diane and Steve Earnest. Their gardens of roses, daylilies, and other beautiful plants were spectacular, as was their hospitality! Our society sold daylilies at the Town of Rutherfordton's annual Mayfest event, raising almost \$750! FDS members donated divisions of their own introductions and other plants, plus they staffed the sales booth.

Several members of our society attended the wonderful ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach. A committee of FDS members created a stunning basket for the GADC fundraising

effort. (GADC is so grateful to FDS members for pulling together such a terrific basket – and to those who bought dozens and dozens of tickets trying to win it! – Editor)

In June the FDS had a pot luck dinner hosted by Nancy Womack. The food and fellowship were great, and we thank Nancy for her gracious hospitality! Another highlight of the summer was garden judge training at Iron Gate Gardens. Van Sellers and Vic Santa Lucia put on a great session for judge aspirants, providing expert instruction in this area of daylily knowledge.

Several members of FDS also attended Bob Selman and Eric Simpson's Multi-Club Picnic at Blue Ridge Daylilies. They reported the fellowship with club members from throughout the area was enjoyable and educational.



Above: Nancy Rigsby stands by the Foothills Daylily Society's tremendous basket in the Southern Draw at the ADS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach (despite putting in about 20 tickets, I didn't win this one either - Editor). Photo Kathy Dolge

Left: Members of the Foothills Daylily Society meet at Nancy Womack's home for a June pot luck dinner. Photo Barbara Peterson



Lowcountry Daylily Club by Anne Winningham

Lowcountry Daylily Club had the pleasure of hearing Tom Bruce speak at our March meeting. Tom showed us his beautiful garden, with his daylilies, hostas, irises, and his hypertufa creations. Members of the club were excited that he brought a van full of plants for sale. Tom really knows how to grow perennials!!!!

In April, LCDC was delighted to host Peggy Jeffcoat, always a favorite presenter and friend. Peggy said Jim was the "techie," so she brought her presentation on actual slides. She showed us her beautiful garden and their daylilies along with companion perennials. When she and Jim were on vacation, they bought a box of slides and found that some were of gardens with daylilies. Peggy included a few of these slides in her presentation and one was of Eleanor Roosevelt - definitely a surprise.

In June, while several of our members were able to attend the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, several more helped by working in the gardens and at the plant sale. Everyone had a great time; Heidi and Kathy did a fabulous job!!!! (The members of GADC are immensely grateful to the LCDC members able to help with the convention. They each put in very long hours doing sweaty or tedious work and the success of the convention is due in no small part to these great volunteers! – Editor)

We've been very busy working on the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting to be held in Moncks Corner, SC, on May 31 & June 1. We hope you are making plans to join us.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone in Clemson in October.



Left: At the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, Tom Bruce, March LCDC speaker, sold his delightful tiny hostas in the hypertufa containers he made. Photo Kathy Dolge

Right: Member of Lowcountry Daylily Club, led by Anne Winningham, Plant Sale Chair, conducted the sold-out plant sale, which brought in a record amount at the convention plant sale. Photo Kathy Tinius



Georgetown Area Daylily Club by Kathy Tinius

What is there to say? We are all exhausted, sweaty, spent, recovering, and still in disbelief that we pulled it off. We hope everyone who came to our national convention had a great time, saw gorgeous daylilies, talked with each of our garden owners / hybridizers, and at least once touched the ocean.



Above: Co-chairs Heidi Douglas and Kathy Tinius can't believe it is the final day of the convention *Photo Bill Hurt*

Right: My favorite photo from the convention; Wanda Quinn checks in with visitors to Southern Charm Garden *Photo Ann Howell*

(Surprise! Yes, this club report is out of order, I needed to do that to make everything fit - Editor)



Mid-Carolina Daylily Society from the Mid-Carolina Daylily Society Facebook Page & Gene Crocker

The Mid-Carolina Daylily Society auction was a big success, due in no small part to the huge plants ordered from John and Annette Rice's Thoroughbred Daylilies. During peak bloom, the club visited Paul Owen's Slightly Different Nursery. We held our annual MCDS Flower Show on June 16 and here are the winners:

On Scape:

- Extra Large: **'Rosemarie Louise'** (Pierce-G., 2015) Elaine Taylor
- Large: **'Waves of Joy'** (Trimmer 2012) Peggy Jeffcoat
- Small: **'Halloween Green'** (Herrington-T., 2011) Peggy Jeffcoat
- Miniature: **'Mayor of Munchkinland'** (Herrington-T., 2010) Peggy Jeffcoat
- Double & Polymerous Multiform: **'Penthouse'** (Santa Lucia 2006) Gene & Kitty Crocker
- Spider (tied): **'Free Wheelin''** (Stamile 2004) Gene & Kitty Crocker
- Spider (tied): **'Biloxi Memories'** (Lovett 2011) Peggy Jeffcoat
- Unusual Form: **'Isabelle Rose'** (Laprise 2009) Peggy Jeffcoat
- Seedling: Gene & Kitty Crocker

Off Scape:

- Extra Large Flower: **'Dynamite Bright'** (Santa Lucia 2004) Cassie Craig
- Large Flower: **'Pumpkin Bandit'** (Corbett 2006) Cassie Craig
- Small Flower: **'Freedom in Flight'** (Salter-E.H., 2012) Leslie Mauck



- Double & Polymerous Multiform 5a: **'Give Me Five'** (Herr-D., 2017) Leslie Mauck
- Double & Polymerous Multiform 5b: **'Raspberry Ripple Cupcake'** (Herrington-T, 2007) Beth Cribb
- Spider: **'Cameroons Twister'** (Benz 2000) Beth Cribb
- Spider: **'Thin Man'** (Trimmer 2002) Sue Moesley
- Unusual Form: **'Apple Swirl'** (Harri-JN 2002) Sue Moesley

We're looking forward to Paul Owen's presentation at our September meeting.

Clockwise from Left: Off scape entries in the Mid-Carolina Daylily Society's annual flower show. *Photo Lee Breuer.* Gorgeous showing of flowers from Leslie Mauck's garden. *Photo Leslie Mauck.* On scape entries at the flower show. *Photo Lee Breuer.* Peggy Jeffcoat and Judy Bozard enjoy their trip to Paul Owen's Slightly Different Nursery. *Photo Sheila Caldon.*



Piedmont Daylily Club by Mitchell Hagler

The Piedmont Daylily Club ushered in the new year with a slide show borrowed from the ADS library. Next we learned how our own Terry Baucom hybridizes—what he looks for and how he gets it, or gets something different in some cases. In March, we welcomed Paul Owen, who had an interesting and humorous program on “Sex in the Garden,” describing how he increases his plants through hybridizing. In April we had a non-daylily auction in the garden of John and Ann Smethurst. Their garden is beautiful anytime but especially so in the spring with hundreds of named Columbines in bloom. In May, Linda Gluck reviewed tips on preparing entries for our June Show and Nancy Moore gave tips for those entering the Design Section of the show.

In addition to the usual judged on-scape sections, our show included an accredited design section, an off-scape section judged by the public, a photography contest judged by the public, a silent auction, and a plant sale.

The proud winners at the head table included:

Extra Large and Best in Show: **‘Cherry Peacock’** (Reed 2011) Gail Gribble

Small Flower: **‘Little Fantastic’** (Cunningham-E.L., 1977) Gail Moore

Spider: **‘Gadsden Greensleeves’** (Reinke 1992) Tommy Moore

Miniature: **‘Pookie Bear’** (Durio-D., 1984) Mitchell Hagler

Double: **‘Sebastian the Crab’** (Joiner-J., 2003) Bill and Linda Gluck

Unusual Form: **‘Ya Ya Girl’** (Roberts-N., 2003) Tom Moore

Seedling: J.D. Stadler

Sweepstakes: Bob Richardson

In the design section, these took top honors:

Class 1 “A Gem of a Design” First Place and Tricolor Rosette, Jill Rogers

Class 2 “Carolina Gems” First Place and Best Use of Color, plus Best in Show, Jennifer Prowe

Class 3 “Small Gems” First Place, Jill Rogers

Class 4 “Gems of Many Colors” First Place and Most Creative Design, Val Levesque

Our club was well represented at the ADS National Convention with nine members attending. Although our Southern Draw donation did not win the generous daylily prize, we had fun collecting the items and thank Connie Moffett for putting it all together in a trunk!

To reward ourselves for a successful plant sale and for all our hard work during the year, we rented a bus for a day trip to Blue Ridge Daylilies. It was a fun and exciting trip since many of our members had not seen such a large and beautiful daylily nursery.

Our Board will be evaluating our show to see if any changes are needed, working on programs for next year, and planning ways to strengthen our club.



Above, top: Piedmont member Jill Rogers with her beautiful Tricolor Rosette-winning entry for “A Gem of a Design” *Photo Milton Moffett*

Above, bottom: Mitchell Hagler and Gail & Dave Gribble pose in front of the very popular Southern Draw entry from Piedmont Daylily Club (I didn’t win this one either, drat it - Editor) *Photo Kathy Dolge*

Raleigh Hemerocallis Society by Richard Warren and Raymond Quinn

Happy Summer greetings to our fellow ADS Region 15 members! Hope this finds you well after a busy daylily season so far. Our daylilies here in the Raleigh area are well past peak as we just celebrated our nation’s independence. Just a few short weeks ago we were excitedly anticipating another season of colorful displays in our gardens and flower shows.

In late Spring, club members visited the gardens of author Brie Arthur in Fuquay-Varina. Her recent book, *The Foodscape Revolution*, details her philosophy of growing a zero pesticide landscape that includes edibles alongside ornamentals. It was a treat to visit her beautiful, diverse garden.

Many kudos and high fives go out to the Georgetown Area Daylily Club, especially Heidi Douglas and Kathy Tinius, for all their hard work for many months in preparation to hosting the American Daylily Society annual convention in Myrtle Beach the first weekend in June. Also, a special thanks goes out to the volunteers here in our own Raleigh club who traveled down to Myrtle Beach early in the week to prepare for the convention. They say that a lot of hands make quick work and this was evident by our faithful regional volunteers. (I would like to echo these thanks, GADC is more than grateful for the many Raleigh Hemerocallis Club members who cheerfully volunteered countless hours – Editor.)

The Raleigh Hemerocallis Club held an accredited ADS flower show on Saturday, June 16, at the Crabtree Valley Mall. There were a total of 194 Division 1 entries. One of the highlights of this year’s flower show was a remote broadcast of the “Weekend Gardener” Radio show, hosted by WPTF, broadcast alongside our flower entries. Several of our club members were interviewed “live on the air.” They talked with radio personalities Mike Raley, Anne Clapp, and former North Carolina Attorney General, Rufus Edmisten, on such daylily topics as Daylily Biology, ADS Flower Database, Hybridizing, and Planting FAQ’s. Many thanks go out to Ray and Wanda Quinn for donating plants for the plant sale table. Also, thanks go to Steve Edwards and Tom Talbott for greeting the public and chairing the sale table throughout the entire show. Most of the plants were sold and the remaining bare root flowers were donated to the Cape Fear Botanical Garden in Fayetteville. New this year, we had an Artistic Design Division Show sanctioned and judged by the Raleigh Chapter of the Piedmont East Judges Council and co-sponsored with the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club. We had 12 entries in the design division of this National Garden Club-accredited show. Years ago, our show usually had a Design division, and we hope this year’s trial run will turn this into an annual event. Congratulations go out to our local club member Melanie Wyatt who won First Place.



Raleigh Hemerocallis Society (Continued)

Extra Large: 'WispY Rays' (Joiner 1998) Steve & Mary Edwards
 Large: 'Oriental Ruby' (Fischer-H.A., 1968) Richard & Janet Warren
 Small: 'Strawberry Candy' (Stamile 1989) Don Myers
 Miniature: 'Le Petit Saboteur' (Hanson-C., 2003) Margaret Waggoner
 Double/Poly: 'King Kahuna' (Crochet 1994) Margaret Waggoner
 Spider: 'Spider Miracle' (Hendricks 1986) Raymond Quinn
 Unusual Form: 'Let It Rip' (Joiner-J., 1997) Margaret Waggoner
 Pop Poll: 'Webster's Pink Wonder' (Webster-Cobb 2003) Robin Hough
 Sweepstakes: Jim Sovine

Now on to Best in Show. In the past, Margaret Waggoner was often the Best in Show winner. Well, this year the club thought they had this figured out. We asked Margaret to be our June speaker, just before the show, and to share her secrets on selecting, grooming, and entering her award-winning scapes. I guess we either didn't pay attention very well or Margaret didn't share her last big secret with us. Wouldn't you know it, Margaret was once again the Best in Show winner with her Miniature entry, 'Le Petit Saboteur.' Congratulations, Margaret!

We had two Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award entries in our show. We wish both of these club members the best of luck with their entries. This is the most significant award in an ADS daylily show, and a difficult award to achieve (read more at <https://daylilies.org/awards/ophelia-taylor-horticulture/>).

Our July meeting featured Region 15 member and owner of Carolina Daylilies, Tom Bruce, who entertained the club talking about his daylily, hosta, and iris programs.

Bottom of Page 28, top: *The Foodscape Revolution* author Brie Arthur in her garden

Bottom of Page 28, bottom: Melanie Wyatt in front of her imaginative and colorful entry which won First Place in the Design Division

This page, above: Margaret Waggoner with her Best in Show ribbon

Photos Linda Sue Barnes



Sandhills Daylily Club by Linda Sue Barnes

Our 2018 Sandhills Daylily Club meetings started in February with a new location, the Kiwanis Recreation Center. The program was presented by our own Lacey English who showed pictures of his and Monica's garden in various seasons, his latest registrations, and some promising seedlings. We also saw pictures of his beautiful refurbished RED pickup.

In March we were happy to have Dan Hansen with us. Dan used video clips for his presentation; one member noted that the videos were "very cool." He told us that he had two major programs—edges but no eyes, and complex and blue eyes. He specifically breeds for rebloom, clean scapes, and high number of scapes. He does not spray for pests and eliminates daylilies that are susceptible to any type of spotting. Dan brought plants to auction with half the profits going to the club.



In April Roger Mercer's program was about his daylilies with an emphasis on how he plants. Improve the soil with organic material, check the pH and add lime if the pH is too low or powdered sulfur if the pH is too high, allow several weeks for the soil amendments to work, keep the crown at soil level or no more than 1.5" deep, water every four to five days, or three if soil is sandy, mulch well to conserve water and help keep weeds down. Roger also showed pictures of the magnolias and camellias he has hybridized, and he brought several plants of four different cultivars to sell.

Money from Dan's plants, Roger's plants, and a sale at the botanical garden over Mother's day weekend was used to buy a dump-truck load of PermaTill to add to the compost being brought in to make raised beds in the new gateway garden at Cape Fear Botanical Garden. This garden will feature daylilies plus other plants that will give interest when daylilies are not in bloom. Almost half of the plants we dug last fall have been planted in their new beds, but we are still struggling with drainage problems. We have dug two ponds that will eventually become a water feature overflowing into a bog garden and then out into swales or pipes through the lower part of the garden to a drain just outside the fence. When this is finished we will finally be able to build the rest of the beds and be ready to plant in mid-September. Volunteers are using sections

Above, left: Dan Hansen talks about his hybridizing program during the March Sandhills Daylily Club meeting

Above, right: Lots of activity at the new gateway garden at Cape Fear Botanical Garden *Photos Linda Sue Barnes*

Right: Leslie Mitchell shows off Lacey English's stylish new ride *Photo Monika Begum*

of tree trunks and rocks to edge beds and provide elevation where beds are completed. Shrubs and companion plants are being planted in the upper section and it



is really beginning to look like a garden. Plans are in the works to have a Daylily Day including some talks, the official dedication of the garden, and a daylily show and sale on June 8 of next year.

For our May meeting we met in the garden of Leslie Mitchell. It was nice to sit near the pool with torches lit to keep the mosquitoes away. Members brought picnic items; after the meal and time to simply enjoy conversation, we had a short business meeting. Our speaker for the June meeting had to cancel at the last minute, but we made our own program with members telling which plants had performed well in their own gardens or in those they had visited and why they chose those plants. This was quite informative.

It is very nice to announce that our "basket" won the contest to receive \$1,000 of daylilies from Browns Ferry Garden. Take a look at the picture of club members present at the national convention sitting in front of our entry (see page 21) and you can tell why so many people put tickets in our bag. The trellis that Dawn and Alex designed and built is amazing. It comes apart into two sections that fold so it will fit into a car for transport. The quilt from Ella Ruth was gorgeous. Interestingly, Ella won the basket! Plants were donated by Eddie, Dawn and Alex, and Wanda and Ray. Curtis and Linda Sue provided "flappy birds" and bird house ornaments. Dawn purchased some other things like feeders with the \$150 donated by club members. We will look forward to getting plants from BFG in the fall.



Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club by Lynne Broderius

The 2018 Historic First Flower Show of Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club was held June 2. Triad Daylily Fans sold 105 plants and had over 85 visitors! Here are the results:

104 Daylily Entries

Extra Large: 2 entries, none were sent to the head table

Large: 53 entries, 'Khan' (Tankesley-Clarke 1993) and Best in Show Kathy King

Small: 12 entries, 'Small World Dressed to Kill' (Miller-M., 2010) James Sovine

Mini: 6 entries, 'Cosmopolitan' (Stamile-G., 1989) Dollie Glaum

Double & Polymerous: 5 entries 'Dashing Double' (Kirchhoff-D., 1994) Sharon Yarbrough

Spider: 'Velvet Ribbons' (Stamile 2002) Sharon Yarbrough

Unusual Form: 7 entries 'Wild and Free' (Stamile 2005) Lynne Broderius

Seedlings: 15 entries, none were sent to the head table

Many thanks to judges Mitchell Hagler, Julie Covington, Linda Alpanalp, Raymond Quinn, Robert Gaddy, and Melanie Wyatt. Thanks also go to volunteers David DeKort, Gary Elder, Sharon & Jerry Yarbrough, Carol Monge, Kathy King, Larry Peak, Carol Michealis, Lynne & Bo Broderius.

Sponsors Bill & Linda Gluck, Dan T. Walker, Mary Ann Harp, Ann & Ken Cobb, Cindy Tole, Martha and the Sages of Fellowship Presbyterian Church, 2005 New Garden Road, Greensboro, NC 27410. Plus Softwinds Pottery, by Larry Moore for our head table pottery awards. "My seashore-inspired ceramic objects are metaphors for a life lived. Battered by forces of nature, seashells display their original polished beauty just below their weathered transformation. Undulating lines of ocean waves moments before breaking gives me pause for thought and I seek to capture their calm and chaos."

Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club sells our beautiful t-shirts to fund our community events. If you'd like to order, make your check payable to Triad Daylily Fans and send to Becky Hinshaw, Treasurer, 2166 Pleasant Hill-Liberty Rd, Liberty, NC 27298. 100% cotton, preshrunk and colorfast. \$15+\$6.99 shipping (call for multiples and to order: Lynne Broderius, 336-456-4509 spatulate2@gmail.com. Colors as shown.



Left: (l - r) Best in Show winner Kathy King rightfully grins ear to ear. Dollie Glaum shows off her winning Mini. Lynne Broderius glows next to her amazing Unusual Form.

Above: (l - r) Judges Robert Gaddy, Raymond Quinn, and Mitchell Hagler look over the flowers.

Below: David Dekort Classification Chair Photos Lynne Broderius



Enter the Region 15 Photo Contest by November 1

by Anne Smethurst

Calling all daylily and photography enthusiasts! Now is the time of year to review your images of the spectacular gardens and whimsical blooms of this past daylily season and get them ready to send in for the Carolina Digital Photography Contest.

Choose your best images in any or all of the four categories: cultivar, landscape, people, and artistic. You may submit up to five photos in each category.

Please take a moment to review the contest guidelines on the Region 15 website as there have been some changes to the rules in the last year (region15daylily.org/carolina-digital-photography.html). In particular, note that "The winning contestant in any given photo contest category will be ineligible to compete in that specific category again the following year."

The site also offers some helpful tips on image selection. All entries must be submitted to Anne Smethurst at smethurst07@gmail.com no later than November 1. Enjoy your trip down memory lane and good luck!

Right, top to bottom: Samples of the amazing photos taken by Region 15 members. Lynne Broderius' photo of the Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club members' daylily beds at the Tanger Family Bicentennial Garden. Rita Katz' delightful photo of the metal rooster she won at the ADS National Convention in Myrtle Beach.



Upstate Daylily Society by Mary McCabe

In February, Upstate Daylily Club had a “dirty talking” speaker! Amy Wright from Elgin discussed the components of soil, suggesting that every year we deliver several soil samples to Clemson Extension for pH testing. She told us about adding organic matter to supply nutrients and improve drainage, and gave us her Clemson Agricultural Service Laboratory soil report, which showed ideal results ranges.

Kaleigh Sims, Clemson Water Resources Extension Agent, gave quite an informative talk in March. She discussed how to reduce runoff in our gardens plus the purchase and use of rain barrels.

April brought a clean-up day at the SC Botanical Garden daylily beds prior to our plant sale. We dug, divided, and labeled all the established clumps, and delivered them to the sales table. Lunch followed at a local restaurant. We then had a very profitable sale Friday and Saturday, April 13 and 14.

In May, our own member Erin Carroll gave a most informative hands-on demonstration of air-layering. She provided a handout with the seven-step process along with a six photo demonstration. Bill Hemmingsen, another active member, gave a talk and slide

show on grafting. He discussed scion, rootstock, compatibility, and the three Ts – Tools, Technique, Timing – along with the importance of wiping down everything first with alcohol before starting the process.

Several of our members were able to attend the national convention in Myrtle Beach.



Our addition to the Southern Draw was a seven-piece arrangement of garden items put together by Brenda Coggins and Patricia Turner (see page 21). We were so proud when it won second place and we can't wait to get all the plants from Duane Therrien and Ed Zahler's I Can't Believe It's a Dip garden!

In June, many of our members visited Jonathan Long's gorgeous daylily gardens in Wellford

Our Society will host the Region 15 Fall Meeting October 5 – 6 at the Best Western in Clemson (see page 19). We negotiated double rooms for \$99 per night including hot breakfast. On Saturday morning, the plans are to have a business meeting, speaker, lunch, and tour of SC Botanical Gardens (see page 18). Our speakers will be Ray and Wanda Quinn of the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club. Ray is a past president of Region 15 and will talk about hybridizing and his introductions; Wanda will discuss attracting hummingbirds to your garden. There is an Early Bird special for registration, so jump on the bandwagon as quickly as possible to take advantage of this special price.

Counterclockwise from left: Upstate Daylily Club members dig plants in the SCBC daylily beds. Members wash and label plants for the sale. Another very successful sale was held at the South Carolina Botanical Garden.

Photo Mary McCabe



Western North Carolina Daylily Club by Bob Selman

The WNC Daylily Club had our annual flower show June 23 at the NC Arboretum in Asheville. The show was very well attended and several people joined the club. 'Asheville Livin' Large' (Selman 2016) won best Extra Large Flower and Best In Show, 'Asheville Summer Jewel' (Selman 2014) won best Large Flower and Eric Simpson's entry won in the seedling category.

The WNCDC Annual Multi-Club Picnic at Blue Ridge Daylilies on July 7 was a huge success. Twelve different daylily clubs were represented from North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Georgia. With food and drinks for all, there were smiling faces everywhere in the garden. As an extra surprise for visitors, 20 of Eric and Bob's 2018 introductions were given away as door prizes. Thanks to everyone who participated! We look forward to seeing you again next year.



Our Ice Cream Social and Plant Swap will be held at Blue Ridge Daylilies on August 18. This is always one of our most popular meetings; this year we will be welcoming ten new members and expect a record crowd.

If you would like to join the WNC Daylily Club, new members who attend three meetings will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Blue Ridge Daylilies. Please visit our club website at wncdaylilyclub.com and check out our Facebook page for upcoming events.

Above and left: Visitors to Blue Ridge Daylilies during the annual Multi-Club Picnic enjoy the flowers and views. Visitors carpoled and rented buses to get there and to make sure they had room to bring home lots of new plants!

Photos Bob Selman

Watch for an article in our Fall/Winter edition on how Blue Ridge Daylilies contributed to the upcoming Clint Eastwood movie, *The Mule*

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Often, the most fun at any Region 15 Meeting is the excitement of the plant auction or the thrill of winning a basket or special item in the silent auction and raffle. For hybridizers, the chance to get feedback on their favored seedlings can't be missed. The sponsors of these events would be very grateful for your donations. Here's how you can help:

2018 Region 15 Fall Meeting

Donate to the Plant Auction

Contact Frank and Donna Bobby at trouble29657@bellsouth.net and Bill Hemmingsen at knobhillgardens@yahoo.com to let them know what wonderful daylilies you would like to donate. They'll provide you with shipping directions. Needed now.

Donate to the Silent Auction & Raffle

Contact Brenda Coggins at ccoggins1020@yahoo.com to let her know what you plan to bring. She'll make sure a space is all laid out for your fabulous item or basket! Notify or mail to Brenda by 9/29/18.

2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting

Donate to the Plant Auction

Contact Anne Winningham at pwinningham@homesc.com to let her know what fabulous daylilies you would like to donate and when she should expect them to arrive. Ship to Anne Winningham, 729 Timber Way, Moncks Corner, SC 29461. Send between 3/1/19 and 6/1/19.

Donate to the Silent Auction & Raffle

Contact Cathy Coffey at crcoffey003@bellsouth.net to let her know what you plan to donate. She'll make sure a space is reserved for your basket/item. Notify or mail to Cathy by 5/30/19.

Seedlings for Seedling Bed

Send your seedlings (up to 5 seedlings, maximum 3 fans each) to: Mike Denson, 1020 Kip Lane, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464, mrmike66@gmail.com. Send no later than 10/1/18.

2020 Region 15 Summer Meeting

Seedlings for Seedling Bed

Send your seedlings (up to 5 seedlings, maximum 3 fans each) to: Kirk Milleman, 124 Fox Meadow Drive, Rutherfordton, NC 28139, nankirkmilleman@me.com. Send by 11/1/18.

Read this right now, before you do anything else!

- 1) If you have not already cast your votes for the **Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award**, go find the Spring 2018 *Hemalina* and look at pages 6 and 7, then email Anne Winningham at pwinningham@homesc.com and let her know your choice.
- 2) If you have not completed your ballot for the **Region 15 Popularity Poll**, go right now to Region15daylily.org, click AWARDS, click Popularity Poll, and click POP POLL ONLINE VOTING, and follow directions to complete your ballot.
- 3) If you want to submit someone for the **Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award** or the **Carolina Service Award**, sit down right now to write your nomination letters and send them to Anne Winningham at pwinningham@homesc.com.

All of these have a deadline of September 1

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