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Front Cover: Region 15 Photo Contest Landscape First Place Winner 'Windy Hill - Ray and Wanda Quinn Home'

photo Ken Cobb

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Region 15 President

begin my second term as your Region 15 RP with both humility and honor. Thank you for allowing me to continue working with you for the next two years. I am pleased that most of our Leadership Team will be continuing in their previous positions. A few are assuming different roles, and we have two new members—Eric Simpson as our RPD, and Michael Luther, who is serving as our Regional Meetings Liaison. One could not ask for a finer, more dedicated group of people to carry



out the various functions of AHS Region 15. Thanks to all of them, and to our club leaders as well, for their willingness to serve. Since ending my first term in December and beginning the new one in January, I have felt a bit like Janus, the Roman god with two faces—one that looks backward; the other that looks ahead. I've looked back at the last two years and have been looking ahead with great enthusiasm toward 2018-2019.

I've thought about the first report I wrote for the Hemalina soon after I was first elected RP. I told you a few things about myself and about goals I hoped the region would pursue during my tenure. Primary among these was the idea of enhancing and coordinating communications through the use of all resources available to us—our newsletter, website, Facebook page, and email coordinated by our RPD. In all these areas, thanks to the dedicated work of Kathy Tinius, Chuck Wilson, and John Martin, I think we made great progress over the last two years. I invite you to help us build on that progress by utilizing the resources available and by sharing your ideas for improvement with me, Kathy, Chuck, and Eric.

The second goal we began to focus on two years ago—to get our clubs more involved in community service by spreading our love for and knowledge of daylilies—is another that I feel very good about. The article in the Fall/Winter *Hemalina*, "Making the Carolinas More Beautiful, One Daylily at a Time," summarized the excellent progress we made in that arena. As we plan for community involvement for 2018-19, I encourage clubs to continue with their public garden commitments and to go a step further by reaching out to our communities in other ways. At least one of our clubs is already doing that. During the holiday season, the Piedmont Club donated 105 pounds of food to the Second Harvest Food Bank and is planning to landscape a Habitat House in the fall—excellent examples others of us can follow.

The last major goal—and the one that needs the most work—is AHS membership growth. To emphasize this focus, I have asked each club president to designate a local member to serve as the AHS/Region 15 Liaison for that club. I have also provided a "job description" with suggestions I hope will be helpful for both consciousness and conscience-raising about the value and importance of involvement at the National/Regional level (see page 13). This year, with the National Convention in our region, we have the perfect opportunity to get more of our members to attend and get hooked! It's not a bad habit to have!

I look forward to working with you over the next two years. Let's all work together to keep Region 15 Carolina Strong.

Nancy Womack

See AHS 2018 National Convention Registration Form on page 18

AHS Director & Garden Judges Liaison

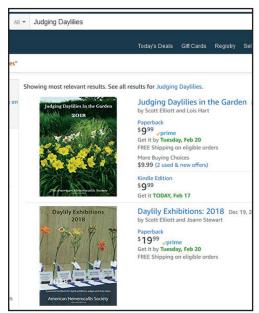
Ffective January 2018, as the recently-elected Region 15
Director, I also began serving as the Chair of Registration. This involves working with Registrar Elizabeth Trotter and the Registration Name Approval Committee, the Registration Image Collection Sub-Committee, and the Registration Data Collection Sub-Committee. Not being a hybridizer, I had had only a vague understanding of the details involved in getting a daylily officially registered, so this is a learning



experience that I am enjoying. New cultivars are registered from all over the world, not just in the United States, and old cultivars need to be researched to identify accurate photos and for data correction. 2018 is going to be an exciting and busy year for me, and for Region 15 as we prepare to host the AHS National Convention in June. I hope to see most of you at this exciting beach convention.

Wearing the Garden Judges Liaison hat: The AHS Garden Judges manual has been heavily revised for 2018. This new version is available for free download at daylilynetwork.org/page/ GardenJudgesHome. You do NOT have to sign into the portal to read or download the manual. If you don't want to view or pull a copy from the website, a full-color perfect bound, glossy soft cover book version is available for a reasonable price from Amazon (search for "Judging Daylilies"). AHS has started working with Amazon to fulfill orders for our publications. In addition to the garden judges manual, you can order the soft cover exhibition manual ("Daylily Exhibitions: 2018") and e-books or hardcover versions of "Double Daylilies" and "Landscaping with Daylilies." Those planning to take a Garden Judges Workshop during this year's National Convention will need to download/buy and study the revised manual before June.

Becky Hinshaw





Regional Publicity

am looking forward to serving you all for the next two years as AHS Region 15 Publicity Director and helping to communicate the latest important regional and national news as the information unfolds. It is my goal to be an asset to the region any way possible. Ours is a thriving, exciting region and I hope to help promote our events, improve our event attendance, and grow our regional membership by taking advantage of social media and



communicating via email. It has been my experience that many daylily enthusiasts are frequent social media users and in an effort to keep up with ever-changing technology, we must meet them on their own turf to get the word out. Like most of you, I want to see this fantastic region grow as a beacon for AHS and to increase interest in and exposure for our beloved daylily.

For those of you who don't know me, let me introduce myself by sharing a few highlights:

I am currently a member of the Western North Carolina Daylily Club in Asheville and have been an active member of AHS for many years. I am an AHS Garden Judge and have been growing and hybridizing daylilies for 16 years. I have been speaking at daylily societies and symposiums for seven years. I am also a Realtor in the Western North Carolina area. I moved my daylily program to Blue Ridge Daylilies about three years ago where I continue to hybridize and help with the day to day operations. Before my arrival in NC, I was very active in AHS Region 2 while living and working in Indiana. I have a BS in Organizational Leadership and worked as a Team Coordinator for General Motors Manufacturing in Kokomo, IN, for many years. During that time, I was hybridizing daylilies while juggling speaking engagements and garden tours. After I moved my hybridizing program to North Carolina, the pace has only increased.

Take time to review the cultivar names on the Popularity Poll Ballot on page 22. Since our region will be hosting the AHS National Convention this year in Myrtle Beach, many of us will have a fantastic opportunity to see quite a few of our Pop Poll candidates on display. Please make sure to vote on your favorite daylily cultivars this season. As a reminder, all past Pop Poll winners will be removed from future ballots and placed on the list of Carolina Daylily All Stars. The new bloom season is approaching so let's make this the best year ever for the Pop Poll in Region 15! **Eric Simpson**

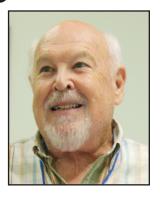
Check out the Popularity Poll Ballot on Page 22!

As I enter this new chapter of my region-level involvement, I think it is significant that I have evolved into this position. Since the first day my mom talked me into taking her to some daylily gardens (yes, the bug bit her first) my most significant interest was daylily hybridizing. Honestly, that got me started, and the rest, including all the special people I have gotten to know along the way, was a bonus I was not aware of that first day. How fortunate I am to have had such a great start and developed that interest.

The Regional Hybridizer Liaison is a relatively new position. As time goes by, I hope all of us, and especially Region 15 hybridizers, can grow in what we are doing with the result being an overall positive contribution to the national daylily hybridizing community. I welcome ideas, thoughts, and recommendations for ways I/we can contribute through this opportunity. As you visit gardens this

Exhibition Judges Liaison

s the Region 15 Exhibition Judges A Liaison, I now serve as the regional facilitator for planning clinics and working with clubs conducting sanctioned shows. I also work with judges to assure they know of opportunities to use their skills and to be sure their certifications are up to date. We have an excellent opportunity for training this year at the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach. The following clinics are scheduled:



Exhibition Judges Clinic I Thursday June 7, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Exhibition Judges Clinic II Thursday June 7, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Exhibition Judges Clinic III Thursday June 7, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Clinic sign up can be made on the National Convention registration form for those planning to attend. If you are not able to attend but would still like to take one of these clinics, contact Kathy Tinius, at ktinius@yahoo.com, and she will see that your name is added to the appropriate clinic roster.

Also, Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club is hosting Exhibition Judges Clinic I, Saturday, March 24, 9:00 AM in Greensboro, NC. Contact Lynne Broderius, spatulate2@gmail.com, to register and

For those who would like to have a clinic(s) offered at our October Fall meeting in Clemson hosted by the Upstate Daylily Society, let me know so that we can begin the needed planning. What I do ask, however, is when you request a clinic and we agree to organize it, that you honor that commitment by attending the training. In the recent past, clinics/workshops have been organized but participants have cancelled at the last minute. To organize one of these events requires hours of planning, time commitments from instructors and helpers, and reservation of space and equipment. We want to help you maintain your certification, and ask you to help us, by committing to your request for training.

Therefore, for all whose certifications expire either in 2018 or 2019, please advise me at johnmartin134@gmail.com what your plans are for obtaining that certification. Will it be at the National Convention or do you want to attend a training program at one of our Region 15 meetings in 2018 or 2019? Remember, you can take a certification clinic ahead of schedule if you wish. I look forward to working with our exhibition judges and flower show activities.

John Martin

Hybridizer Liaison

year, don't forget to watch for 2018 Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award candidates (see page 6).

My last thought is to encourage as many people in our region as possible to register for and attend the AHS National Convention

in Myrtle Beach in June. It will be the best opportunity I know of to support our regional hybridizers, and to see the work many of them have done, since every tour garden belongs to a hybridizer (or two!). In addition, each garden will feature the latest introductions of many other Region 15 hybridizers as purchased or guest plants. I hope to see you there.

Happy Crossing, Raymond Quinn



Jeffcoat Hybridizer Award

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

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

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Only AHS Members are permitted to vote. Please vote for one cultivar per member.

(Images were provided by the hybridizers and are not attributed.)



'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow' Bob Selman 2014



'Beautiful Madness' Cindy Dye 2010



'Blue Deva' Duane Therrien 2014



'Cherryville' Vic Santa Lucia 2009



'Eclipse of the Century' Sharon Yarbrough 2017



'Gimme That Look' Tom Bruce 2018



'Good Girls Do' Bobby Baxter 2012



'I'm So Vein' Ray Quinn 2013



'Mean Green' Judy Davisson 2008



'Spanish Senorita' Bill Gluck 2016



'The Carpenter's Heart' Eric Simpson 2016



'When Exoplanet Meets Black Hole' Lacy English 2018



'Wild Wanda' Paul Owen 2016

Previous Winners:

2017 'Boss Hogg' (Douglas-H., 2015)

2016 'Browns Ferry Royalty' (Douglas-C., 2011)

2015 'Dancing with Linda' (Zahler, 2008)

2014 'Alien DNA' (Selman, 2009)

2013 'Papa Goose' (Douglas-H., 2011)

2012 'Thelma Douglas' (Douglas-C., 2008)

2011 'Biltmore Style' (Hensley, 2007)

2010 'Caroline's Kiss' (Dye-K., 2008) 2009 'All Creation Sings' (Dye-C., 2004)

2009 'Cradle of Bethlehem' (Shooter-E., 2007)

2009 'Date with Destiny' (Stadler, 2007)

2009 'Fair to Middlin" (Jeffcoat-J., 2003)

2009 'No Boys Allowed' (Davisson, J., 2006)

2008 'Carnival in Mexico' (Santa Lucia, 2000)

2008 'Cat Ballou' (Gluck, 2006)

2006 'Stargate Portal' (Shooter-E., 2000)

2005 'Pick of the Litter' (Douglas-C., 2003)

2004 'Holiday Joy' (Albers, 1994)

to see additional previous winners, go to region15daylily.org

Whether you have thousands of seedlings in vast fields or just a small handful in a pot on your patio,

we're calling for you.

feedback on your seedlings? What a great way to put them out there for everyone to enjoy (and comment on)! **Meeting** in Moncks Corner, SC, and they are currently building their seedling bed. What better way to get real, direct, and honest Lowcountry Daylily Club is hosting the 2019 Region 15 Summer

Look through your seedlings, gather no more than five plants (up to three fans and ship them off 1020 Kip Lane Mike Denson

Calling All Region 15 Hybridizers!

mrmike66@gmail.com Right: Seedling bed 2016, photo Kathy Tinius

Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

Artistic Category

Right: First Place 'Amanda's Pennant Dragon Fly on Daylily' photo by Sheila Caldon. Judges' notes: The gold tone of the picture is exquisite-perfect for the serenity of the subject; excellent composition with the graduated vertical scapes balanced with the horizontal image of the dragonfly; sparkling wings contrast nicely with the golden background



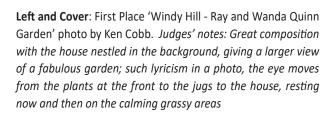
Below: Second Place 'Weathered Seed Pod Monster Found in Peggy Jeffcoat's Garden' photo by Sheila Caldon. *Judges' notes: The play of sun and shade, along with the texture of the scape and seed pod, gives this photo a truly artistic quality; pictures a kind of beauty most would pass by without thinking of taking a photo; depth of field reveals a humorous, lacy face*





Above: Third Place 'Smiling Dragonfly on Daylily Foliage' photo by Bob Selman. *Judges' notes: The overlapping leaves in contrasting shades of green form the perfect background for the image of the dragonfly with its magnificent green eyes; with its subdued background, this is truly a photo that focuses on the intricacies of the insect giving it center stage; this ought to be on the cover of a nature magazine!*

Region 15 Landscapes



Below: Third Place 'Serenity Garden' photo by Mitchell Hagler. Judges' notes: The title says it all; good composition, like the contrast in textures; the sun on the statue is perfect and the daylilies captured surrounding it are delightful; the birdhouse in the back speaks to the meaning of the statue



Right: Second Place 'Blue Ride Daylilies NC2' photo by Bob Selman. Judges' notes: What's not to love about this photo? Misty background, beautiful daylily-laden foreground, and the magnificent focal point with contrasting colors and textures in the border row of companion plants; absolutely wonderful perspective showing diverse plant textures and colors in addition to the magnificent swath of daylilies; the lacy fennel in the front is a nice counterpoint to the darker foliage at the left

Place



People

Right: First Place 'Bob Selman and Servando at Blue Ridge Daylilies' by Sheila Caldon. Judges' notes: Captured in their element--and what a lovely element it is; the eyes of both men focus the viewer on the wheelbarrow of daylilies; the balance of blue and green is very pleasing; the postures of both men say so much about a good job done well





Left: Second Place 'Nancy Womack at the National' by Barbara Peterson. Judges' notes: This photos epitomizes daylily dedication regardless of the meteorological situation; lighting on Nancy's face is excellent, and the open, unguarded expression accurately reflects her genuine delight

Below, right: Third Place 'A Good Time Had By All AHS National' by Nancy Rigsby. Judges' notes: Great photo! Had it been posed, the photographer could not have done a better job of capturing daylily people doing what daylily people love to do; my, how intent they are; very nice composition with so may faces showing and with so few backsides!



Region 15 Hybridized Flowers

Right: First Place 'Stargate Portal' (Shooter-E., 2000) by Sheila Caldon. Judges' notes: Color, color, color; it doesn't get any better than this; excellent composition and lighting, too; contrasting pinks and yellows in the background really set off the flower color





Left: Second Place 'Curls Gone Wild' (Selman 2012) by Bob Selman. Judges' notes: An interesting and intriguing photo with the sharply focused image of the flower against the blurred background; the angle of the flower and visual split of the other buds add to the magic of the photo

Right: Third Place 'Better With Butter' (Selman 2017) by Bob Selman. Judges' notes: Luscious! Perfect balance within the frame and beautiful color contrast; lighting enhances the ruffled edges



Let's Put on a Flower Show!

How Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club has risen to the challenge

Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club is holding their first "historic" flower show on June 2. This show is being designated as historic because of its importance to Triad businesses and groups, like North Carolina Garden Clubs of Districts 4 and 5 and the County Extension Cooperative Master Gardener Programs of Guilford, Alamance, Forsyth, and Davidson counties. Historic because the O. Henry Magazine and the Greensboro News & Record will cover the show.

Sandhills Daylily Club has graciously loaned Triad their show equipment, as they will be helping with the National Convention in Myrtle Beach and will not have a show in 2018. Businesses and individuals have made donations to cover printing costs and remaining expenses; they will be thanked in the show schedule when the final is produced.

To encourage other clubs to set up their own shows, we're sharing copies of Triad's brochure on this page. For better copies, to see their personalized show schedule, and to talk nuts and bolts about putting on a show, contact Lynne Broderius at spatulate2@gmail. com. We hope you'll make plans to attend what should be a great show (and buy some new plants)!



Above: Foothills Daylily Society's 2017 flower show demonstrates imaginative scape holders.

Right: Front and back of the new Triad brochure to be given out at their show

JOIN THE TRIAD DAYLILY FANS

Annual Individual Membershin \$10.00

Annual Family Membership \$12.50

SEND MEMBERSHIP DUES TO:

Becky Hinshaw, TDFGC Treasurer) 2166 Pleasant Hill Liberty Road Liberty, NC 27255

We welcome visitors and new members to The Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club. We meet September through May with most meetings at the Greensboro Council of -5- were greensboro Council of Garden Clubs, 4301 Lawndale Drive, GSO, NC.

For more information call 336-456-4509.

We also welcome and encourage new we also welcome and encourage new exhibitors in our 2019 show. Don't be shy or nervous. The show is more about sharing and learning about daylilies, than it is about competition and ribbons!

Who Are We?

The Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club mission is to promote interest in, and to encourage and foster the development and improvement of, the culture and enjoyment of the genus Hemerocallis. An implied purpose of TDFGC is to also promote membership and natification, in this August 19. and participation in the American Hemerocallis Society. Our interactions among clubs, regional meetings in the summer and fall, our electronic and print publications, our flower shows, our service within our communities and through our involvement at the nation level of AHS.

Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club https://www.facebook.com/ groups/369529396577178/

www.region15daylily.org



UNDERSTANDING THE DAYLILY **EXHIBITIONS SHOW**



WELCOME TO THE SHOW!

First, the word Hemerocallis is the botanical name for the daylily

Second, this brochure should give you more detail about what you are seeing here today and help you understand how you can be involved in the future.



Cat Ballou

WHY A DAYLILY SHOW?

The Triad Daylily Fans Garden Club (TDFGC) is part of a larger international organization, the American Hemerocallis Society. (www.daylilies.org)

Our desire is to provide the general public with education and exposure to the daylily. This show is accredited by the AHS, and we are proud to have our daylilies on display for your viewing pleasure.

We hope that you will see the diversity and appeal of the daylily today. Forms, shapes, sizes, and colors have been chosen to expose you to some of the almost 80,000

different registered varieties on the market

Some of these plants are available for purchase from growers in our club and may be available at our plant sale today

ABOUT THE DISPLAYS AND AWARDS

1. WHO JUDGED THESE FLOWERS? All of the flowers you see with ribbons on them were judged by trained and certified AHS Exhibition judges using the AHS scale of points. Please ask for a show schedule from any member or at the education table for more information on judging and the scale of points.

2. WHAT ARE THE RIBBONS FOR? Exhibits winning yellow ribbons scored at least 80 out of 100 points using the AHS scale of points. Red ribbons scored at least 85 points, while blue ribbons scored at least 90 points. Purple ribbon recipients scored at least 95 points out of 100!

3. HOW ARE THESE FLOWERS ORGANIZED?

These are 13 different sections of flowers These are 13 different sections of flower on display today. They are generally organized by size or form. The AHS outlines which sections the flowers are be displayed in, based on registration information from the hybridizers of the daylline.

4. WHOSE FLOWERS ARE THESE?

You do not have to be a member of the TDFGC or AHS to enter. However, in order to win the AHS rosette (the top Award for each section), you must be a member of AHS. Membership will be available the day of the show.

This is an ON-SCAPE DIVISION show. ON-SCAPE flowers are the ones shown

The DESIGN DIVISION illustrates how daylilies may be used in floral Arrangements. The entries in this division Are judged by the public. Please ask for a Ballot and vote for the BEST DESIGN!

OTHER THINGS TO KNOW

Photographs are allowed and encourage Most exhibitors and even judges are on site today to answer your questions and help you understand what is going on.

WARNING: This is an addicting hobby! collecting, hybridizing, and showing daylilies have taken over the lives of more than one gardener! Maybe next year we'll see YOUR Flowers at the head table!



New Ways to Enjoy our Favorite Flower

excerpts from The Delightful Delicious Daylily by Peter Gail

With these recipes, remember to always use plants that have not been sprayed or treated with any chemicals.

Buttered Daylilies

8 daylily blossoms 1 cup chicken broth 3 tbsp butter salt and pepper to taste

Simmer the daylilies for 4-5 minutes in chicken broth Drain, add butter, salt, and pepper to taste, and serve. Makes four servings.

Daylily Buds Almandine

2 cups green daylily buds 2 tbsp butter

1 can sliced canned mushrooms, drained 1/2 cup slivered almonds

1 tsp soy sauce

Pick 2 cups of green, unopened flower buds that seem ready to bloom in about two days. Cover the cleaned buds with salted water. Cover and boil for one minute. Pour off the water and drain. Heat butter in a skillet and sautee the daylily buds quickly with the canned mushrooms. Add the almonds and soy sauce and toss lightly. Serve at once. Serves 4.

Let's Go to a Flower Show!

ere are the results from last year's AHS Accredited Flower Shows. We extend our congratulations to the winners—and our thanks to the the clubs that put on the shows. Everyone benefits from all the hard work (and it really is very hard work) so we're especially grateful for those putting on shows again in 2018.

Foothills Daylily Society:

Best-in-Show & Best Seedling - Nancy Milleman; 'NM-09-07' (N Milleman) Best Extra Large - John Martin 'Beneficial Sister' (Owen-P., 2010) Best Large - Joe Phillip 'American Revolution' (Wild 1972) Best Small - Kirk Milleman 'Theron' (Stout 1934) Best Miniature - Chuck Deyton 'Siloam Red Toy' (Henry-P., 1975) Best Double - Kirk Milleman 'Amanda's Little Red Shoes' (Eller-N., 2004) Best Spider - John Martin 'Grey Witch' (Reed 1999) Best Unusual Form - Steve Earnest 'Ice Quake' (Gossard 2011) Best Pop Poll Flower - Vic Santa Lucia 'Alien DNA' (Selman 2009) Sweepstakes - Nancy Milleman

Piedmont Daylily Club:

Best-in-Show & Best Unusual Form - JD Stadler 'Line of Fire' (Stadler 2016) Best Extra Large - John Smethurst 'Sh'boom' (Bachman 2012) Best Large - Bill & Linda Gluck 'Up Mill Creek' (Tanner 2006) Best Small - Gail Moore 'Siloam Merle Kent' (Henry-P., 1984) Best Miniature - Bill & Linda Gluck 'Mary Ethel Anderson' (Salter 1995) Best Double - JD Stadler 'Date with Destiny' (Stadler 2007) Best Spider - John Smethurst 'Lady Fingers' (Peck 1967) Best Seedling - JD Stadler Tri-Color Award - Jennifer Prowe Designer's Choice - Anne Smethurst Sweepstakes - Bob Richardson

Sandhills Daylily Club:

Best-in-Show & Best Small - Melanie Wyatt 'Little Wart' (Spalding 1964) Best Extra Large - Eddie Walters 'Carolina Lemon Squeezer' (Tanner 2009) Best Large - Jim Sovine 'Ring on My Finger' (Grovenstein-L&E 2004) Best Miniature - Marshall Wait 'Pookie Bear' (Durio-D., 1984) Best Double - Eddie Walters 'Arlow Stout' (Stout 1960) Best Spider - Margaret Wagoner 'Let It Rip' (Joiner-J., 1999) Best Unusual Form - Robin Hough 'Breathing in Snowflakes' (Douglas-H., 2016) Best Youth - Marshall Wait 'Pocket Change' (Crocket 1985) Sweepstakes - Jim Sovine



ark your calendars right now so you won't miss any of these shows and sales.

Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society:

April 21 & 22 Plant Sale

Currituck Cooperative Extension Services 120 Community Way Barco, NC 27917

May 5 Plant Sale Southern Shores Marketplace **Outer Banks** 5539 N Croatan Hwy Southern Shores, NC 27949

Foothills Daylily Society:

June 16 AHS Accredited Show American Legion Post 74 2501 US 64/74A Highway Rutherfordton, NC 28139 Division I - Horticulture On-Scape Division IV - Design will be an informal "People's Choice" contest Entries 7:00 am - 9:45 am Judging 10:00 am - 12:30 pm Open to public 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Plant sale 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Lowcountry Daylily Club:

June 2 Plant Sale Piggly Wiggly Parking Lot 100 West Main St Moncks Corner, SC 29461

April 14 Plantasia Outreach & Sale Old Towne Creek County Park 1400 Old Towne Rd Charleston, SC 29407 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Mid-Carolina Daylily Society:

June 16 **Exhibition & Sale** Garden Council Building Maxcy Gregg Park 1605 Park Circle Columbia, SC 29201 Open 11:00 am

Piedmont Daylily Club:

June 16 **AHS Accredited Show** Carolina Gems Carmel Presbyterian Church 2048 Carmel Rd Charlotte, NC 28226 Entries 8:00 am - 9:30 am Judging 9:30 am - complete Open to the public when judging is completed

Triad Daylily Fans:

June 2 **AHS Accredited Show** Division I: Blooms On Scape Division III: Non-competitive Displays Fellowship Presbyterian Church 2005 New Garden Rd Greensboro, NC 27410 Entries 8:00 am - 10:00 am Open to public: 1:00 pm - 4:45 pm Plants for sale at the show

Upstate Daylily Society:

April 13 & 14 **Education Outreach & Sale** South Carolina Botanical Gardens 150 Discovery Lane Clemson, SC 29634

Western North Carolina:

June 23 Annual Davlily Show North Carolina Arboretum 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way Asheville, NC 28806 Setup 8:00 am - 10:00 am Open to public 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

AHS/Region 15 Club Liaisons

Purpose:

To designate a club member to serve as the primary spokesperson to relay information about AHS/Region 15 and to encourage AHS membership and involvement

Who can serve as the AHS/Region 15 Club Liaison?

Club presidents could fulfill this role, or anyone else who is a current member of AHS, preferably one who is active in the region or who at least attends regional meetings when possible. If your club has a member who is a national or regional officer, committee chair, or liaison, this person would be ideal to serve in this role.

What would this position entail?

- 1. Being on the agenda for each club meeting (other than social events) to report to club membership
- Have AHS membership applications available at all meetings
- Talk about the advantages of AHS membership
- Call attention to interesting articles from the Daylily Journal or the *Hemalina*
- Keep membership informed well in advance of regional and national meetings

- Work with members for carpooling and room sharing at meetings
- 7. Encourage use of the AHS and Regional 15 websites, as well as Facebook pages
- Work with club executive committee to develop incentives for AHS membership:

A. Provide a free daylily to anyone who joins AHS for the first time—not necessarily a new cultivar, but possibly a pop poll winner, a Stout winner, or one that has won Honorable Mentions, Awards of Merit or other national recognition

B. If the club budget allows, offer one or more AHS memberships through a club drawing

- C. If financially feasible, offer a stipend to help offset registration fees for regional/national meetings
- Be the club's primary ambassador for all things AHS/Region 15

What We Have Here, Is a Failure to Communicate

by A.W. Shucks, Cornatzer, NC

Prologue: Do you recall the story of Schrodinger's Cat? Placed in a box, it may be simultaneously both alive and dead, a state known as a quantum superposition, as a result of being linked to a



radioactive event that may or may not occur an event that releases a deadly cyanide capsule. This poses the question of when exactly quantum superposition ends and reality collapses into one possibility or the other, a quantum singularity. Only when we open the box, do we know the

answer that the cat is one or the other, not both. A reality check, if you please! That's how it works!

Thus, dear reader, no matter what follows, it is much like Schrodinger's Cat in the box. However, in this case, there are four people in a room, not a few good cats, and only when one opens the door to the room will the events taking place inside collapse into one reality – or will they! So do not skip ahead. All in all, it's a true story, but the dialog which follows has been fictionalized to protect both the participants and my poor memory.

It was Tuesday night - daylily club night. Maizie and I arrived early and found two others already there – an older lady with her young granddaughter. So it begins, from this moment on is the story:

> [This] encounter could create a time paradox, the result of which could cause a chain reaction that would unravel the very fabric of the space-time continuum and destroy the entire universe!

> > Granted, that's a worst-case scenario.

The destruction might in fact be very localized, limited to merely our own galaxy.

- Doc Brown in Back To The Future II

A.W. – Good evening! Welcome! I don't believe we have met before. Please allow me to introduce myself. I am A.W. Shucks, but you can call me A.W. and this here is Maizie!

Granny – This is a new adventure for us. I'm Gertie, or just plain Gert. This is my granddaughter, Roberta Beth. It is her hobby. She is the collector in the family circle and the apple of my eye.

A.W. – Well, that's 'Gem Dandy' you lucky girl! With that pretty smile, I can see that you are Grandma's little sweetheart, Roberta. How many do you have in your collection?

Girl – That was funny wordplay, sir! But, just call me Beth! Don't call me Roberta! I have a wonderful, wonderful selection of shapes and colors already, but I hope to collect all of them that I can display. It's already an addiction, a real collector's dream.

A.W. – Well, tickle me pink! How nice you like plays-on-words, too, Beth. That's impressive, Miss! That you think I'm funny, I mean! I do admit, like my cousin N.A. Shucks, that I'm no ordinary Joe when it comes to loving all forms of humor and clever wordplay. There is many a precious gem out there – 'Garnet Gem', 'Ruby Gem', 'Topaz Gem' and so many more.

Beth – I have a sparkling gem or two, some more precious than rubies, but I bet two thousand can be found around the world!

A.W. – 'Two Thousand' is a great place to start! It's not too late, but many are no longer available commercially. If you search hard, you might dig up a 'Gemstone' here or there. You'll have lots more once you are all grown up. Do you have lots of open spaces?

Beth – They are all at my Granny's farm for now because I live in an

apartment, just Mom and me. I'm like a kid in the candy store when it comes to collecting. I'm mainly an online shopper, but, don't tell Mom! I'm Mom's pet and she would be upset.

A.W. – Obviously you must be good at Scrabble, also? Think you just made an octuple wordplay! A farmstead, hey! Then, I suppose your Granny grew up with 'Chickens On The Porch'. She probably likes 'Cornbread and Chicken', too!

Beth – Oh! Oh Yes! Yes, Yes indeed, a daily delight! But, her favorites are chicken and waffles and fried green tomatoes.

A.W. – With so many in your collection already, one day maybe I could get just one look at a few.

Beth – Sure thing! I have all the photos on my web browser, plus key characteristics like size, color, and where located.

A.W. – It's a real cool feeling to map them all. Have you chosen one type as a favorite above all others?

Beth – Yes, Sir! I really like the small ones with a rough-around-the-edges, textured surface best of all. I just like those with a unique form. A smooth one looks so artificial, like it is porcelain china.

A.W. – I know what you mean. That's like 'Glazed Porcelain'. Unusual forms for me, too! That is probably my favorite style. But, I am really into patterns as well. I love those with the rippled, multiple, thin bands of color - like blue and grey, mauve rose, and pure silver or pure gold.

Gert – Those are like the sediment laid down over and over eons in the Grand Canyon. Some even have a fossil sticking out of them.

A.W. - Hmmm! Oh, Yeah! Sure, if you're lucky, Ma'am! Groovy analogy! But, by fossil you really mean a sharks' tooth, right!

Gert -You got it! Boy oh boy! Beth is really into those, too, aren't you dear girl?

A.W. – Continuing your analogy, I got some uniquely different waves of flame from 'Molten Magma' out of 'Volcano Fires'. Those widely unique patterns are like a hot ember, a lava flow that ripples from the hot crimson center to the cooler flamboyant edges.

Gert – Beth was able to get some nice patterned things out of molten lava once when it got cooler. Awesome luck!

A.W. - Oh! So you are also hybridizing, you lucky ducky!

Beth - Huh!

A.W. – How about colors! All things considered, some of my favorite things are 'Sandstone' and 'Gold and Silver'. Do you happen to have any 'Gold Alloy'? That may be my favorite one!

Beth – I wish, but until I'm all grown up it is too expensive on my babysitting income, an illusive dream for now.

Maizie – 'Little Gold Nugget' should not be too costly now; or how about 'Fools Gold' for a few bucks more. That is always pretty impressive and it is mighty nice.

Beth – Yes, Ma'am! I have some of that. It captures the eye and says, notice me! Pretty nifty the way it glitters! But the top of my wish list is a large red sapphire, or small red diamonds. Falling for red is my desire in the moment.

Maizie – 'Falling For Red' is great! I think 'Red Diamonds' would be hard to find these days, but some 'Diamond in the Rough' should be easier for you to acquire at a reasonable price. How about that?

Beth – Even so, I really wanted something special and bold looking like that for my birthday gift. A good one can be a dazzling gem. It draws you to it, but Granny gave me ruby and emerald instead. All I ask is to keep me in mind. I could swap some opal for it.

A.W. – That was a very special and generous gift from your awesome Granny! 'Ruby and Emerald' has very complementary colors. But, diamond dusted 'Dazzling Gem' is to dye for, right! 'Opal' is charming and not one I have so perhaps one day soon we can make a trade, no strings attached. It would be no fuss and bother!

Gert – Thanks a million for trading with her! That would be a totally awesome special treat! The auction bidding at the last meeting was clearly a thrill for her. But some prices were a jaw dropper, especially for the supersize kind. The opening bids were way out there, well above her weekly allowance. Some were as scarce as duck's teeth, too.

A.W. - I recall they went bonkers over one big boy that was a foot in diameter - really pushing the limits on its price.

Beth – You betcha by golly! Wow, it took two hundred pounds of muscle to roll that big dude down the aisle in that lil' red wagon!

> It could mean that [this] point in time inherently contains some sort of cosmic significance. Almost as if it were the junction point for the entire space-time continuum.

> > - Doc Brown in Back To The Future II

So, you think things are looking up! Well, here's an update on things to come. You can believe me that in one way or another we may have just reached the state of quantum superposition here, a quantum leap if you will. Don't ask me why, but the conversation is just beginning to take a rather quick, unpleasant downward turn. Is Schrodinger's cyanide capsule about to explode, or a smart phone? There are no words, no explanation necessary to explain the over the edge dialog that now takes place.

Maizie - Huh! Land sakes alive! What little red wagon? What ever in the Sam Hill are you talking about cute thing!

Beth – You know, the one with the massive, rose quartz rock in it! Weighed an amazing 50 pounds!

A.W. - Say what, you silly wabbit! A fifty-pound rock! Sweetie, we don't auction rocks in wagons!

Gert – Well, monkey boy, it is a Rock and Mineral Club after all!

A.W. – Time-out! Hold your horses there, chickie babe! You almost persuaded me, but it's a Daylily Club. It's all about PLANTS! I think you are getting your facts a little twisted! Moreover we always meet the second Tuesday of the month.

Gert - Plants! They told me rocks were always the third Tuesday of the month, or was that a rerun of The Third Rock From The Sun. You are just trying to confuse me with all your hocus focus! What was I thinking! If I only had a brain like I once had! I must sound wishy washy, but show me here on my calendar!

A.W. – I see where Beth gets her wordplay from now! But, are you listening to me! Read my lips! I'm not out to get you, but did some imaginary friend tell you that! You really are cornfused! According to my phone calendar what you see is what you get (WYSIWYG) and mine gets the second Tuesday. What you have is last century's calendar there, slick chick! So, don't start a big fuss! It's no big deal. I suggest you two take a long weekend and just come again next Tuesday!

Maizie – Well, whoop dee doo wop! Were you raised by wolves, Gert! You should grow daylilies, not collect a fancy pebble or so!

Gert – Pebbles! You quack me up and you talk too much! And, I won't have that whipper snapper with his smarty pants phone, lecture me either. Just call me crazy, but he better re-check his Samsung calendar before it explodes half charged, you muddy-shoed, country bumpkin! So, wipe that crooked smile off your face and don't mess with me you big bully!

Maizie – Shoes? Oh how sweet! I ain't a-wearing no shoes you city slicker! I've been called a whole lot worse by others with bats in belfry like you, Gaudy Gerty, and it never made me blush. This sassy sister is a triple threat! I'm a redneck gal, proud and sassy! A.W. will tell you I'm a cotton pickin' good girl on fire, so just paint me sassy, sweet pea!

Gert – You're late, Sugar Doll! You're an over the hill, high falootin' floozie. Your smarty, loud mouth could stand some duck tape! There is no place like home, and frankly my dear your fat and sassy, loose lips are headed there by special delivery right after they get a fist bump from this blue haired girl! Welcome to dreamland, sweet lips!

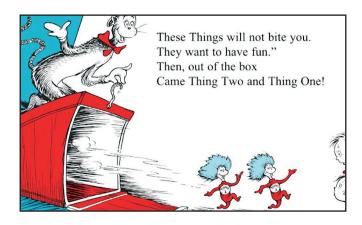
Maizie – Go ahead, make my day! I'm little but mighty, and I will have no regrets about taking you on!

Beth – Put down that rock, Granny, and listen to reason! I think you had better take a sip of wine or that "alternative" medicine you carry around in that flask of yours. That should have a calming effect on your frilly frazzled nerves! Let's have no problems!

In the meantime, at this moment of truth, the room contained two realities: both a simultaneous Rock/Mineral Club Meeting and a Daylily Club Meeting. But, thankfully, as tensions escalated a technical knockout was declared. The door opened, more people entered, common sense was restored, and all was forgiven. With these new observers coming together, the realities reverted to one alone. No doubt there was only one way out. Ah! But which way out!

When smart meets dumb, dumb always wins!

- Justin Locke, Principles of Applied Stupidity



In his book, The Cat In The Hat, Dr. Seuss described two "Things" in a box – Thing One and Thing Two – which the cat let out such that they caused much havoc as was about to occur in this story (where we actually had four things, i.e., people in a room, not one cat too many). But, when the day is done, it's a good thing that the cat (perhaps it was Schrodinger's Cat) managed to clean everything up. So, dear friend, being reality challenged, like Dr. Seuss, I must clean up my own mess in order to maintain the space-time continuum and avoid galactic destruction. There were actually two realities, or "Things," in the above story: 1) a large rock in a little red wagon was really mentioned, but it was by a very kind, wellmannered lady and her cute granddaughter; 2) and, it really did take place on the second Tuesday of the month – daylily night! At the end of the day, it was much ado about nothing. You were right if you guessed that it was just a comedy of errors, with no explosion or radiation. So, that's that!

Now you know the rest of the story!

- Paul Harvey

Epilogue: Granny Gert and Beth frequently use daylily names "inadvertently" in their conversations. Therefore, their wordplay is not in quote marks for they have no idea that they are referring to cultivars. However, A.W. and Maizie's dialog may or may not have quotes, depending upon context. Either way, special thanks go to hybridizers of the many cultivar names sprinkled throughout. Think you can pick out all the names? Check out the list on region15daylily.org (click the link below the cover shot of the Hemalina) to see if you can find all 412 used in this story. The list is probably not all inclusive, only those unique ones that the author remembers! The names could be anywhere! While you cannot count a duplicate, you can count word(s) within other cultivar names that are also cultivar names. But, you cannot count a name that is part of a word; e.g., you can count 'From the Beginning' and also 'Beginning,' but not 'Ginni.'

Just remember, however, this is no contest! You may think you win, but there is no prize winner who gets prize money, a winner's trophy, or a prize trophy for finding them all – no grand prize, not even a first prize! Therefore, I do declare these to be my famous last words on this subject. This may be the very, very last word! Okay!

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> Below: 'Butter Cream' (Whatley 1998). Photo Kathy Tinius



You, too, can be a Garden Judge from daylilies.org

What is a Garden Judge? Garden judges learn to perform consistent and impartial evaluation of daylily performance in garden settings. Based on observations in their own region or a national convention, garden judges vote the AHS Awards and Honors ballot. Results of this voting focuses attention on daylilies which many garden judges consider outstanding garden performers in their regions. We'd love for you to join us! Garden Judges select the majority of AHS Cultivar Awards each year, including the Stout Silver Medal, by voting the Awards and Honors ballot. The Stout Silver Medal is AHS's highest award given to a cultivar.

Why should I consider becoming a Garden Judge? If you are highly interested in daylilies and want to learn more about them, you should consider becoming a garden judge. Garden judges learn to look at the "whole plant" in evaluating what makes a great garden plant. Some of the areas judges are trained to evaluate are: foliage, plant vigor, scape height, bud placement, overall beauty and distinction of the bloom and plant, resistance to disease, form, and bloom substance. As a garden judge, you are encouraged to grow a representative sampling of all forms and types of daylilies so that you can better train your eyes to recognize outstanding plant performance as well as gain knowledge of the various forms of daylilies.

What are the steps I need to follow to become a garden judge? 1) You must have been an AHS Member for at least 12 calendar months to begin training. (When you send in an application to become a judge at the end of your training, you must have been an AHS member for 24 calendar months).

2) Very important: Before you take any workshops, read the newly updated Garden Judges Handbook, "Judging Daylilies," that can be downloaded from the portal or ordered from Amazon.

Did you check out the Pop Poll Ballot on Page 22?

- 3) Take Garden Judges Workshop I (approximately 2 hours). This is taught by instructors in a classroom setting, using a PowerPoint. There is a short, easy test to take at the end of the workshop. You must score at least 70%. Most often, these workshops are offered at Regional or National meetings, but at times, daylily clubs will offer the workshops to interested members. Ask club members who are garden judges about this!
- 4) Take Garden Judges Workshop II (approximately 2 1/2 hours). This part of the class is taught in a garden, and students learn to evaluate registered cultivars and seedlings with accredited instructors. These workshops are offered at Regional Summer meetings and National meetings and at times, are sponsored by daylily clubs.
- 5) After completing both workshops, you must fill out and send an "Application for Appointment as a Garden Judge" to your RP (Regional President). Your RP will send the form to the Garden Judges Records chair, who will notify you of your appointment for a five year term as a garden judge.
- 6) Garden judges should grow a variety of cultivars of various forms and sizes in order to better learn to evaluate the "complete garden plant" and to become familiar with all types of daylilies. Particular attention should be given to growing a sampling of regionally hybridized cultivars. Judges should also make an effort to visit as many gardens as possible during bloom season and to attend Regional and National meetings.

Whom do I contact for more information?

You may contact the Garden Judges Records Chair (gardenjudges@daylilies.org) or if you know your AHS region, you can contact your regional garden judges liaison. In Region 15, the Garden Judges Liaison is Becky Hinshaw (hinshaw@rtelco.net).



2018 AHS National Convention June 6-9, 2018 Hosted by Georgetown Area Daylily Club Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel 2101 N Oak Street Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29577

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Butterfly House (timed entries, \$3) Maximum registration will be 600 for garden tours. Don't miss out on Ocean Views and Daylilies, Too! Mail to: Kathy Tinius, Registrar, 657 Hemlock Ave., Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 ahs2018convention.org



Above: Plant sale plant 'Rock Around the Clock' (Shooter-F., 2002)

Plant Sale to be right next to Registration AND open a day early!

We have some exciting news about the plant sale at the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach! Not only will we have many beautiful Region 15 introductions, but we're also opening the plant sale a day early! If all goes as planned, those checking in on Wednesday, June 6, will be able to shop the plant sale! We're planning to locate the tables for the plant sale next to our Registration tables.

You'll be channeled through Registration to pick up your name badge, goodie bag with registration and bus plants, select your table, and select your bus. Then, you'll walk right into the plant sale! We have buckets and bags ready for you to shop, shop, shop!

Check out what we'll have at ahs2018convention.org, click on Boutique, Raffles, Auction and scroll down past the auction plants.



Above: Plant sale plant 'Tip of the Iceberg' (Douglas-H., 2009)

Right: Evelyn Olszewski and Janice Ullmeyer are two of our hardest-working volunteers; you can join them and share in the fun!

Contest: Your Club Could Win \$1,000 or \$500 in Daylilies

e've already heard from a bunch of clubs from across the country that are busy putting together what they hope will be the winning baskets. Your club could be a winner, too!

Here's how the raffle works. Clubs and individuals donate items or baskets of interest to daylily fanatics. Each item or basket is given a number, and a specially marked bag is placed next to the item or basket. Convention attendees buy raffle tickets and place one or more tickets in the bag for the item or basket they want. A winning ticket is picked from each bag and the winner goes home with something wonderful. In this contest, the item or basket that receives the greatest number of raffle tickets will win the donor club \$1,000 worth of daylilies from Heidi and Charles Douglas and Gene Tanner of Browns Ferry Gardens. The one with the second highest number of tickets will get \$500 worth of daylilies from Duane Therrien and Ed Zahler of the I Can't Believe It's a Dip garden.

Each club comes from an area with unique foods, drinks, attractions, plants, and people. Pull from your local community to make your basket reflect the flavor and personality of your club and people. Visit shops run by small businesses or even club members. Or just grab some bottles from a local vineyard since delicious wine is always, always popular!

Make your plans now – not just for what you'll put in the basket, but also for how you'll use the plants you win. Hmmmm, maybe one or two per club member? Maybe start a new public flower bed at a library or school? Maybe replant your club's daylily bed? Maybe...

Drop a note to Kathy (ktinius@yahoo.com) to let her know if your club is bringing a basket so we'll have a great space ready to display it!

First place: \$1,000 from Browns Ferry Gardens Second Place: \$500 from I Can't Believe It's a Dip

We need you, we really need you!

ave you ever wanted to feel needed? Have you wanted to have even your smallest effort applauded and appreciated? Have you ever wanted to know what goes on behind the scenes at an AHS National Convention?

We'd like to help you achieve those goals because WE NEED YOU at the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach this June 6-9.

Although we've pulled in our nondaylily friends, our family members both close and barely-related, and our acquaintances from work and church, we still need volunteers to help with all the duties, fun, and work it takes to pull off the convention. Yes, we did say fun, because we intend for the convention to be a relaxing and enjoyable time for both visitors and helpers.



If you aren't planning to register for the convention but you can spare a few hours to a few days, you will not find more grateful people. We'd love to have your help even if you're not able to attend the convention!

If you can help, for anything from an hour to a few days, please email Kathy at ktinius@yahoo.com and let her know when you'll be available. (If you've already let us know, you are definitely on the list and we'll be back in touch in late April to give you specifics about time, duties, location, etc.)

Join the village and help us as you are able. Believe me, you will feel so much appreciation you'll think you're covered with a cozy down blanket.

Recognizing the Backyard Hybridizer

10th in a Series by Mitchell Hagler

Perry C. Gaskins

C Route 52 passes through Bonneau, SC—Where the Living is Easy—on its way 41 miles south to Charleston or 71 miles north to Florence. Bonneau is surrounded by the Francis Marion National Forest. Population is just a little under 500. If you stop at 1222 Tuxbury Road, you'll find Perry C. Gaskins, either working in his daylily garden or tending to his farm.



Perry is a familiar face to Region 15 folks. He is a garden judge, an exhibition judge, and an exhibition instructor, all to the credit of Peggy Jeffcoat to whom it is hard to say "no." He most recently served the region as Hybridizer Liaison and the Lowcountry Daylily Club—several times—as president and as vice president. Perry is a twenty-year member of AHS.

Perry gets his love for gardening naturally. His greatgrandfather and grandmother were both avid gardeners, but of twelve grandchildren, Perry is the only one who has continued in their footsteps. He lives on a 50-acre farm with wife Pam and raises beef cattle, chickens, and goats. The



Gaskins have a son, Corey.

Every daylily fan has a story of how he or she got into daylilies and Perry's is pretty straightforward. One day, he was driving from Charleston to Georgetown when he passed the sign for Roycroft



Daylilies, and decided to check out this container-grown nursery. He spied 'Wedding Band' (Stamile 1987), a cream white-edged yellow with green throat that went on to win the Stout Medal in 1996. The striking color stopped him in his tracks, as did the price—a whopping \$50! But he was hooked.

About ten years ago, Perry started his own hybridizing program. He is disappointed by the high-priced daylilies on the Robin because he rarely sees anything different from

what is already on the market. While he is pleased with his seedlings so far, Perry hasn't introduced anything at this point because he wants to make sure his introductions are distinctly different from



what is available. He is evaluating some favorites and may introduce them in the near future.

In the meantime, Perry is working with all different colors (except white) and with all different forms (except unusual). He does have some small and mini daylilies but he prefers big flowers. A daylily he can't live without is '**Dorothy and Toto**' (Herrington-K., 2003), a 6" rose peach cream blend above a green throat (and 2015 Stout Silver Medal winner).

In addition to his 300+ daylilies, Perry grows roses, camellias, and irises. In fact, he is "getting back into roses" although it is a challenge to keep the deer at bay. Now that he is retired from the Santee Cooper Electric Generating Plant, Perry will have more time to hybridize. Region 15 members are eager to see what this farm boy is going to show us. So, another reason to attend the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting is that Perry's garden will be on tour. As Paul Owen would say, WHOO HOO!

Photos Perry Gaskins

Previous page, clockwise from far left: View into the delightful perennial garden on the Gaskins farm; Perry posed while decorating his cabin for Christmas; all remaining photos are of Perry's seedlings.





Save the Date

2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting May 31 - June 1, 2019 Moncks Corner, South Carolina

Instead of Saying "Thank You" by Mitchell Hagler, Region 15 Treasurer

his past Christmas I kept hearing people say that they didn't know what to get so-and-so. They said that those particularly hard to buy for were parents and older folks because they were more inclined to be getting rid of "stuff" than wanting more. What's a person to do?

If those on your list are daylily people, the answer is simple: make a donation to Region 15 in their honor. The same is true for birthdays, anniversaries, and any special occasion. It will also solve your dilemma of what to do when someone gives you a plant. Everyone knows the superstition that a pass-along plant won't grow if you thank the giver for it. On the other hand, many of us also know from firsthand experience that it's hard to not say "thank you" when you are offered a free plant. After all, gardeners are generally a friendly, gracious, and appreciative group of people. But with practice you can instead say something like, "that will look good with my name-that-flower," or, "I have the perfect spot for that plant." Say anything you want, just don't say "thank you" when someone gives you a free plant. Instead, write a check to Region 15 in honor of that gift-giver. The recipient will be pleased.



Clemson has set their football schedule, so you know what that means! Well, yes, it means my niece and her family will be conspicuously missing those weekends as they cheer her alma mater. And ves, it also means we know what will be on the tvs those certain days in our favorite watering holes. And, well, yes, we know which days we can plan to go shopping, knowing stores will be empty until the final whistle.

But what it really means is the Upstate Daylily Society has been able to set the dates for the Region 15 Fall Meeting in Clemson, SC!

Mark your calendars today:

2018 Region 15 Fall Meeting

Clemson, SC Friday & Saturday October 5 - 6, 2018 Location to be announced



Making a donation to Region 15 in support of the *Hemalina* is also a great way to remember someone who has passed away. While sending flowers for a funeral will add beauty for a few days, a contribution will help our region for a much longer time.

Recently Editor Kathy Tinius has had to change printers and after getting bids from three recommended companies, she still discovered that there would be a considerable increase in the cost of publishing the Hemalina than the region had been paying. We have tried to increase our paid advertising and we do get donations from individual clubs, but making a donation to Region 15 is a win-win situation. The person being honored or the family of the person being remembered is pleased and at the same time the region is being helped financially.

I know that our members are generous people. I witnessed that at the fall meeting auction in Columbia. Many times people were willing to bid higher than the retail value of a daylily "for the good of the region."

The next time you say to yourself "what in the world can I get for so-and-so?" consider a gift that keeps on giving—a donation to your AHS Region 15.

Check out the **AHS 2018 National**



Convention Website!

AHS 2018 National Convention to be hosted by Georgetown Area Daylily Club June 6 - 9, 2018

ahs2018convention.org

Even if you've already registered, you'll want to check out the website for the AHS 2018 National Convention. We're updating the site daily to provide answers to questions and with plenty of information to make sure you're well prepared for your trip to Myrtle Beach.

Here's what you can find on ahs2018convention.org:

- Click to register for the convention or judges clinics, to purchase t-shirts and companion dinners
- The daily convention schedule of events, including times and room numbers
- Photos of registration/bus plants, plant sale plants, and auction plants
- Maps showing where you can find essentials around the hotel (like drug stores, urgent care centers, banks)
- Details on boutique vendors and photos of what they'll be offering
- Overviews of presenters and forums
- Details about Myrtle Beach, including lists of things your non-daylily companions might want to enjoy, plus lists of consignment shops, and lists of kennels in case you bring your furry companion
- Driving directions to help you avoid weekend tourist traffic, including maps showing the impact of the nearby Carolina Country Music Festival
- Details on each of the tour gardens, plus the list of guest plants and where you'll see them
- Map showing where attendees will travel from
- A list of what you should bring and what to expect of your visit to South Carolina (and yes, we do discuss fire ants, sharks, and alligators)

Visit ahs2018convention.org for more details and to register if you haven't!

Contact the Sheraton hotel directly for reservations on 888-627-8203 by 5/5/18 and identify yourself as part of the Daylily Convention.

2018 AHS Region 15 Popularity Poll Ballot

The Popularity Poll ballot is printed here and is available on the AHS Region 15 website (daylilies.org/PopPoll/ballot.html). Mail or email your choices by September 1, 2018, or use the website ballot. Please submit your ballot only once; if your club president is collecting ballots, you may turn them in at a club meeting. Each AHS member can vote for up to ten registered cultivars. Circle up to ten or you may write in up to five personal choices for a total of ten.

- 1. Alien DNA
- 2. Asheville Sunlit Rainbow
- 3. Asheville Tourist
- 4. Baby Blue Eyes
- 5. Beaucatcher Mountain
- 6. Bela Lugosi
- 7. Big Flat Floozy
- 8. Biker Babe
- 9. Blue Corn Moon
- 10. Blue Deva
- 11. Boss Hogg
- 12. Browns Ferry Firecracker
- 13. Browns Ferry Queen of Hearts
- 14. Browns Ferry Royalty
- 15. Buttered Popcorn
- 16. Carnival in Caracas
- 17. Carolina Cool Down
- 18. Cat Dancer
- 19. Cherryville
- 20. Chick Flick
- 21. Circle of Friends
- 22. Claudine's Charm
- 23. Clown Parade
- 24. Conway Red Light
- 25. Crispy Cream
- 26. Crossfire
- 27. Curls Gone Wild
- 28. Dance with Somebody
- 29. Dancing with Linda
- 30. Date with Destiny
- 31. Eminent Domain
- 32. Fair to Middlin'
- 33. Firefly Frenzy
- 34. Fluttering Beauty
- 35. Frieda Allen Jerrell
- 36. George Jets On
- 37. Goody Goody Gumdrop
- 38. Gracious Sally Way
- 39. Heavens to Betsy
- 40. I Am Janet Lynne
- 41. Jordan's Jazz
- 42. Julie Melissa
- 43. Kermit the Frog
- 44. King Kahuna
- 45. Knock Your Socks Off
- 46. Laura Harwood
- 47. Lily Munster
- 48. Linda Gluck

- 49. Look Here Mary
- 50. Mean Green
- 51. Mister Butters
- 52. Mister Lucky
- 53. Molten Mountain
- 54. Myrtle Beach
- 55. No Boys Allowed
- 56. Orange Velvet
- 57. Oy Vey
- 58. Papa Goose
- 59. Paul Cranford
- 60. Pick of the Litter
- 61. Pink Peppermint
- 62. Primal Scream
- 63. Queen Charlotte
- 64. Quiller
- 65. Rainy Day Blues
- 66. Rambunctious Rosie
- 67. Riot on the Kindergarten Bus
- 68. Rose F. Kennedy
- 69. Ruby Spider
- 70. Shuffle the Deck
- 71. Shutterbug
- 72. Spotswood Box
- 73. Stack the Deck
- 74. Thin Man
- 75. Tip of the Iceberg
- 76. Twenty Nine Flags Over Conway
- 77. Vega Show Girl
- 78. Victorian Lace
- 79. Vitamin C.
- 80. Webster's Pink Wonder
- 81. _____
- 82. _____
- 83. _____
- 84. _____
- 85. _____

Signature: _____ Name: _____

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B. Bettie Jernigan Historical Daylily Garden

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Left and above: The first AHS Daylily Ambassador location, Flag City, Ohio. Photos Mike Anders

AHS Daylily Ambassador Program

Every year during bloom season there are lots of festivals and events that aren't hosted by a daylily club or AHS members. Whether or not they are involved with the AHS, these folks SHARE OUR PASSION for daylilies. The mission of the new Daylily Ambassador program is to recognize and celebrate those folks - AHS members or not who go above and beyond to promote daylilies to the general public.

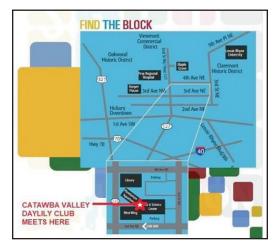
Check out the first Daylily Ambassador at their page: facebook.com/flag.city.daylily.tour/.

Do you know people or organizations that make an extraordinary effort to promote daylilies to the general public? Read more about the program and download the nomination form from the links on the AHS home page. Or contact Melodye Campbell for more information about the program, displaygardens@daylilies.org.

Club News

Catawba Valley Daylily Club pulled from Facebook

Members of the Catawba Valley Daylily Club kicked off the new year at the Hickory Choral Society Room to work on meeting plans for the coming year.



President Lisa Goins is using Facebook to communicate with members, including meeting specifics and even a map to help new members find the meeting space.

In addition, other members of the club are actively using the Catawba Valley Daylily Club Facebook page to communicate important news and to even provide a humorous update. Give it a try in your club if you haven't already!



Coastal North Carolina Daylily Society by Ken Ferguson

In January, winter finally took hold with nighttime lows in the teens, only to be followed in February by high temps in the upper seventies. With all of the warmth and unusually wet weather, the tree frogs have been singing for weeks now, and are probably in for a rude awakening come March and April. Plus, our deciduous cultivars are beginning to pop up very early. The society started 2018 off with our annual, purely social function, the fourth Night Out on the Town, which was really a Night Out in the Country. As door prizes, every member walked away with \$20 worth of SOCIETY DAYLILY BUCKS, redeemable for plants from our daylily sales this year. Many members took away prizes that included plants, bundles of metal plant tags, a weeding tool, and a gift certificate from the restaurant that hosted the event. And to help boost our AHS membership ratio, we raffled off two 1-year memberships to the national society. There was a twist, however, on one of the gift memberships...as the winner was chosen after a karaoke sing-off of Patsy Cline's "Crazy."

The society has undertaken a major community outreach project. The CNCDS has joined a partnership between the Currituck NC Cooperative Extension and JP Knapp Early College High School to facilitate an opportunity for a multi-generational, collaborative relationship between the groups. Ms. Elizabeth Hunter, Earth Science and Biology teacher at the school, requested help to advise and educate her students as they make decisions about planning and planting vegetable and pollinator gardens for an Outdoor Classroom Project. The gardens will be located on the campus of JP Knapp.

The CNCDS will provide mature seedlings as pollinator attractors. We will also provide speakers on the planting



It is still early in the year, so we only have two plant sales confirmed. Our first and usually largest sale will be held at the Currituck NC Cooperative Extension office in Barco, NC, April 21 and 22. Our second sale will take place at the Southern Shores Marketplace, on the Outer Banks, May 5. This is the event where our members staged the risqué photo celebrating World Naked Gardening Day, published last year in this newsletter. How can we possibly not top last year's photo when this year's event will be held on both Cinco de



Mayo and Naked Gardening Day?

Over a half dozen of our members are planning to attend the AHS National Convention in Myrtle Beach. We hope to see you all there. And, if you are headed to the Outer Banks of North Carolina this year, please contact us ahead of time for a tour of our garden. We're on the way and we'd love to have you visit.

Left: Coastal North Carolina's fourth Night Out in the Country. Photo by a very kind waiter

Above, top: Ken Ferguson speaks with students at JP Knapp Early College High School. Photo by Elizabeth Hunter, Earth Sciences and Biology Teacher

Above, bottom: Visitors to the 2017 Currituck Home, Flower, and Garden Show. Photo Ken Ferguson

Foothills Daylily Society by Steve Earnest

It's been another long cold winter and we have been anxiously awaiting SPRING! To reduce these mid-winter blues, members of the Foothills Daylily Society met in January to plan out our 2018 activities. Many thoughtful ideas were presented.

In 2018, our society will focus on:

- Strengthening Foothill Daylily Society's AHS (national) participation;
- Adding seedling pictures to our year-end photo contest since many of our members hybridize; and,
- Continuing the "Daylily Dollars" incentive program to give back to society members for participating in group activities.

The society extended a big thank you to our outgoing officers for their hard work and dedication over the past two years. John Martin had served as president and Barbara Neuman served as vice president; Kirk Milleman has remained as vice president with our thanks.

Our new society officers for the next two years are: President - Nolan Newton Vice President - Kirk Milleman Secretary - Nancy Rigsby

Congratulations to all and we know this strong team means we can look forward to much success the next couple years.

On the heels of our first sanctioned flower show last year, we have decided to do it once again this year. We discussed how to make the



Above: Foothills Daylily Society members enjoy the first official meeting of 2018. Photo Steve Earnest

show more efficient and rewarding. We are working through some of the minor flaws and continuing many of the positives that made our first show a success.

On Sunday February 11 we had our first official meeting. Our president gave us a talk on "Planning our Gardens." There was great group participation since we have many master gardeners with a lot of information and recommendations to share. They help make these sessions informative and educational.

We are looking forward to a productive and successful gardening year.

Georgetown Area Daylily Club by Kathy Tinius

he Georgetown Area Daylily Club started the year off right with a photo contest and souper supper. With the highly unusual cold weather and actual (gasp!) snow, our new president Chuck Wilson knew he needed something hot to get members out on a cold afternoon. Club members made and brought 15 different soups, stews, or chilis to sample. Using muffin tins and small cups, members were able to sample as many soups as they liked, and boy did they like! Several soups were so popular they were finished off entirely, but everyone left room for the dessert of cake and cupcakes.

In February, the club began a series of working meetings preparing for the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach. The following three months will bring more of these working meetings along with a LOT of hard work getting everything shiny, fresh, and orderly for the convention. Our members can't wait to host everyone and look forward to showing you a southern good time!

If you haven't already, check out ahs2018convention.org for all the details (and I mean ALL the details -- make sure you read the parts about fire ants and alligators!)

2018 Officers: President, Chuck Wilson; Vice President, Marlon Howell; Secretary, Janice Ullmeyer; Treasurer, Ella Maugans

The Georgetown Area Daylily Club friends and family respectfully submit:

Past President Heidi Douglas and Past Vice President Kathy Tinius left very big shoes to be filled. Individually, they successfully brought talents, aspirations, and ideas to our club. As a team, they were unbeatable. Under their leadership, our membership was increased, our enthusiasm was revitalized, and our involvement was rejuvenated. With their encouragement, we took on the responsibility of the 2018 AHS National Convention. Under their co-chairmanship, it will be an event to be remembered.

We fully realize how fortunate we have been to experience the partnership of Heidi and Kathy for the past four years. Our club will be forever grateful to both of them.



Above: Landscape winner, Ella Maugans' photo of the Pinkham garden



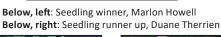
Above: Novelty winner, Marlon Howell's photo of a sweet frog



Left: Clump winner, Duane Therrien's photo of 'Twenty Nine Flags over Conway' (Therrien, 2016)



Left: Multi-Bloom winner. Duane Therrien's photo of 'Blue Deva' (Therrien, 2014)







Above: Single Bloom winner, Ann Howell's photo of 'Under the Boardwalk' (Howell-M. 2018)

Lowcountry Daylily Club based on meeting minutes lyrically written by Brenda Davis

ope everyone managed to get through the snow of January 3; in the Moncks Corner area, we had at least 6" and some areas had more. We were fortunate it was a dry powder, not wet and heavy, so it didn't cling to tree limbs and power lines. Very kind neighbors and friends helped clear snow from walkways and ramps of those who don't even own snow shovels. It finally melted away a week later but will stay much longer in our memories.

Then before we knew it, the weather in February warmed up enough that we were all out working our gardens, clearing away dead foliage and spying companion plants already in bloom. Purple violets, white daffodils, tiny yellow daffodils are all now blooming alongside our recovering daylilies. Even the forsythia is already in bloom in mid-February.

Our meeting location had to change and in January we met in our new location, the VFW Post at 1142 Live Oak Drive in Moncks Corner. Everyone managed to find the new location and enjoyed Linda Sue Barnes' presentation on photography and tips to get great photos.

In February, Anne Winningham led a discussion on backyard hybridizing, with club members sharing photos of their seedlings and discussing genealogy.

Club members are spending most of their time and energy preparing for the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting. While a lot of planning has already taken place, much remains to be done. If you can help in any way, please don't hesitate to contact Anne Winningham at pwinningham@homesc.com or Jean Owens at jkowens1949@gmail.com.



Don't miss our request for seedlings on page 7. We would like to have every Region 15 hybridizer represented in this bed, so get yours dug as soon as you can and send them off to Mike. You'll be glad you did!

We look forward to seeing many of you at the AHS 2018 National Convention, where members of the Lowcountry Daylily Club will be helping at the convention center and in gardens. See you in June.

Below: Members of the Lowcountry Daylily Club took plenty of notes during the 2017 Region 15 Fall Meeting to help them prepare for the 2019 Region 15 Summer Meeting in Moncks Corner. *Photo Kathy Tinius*



Mid-Carolina Daylily Society by Carol R. Cliett

So far, 2018 has been cold and wet, but soon (hopefully soon) this season will pass and spring will be here.

As I sat in daylily meetings and looked around, I realized our members are really friends sharing plans, ideas, and thoughts. So, this seemed to be more of a friends gathering than a club meeting. Our club is blessed with Master Gardeners, hybridizers, and members – I mean, friends – with a wide variety of gardening skills and abilities they freely share.

It appears our itinerary is full for the first half of the year, and we're off and running into spring 2018 with great anticipation.

February 11 – Amy Wright presented a wonderful program on "Good and Bad Trees for Your Landscape"

March 11 – "What you need to know about Daylilies" was the

program; Peggy Jeffcoat will share her knowledge and experience....her Dos & Don'ts

April 8 – "My Daylilies" will be presented by Bret Clement of

Carmel, Indiana, on hybridizing spiders and unusual forms; Bret will also bring plants for auction and will take pre-orders, check out his website at clementgarden.com

May 20 – Annual Picnic and Plant Auction

June 16 – Daylily Exhibition and Plant Sale, 11 – 4, Garden Club Council Building, 1605 Park Circle, Columbia, SC; Exhibition Show Free – Public is welcome; come early to buy daylilies as we very often sell out

If you are in our area, please come to visit the Mid-Carolina Daylily Society to learn about growing daylilies, "Queen of Perennials."

Left: Website of April 8 speaker Bret Clement with views across his spectacular seedling beds and links to his amazing introductions.

Above: The Garden Club Council Building in Columbia, SC, an excellent facility for meetings, plant sales, and flower shows.



Welcome to Clement Daylily Gardens "The Cat's Meow Of Daylilies" Winner of Region 2's 2015 Howard Hite Award for hybridizing excellence.

Hello, my name is Chuck and I'm a Hemeroholic

By Chuck Wilson, GADC President and Region 15 Webmaster

Unlike many other twelve step programs that assist with a serious addiction...we are a different bunch!

Hello, my name is Chuck and I am a Hemeroholic

It has been months since I bought a single fan

I'm developing a twitch and I've broken out in cold sweats

I stand silently in the garden and pout, craving color, any color

Here are a few indicators that you too may have a problem....

You have no interest in a cure

You swear that you will attend a convention and not buy another new introduction

You will skimp at the Piggly Wiggly to afford just one more (I swear, just one more)

You will ignore your family to spend extra hours working in the garden

Your only contact with your family is to drag them into helping you move some plants, maybe weed a little

You have been called out for touting the virtues of the excrement of numerous creatures you've used to "feed your habit"

You have at least one friend who points out how they knew you had a problem because you have dirt under your nails....all the time

You do go to meetings like you should, but end up just eating the snacks and leaving with a desire that is stronger than ever

You smile and maybe giggle when the mulch truck pulls up in front of your house

You bond with others who delight in, I mean, endure the same challenges as you

You struggle to find justification for fitting in one more plant, knowing full well you are lying to yourself and would tear up your entire lawn to satisfy that fix

You begin to refer to annuals as gateway plants

You buy hostas so you can say, "See, I don't spend all our money on daylilies"

You'll never admit you are powerless over weeds, occasional rust, and thrips

You have met in dark alleys and abandoned lots to score that special fan

You curse cold weather and praise the warming sun of springtime By all means put on your garden gloves, grab your trowel, and get to a meeting.

But, alas, I fear most of us are too far gone to be saved.

If we can't laugh at ourselves, everyone else will...

Piedmont Daylily Club by Mitchell Hagler

↑ fter taking July and August off, the Piedmont Daylily Club started the fall with our traditional daylily sale and auction for our members. We also played a couple of rounds of Daylily Stout (bingo), welcomed a new member, encouraged attendance at the Region 15 meeting and at the AHS 2018 National Convention, and distributed a color flyer with the dates and programs for the year.

Sharon Yarbrough from Prospect Hill in Caswell County gave an interesting and educational program on hostas. She brought a few plants for sale to benefit the club. We congratulated Bill Gluck for winning the Popularity Poll with 'Cat Ballou' (Gluck, 2006). We also congratulated Milton Moffett for a photo of his published in *OUR STATE* magazine.

Last year, Region 15 President Nancy Womack asked each club to engage in some type of community outreach. We decided that we would designate our November meeting annually to collecting canned goods for Second Harvest Food Bank. Our members responded by bringing in 105 pounds of food. In the fall we plan to help landscape a Habitat for Humanity house. Much to our delight, we welcomed another new member and two members joined after viewing our club website and all three joined AHS as well.

We welcomed Tom Bruce of Carolina Daylilies and thoroughly enjoyed his presentation of daylilies, iris, hosta, and hyperturfa. Tom is such a talented gardener and he shared his successes and misses over the years.

We don't meet in December so after the long vacation we relied on an AHS video, "Daylilies Through the Ages," for our January program. We also discussed the challenge to win the prize for the most votes in the basket raffle at the National Convention in June. A number of ideas emerged and we are looking forward to taking home the \$1,000 in daylilies.

Our club is honored to have three members of the President's Region 15 Leadership Team: Mitchell Hagler, Treasurer; Michael Luther, Meetings Liaison; and Anne Smethurst, Digital Photography Contest chair.

As I write this it is late January. We have scheduled two great programs to carry us into spring: member Terry Baucom in February presenting "Hybridizing Daylilies 101," and daylily cheerleader Paul Owen in March.



Above: Piedmont member Liz Quinn thanks Tom Bruce for his entertaining presentation. Photo Milton Moffett

Raleigh Hemerocallis Society by Robin Hough and Richard Warren

At our last meeting in October, we had our annual potluck meal and President Wanda Quinn presented a recap of the year (check out last year's Hemalina for details).

Our club installed new officers for the 2018 - 2019 calendar years. These officers are: President - Richard Warren; Co-Vice Presidents - Linda Sue Barnes and Melanie Wyatt; Recording Secretary - Robin Hough; Membership Secretary – Mary Edwards; and, Treasurer – Tom Talbott.

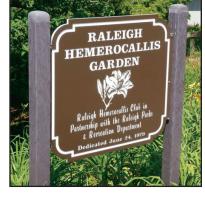
We had our first meeting of 2018 on February 13 at Powell Drive Community Center in Raleigh. No speaker was planned for this meeting, instead we discussed the year ahead. Tom Talbott presented our club financial report and Linda Sue Barnes / Melanie Wyatt discussed their plans for lining up speakers. Suggestions for programs included grooming for the show, a Master Gardener presentation on good and bad insects and pests, a program featuring local hybridizers, a plant swap, and perhaps a field trip to a nearby nursery or garden. Linda Sue and Melanie also discussed opportunities to have club meetings at other locations, such as at the Sarah P. Duke Botanical Gardens and the Juniper Level Botanic Gardens. The Juniper Level Botanic Gardens were established by horticulturist Tony Avent and would be a very exciting meeting location.

Our club will again help serve the community with our annual work day at Jaycee Park Hemerocallis Garden in Raleigh. This Adopt-a-Park program, sponsored by the City of Raleigh Parks, Recreation,



and Cultural Resources Department, allows our club to be represented in both the spring and fall. The work will include spreading mulch/ fertilizer, weeding, and moving/planting daylilies. The scheduled Adopt-a-Park work day will be Friday, April 6, from 1 - 4 pm at Jaycee Park Hemerocallis Garden, 2405 Wade Ave, Raleigh, NC.

Show Chair Raymond Quinn announced the flower show



on Saturday, June 16, at the Crabtree Valley Mall in Raleigh. During our February meeting, we discussed and approved an AHS Board recommendation that allows clubs to include all past top Pop Poll winners in their flower show. In the Pop Poll section of our flower show, we will allow entries to be judged from the top five Pop Poll winners for 2017 as well as any top five retired Pop Poll winners. Also new this year will be a design division, co-sponsored by the Piedmont East Judges Council and the Raleigh Daylily Club. Note that this design division will be separate from any of the daylily entries judged.

We look forward to catching up with our daylily friends at Myrtle Beach in June! The Raleigh Hemerocallis Club will be providing a basket for the raffle and members are already making plans for what to do with all the plants we'll win. Many members will be attending that convention and helping out the hosts. (Editor's note: The AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach Co-Chairs Heidi and Kathy are deeply grateful for the tremendous help being provided by the Raleigh Hemerocallis Club!)

We're excited for another year of meetings and can't wait for daylily growing season.

Left: Members of the Raleigh Hemerocallis Society are busy planning another very successful Daylily Flower Show at Crabtree Valley Mall. This location in a busy mall attracts dozens of visitors and plant buyers. Photo Tony Cox

Consider Presenting a Nomination for the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award

he Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award was established in 2010 by the Central Daylily Club in memory of its founder, Herman Pruitt, and to honor and perpetuate his mentoring efforts in Region 15. Generous with both his time and personal resources, Herman Pruitt exemplified the term "role model" for others. The award is open to any Region 15 member who has made outstanding efforts in mentoring others regarding daylilies. This may include mentoring youth, new hybridizers, or a new daylily club.

The Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award was sponsored by the Central Daylily Club from fall 2011 to fall 2015. When the club dissolved in 2015, the newly formed Triad Daylily Fans and Gardening Club agreed to assume sponsorship.

Nominations for the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award must be presented to the Awards Management Chair by September 1 of each year. Nominations should be in narrative form and should include details of the nominee's mentoring efforts as well as provide any other information about the nominee's contributions to AHS and Region 15. Nominations will be reviewed and voted on by the Region 15 Board. An engraved plaque will be presented to the winner at the Region 15 fall meeting by the president of the sponsoring club or the president's designee.

Previous Recipients of the Herman Pruitt Mentoring Award:

There were no nominees for this award in 2017 Raymond Quin (2016)

Ken Cobb (2015)

There were no nominees for this award in 2014

Jim & Peggy Jeffcoat (2013)

Linda Sue Barnes (2012)

Roger Mercer (2011)

Contact Anne Winningham pwinningham@homesc.com

Sandhills Daylily Club by Linda Sue Barnes

Sandhills Daylily Club rounded out its programs for 2017 with a Photographic Review of the 2017 AHS Convention in Norfolk by Ella Maugans. Our very last event was a Christmas party at the home of Dawn and Alex Whitley. Bad weather got in the way and our numbers were low, but those who could attend enjoyed the lovely decorations and the chance for a quiet get together with friends.

During our break from club meetings, the project at Cape Fear Botanical Garden has marched on. The lot has been cleared, though we do need to remove some cypress knees before the soil is brought in. Students at the Fayetteville Technical Community College Horticulture Program got some good hands-on experience working with a "real" customer to design a garden. Each student presented his or her garden design concept to a group of volunteers and staff from CFBG and they were given feedback to improve their designs. The students were pleasantly surprised to learn that a small cash award went with the certificates; the money was provided by Sandhills

Daylily Club and volunteers at CFBG. The winner was Justyn Beeler. Ideas garnered from the student designs are being incorporated into a master design. Work is proceeding on the drainage problem in the middle of the bed. It has been slow going, but we're hoping to replant the bed by late spring. The area is much larger than the previous garden and will include companion plants to make it appealing in the months when daylilies are not in bloom. Plans are in the works for a grand opening in June, but details are not yet available.

We met at a new location, the Kiwanis Recreation Center, for our February meeting. Everyone enjoyed hearing Lacy English and Monika Begum from Daylily of English Garden discuss their hybridizing programs.

In March, Dan Hansen of Ladybug Daylilies in Geneva, Florida, will be our speaker. If you need any incentive to come to this presentation, take a look at Dan's beautiful introductions on ladybugdaylilies.com.





Far left: Fayetteville Technical Community College Horticulture Program student Greg Johansen presents his design for the new flower bed at the Cape Fear Botanical Garden.

Left: Adriana Quinones, recently appointed director of the Cape Fear Botanical Garden, congratulates winning student Justyn Beeler.

Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club by Lynne Broderius

Were you and yours witness to the "Blue Moon"?!... I wore my blue suede shoes! "Leo's roar announces spring" now showing up in cold messy back half of winter - SO come spring it will already be high or influencing growth! In farmer jargon, it's an early forecast so plant thee while ye may! Our honey crops are planted by the moon and now will be planted earlier!

We kicked off the season with a Christmas meal at Bonefish Grill and a signed copy of James Dodson's book, "Beautiful Madness, One Man's Journey Through Other People's Gardens" (the paperback cover has a maroon unusual form daylily). We highly recommend it for our WOWIE gardeners' delight!

January blew in Roger Mercer regaling us with his stunning history of hybridizing. The members of our three-yearold club are a grateful learning bunch. You know you will 'pick up the beat' when Roger's generosity opens about the daylily, and sure enough, a generous auction ensued.

In February, "Hummingbirds" Wanda Quinn shared her success and insights. Wanda has a plethora of information that makes her the "Hummingbird Whisperer." Shsssh, only those who attended learned all the secrets......Ray unveiled their updated hybridizing program, delightful surprises, oh my, some donated to the auction too!!

We spotlight our member, Sharon Yarbrough, of Ridgeville Daylily Gardens in Prospect Hill, Robeson County, NC, for her unbridled commitment to the world of blooming gardens! The careful hybridizing Sharon brings to daylilies is now a valuable named collection for your landscape. Give a ring for "the tour" at 336 562 5391. Enjoy this special Stout Medal Daylily Garden and make additions to your own collection from her beautiful plants.

Last June at the Alamance Co-Op Extension Center, Master Gardener Sharon presented her own PowerPoint program to the general public, "What Happens at a Daylily Show." The presentation uses Linda Abplanalp as an example of someone who didn't win any blue ribbons with her first daylily flower show entries, yet on her next attempt won major awards! "Just keep trying," Sharon emphasizes. Next, the presentation covers the delight of learning about the Stout Medal winners and how they are chosen. Characteristics of daylilies are covered: colors, care, forms, and even a touch of hybridizing.

Remember those plant sales that come along with a show? Daylilies were sold by these Master Gardeners whose funds support and promote the Arbor Gate Teaching Garden.



A daylily garden plus perennials in an array of beautiful shapes and sizes entertain visitors. Armed with two garden forks, Sharon has demonstrated how to separate daylilies and mystified many whose imaginations were counting how many new plants they would have or hey, maybe give to friends!

Duties of Master Gardeners include taking calls from the general public on their gardening concerns and problems. Any calls for the 'Daylily Lady' are directed to Sharon. Recently, a woman who had attempted hybridizing daylilies for nine years called in to ask that age old question, "How do I hybridize?" Her previous attempts had gleaned only one plant she felt was distinctive, although much to her joy and satisfaction. She spoke of it with pride we know only too well, as we do with our own children! "Dr. Sharon" determined the caller's chosen cultivars were contributing to the failures. She provided advice that helped the caller simplify her hybridizing process and add different cultivars to her program.

While waiting to judge the Piedmont Daylily Club Flower Show last year, Sharon chatted with Mary Reeves of Tryon Garden Club about the differences between AHS exhibition judging and North Carolina National Garden Club's judging. Mary invited Sharon to visit when she is next in Saluda, NC, describing and later emailing a photo of Pearson's Falls and Glen. The Alamance County Master Gardeners were planning a trip to the Arboretum in Asheville, and did just that! A new friend, gardener, and nature lover joined just based on a little chat during a daylily flower show.

Above, right: Master Gardener and Triad Daylily Fans and Garden Club member Sharon Yarbrough leads club members through her "What Happens at a Daylily Show" presentation. Photo Lynne Broderius

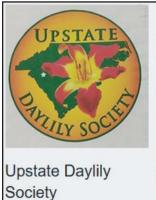
Upstate Daylily Society by Mary McCabe

On December 7, the Upstate Daylily Society met at J Peters restaurant in Anderson, SC, for our Christmas dinner to celebrate friendships, close out a year of daylily society activities, and look forward to a new year of daylily happenings. Our gathering gave us a chance to get out of our garden clothes and don our Christmas sweaters and other bright clothing. There were several lovely table centerpieces given away as door prizes. As usual, Christopher Blackston had a gift for each individual.

During our January 21 Sunday afternoon meeting at the Anderson Library, we planned the year and discussed all of our upcoming events for 2018. President Brenda Coggins presided, while our

secretary Donna Bobby answered questions about our new directory which will be available at our February meeting. Our new treasurer, Karen Manning, gave the financial report, after which our new vice president, Patricia Turner, talked about the speakers being lined up for our monthly meetings.

Check out our new Facebook page (search for Upstate Daylily Society). Our thanks go to member Jonathan Long for his hard work in setting this up.



@upstatedaylilysociety











Above, left: Screen shot of new Upstate Daylily Society Facebook page banner, thanks to member Jonathan Long

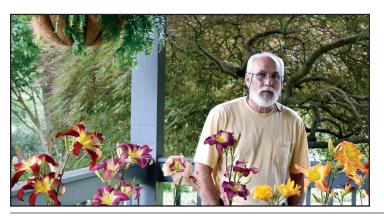
Above, right - clockwise from lower left: Among the celebrants at J Peters were: Ben & Mary McCabe, Marlene Cureton, Walt Kawski, and Irma Kawski; our precious tag-along, Elizabeth Carroll, who never misses a meeting; Erin Carroll and daughter Elizabeth; Ray & Mary Gambrell (standing), Donna Martin, and Jim Bazzone

Photos Patricia Turner

Western North Carolina Daylily Club by Bob Selman

The Western North Carolina Daylily Club is looking forward to another exciting year! Our Flower Show and Sale at the North Carolina Arboretum in Asheville, NC will be held June 23. Our annual Multi-Club Picnic at Blue Ridge Daylilies in Alexander, NC will be July 7. Members from any club in Region 15 are invited to attend, so mark your calendars today and make plans to join us.

Phase I of the Western North Carolina Daylily Club display garden at Bullington Gardens in Hendersonville, NC, is complete. If anyone would like to donate plants for Phase II, please email Nancy Rigsby at ladyslipper900@gmail.com.





If you live in the greater Asheville area, we invite you to join our club. Please visit our website at www.wncdaylilyclub.com or follow us on Facebook for more information about upcoming events and meetings.

Left: Chuck Deyton at the Flower Show and Sale **Above**: Visitors stroll through Blue Ridge Daylilies during the 2017 Multi-Club Picnic; make plans to be part of the fun in 2018!

Photos Bob Selman

Such Talented Region 15 Photographers

Region 15 has some very talented photographers. The selection committee has been hard pressed the last several years to narrow down submitted photographs to the top three and then to place these in winning order. We thought you'd like to see some of the other entries.



Above: 'My Friend Kammy' (Hensley-D., 2015) photo by Steve Earnest



Above: Bee Mine photo by Eric Simpson



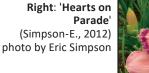
Left: 'Keowee Melon Blossom' (Bryant 2009) photo by Kelvin Bryant



Above: Bumble Bee photo by Kelvin Bryant



Above: 'Star Asterisk' (Stamile 2002) photo by Lynne Broderius





Below: Pollen Seeker photo by Rita Katz





Above: Elizabeth Woodhall Daylilies photo by Steve Earnest



Above: Just Hanging Around photo by Bill Hurt



Above: 'Primping for the Prom' (Douglas-C., 2013) and 'MeMe's Merlot' (Douglas-H., 2016) photo by Bill Hurt

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The Making of a Masterpiece

This silk painting by AHS Member Edvinas Misiukevičius will be up for auction during the AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach

The Georgetown Area Daylily Club is incredibly delighted and grateful to accept this gorgeous silk painting for the auction at the upcoming AHS 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach.

Our favorite Lithuanian daylily hybridizer and fanatic, Edvinas Misiukevičius, is a young man of many, many talents. Edvinas is a 2014, 2015, 2016 recipient of the Mabel Matthews Scholarship, which he has used at the Aleksandras Stulginskis University in pursuit of a bachelor degree in Landscape Design and Management.

While an AHS youth member, Edvinas contributed art work to the AHS Youth News. He won a prize at Kaunas Veršvy high school for a daylily-focused science project, and in 2013 won first place in a national young European scientists contest for his project on daylily breeding. This led to his winning a special award to attend the Joint Research Center in Ispra, Italy, and over that summer attending the London International Youth Science Forum. At Aleksandras Stulginskis University, Edvinas was nominated Researcher of the Year in 2014 for his work on daylily breeding and propagation. Edvinas showed his own daylily cultivars at the 2015 Summer Flowers Exhibition held at the Vilnius Botanical garden. Later, he served as clerk at the AHS Region 4 Flower Show, and in September, displayed late-blooming daylilies at a show in the Kaunas Botanical garden. In 2016, Edvinas presented a slide show to the Lithuanian Flower Hybridizers Society, translating information from the AHS dictionary to Lithuanian. He helped Stasė Dapkūnienė and Rita Maršelienė to write Daylily (Hemerocallis L.) Cultivars Morphological and Decorative Characteristic Description. Edvinas is now working towards his Master of Agronomy and has been president of the Lithuanian Flower Hybridizers Society. In his spare time, he makes paintings of daylilies on silk.

Heidi Douglas, who already has two silk paintings from Edvinas (her 2011 'Papa Goose,' and Charles Douglas' 2008 'Thelma Douglas') knew when she saw just the line drawing (first photo, above right) that the final rendering









would be spectacular. The second and third photos (left and below) show the methodology Edvinas used to make the flowers come alive.

GADC presents Edvinas' interpretation of Jamie Gosssard's 2017 Stout Award winner 'Heavenly United We Stand.' The final result (above) is even more spectacular than Heidi or any of us had hoped.

Yes, you can own this breathtaking 23" X 35" painting. Come to the convention in Myrtle Beach, join in the auction on Thursday evening, and bid, bid, bid!

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On Facebook: Region 15 AHS