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From the Region 10 Board Member

In early November, AHS held their fall board meeting in Norfolk, VA. Norfolk will be hosting the 2017 AHS National Convention, and I was impressed with the hotel in downtown Norfolk. They have a great blend of historical, artistic, and culinary activities available within walking distance of the convention hotel. But first, sign up for the 2016 AHS National Convention in your own backyard – Louisville, KY. We are working hard to make the convention and the gardens a wonderful experience. Now, back to the fall board meeting.

For the past 6 years, AHS has been very fortunate to have Kevin Walek as our Registrar of new daylily cultivars. This is a complex job which is critical to daylily people around the world. Kevin has stepped down, and AHS went through a comprehensive selection process to find a new Registrar, including interviews and graded homework! I am happy to announce that our own Elizabeth Trotter from Georgetown, KY is our new AHS Registrar. Kevin will be training her and knowing Elizabeth, I am sure her energy and diligence will result in her doing a great job.



The AHS fall board meetings are also where the results of Garden Judge voting are announced. This year we had several winners from Region 10. David Kirchhoff won 2 Honorable Mention (HM) Awards for 'Barbara Watts' and 'Barbara Mandrell'. John and Annette Rice won 2 HMs for 'Shattered Glass' and 'Classy Columbus'. And, Mort Morss won an HM for 'Marilyn Morss Johnson'. Congratulations to them and also thanks for bringing us these beautiful new creations. A complete list of award winners is available at the AHS website, daylilies.org. Region 10 can use more AHS Garden Judges. It is easy, fun and important. If you regularly visit several gardens each year in Region 10, please

sign up for a Garden Judge Workshop in 2016.

AHS Publications Committee has been busy. Last year they published the beautiful Illustrated Guide to Daylilies, edited by Oliver Billingslea. It is still available to order at the AHS website, and would make a great Christmas present. This year we are excited to announce a new book has just been published – Double Daylilies – Twice the Fun, edited by Scott Elliott. You can order it now with delivery in late December. Club orders of 10 copies get a discounted price. AHS had a slight decrease in membership in 2015. I would encourage you to get all of your local club members to join AHS. Local clubs with >90% of their members belonging to AHS are considered Gold Level. Each year all the clubs that attain Gold Level or higher are eligible for a drawing to win a \$500 voucher to use to purchase daylilies. Last year Blue Grass Hem Society was at Gold Level, but none of our Region 10 clubs got there in 2015. Please sign up new AHS members in 2016, and remind them that new AHS members will get a voucher that is equal in value to their dues, plus the beautiful Daylily Journal.

This is my last report as your Region 10 Director on the AHS Board as I have completed my 3-year term. I previously served 2 terms when I lived in Texas. So after 9 years on the AHS Board, it is time for some new blood. I am very happy that Jack Alexander will be our new Region 10 Director. I know he will do a great job. Congratulations to Jack. And also thank you to Bud Coltharp our outgoing Region 10 President, and congratulations to Lorene Crone, our incoming President. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your Director. I look forward to seeing you in 2016 at Mid-Winter Symposium, and in my garden during the 2016 AHS National Convention. Good Health and Happy Gardening to you all.

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From the Regional President

Welcome to our 2015 Fall/Winter edition of the Region 10 newsletter, the Daylily Appeal! First of all I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who assisted me in serving as your Regional President for the last four years, especially the Region 10 Board of Directors—Susan Okrasinski, Sandra Merritt and Chris Schardein. Without their able assistance, I know my job would have been next to impossible. Each brought a level of expertise to the Board that made it function efficiently and smoothly without fail for four years. And I don't want to omit thanking the Region 10 AHS Directors that served during my two terms—Brenda Macy and Rich Rosen. Both were always there when we needed them for advice and perspective from the National level. I feel good that we are leaving the Region in excellent fiscal shape to a very capable incoming president, Lorene Crone, and know that she will do an excellent job.

The Region 10 Popularity Poll results are included in this issue as identified by our Regional Publicity Director, Susan Okrasinski. Once again I would like to encourage everyone to participate in this process. As you can see from the poll results, often only one or two votes make a difference in the ranking of the most popular cultivars in the region.

We had a successful 25th Anniversary Mid-Winter Symposium in Chattanooga during 2015 and for 2016 it will be returning to Nashville, Tennessee. Lee Pickles and David Kirchhoff have



once again put together a wonderful program of diverse and interesting topics. The program and registration form are included in this issue of the Daylily Appeal. I would also once again like to thank the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society for stepping in at the last minute to host the Region 10 Summer Meeting in Nashville. It was flawless and everyone seemed to enjoy the gardens and hospitality. Last but not least, please don't forget that for the year 2016, the Region 10 Summer Meeting will be combined with the

AHS National Convention to be held in Louisville, KY. The Louisville clubs have been very busy putting together garden tours and planning a conference that will be truly memorable. Everyone should register as soon as possible in order to secure your spot.

Many thanks to those who contributed articles to this edition of the Appeal. I will be continuing as editor and would like to encourage all those who interested to submit articles or even pictures for publication. Submission guidelines are included in this publication.

I look forward to continuing to work with everyone in Region 10 and wish everyone a safe and joyous holiday season.

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Meet Your New Regional President- Lorene Crone

By Danny Robinson, Jackson, TN

In a world where technology is king, where fast food is dinner, and where hours of television watching takes the place of meaningful conversations, there just doesn't seem to be time for the tending of flower gardens and stopping to smell the roses. However, Lorene Crone has opted to make the lion's share of her world a world that perpetuates the natural world of flower growing, specifically daylilies and irises.

Even though gardens appear to be beautiful, serene places where one can capture a quieter, more beautiful moment, do not be fooled, for gardens require a great deal of care, sweat, and thinking. Lorene has been interested in growing something beautiful for more years than she can remember. Because she wanted to share her love for beauties such as Red Volunteer, Ruffled Apricot, and Land of Cotton, she decided to join the West Tennessee Daylily Society of Jackson in 2003-2004 and later joined the Memphis Area Daylily Society. In Jackson she met others who were equally passionate for the flowers they grew. Once she took root in the West Tennessee Daylily Society, she held several positions that include Region 10 Secretary and Exhibition Judges Liaison.

Her interest in growing flowers expanded to include irises and hostas. Again, in an effort to find other like-minded gardeners, Lorene reached out to the Jackson Area Iris Society and in 2004

joined the American Iris Society. Currently, she serves as vice president of the local club, but she has served as secretary, treasurer, and show chairman in previous years. In addition, Lorene belongs to the Historic Iris Preservation Society and the Society for Louisiana Iris, as well as the American Hosta Society.

As Lorene spread her passion for flowers in the various societies, she decided to become an active member of the local group, the Madison County Master Gardeners. In this group she became a member of the board of directors as treasurer in 2004-2013 and has earned a Life-time Master Gardener status.

Tending and growing her gardens, especially the AHS display garden in Oakfield, gives Lorene much satisfaction and joy. Yet, her responsibilities go farther than just tending gardens and attending meetings that perpetuate gardening, she also has a full-time job at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital as a technical engineer, and she cares for her family that includes her husband, Rick, two children, a stepson, and eight grandchildren.

Region 10 is fortunate to have someone with the experience and dedication of Lorene to serve as its President. She deserves everyone's support and willingness to work for AHS and Region 10 for Lorene, like Ralph Waldo Emerson wants "the earth to laugh in flowers."



From the Regional Publicity Director

Wow, where does the time go?! As I write this my tenure as your Regional Publicity Director is rapidly drawing to a close. This is my last column and I am full of fond memories and excitement for the future while typing. It has been such an honor and privilege to serve our region and I cherish all the people I have met and friends I have made along the way. The great news is that the wonderful and capable Libby Hickman will step into this role and put her creative spin on what a publicity director can do for their region. Welcome and thank you to Libby and the rest of the new Region 10 Board of Directors!

I so appreciate everyone who voted in the 2015 Popularity Poll. The outcome of this poll is such a terrific source for gardeners who might be wondering which cultivars are sure to thrive in our Kentucky and Tennessee gardens. There are a few ties among the top 10 favorites and here they are:

Primal Scream	25	votes
Webster's Pink Wonder	22	
God Save the Queen	20	
Bela Lugosi	17	
Red Volunteer	16	
Dorothy and Toto	15	
Big Kiss	14	
All American Chief	13	
Stolen Treasure	13	
Julie Newmar	11	
Lavender Blue Baby	11	
Moonlit Masquerade	11	
Bass Gibson	10	
Bill Norris	10	

A week later the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society treated us to a weekend of awesome gardens, and



not one but TWO speakers. Margo Reed and Jim Murphy not only gave fascinating talks but also happen to be two of the nicest people on Earth... double bingo! Be sure to keep your calendar clear during June 29-July 2 2016 for next summer's national convention which will be held right here in Region 10! The Louisville clubs are planning a top drawer weekend for us. If you are considering attending get your reservation in right away. The past few nationals have

filled up fast. And speaking of important dates, please join us in Nashville February 12-14 at the Hotel Preston for the 26th Mid-Winter Symposium.

In closing, I would like to leave you with this thought, Region 10 has SO MUCH to offer! If you are not a member of a club, check out the back of The Appeal to find one near you. Club members work together to organize great garden trips, bring in speakers and arrange other garden centric activities. If there isn't a club convenient to you, consider starting one! All of our clubs began with a handful of people with a common interest and grew from there.

Best wishes to you all for a safe and warm winter, and I will look forward to seeing you in a garden somewhere next summer!

What an exciting summer this was! We were so lucky to have another national convention just a hop, skip and a jump away in Atlanta. And what a fabulous convention it was – top notch gardens and afternoons filled with informative talks. Every convention has its own special “flavor” and this one was superb!

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The Daylily Appeal Guidelines

What to submit:

- Photographs
- Club news and events
- Articles on daylilies and daylily culture
- Non-commercial profiles on Region 10 hybridizers
- Garden write-ups

All submissions will be edited for length, grammar, clarity, and style.

This is a generally accepted practice in publishing and is used to ensure the highest possible quality in our publication.

How to submit:

If possible, please send material via e-mail to Susanokrasinski@charter.net and/or WColtharp@comcast.net. Copy should be sent as a file attachment in Word or pasted into the body of the email. However, if you feel uncomfortable using that method, mailing a copy is sufficient. Digital images are preferred over photographs and slides. The deadline for the Spring/Summer 2014 issue is March 7, 2014.

“Boots and Bloomers”

The Region 10 Summer Meeting & Garden Tour Reports

SWEETON DAYLILIES

JOYCE & JIMMY SWEETON

By Willie Graham, Lancaster, KY

The first stop of the day for the 2015 Region 10 Summer Meeting in Nashville was the lovely garden of Joyce and Jimmy Sweeton in Mt. Juliet, TN. Daughter Penny introduced Joyce to daylilies several years ago when they visited an MTDS sale at Cheekwood in Nashville. She purchased several daylilies and joined MTDS. After retirement Joyce needed some entertainment while husband, Jimmy, was farming some 25

velvety grape purple eye and white edge. Other favorites are Carol Emmerich's H. 'Wall of Fire' and Judi Davison's H. 'High Falootin' Floozie' and H. 'Rich Girls.'

Region 10 attendees were impressed and had different opinions as to why they liked the Sweeton Garden. Brenda Macy, Richard Porter, and Janice Wood were impressed by how Joyce had spaced the beds in her garden for easy view of the cultivars. Rebecca Scarboro and Mary Ann Duncan liked all the other perennials that were scattered amongst the daylilies. Nancy Ligon commented on how Joyce had used her shade to showcase H. 'Magnificent Grape' and H. 'Honky Tonk Blues' among the hosta garden. Susan



*Attendees admiring the well-groomed garden at Sweeton Daylilies
(photo by Susan Okrasinski)*

miles away, so she began growing daylilies.

Today Joyce has over 1500 cultivars of both old and new but the older daylilies are her favorites. Her favorite daylily is Moldovan's 2003 H. 'Ron Valente' which has a rich red grape 6 inch bloom with darker

Okrasinski loved how Joyce had used a bright orange washtub and stand for growing herbs right next to her back door for easy access. Willie Graham liked the use of various pieces of yard art throughout the garden.

Joyce loves sharing her garden with others. Several years ago she invited her MTDS members for breakfast in her garden. This tradition has continued!

THE GARDENER COTTAGE GARDEN OF LARRY BROWN & TODD CANTRELL

By Kate Patrick, Murfreesboro, TN

The first thing that is evident about this garden tucked in an east Nashville urban neighborhood

known as Little Hollywood, is that it is the center of a community. I had the opportunity to work in the garden the week before the Regional Tour and noticed how neighbors were dropping by offering to help ready it for the big day. When the tour bus finally pulled up on the corner we were greeted not only by home

baked goodies but by three lovely ladies – a mother and her two young daughters in their beautiful summer dresses – handing out refreshing glasses of lemonade. It certainly added charm to our garden visit. Other neighbors were helping out at the table and setting up chairs. There was a sense that everyone on that street was invested in making the garden shine for the day.

The garden itself is on a corner, partially surrounded by a low, white picket fence. Although Larry Brown and Todd Cantrell have only been gardening there since 2006 the shrubs and conifers give it a more mature structure than expected. There is a definite “cottagy” feel to the beds which are filled with daylilies and other perennials and self-seeding annuals.

We were able to enjoy a pleasing mix of both older and newer daylily cultivars. A focal point of the garden is a large pond filled with wonderful aquatic plants. One stand-out was a tub of pitcher plants, both green and magenta which is obviously very happy in its home. Structure and form are maintained throughout the garden by well-placed boxwoods and a series of stone monoliths that guide the eye along the visual path. On the upper patio of the house is another pond inhabited by a large white koi which must be 15 lbs. or so. The



*A plethora of different plants at Gardner Cottage
(photo by Will Coltharp)*

fish rejoices to the name of Betty White (what else?) and is pretty much a member of the family.

The house sits on a rise in the lot overlooking the garden. It was lived in by the Gardner family for most of its existence from 1932 to the 1980's. Larry tells of a visit from the daughter of the family, then aged 89, who shared with him what the garden had looked like in her day, drawing maps of where various plants had been situated. This was a real gift as it adds tremendously to the history of the place. Gardner Cottage is a wonderful example of urban garden-making that typifies all the best aspects of city-dwelling.

ZAPEL GARDEN

GREG AND ARNETTE ZAPEL

By Dave Bowman, Wilmore, KY

So, over the bridge and up the hill to the Zapels' home we go!

After making our journey up the drive we were treated to a very lovely house and landscape... but no



*So many varieties to see at the Zapel Garden
(photo by Susan Okrasinski)*

daylilies! But, looking to the back of the property one sees a fence with an opening that is just inviting you to step into a daylily dream world...The borders of the fence were filled with beautiful daylilies showing off their best colors. Greg was smart and added some of the most superb true lilies that I have ever seen in the landscape... Some stalks had 10 "blooms that filled the air with exquisite perfume. While one is mesmerized by the color of the daylilies and the smell of the true lilies, you also get the soothing sound of the waterfalls that are main focal point of the landscape design, a 3000 gallon pond with waterfalls, koi, water lilies and bordered with masses of Louisiana iris. You can't help but just stop and get taken away by the sight and sound. A true delight!

But, with the time limit we had to keep moving. The next path led to Greg's seedling patch which were at peak for the tour. There are about 35,000 seedlings mostly tets and few special dip crosses that he is working with. If you know Greg, then you know they

gotta be tall and can't be small.

There was one seedling that just blew everyone away... a screaming orange that was there to say I am king of the seedlings. Some good news! Greg is introducing that seedling and the name is 'Ar-Range You A Pretty'. So, you better Email him ASAP to get on the waiting list. Two other Zapel intros that were not to over looked were 'Ar-Range Ya Glad I'm Here' and 'Ar-Range You A Beaut'. Both are great intros and do

very well in my KY garden.

Besides the great Zapel intros we were treated to some very well-grown blooming clumps from his friends, Jamie Gossard and Judy Davisson. We found that Greg would sell a few fans if he had enough... That is when it all broke loose and Greg's friend, Jose' started digging and the lines started forming.

The lines also were forming at the house where there was a great spread of food! Arnette Zapel put on of the best lunches, if not the best I have had on a Regional. "It was a labor of love," she said and from the taste you could tell there was a lot of love. The homemade peach cobbler with ice cream was over the top!

Thank you Greg and Arnette for letting us enjoy your home, landscape and food.

WINDSONG GARDEN

GARDEN OF JOHN DOUGLAS & LESLIE MATTHEWS

By Lucas Holman, Readyville, TN

I have never been to a garden that has been on the American Hosta Society National Tour, but now I have! This garden had the best of both worlds - day-

lilies and hosta. I have never been a hosta person, but after visiting this garden I need to build a hosta garden. In the front yard, in order to create a spot for more hosta, they built their own pergola and used a shade cloth to give the optimum growing conditions for hosta. So if you're one of the shade deprived, build your own shade garden. Hostas can be used in many different ways. Their uses of different styles of pottery to hold the hostas were fantastic.

When you walked down the driveway you were greeted by a very "friendly" cat who was not impressed by the throngs of people visiting his garden. On both sides of the driveway were many more cultivars that were at their peak bloom. As you turned to go to the

hostas have grown so much in popularity over the past few years and now I know why! They can be used in just about every gardening situation.

In the backyard was a koi garden surrounded by more hosta and daylilies. Ponds are such a relaxing thing to have in the garden. I can sit for hours and just watch the koi play around in the pond. I got a kick out of Margo Reed wanting her picture taken with one of her cultivars showing off in the garden. Around the hostas in the back, was a groundcover that has found its spot to show off. They used pachysandra to fill in a spot, and filled the areas with hostas in pots above the groundcover.

This was my first regional meeting and I will be



*Hostas, as well as daylilies were in abundance at Windsong Garden
(photo by Susan Okrasinski)*

backyard, there was a clump of Red Volunteer that was easily more than 100 fans. This clump turned out to win "Best Clump" out of all the regional gardens that were on tour. Behind these Red Volunteer, in the corner, was the cutest collection of mini hostas. Mini

attending more! Everyone had such a great time, and all the gardens were beautiful. I was thoroughly impressed with how this garden looked. All the attention to details paid off with this garden.

People (and a Boot) from the Summer Meeting!



Right: SecretSelfies on the Bus by Lucas Holman



Top left going clockwise: Sam and Linda Hassler, Chris and Bill Schardein, Greg Zapel and Garden Guest, Dennis and Rebecca Hall, Theresa Barrow and Sandra Merritt, . (Photos by Susan Okrasinski)

The Nationals are coming!

The Daylily Society of Louisville and the Louisville Area Daylily Society have teamed up and were selected by AHS to host the 2016 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky June 29 – July 2, 2016. We all know from hosting regional meetings that this is a big undertaking and they will need lots of support from all of Region 10 to make this event a great success. Registration will fill up fast. To print your registration form, go to <http://www.daylilies.org/2016Files/2016-National-Registration-Form.pdf>. Don't miss this great event.

AHS Region 10 presents the 26th Annual Mid Winter Symposium

February 12 - 14, 2016
The Hotel Preston - Nashville, TN

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2016

- 10:30 am Garden Judges Workshop I
12:00 pm Exhibition Judges Clinic I
12:00 pm Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic
2:00 pm Wineception and Internet Robin Social
Chris Schardein, Kentucky
3:00 pm Myrtle Beach at the MWS
Jay Turman, Moderator - Tennessee
All hybridizer's are invited and encouraged to bring Power Point presentations highlighting their 2016 introductions and futures. Please notify David Kirchoff if you will be showing and how many at Hybridizer@aol.com.
5:30 pm Build Your Own Sandwich Buffet (Included)
6:30 pm Welcome to Region 10 and the MWS
Lorene Crone - TN - Region 10 President
7:15 pm Myrtle Beach at the MWS (continued)
8:00 pm Hybridizing Images: Introductions/seedlings for those that could not attend the meeting.
Jay Turman
8:30 pm Daylily Auction
9:30 pm Hospitality

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016

- 8:00 From the AHS
Jack Alexander, Director Region 10 - TN
8:30 am Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun
Scott Elliott - Georgia
9:15 am Exploring Color Combinations
Eric Simpson - North Carolina
10:00 am Stretch Break
10:30 am Riverbend Daylily Garden -
Unique Tetraploid Daylilies
Sandy Holmes - Ohio
11:15 am Where I am & Where I am Going
Jeff Salter - Florida
Noon LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:30 pm Facebook and Daylilies
Nikki Schmith, AHS President - Illinois
2:15 pm Where I am & Where I am Going
Elizabeth Salter - Florida
3:00 pm Stretch Break
3:30 pm A Look at How I do Things
Lee Pickles - Tennessee
4:15 pm Panel Discussion
David Kirchoff - Kentucky
5:00 pm Region 10 Business Meeting
Lorene Crone, Region 10 President - TN
6:00 pm Cash Bar
7:00 pm Dinner (Included)
8:00 pm Daylily Auction
9:30 pm Hospitality

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2016

- 8:30 am Invitation to attend the 2016 National Convention in Louisville, KY
8:45 am What does it really mean? -
A pictorial look at the AHS Dictionary
Sandy Holmes - Ohio

- 9:15 am Garden Judging Demystified
Nikki Schmith, AHS President - Illinois
10:00 am Stretch Break
10:15 am The best daylilies I saw in 2015
Rich Rosen - Kentucky
11:15 pm Adjourn

Meeting and Lodging

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before January 22, 2016

Be sure to mention American Daylily Society for hotel discount.

Registration Form

2016 Mid Winter Symposium February 12 - 14, 2016

If you plan to take a Clinic or Workshop you must pre-register. Bring the fee with you. \$3 to audit, \$5 for credit.

- I will take Exhibition Clinic I
 I will take the Refresher Clinic
 I will take the Garden Judges I Workshop

Name _____

Please list name(s) as you would like them on your name tag.

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

(Names of others included in fee)

FEE - \$120.00 per person - Youth Member \$90.00
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(Maximum futures 7 per person - 2014 introductions - all)

Capturing Nature Through Photography

By Elizabeth Trotter, Georgetown, KY

Have you ever noticed how people who love to garden also tend to have an appreciation for nature? One often leads to the other. One day, you're out admiring your daylilies, then suddenly you see a butterfly light on a bloom. The combination of color and movement is magical.



Photo by Debra Scott

An eye for detail when it comes to daylilies—eyes and edges, diamond dusting, ruffles and sculpting—is akin to the appreciation we have for the intricate patterns and markings to be found on a butterfly's wing, or a hummingbird's throat.



Photo by Debra Scott

Many of us gardeners are so interested in nature in our own backyard that we apply for backyard habitat certification from the National Wildlife Federation and agree to supply food, water, and cover for wildlife. One of the most important aspects of this program includes eliminating the use of pesticides in our garden, as they threat-

en the survival of the “good” creatures that we love to watch, like birds, butterflies, bees, and praying mantids; even tiny frogs!



*Seedling with tree frog
Photo by Scott Elliott*

One of the joys we have in seeing tiny creatures enjoying the daylilies is capturing the moment through photography. A key to catching those special photos is patience. Simply hang your camera around your neck, and go outside for a stroll, quietly noticing what's happening in the garden. A lot of shots that others would call “lucky” are the result of taking the time to just observe nature around you. First thing in the morning, you might find a writing spider (*Argiope*) busily at work, its intricate webbing still spangled with dew. Soon after the sun peeks over the horizon, bees can be found buzzing all around in search of pollen. Once it is warm enough to fly, the dancing flowers of the garden will appear—butterflies and dragonflies.



*Dragonfly on 'Strawberry Patch'
Photo by Debra Scott*

A second tip when photographing nature is to take lots of pictures. With today's digital cameras, it's easy to take multiple shots while trying to catch an insect in flight. Experimentation with your camera will be necessary to see what light conditions yield the best results in terms of trueness of color. In general, bright sunlight will overexpose your shot and wash out the color. Conversely, too much shade will add unwanted shadows. You can take very good photos with a point-and-shoot model, but sometimes when you would like to be a little more creative, a camera that allows you to customize the settings, such as adjusting your shutter speed and the aperture, will allow you to achieve the photography effects you are striving for.

Composition and depth of field are two areas in which you can exercise creativity. Composition of a photo refers to what you choose to include in your shot. For example, are you wanting to take a landscape photo, or a close-up of a single bloom? Obviously, a lot of nature photography calls for close-ups, which can be achieved by activating the zoom feature on your camera, or later on your computer when you are cropping a photo. As you become more advanced, you may wish to invest in some macro lenses for your camera for close-ups with exceptional detail, down to the scales on a butterfly's wing.



*Nicole DeVito Seedling
Photo by Nikki Schmith*

The depth of field, or what is in focus in your picture, is mostly preset in a point-and-shoot camera. When photographing daylilies, you can really get some great artistic effects by playing around with the bokeh, which is basically the background behind what you are focusing on for your photo.



Photo by Lynn P. Hopkins

If you wish to capture a “stop action” shot, such as hummingbird's wings, you will need a fast shutter speed setting. Most point-and-shoot cameras will not allow you to adjust your settings enough to “stop” a bee's wings in motion. That's where a SLR (single lens reflex) model will come in handy. More sophisticated cameras allow you to adjust your shutter speed and aperture as necessary to catch that special moment in time.



*Hummingbird with 'Princess Irene' Daylily
Photo by Rita Adkins*

One last tip—be sure you are familiar with the difference between optical and digital zoom on your camera. An optical zoom is a true zoom lens, and will result in a much better quality image. Digital zoom is just the camera enlarging the image in your frame and removing the outer edges of the picture. It operates much like cropping a photo in your photo editing software. The process enlarges your pixels and reduces the image resolution, thus affecting your image quality. That's why you might end up with a fuzzy, out-of-focus picture when using digital zoom.

Now that you've enjoyed a short tutorial on using your camera effectively to photograph nature, get out there and have fun!



*Praying Mantis on 'Duck's Luck'
Photo by Louise Taylor*

Region 10 at National Meeting...



The Place to be Seen in 2015

Photos by Susan Okrasinski and Will Coltharp



A Message From Your Garden Judges Liaison

Haven't we been blessed this year with all the good weather and especially plenty of rain? My daylilies have never looked this good since we moved here twenty years ago as they have this spring! Of course it did help that I had an irrigation system put in the yard this spring and then all the good rain water by way of God! Hopefully He will send more rain next year as we prepare for the 2016 National Convention here in Louisville.

Even with all the good we have had several bad, hot days to contend with still. Our clinic at the Region 10 meeting this past summer was a good example of just that! The heat is why we are so adamant about having the early morning Garden Judges Workshop II where we are outside for such a long period of time. We had moved the clinic to 10am in the morning thinking that would solve the problem. But other problems can come into play. So here again we have arrived at more suggestions to help make this an enjoyable time for the students taking the clinics.

Be sure that the host is aware of the arrival time so they can direct you all to the area where you need to go. Be handy in case they would need something.

Have a shady spot if at all possible with good air ventilation. Make sure that your lawn service or that of your neighbor is not going to be working in the yard that day. Try to work it that they come the day before or after this event. The noise of the lawn mowers and other equipment makes it very hard for the students to hear what the teacher is saying. We don't want them having to scream out the information in someone's back yard!

Try to have at least some cold drinks, water preferred, during the two hour class.

Make sure to have fun!

I would like to thank Nancy Ligon for opening her garden to us for this year's Garden Judges Workshop II. Thank you, Nancy! We had four students taking the class: three for reappointment and one for credit.

Garden Judges Workshop I was held in the hotel after we returned with one student for credit. Another area you might want to think about would be to become a Garden Judges Instructor. This would be helpful when running workshops at various events. Remember to watch your time and get reclassified after every five year period.

See you at the Mid-Winter Symposium in Nashville, where we will hold the next workshops. Have a great rest of the year!

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Region 10 Annual Meeting And Garden Tours Rotation

2016—Louisville, TN (DSL) (combined Regional & National
in cooperation with LADS)

2017—Memphis, TN

2018—Chattanooga, TN

2019—Tri-Cities, TN

2020—Louisville (LADS)

National Award Winners

Region 10 Service Award

Congratulations to Will Coltharp, this year's Region 10 service award winner. The following is an excerpt from his nomination describing the attributes that make him so deserving of this award:



Will Coltharp possesses that rare combination of enthusiasm, intelligence and a "get the job done" work ethic that makes a great leader. The rest of us in Region 10 are very lucky he decided to get involved in daylilies and the AHS. I first met Will back in 2006 or so

AHS Region 10 Director Rich Rosen presents the AHS Service Award to Will Coltharp.

which was about the same time I started to attend meetings. I watched him rapidly grow from a participant to a strong leader of our region. Will's official involvement began with his appointment as the Region 10 Exhibition Judge Liaison. He held this position until he became Region 10's Publicity Director in 2010. This was also the same year that his garden was the crowning jewel of the Region 10 tour! It was very evident to the rest of us, that he devoted many hours to creating and maintaining his phenomenal garden (one of the best I have ever seen). Even more evident were the leadership skills and diplomacy he demonstrated while organizing and running the convention. In 2012 Will rose to the position of Region 10 President. He also took on the responsibilities of editing our newsletter, The Daylily Appeal. This involved a huge learning curve which he selflessly applied himself to without complaint. In conclusion I would like to say that Will Coltharp is a valued, loved and respected pillar of Region 10. If you need him, he is there... with a sincere smile on his face to boot!

Hybridizer Awards

Congratulations to David Kirchhoff, Mort Morss and John and Annette Rice for their winning daylilies!

AHS Honorable Mention
H. 'Barbara Watts' (Kirchhoff-D, 2008)

AHS Honorable Mention
H. 'Barbara Mandrell' (Kirchhoff-D, 2009)

AHS Honorable Mention
H. 'Marilyn Morss Johnson' (Morss, 2007)

AHS Honorable Mention
H. 'Shattered Glass' (Rice-JA, 2010)

AHS Honorable Mention
H. 'Classy Columbus' (Rice-JA, 2011)

A Message From Your Exhibition Judges Liaison

As I write this, it is miserably cold here in mid west Tennessee. But I cannot help but think about warmer days and gardening season. I'm looking forward to adding more plants, daylilies of course, to my display garden. Show time comes here in late spring to early summer and we cannot do it without judges. We really need more judges in our region. We also need more instructors. Our region is frequently called on by other regions to supply judges for their shows and we have been blessed to be able to supply them in years past but our numbers are falling. The exhibition handbook can be found on the AHS website and can be printed for free or it can be purchased on-line from the publications link. It contains all the requirements for both judging shows and for becoming an instructor. Won't you give it a try? If you have questions, please ask. There is no such thing as a dumb question.

As I look to the future as Region 10 RP, I am turning the exhibition liaison duties over to Mary Ann Duncan. She is an experienced exhibition judge as well as an instructor. I look forward to working with

her and hearing her ideas on increasing the exhibition judges' team.

We have the national convention in our region this summer. We are fortunate to have two Kentucky clubs work so hard to host this spectacular event.

This is yet another opportunity to obtain judges training. Be sure to attend and support our region.

It has been great working with our judges for the past few years. I want to thank all of you who gave your time and donated your efforts to serve as instructors and master panel judges when I asked. Thanks also to those that have started the process or continue to serve as exhibition judges. Both I and the region appreciate you. See you at the show bench!!



Lorene Crone
111 Greenbriar Lane
Jackson, TN 38305

Accepting Photos for Mid-Winter Symposium

Pictures of 2016 Introductions

Pictures of Futures/Seedlings

(7 Maximum per person)

For more information and to send your images or presentations contact:

Brenda Macy

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All Photos must arrive no later than January 30, 2016

It's Show Time!

The Region 10 Show Results

(More Club Results on Page 20)

Tennessee Valley Daylily Society

June Scoggins– Show Chair

Best Extra Large Flower

H. 'Cherokee Memories'
(Keith-R 2012)
Exhibited by Karen Newman

Best Large Flower

H. 'Oz's Tin Man'
(Herrington-T 2011)
Exhibited by James Mullins

Best Small Flower

H. 'One Eye Willie'
(Herrington-T 2006)
Exhibited by James Mullins

Best Miniature Flower

H. 'Lightening Bug (Kroll, 1992)
Exhibited by Delores Clark

Best Double, Multiflorous, Polymerous

H. 'Ted's Tee Time'
(Wolff-D 2011)
Exhibited by Jane Dixon

Best Spider

H. 'Journey To Oz'
(Herrington-K, 2001)
Exhibited by James Mullins

Best Unusual Form

H. 'Feather Woman'
(Roberts-N, 2005)
Exhibited by James Mullins

Youth

H. 'Sunshine of Mine'
(Dye-C, 2011)
Exhibited by Amy Bell

Popularity Poll

H. 'Stolen Treasure'
(Dougherty 1996)
Exhibited by Delores Clark

Best in Show

H. 'Feather Woman'

Sweepstakes

James Mullins



All Shapes and Sizes to be Judged



*On display at the West TN Daylily
Society Show*



Groomed and Ready for Judging

(Photos by Carol Sims)

West Tennessee Daylily Society

Lorene Robinson– Show Chair

Best Extra Large Flower

H. 'Gussie Harris' (Harris-Reinke, 1997)
Exhibited by Bill & Joyce Reinke

Best Large Flower

H. 'Aric Austin Sims' (Sims-PD, 2008)
Exhibited by P & C Sims

Best Small Flower

H. 'Suburban Steven'
(Watts, 2006)
Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best Miniature Flower

H. 'Butterpat' (Kennedy, 1970)
Exhibited by Lorene Crone

Best Double

H. 'Treva's Smile'
(Eller-N, 2008)
Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best Spider

H. 'Femininity' (Reinke-J, 2007)
Exhibited by Bll and Joyce Reinke

Best Unusual Form

H. 'In Reverse'
(Reinke-J, 2006)
Exhibited by Bill & Joyce Reinke

Popularity Poll

H. 'Peggy Jeffcoat'
(Joiner-J, 1995)
Exhibited by D & R Robinson

Best Seedling

Exhibited by Bill & Joyce Reinke

Best in Show

H. 'Femininity'

Sweepstakes

D & R Robinson

It's Show Time!

The Region 10 Show Results

(More Club Results on Page 19)

Daylily Society of Louisville

Richard Porter – Show Chair

Best Extra Large Flower

H. 'Hesperus'
(Sass-HP, 1940)
Exhibited by Brenda Macy

Best Large Flower

H. 'Erin Prairie'
(Fay, 1971)
Exhibited by Summer D. Marks

Best Small Flower

H. 'Delta Darling' (Pacas, 1995)
Exhibited by Brenda Macy

Best Double

H. 'Double Daffy'
(Kropf, 1976)
Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

Best Spider

H. 'Skinwalker' (Roberts-N, 1997)
Exhibited by Richard Porter

Best Unusual Form

H. 'Parade Of Peacocks'
(Oakes, 1990)
Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

Best Seedling

Exhibited by Don & Claudis Wolff

Best in Show

H. 'Hesperus'

Sweepstakes

Kris & Jedy Hodge

Best Flower by Region 10 Hybridizer

H. 'Rose For Charlotte'
(Reinke-B 2004)
Exhibited by Brenda Macy



*A Small but Mighty Entry at
the Lexington Show*



*Youth Exhibit Winner Jonathan Hodge
at the Lexington Show*

Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society

Debbie Smith – Show Chair

Best Extra Large Flower

H. 'Jaguar'
(Dougherty 1987)
Exhibited by Annette Rice

Best Large Flower

H. 'Shattered Glass'
(Rice-JA, 2010)
Exhibited by Annette Rice

Best Small Flower

H. 'One Eye Willie'
(Herrington-T 2006)
Exhibited by Troy Qualls

Best Miniature Flower

H. 'Eenie Allegro'
(Aden, 1981)
Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

Best Double

H. 'Freedas James'
(James-F, 1998)
Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

Best Spider

H. 'Chaco Canyon'
(Roberts-N, 2003)
Exhibited by Ann Coats

Best Unusual Form

H. 'I See Stars' (Gossard 2001)
Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

Youth

H. 'Highland Pinched Fingers'
(Toll, 1991)
Exhibited by Jonathan Hodge

Best Seedling

Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

Best in Show

H. 'I See Stars'

Did You Overlook Something???

AHS Region 10 Mid-Winter Symposium is February 12-14 in Nashville. The information and registration are on page 11. Sign up now - the sooner the better!

A Message From Your Regional Historian

Many of you probably wonder—does my club really need a historian? What does a historian do?

Yes, every club does need a historian, from Day 1! Why? Years down the road, newer members will ask questions like “When did the club start? Who were the original members? What were the bylaws? Are there any pictures or scrapbooks we can look at?” It’s all too easy for this important club history to be lost as people move, founding members pass away, and simply through existing members forgetting the details of how the club came to be. Important traditions can be preserved and passed on if someone takes the time to gather club history as it happens.

So, now that you’ve decided, yes, my club does need a historian, what should you be doing? If you are reading this and your club already has a historian, or if you are the one interested in helping preserve your club’s memories, here are some suggestions for activities that you will want to consider:



-Save a copy of each club newsletter and keep in a binder.

-Obtain copies of the club bylaws, incorporation papers, and the like.

-Keep a copy of each year’s membership list, noting club officers and dates when members have passed away.

-Take pictures at meetings, especially of club officers, speakers, and daylily shows, and organize chronologically in an acid-free book or file box.

-Make a video or a written interview with hybridizers in your club, as well as those that have made significant community contributions to advance the daylily and/or the AHS.

-Write articles for the regional newsletter highlighting significant historical events, people, and gardens that have helped shape the region.

-Contact your Regional Historian to offer records of enduring value to the Region or to AHS.

I hope that this short list gives you plenty of ideas of a place to start. Each club is different, and you’ll have opportunities to be creative as you work on projects to preserve your club’s history. Above all, have fun with it! As always, contact me with any questions if you need assistance or advice.

Elizabeth Trotter



‘Signature Truffle’ (Kirchhoff, 2004)

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Integrated Pest Management

By Kate Patrick, Murfreesboro, TN

I have been practicing integrated pest management this year. This is something not altogether new to me but perhaps rising to new levels. First of all several pests have become completely integrated into my garden and as such I feel it is incumbent upon me to manage them before they manage to destroy a good bit of what it has taken me years to build. The first such pests are my resident flock of turkeys, particularly the hens who seem to be looking for nesting opportunities. They like to scratch around in the thickly mulched areas between the daylilies and tall grass clumps. They are concentrating on one bed where I lost some plants over the winter and there is more bare earth. Ordinarily I have a policy of peaceful coexistence with these large and comical birds but this is way too much integration for me. I have chased them out, put pieces of chicken wire on the bare spots but to no avail. Today I got serious and put up a fence around the bed. It is a simple affair with bamboo poles and chicken wire fencing. It is only two feet tall but I have observed that this is often enough to discourage turkeys. They can and do fly but mostly prefer to walk. Low fencing seems to bumfuzzle them somehow. Anyway, it is unlovely and sticks out like a sore thumb. Hopefully the wire will soon rust a bit and not be so noticeable. My friend, Marifran Hiltz says I need to stop feeding them. Ya think?

The other pest that has managed to integrate itself into my garden is an obnoxious insect that is infesting my tall garden phlox. I Googled "red bugs on phlox" and came up with *lopidea davisii*, a true insect with sucking mouth parts that apparently only likes the phlox I've decided to plant as a back drop to my daylilies. Wonderful! I waited until the bees had gone to bed and spritzed them with sevin but they only laughed at me and continued sucking the vital juices from my phlox. At that moment I morphed into Ninja Garden Warrior! Now I creep stealthily up to each clump of phlox, scanning for any *lopidea* that might currently be integrating themselves into my plants. I am poised for action, usually with one foot on the stepping stone and one stretched delicately into the flower bed (think lunges and you've got the pose). I am poetry in motion with my lightning reflexes and superhuman hand eye coordination. I spy the ugly bugs clustered on the tips of the leaves and before they realize I am there they have been pinched off and dispatched to the insect afterlife. I chortle with malicious glee. This is better than throwing Japanese beetles into soapy water!

Lopidea is a worthy foe, capable of all sorts of evasive maneuvers. If my hand hovers a split second too long above my prey they scoot quickly to the underside of the leaf. If pursued they jump and tumble to the ground taking cover in the mulch. I usually wear gloves for battle but recently have found the advantage of going in bare handed is that I can really tell when I've squished the little suckers. Sounds messy doesn't it? I assure you we Ninja Garden Warriors

are way past the "eeewwwww" factor. We are relentless in our quest to manage these pests and un-integrate them from our gardens.

A third pest is the neighbor's cat. She really is a beautiful creature with her long black and white coat and I appreciate her contribution to my IPM program in terms of rodent control. The downside however is that she also hunts the songbirds I love so much and seems to regard any newly turned earth as her own private kitty pan. I clap my hands and chase her off but she is not seriously impressed with me. She will remain integrated into my garden and I will learn to manage I expect. I'm certainly not going to complain to my neighbors who are really nice folks. Some hills aren't worth dying on and I suspect the coyotes will solve my problem sooner or later. (My own cats are housed in a cattery with a large outdoor run. They are way too old to deal with wildlife and live a privileged existence in better housing than most of the third world.)

A few years ago when spring came and everything began to green up, the lawn and flower beds were overrun with chickweed. It mounded up out of the grass, cascaded over the daffodils and generally engulfed everything in its path. I had never seen the likes of it before and never have again. I pulled buckets and buckets of it every day for weeks and the lawn was still covered. Mowing didn't help much as it just squashed the mounds flat rather than scalped them. There doesn't seem to be any explanation for such happenings but I have learned not to stress over them too much. The scourge of one season will likely not be a problem the next.

Insects, weeds and various blights seem to come in waves or cycles. Part of my integrated pest management program is just waiting it out. After all, there is so little I can do about so many things happening out there in the garden that a policy of benign neglect is often the easiest route. I find these things sort themselves out eventually. When I lose a plant or several I have come to regard it as an opportunity to try something else in its place. The diseased roses that had to be pulled out with a chain and truck made room for a new raised bed full of mixed perennials and daylilies. What could be better than that?



Contributions to American Hemerocalis Society

Contribution at Silver level to AHS General Fund Matching Gift Campaign

Mr. & Mrs. John Rice
Ms. Lorene Crone
Ms. Kate Patrick

Ms. Susan Okrasinski
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Schardein

Contribution at Supporting level to AHS General Fund Matching Gift Campaign

Ms. Deborah Monbeck
Ms. Ellen Carrithers
Mr. Mrs. Lloyd Barnhard

Contribution at Other Donor level to AHS General Fund Matching Gift Campaign

Ms. Wanda Evans
Ms. Martha Chamberlain
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Porter

Contribution at Supporting level to Bertie Ferris Youth Fund

Middle Tennessee Daylily Society in Memory of Mitchell Leichhardt

Call For Auction Plants Mid-Winter Symposium February 12-14, 2016

Plants with internet or catalog value of \$50.00 or more are needed for the Mid-Winter Symposium plant auctions and raffles. The proceeds from this event go to benefit AHS Region 10 and its activities. This auction as well as the auction at the summer meeting is the major funding source for the Region 10 newsletter, The Daylily Appeal.

Contact:
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Individuals, clubs, and hybridizers - all donations are welcome and needed.!

REGION 2 - 2016 WINTER MEETING



American Hemerocallis Society – Region 2

March 18-20, 2016
Brookfield/Embassy Suites Hotel,
Brookfield WI

NEW DATES

NEWLY REMODELED HOTEL

SPEAKERS - Daylily

Jamie Gossard – Spacecoast Daylilies
Tom Polston - Pleasant Valley Gardens
David Jewell - On Russell Daylilies
Bob Selman - Blue Ridge Daylilies
Sandy Holmes - Riverbend Daylily Garden
Nate Bremer - Solaris Farms
Chad Bush - Colorful Chaos Daylilies

SPEAKERS – Other Topics

Gary Maly - Working with hypertufa
Susan Okrasinski - “Veggie’s Tales”
Mark Druckenbrod - About butterflies
Bret Clement – Region 2 President

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Judges Clinics and Roundtables
Hybridizers Forum on Friday
The BIG live auction Saturday
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Lunch and Dinner on Saturday
Refreshments provided at breaks
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For more information, email gailbraunstein@hotmail.com or call 513-899-2497

All daylily enthusiasts of all skill and interest levels are encouraged to come and enjoy a daylily-filled, fun weekend in Wisconsin!

AHS Region 10 Business Meeting Minutes January 19, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Will (Bud) Coltharp at 6:30pm.

Sandra Merritt, Treasurer, presented the financial report for the 2015 Mid-Winter Symposium and the 1/1/15 through 6/19/15 Region 10 report. Thanks to Lee Pickles for keeping costs down at the Chattanooga Choo Choo Hotel, we are looking good. Sandra requested that if anyone had a question concerning the reports to ask her after the meeting. She then submitted the reports for approval by the members. Mary Ann Duncan and Kathleen Dubuque approved and seconded.

Exhibition Judges – Lorene Crone, Exhibition Judges Liaison – Clinic I had two audit the class and one for credit. Clinic II had one for credit.

Garden Judges – Bill Schardein, Garden Judges Liaison – Workshop 1 had one for credit and Workshop II had four, three for reappointment and one first timer for credit.

Region 10 Director – Rich Rosen asked how many attended the Atlanta convention last week. Several did. He then asked how many sent thank you notes – one. He noted that with all the work involved, it would be nice to send a note of thanks to that committee for all their hard work.

At the Board of Directors' meeting it was announced that Kevin Walek will be retiring at the end of this year. He has agreed to stay on through the end of the registration year, until a replacement is found so he can help get the new person settled into the position. Applications for this position can be found on the AHS website and sent to Nikki Schmith, who is the new AHS President Elect for 2016. It can also be found in the summer edition of the Daylily Journal.

Rich reported that the AHS CFO, Bob Martin, had given the financial report, stating that since there were two people who had come forward to give matching grants, that the budget would finally be in the black. This will only happen if we, the members, give to the cause in order to get the two for one match. This will be up to \$10,000 each on the W E Monroe account and the General Budget account.

Rich noted that Brenda Macy, AHS Publications, has a table in the boutique for selling the club books. Take advantage of getting it now to save on the shipping costs. More books will be coming out soon. One will be on Doubles and another on Spiders & Unusual Forms.

Rich reported that Julie Covington, AHS President for the past four years, is ending her term and the new AHS president who will begin her term on January 1, 2016 is Nikki Schmith, from Region 2. He encouraged the members to send Julie a note of thanks for her service to AHS and a note of encouragement to Nikki in her new position.

After giving the locations of the next several nationals: 2016 in Louisville, KY; 2017 in Norfolk, VA; and 2018 in Myrtle Beach SC, he thanked everyone for all the support he'd been given for the past few years as the Director.

Finally, he reported that Will (Bud) Coltharp had been given the Region 10 Service Award at the Atlanta convention last week for all the hard work he has done as President and in other capacities.

Future Region 10 Summer Meetings- Bud gave the locations for the future national conventions:

2016 - DSL Region 10 in conjunction with the National



'Julie Newmar' (Morss, 2000)

Convention in Louisville, KY

2017 - Memphis

2018 - Chattanooga

2019 - Tri-Cities

2020 - Louisville (LADS)

2021 - Lexington

Elections - Ballots were distributed to AHS members to vote for the President and Director positions. Brenda Macy, Region 10 Parliamentarian, noted that the committees that had recruited these candidates would have to do the counting of the ballots.

2016 Invitation to the National Convention in Louisville - Brenda Macy gave a humorous factual opening to the power point video she had prepared of all the gardens and attractions in the Louisville area as the invitation to the 2016 National Convention. Afterward Chris Schardein and Michael Stephens, co-chairs of the convention were introduced. Chris gave a brief synopsis of the events encouraging everyone in attendance to register at the hotel and for the convention as soon as the website is up and running around the middle of July as there will only be 600 places to be filled.

Election results – Will Coltharp announced that Lorene Crone was elected to the position of President and that Jack Alexander had been elected to the position of Director for 2016. Congratulations to both of these outstanding members.

2016 Mid-Winter Symposium - David Kirchhoff announced that the dates for the 2016 MWS will be February 12/14, 2016, here at the Hotel Preston.

Daylily Appeal - Bud announced that he will continue at the present time to be the editor of the Daylily Appeal in order to continue with the hard copy edition of the magazine. He gave thanks to all who supported him in these past few years. With no further business to attend, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Schardein
Region 10 Secretary

AHS Region 10 Treasurer's Report

January 1, 2015 – June 19, 2015

Balance from Treasurer's report December 2014\$21,049.56

Income:

AHS Newsletter Reimbursement.....753.60
MWS - Auctions/Raffle.....6,325.00
MWS - Registration fees (2015) 5,160.00
Liability Insurance Reimbursement 90.45

Total Income\$12,329.05

Expenses:

AHS board member Fall mtg. expenses\$ 330.00
Editor's fee - Spring Appeal..... 750.00
Office Supplies and Postage..... 49.00
Printing (The Daylily Appeal) 1825.00
Postage & permit (The Daylily Appeal) 386.71
Checks..... 75.80
MWS – Auction plant shipping..... 720.00
 A/V tech and room 600.00
 Food, beverages, hotel costs (mtg. room rental, gratuities, tax, A/V equipment)..... 4,238.45
 Printing (attendees, name badges, handouts) 84.88
 Registration Refunds..... 240.00
 Speaker rooms..... 1,860.80
 Speaker travel..... 2,238.28
 Speaker honorarium 100.00
 Wineception 34.60

Total\$ 13,518.52

Balance on June 19, 2015\$ 19,860.09

Sandra Merritt, Treasurer

AHS Conventions Ahead

2016 -The Daylily Society of Louisville & The Louisville
Area Daylily Society
June 29-July 2, 2016
Louisville, KY
2017 -The Tidewater Daylily Society
June 21-24, 2017
Norfolk, Virginia
2018 - Georgetown Area Daylily Club
June 6-10, 2018
Myrtle Beach, S.C.



'Alexander's Ragtime Band' (Kirchhoff, 1998)
(Photograph by Jack Alexander)

Club Reports

Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society By Martha Chamberlain - Columbia, KY

President: Dave Bowman
Vice President: Debbie Smith
Secretary: Margo Couch
Treasurer: Patti Byerley
Webmaster: Elizabeth Trotter
Parliamentarian: Martha Chamberlain

Our April meeting was the club's annual bingo games held at the Locust Trace Vet Clinic in Lexington, Kentucky. Members were asked to bring their favorite daylilies. Everyone was able to win a daylily at this fun event.

The May meeting was the spring auction held at the Locust Trace Vet Center. The plants came from Pleasant Valley Gardens owned by Tom Polston and Doug Sterling. More guest plants from the 2014 Regional were returned to the club for auction and made a nice profit. All told, the guest plants have made over \$1,000 for the club, thanks to the generosity of all the guest hybridizers. Thank you again to all the Region 10 hybridizers who donated daylilies. Our club was fortunate to have the excellent leadership of co-chairs John Rice and Elizabeth Trotter, who organized every last detail throughout the Regional, and all of the members who volunteered to make it such a success; and even making a profit so we were able to donate 100% of the auction proceeds to Region 10 and make a special donation to the AHS.

The June Meeting was the club's annual picnic held at Outback Farm in Lexington. As usual the club furnished the meat and members brought side dishes and desserts. Charlie Walker brought a birdhouse he had made to be auctioned.

Several members went to the National in Atlanta in June. At the banquet on Friday night, Elizabeth Trotter was presented with the 2015 Regional Newsletter Award for "Best Article About Gardening Technology" for the Daylily Appeal. We are very proud of her and all she has accomplished for the AHS, including serving as Editor of the Daylily E-News, an international email newsletter sponsored by the American Hemerocallis Society, for the past 6 years.

Several BGHS members also attended the enjoyable Region 10 Summer Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee this year. Thanks to the Middle Tennessee Daylily Society and all who had a part in making it a memorable event.

In July there was no meeting due to the club show. Annette Rice won the Best Large category with 'Shattered Glass' (Rice-JA, 2010) and Best Extra Large with 'Jaguar' (Dougherty, 1987). Ann Coats won the Spider Award with 'Chaco Canyon' (Roberts-N., 2003). Kris & Jedy Hodge won best seedling; Best Double with 'Freeda James' (James-F., 1998); Best Mini with 'Eenie Allegro' (Aden, 1981); as well as Unusual Form with 'I See Stars' (Gossard, 2001), which also won Best

in Show. Jonathan Hodge won the Youth Section with 'Highland Pinched Fingers' (Toll, 1991). 'One Eye Willie' (Herrington-T., 2006) won the small division, exhibited by Troy Qualls.

The August meeting was the club's private sale. Plants came from Jamie Gossard, Nicole DeVito, and Bret Clement. The September meeting will be a fall auction.

Daylily Society of Louisville By Donna Ward - Louisville, KY

President: Michael Stephens
1st Vice-President: Junelle Eddrington
2nd Vice-President: Bill Schardein
Treasurer: Bev Crittenden
Recording Secretary: Chris Schardein
Corresponding Secretary: Donna Ward
Parliamentarian: Brenda Macy

Several from the DSL were able to attend the National Convention in Atlanta in June. They came back and announced the 2016 National Convention would be hosted right in our own backyard. How exciting! It will be at the Crown Plaza Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky. Make plans now for this big event.

DSL acquired a credit card reader for the plant sales. We were able to use this for the Mid-City Mall Show and Sale. This really made the buying transactions simpler and more convenient for the customers. Big plus all the way around. Thanks to our new president, Michael Stevens for that suggestion. Once again Richard Porter was able to reserve the venue at the Mid-City Mall, thus saving the club thousands of dollars.

September is upon us and we are looking forward to the picnic Creasy-Mahan Nature Preserve in Oldham County. Looks like a lot of good southern cooking, and eating. There will also be day lilies available for sale. November will be our time for fun and a big pat on our backs for all the hard work this past year. Holiday dinner and party at our usual meeting hall. December and January there aren't any Meeting/educational events.

Thanks to all of the members who give of themselves and their time. It is very much appreciated.
Donna Ward,
Corresponding Secretary

Kentucky Daylily Fans By Laura Teague - Madisonville, KY

President: Laura Teague
Vice President: Julie Robichaud
Secretary: Michele Coleman
Treasurer: Beri Zaparanick
Program Chair: Lori Frasier

Kentucky Daylily Fans has had a fun and productive year. The 2014 sale netted enough money to invite two out of town speakers to our club for October and November of that year. We thoroughly enjoyed the programs by Brenda Macy, who gave us the Garden Judge class in October, and Nikki Schmith, who showed us new and interesting cultivars in "Not Your

Grandmother's Daylily."

In April 2015 we sold daylilies at Pennyroyal Master Gardeners' Lawn and Garden Fair. We are beginning to have some return customers, since this was our third sale. Several club members traveled to Hidden Hill Nursery in Jeffersonville, IN in May, and thoroughly enjoyed all the paths through the shade gardens, and the unusual garden statuary. On the way back we stopped by Huber Farm Market and Winery, where we bought fabulous strawberries and bottles of wine. In June three members attended the AHS convention in Atlanta, and three members went to the summer meeting in Nashville. In early July we enjoyed each other's gardens with a progressive dinner and garden tour. In September we have another trip planned, to the Amish country around Marion, KY, to all the little shops and farms selling baked goods, pumpkins, mums, and vegetables. We are still a small club with fewer than a dozen members, but we enjoy getting together to talk about daylilies. We hope that most of our members will attend the AHS convention in Louisville in 2016.



Memphis Area Daylily Society By Janice Wood – Memphis, TN

*President: Pat Bevil
Vice President: Janice Wood
Secretary: Carol Raiford
Treasurer: Margaret Dixon*

The Memphis Area daylily Society met in February and enjoyed a program of Paul Owen's garden at the 2014 AHS National convention. In March the program was the remaining gardens from

the 2014 AHS National convention.

April brought our annual Daylily Auction. This year the club auctioned lovely daylily plants from Mark Carpenter's Lilyfarm and from Phil and Carol Sims Elohim Gardens.

The May meeting featured a program of the Huntsville Botanic gardens with the 2015 special garden feature of sculptures made from Legos. Some had over 50,000 Lego pieces involved in their construction. These were scattered throughout the garden.

In June the club had our annual Sale and a display of offscape daylily blooms. We had over 300 blooms to display. Also our club sponsored Thomas Trotter Daylily Display Garden at the Memphis Botanic Garden was looking very lush and lovely with the rain that we had in the spring. It was fun to see some of our Elvis themed daylilies bloom for the first time. Club members Margaret Dixon and Pat Bevil had open garden days in Mid June. August brought us the Bartlett Bee Whisperer, David Glover, who presented a very informative program all about bees.

Middle Tennessee Daylily Society By Jack Alexander – Nashville, TN

*President: Jack Alexander
1st Vice President: Penny Warren
2nd Vice President: Ellyn Wilbur
Recording Secretary and Newsletter Editor: David Wilbur
Corresponding Secretary: Kate Patrick
Treasurer: Sandra Merritt
Historian: Jay Turman
CAP Program Chairperson: Pam Fote*

The first half of 2015 was a busy time for MTDS as we were planning and looking forward to hosting the 2015 Region 10 meeting. It was a rather unexpected responsibility but as the Knoxville club had folded a year earlier we had taken on the task. Fortunately we are blessed with some hardworking and talented folks as well as some beautiful gardens so the Regional meeting came together in a wonderful way in June of this year. We appreciate everyone who came and shared the daylilies with us and all the volunteers in our group who did such a great job.

In the months leading up to June we had plenty of activities. We had our annual gathering in January with a potluck supper and a great look at regional seedlings and futures with program master Jay Turman. It's always great to see what is up and coming in the area with our local hybridizers. The program is featured again at the Mid-Winter Symposium but we always get to see the "dress rehearsal". We sure have a lot of talent in Region 10!

Our plant sale for the Nashville Lawn and Garden Show was a great success this year. The daylilies looked good and we just about sold out over the weekend. Lots of members pitched in to man (and woman!) the booth and spread the good word about hemerocallis since that is really what it's all about. We all enjoyed the opportunity to educate the public and sell a few plants for the club.

Some of us enjoyed the shopping at the L&G Show also. I know I always manage to find one more piece of garden art when I am there! Not to mention that the garden displays give the hope that spring might actually really be on the way!

We had a surprise visit from Charles and Heidi Douglas in the spring and got to see their power point presentation and hear their amusing interchange. They are both producing some exciting cultivars. I especially liked the story Charles tells of seeing the first bloom on 'Boss Hogg' and how he called Heidi from the garden to come and see it. The auction was a success after their talk since we all wanted some of the South Carolina action.

We enjoyed a visit from a consultant from Wild Birds Unlimited (a birding and wildlife supply store) who gave a fascinating talk about how to attract wildlife to the garden. Who knew bats were so good at getting rid of mosquitoes and that their houses need to hang under the east eaves of the roof for full protection? Who knew snakes "farmed" bluebird boxes? Yuck! I'm going out to buy baffles for all my bird houses!

The May meeting is our CAPS meeting where members who have earned the appropriate number of service points are awarded special plants to take home and grow for a couple of years. After two years all but two fans are returned to the club for auction and these "recycled" plants make for a good auction every year as they are all fairly new introductions. The meeting is always well-attended and the bidding competitive. However, bargains are always available and most everyone goes home happy!

June heralded the Region 10 Meeting held in Nashville with the theme of "Boots and Bloomers". (Really!) We all had a really good time and although it rained right up until early Saturday morning the weather cleared and we had a cool, lovely day to enjoy the gardens. We started at Sweeton Daylilies out in Mt. Juliet where we enjoyed a huge collection of cultivars and a large shade garden. Joyce and Jimmy Sweeton were there to greet us with old-fashioned southern hospitality and many members enjoyed seeing them again. Lunch was a fantastic barbeque dinner catered at Greg Zapel's garden in Columbia, TN. His garden is a wonder to behold with a giant koi pond and two waterfalls in center stage and display beds surrounding it. He has a huge seedling bed out back and a sales bed besides. Needless to say some folks took advantage of that to make some purchases while they were there.

The afternoon was spent in Nashville at Windsong Garden in Belle Meade and then on to Gardner Cottage for our last stop. Windsong Garden, the home of John Douglass and Leslie Matthews, featured a beautiful collection of hostas and hydrangeas and a very feisty orange tabby cat. We all enjoyed our visit there and couldn't decide whether we admired the daylilies or the hostas most. At Gardner Cottage, the home of Larry Brown, we were greeted by a sweet trio of young ladies offering refreshing lemonade as we got off the bus. Larry has truly created an urban oasis that has become a community attraction in the Hollywood section of east Nashville. He has not only planted a host of daylilies but

lots of unusual perennials, shrubs and trees.

The Region 10 meeting also featured dinners, speakers Margo Reed and Jim Murphy and the great auctioneers, David Kirchhoff and Lucas Holman. We couldn't have had a better crew. It was a really fun time for all and we deeply appreciate everyone who came and contributed.

TN Valley Daylily Society

By Karen Newman – Delano, TN

President: Jane Dixon

1st Vice President: Lee Pickles

2nd Vice President: Joan Trundle

Treasurer: June Scoggins

Secretary/Reporter: Karen Newman

Following a short Board meeting to plan activities for the year ahead, the first TVDS meeting of 2015 was held on February 14th at The Western Sizzlin in Ooltewah, TN. The previous weekend several members had attended the Mid-Winter Symposium at the Choo-Choo and we were all on a daylily high.

Our Chattanooga club seems to be growing and attendance at meetings has been good. We are especially excited to see several young people who regularly take part in the meetings, some new members coming on the scene and the return of several long-time members whose schedules now allow them to attend meetings.

February's guest speaker was Rose Newsom, who is President of the Tennessee Dahlia Society (Dunlap, TN). She gave a most informative program on "The Wonderful World of Dahlias" and how they can be integrated into plantings in daylily gardens.

April's guest speaker was Mort Morss of Daylily World (Lawrenceburg, KY). Mort showed us several of his (and David's) new introductions as well as several older cultivars that have served them well through the years. Mort and David brought pictures of several plants to auction and it didn't take long for them to be snapped up! Since the actual plants had not fully recovered from winter weather as of the April meeting date, David was to mail the plants and they would be distributed at the May 30th meeting.

On May 30th, we had our pre-show meeting. It was at the garden of Steve and Karen Newman (Delano Daylilies) in Delano, TN. It was a covered dish meal and the food was excellent! Members of this club really know how to cook! It was a busy meeting: (1) Linda Hassler brought new club plants from Tim Herrington to distribute; (2) the increase on Karol Emmerich's club plants were returned to be auctioned; (3) the auction plants of David and Mort's from the April meeting were distributed; and (4) to bump up the amount of funds in our treasury, members brought plants from their gardens as well as garden art, bird houses, etc. to be auctioned with all proceeds going to the club.

Our annual daylily show was scheduled for the following week, so a portion of the meeting involved making sure we were all on the same page regarding the show. Results of that show are covered elsewhere in this publication.

And that brought the first half of 2015 to a close for

club activities. Several members were able to attend the Region 10 Summer Meeting and the Atlanta National and come home to enjoy blooms in their own gardens. As of this writing, it has been a very good year!

Tri-Cities Daylily Society

By Rebecca Hall – Kingsport, TN

President: Susan Okrasinski

Co-Vice Presidents: Jean and Sharon Fleisher

Treasurer: Dennis Hall

Secretary: Rebecca Hall

Speaker Liaison: Chris Massengil

New Member Chairman: Dennis Marshall

Webmaster: John Wagner

TCDS is having a busy 2015 with eleven meetings/garden tours on our agenda. We began in February with Master Gardener Phil Ramey presenting a program on container gardening. This was followed in March with a wonderful presentation and auction by hybridizer Eric Simpson of Cavalier Daylily Gardens. Unfortunately, our April wildflower walk had to be cancelled due to lateness in bloom.

June and July are always the months of choice for us daylily “fans.” June weekends were filled with activity. Special events included the AHS National Convention in Atlanta, attended by our president, Susan Okrasinski. This was immediately followed by our region’s summer meeting in Nashville where members enjoyed visiting and eating with our fellow regional attendees. On the final weekend in June, TCDS held its local garden tour. This year our tour was less structured allowing members to visit the gardens at their convenience between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Greg and Jo Durham were gracious hosts. Being the first time to visit their garden, everyone was very impressed with the beauty and artistic touches found there. Also open for visitors was Anna Littleton’s home/commercial garden in Jonesborough. Anna was joined by her son and daughter-in-law in extending a warm greeting to us. Those attending came away with some beautiful plants to enjoy. Following this visit, we enjoyed lunch together at nearby Phil’s BBQ Pit.

On July 11, at the invitation of Bob Selman, 16 of our members traveled over the mountain to Blue Ridge Daylilies near Asheville. There we joined the Foothills Club and the Western North Carolina Club. It was a delightful day visiting and sharing pizza with folks from our neighboring state as well as South Carolina. The garden was magnificent! Thanks to Bob’s generosity, visitors left with gifts of 2014 introductions in addition to purchases.

Summer wound down with the August annual picnic and auction – one of our most fun events of the year. Twenty-five members attended resulting in a successful auction and good food and fellowship.

Three meetings are scheduled for fall. In September, member Earl Hockin will share with us information about his trip to the Galapagos Islands. On October 3, TCDS will host guest speaker Bob

Faulkner from Natural Selection Daylilies. The year will end with our annual Christmas party and meeting in the Kingsport Public Library auditorium.

If you are in the area, you are cordially invited to attend any of the TCDS meetings. We would love to have you visit. To keep up with our activities, you are encouraged to be a friend of the TRI-CITIES DAYLILY SOCIETY public facebook group.

West TN Daylily Society

By Carol Sims - Jackson, TN

President: Danny Robinson

1st Vice President: Brian Fowler

2nd Vice President: Phil Sims

Treasurer: Lorene Crone

Secretary: Linda Browning

Historian and Information: Carol Sims

The West TN Daylily Society has been busy this spring and summer. In May, the Club held their annual Spring Sale at the Farmer’s Market. A great time was had by all who participated as the club shared their love of daylilies with many interested customers while listening to a local music group that set up shop near the daylily area. In June, the club met for the annual picnic at the home of Brian and Barbara Fowler. The food was excellent, the flowers were beautiful, and the temperature was pleasant with low humidity. We couldn’t have asked for a more beautiful setting or better company. June 27th was the date of the flower show at the Old Hickory Mall. All the entries were beautiful. The winners were:

<i>Best X-Large</i>	<i>Gussie Harris</i>	<i>Reinke</i>
<i>Best Large</i>	<i>Aric Austin Sims</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Best Small</i>	<i>Suburban Steven</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Best Miniature</i>	<i>Butterpat</i>	<i>Crone</i>
<i>Best DbI/Poly</i>	<i>Treva’s Smile</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Best Spider</i>	<i>Feminity</i>	<i>Reinke</i>
<i>Best UF</i>	<i>In Reverse</i>	<i>Reinke</i>
<i>Best Youth</i>	<i>No Enteries</i>	
<i>Best PopPoll</i>	<i>Peggy Jeffcoat</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Best Seedling</i>		<i>Reinke</i>
<i>Best in Show</i>	<i>Femininity</i>	<i>Reinke</i>
<i>Sweepstakes</i>	<i>Robinson</i>	
<i>Local awards</i>		

<i>Best Eyed</i>	<i>Aunties Lipstick Kisses</i>	<i>Sims</i>
<i>Best Red</i>	<i>Red Volunteer</i>	<i>Crone</i>
<i>Best Pink</i>	<i>Mountain Echo</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Best Yellow/Gold</i>	<i>Curly Cinnamon Windmill</i>	<i>Crawford</i>
<i>Best Near White</i>	<i>PeggyJeffcoat</i>	<i>Bevill</i>
<i>Best Lav/Purple</i>	<i>Columbus Ohio</i>	<i>Crone</i>

August brought the club together again for the fall sale at the Farmer’s Market in Jackson, TN. Many plants were sold and the sale was one of the most successful we have had.

In September, the club will host a congratulatory reception for Lorene Crone, in honor of her new position as Regional President. We look forward to honoring her for all she has done, not only for our club, but for the work she will do for the region. Congratulations, Lorene. We are very proud of your accomplishment, and we know that you will be an excellent president.

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'Rooty Tooty' (Pickles, 2011)



H. 'Red Volunteer'

*Winner of the Region 10 Hybridizer Best Clump Award 2015 Region 10 Summer Meeting
Garden of John Douglas & Leslie Matthews
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