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**2017 Lenington All American Winner  
H. 'God Save the Queen' (Morss, 2005)**

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The Daylily Appeal welcomes submission by Region 10 members of:

- Photographs
- Club News & Events
- Garden Articles
- Non-commercial profiles of Region 10 Hybridizers
- Articles related to daylilies and their culture

Digital/electronic submissions are required. Please e-mail your submissions via e-mail with attachments to Will Coltharp at: [wcoltharp@comcast.net](mailto:wcoltharp@comcast.net)

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Lorene Crone*



As I write this, it has been nearly 100 degrees every day with very little rain. In from the heat, I have enjoyed the Facebook photos from different areas of the country as well as my own photos from the regional and national garden tours. Many thanks to the Memphis Area Daylily Society for a spectacular region meeting. The food and fellowship just goes to show you that our southern hospitality is alive and well. The hotel was great and the gardens were flawless. The food still makes my mouth water. I hope everyone that attended had a great time. The boutique featured some fabulous garden glass art made by several members of the club. I was fortunate to acquire a few pieces for my garden. Thanks go out to Janice Woods for opening her home and garden for both exhibition and garden judges' clinics. I am already looking forward to 2018 where we will have both MWS and the summer garden tours in Chattanooga, TN. I am really looking forward to seeing one of our newest AHS historic and display gardens created by one of our youth members. I've seen pictures and I'm sure the garden will be better in person. Thanks again to you all for the faith you have in me to serve a second term as your Regional President. This is not a one man or woman job. You have all been very supportive and I appreciate it. The board and committee members continue to work hard to keep the region business running smoothly. We have again this year added more display gardens and some clubs have increased their membership. We've had some beautiful shows and hope this will continue to draw new members. Keep up the good work. Remember our goal is to spread the word and help others enjoy the beauty of the daylily. We should all have fun while doing so. So let us go forth and have fun! See you soon in the garden!!

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*From the*  
**NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

*Will Coltharp*

**W**elcome to the 2017 Fall/Winter edition of the Daylily Appeal. This is the issue where we wrap up the activities of 2017 in print and project forward to what is coming in 2018. This is my favorite issue of the year because of the many pictures and articles pertaining to the summer events and the pleasant memories they bring back. As always don't forget to read the featured articles by the regional officers. Many exciting changes are taking place in AHS and this is one way that the news is disseminated to the members in Region 10. Also featured in this issue are pictures and articles about the tour gardens of the 2017 Summer Meeting hosted by the Memphis Area Daylily Society. What a wonderfully planned meeting! And the gardens were beautiful! The region is always indebted to the individual regional clubs that host the summer meetings and we owe so many thanks to the Memphis club for all the work that they put into organizing the meeting. And of course I would be remiss if I did not say that it was especially nice to see Elvis singing at the Memphis Botanical Garden during our lunch. He certainly has held up well after all these years. We had such a good response last year when we pictured the upcoming tour gardens for the next summer meeting that we are repeating the feature in this Fall/Winter Issue. The 2018 Summer Meeting hosted by the Tennessee Valley Daylily Society in Chattanooga certainly promises to be an event to look forward to. Having an AHS Historic Display garden myself, I am especially excited to see that the 2018 Summer Meeting will feature a historic garden on tour. As always please don't forget that we continue to be interested in member submitted articles for publication in the Daylily Appeal as well as ideas for new features. One feature that will begin in 2018 is a series of articles featuring a Region 10 club and its history. For the Spring/Summer issue, we hope to learn more about the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society. And speaking of upcoming issues, next year we are going to also consider a Photo Contest just for Region 10 members. Details will be forthcoming in the next issue. As a reminder, the deadline for all articles for the Spring/Summer issue is March 1. I hope to see everyone at the upcoming 2018 MWS in Chattanooga.

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*From the*  
**REGIONAL PUBLICITY DIRECTOR**

*Libby Hickman*

**W**hat an amazing bloom season this year!!! We've had rain in abundance and what a difference it made in my garden and all the other gardens I visited this year. The flowers and gardens were more vibrant and beautiful than I ever remember seeing since I've been in daylilies. I've never had as many large and beautiful re-bloom scapes either. But with all the beauty also came a crazy amount of weeds. Always have to take the good with the bad. I attended so many events daylily related this summer that the summer seemed to have gone in a flash. This summer's Region 10 meeting in Memphis was a lot of fun. All of the gardens were breathtaking. Thanks to all that helped make this regional so enjoyable to all who attended. If you missed it, you really missed out. The National Convention in Norfolk was outstanding. It was great to see friends from all over the country again. And, all of the daylily shows I attended were proof that everyone around experienced the same abundance of rain as I did. The blooms and scapes were just perfect. A big thank you to all who help make the shows so successful and for promoting the daylily in our communities. As I'm writing this, the popularity poll is about to come to an end. The participation for region 10 seems to be up quite a bit from last year. You will see a few changes and other things in 2018 promoting the pop poll, so be on the lookout for that. There is a pop poll update in this Appeal to keep you up to date on what's going on. The Mid-Winter Symposium will be here before we know it. I hear it's going to be back in Chattanooga this year (at a different hotel). Looking forward to all the speakers especially this time of year when it's colder and sometimes just plain dreary outside. It's a good pick-me-up for the season to come. And looking on to 2018, it will definitely be an exciting year. I have two girls graduating high school, but not only that, Chattanooga will be hosting the regional meeting. We have 4 entirely new gardens on tour. Please see the garden pictures, write-ups, and other information about the regional further on in this issue of the Appeal. We hope you make plans to spend this fun and exciting weekend with us in Chattanooga. We look forward to seeing you as "SCENIC CITY BLOOMS".

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## AHS REGION 10 DIRECTOR

*MaryAnn Duncan*

**W**ow! It has been a busy summer season with daylily exhibitions, clinics, regional and national convention events. It seemed as though it was something every weekend. I do hope you were able to take advantage of at least some of them. It enriches you in so many ways, including making new friends, finding new-to-you cultivars, seeing fantastic gardens and experiencing clinics and speakers to expand your knowledge. Thanks to the Memphis Daylily Society for hosting a wonderful Regional Summer Meeting in June, 2017. "Walking in Memphis" proved to be another outstanding event with garden tours, our annual auction and guest speaker Bob Faulkner who was both entertaining and quite enlightening. As has been said before, it is no small task for a club to host such a big endeavor and they deserve our whole hearted recognition for a job well done. So, too, was the 2017 AHS National Convention in Norfolk, Virginia, another great one. The garden tours revealed many well-grown plants in various settings with luscious companion plants. As usual, I made notes of many cultivars I would like to add to my garden. The American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) Board of Directors meets during the national convention time. At the meeting this year, a new Daylily Ambassador Program was created for the purpose of recognizing events/activities that

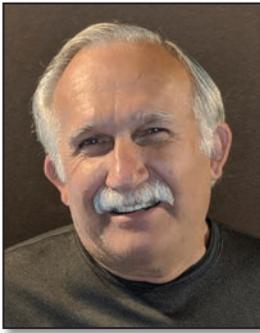
publicize and promote the daylily in innovative ways that successfully achieve outreach to the general public. If you have such an occasion, be sure to let us know. As with many other organizations, participation in daylily events has been shrinking. Membership in the national society has declined from its peak of 12,000 members to about 5,575 members as of convention time. What is the participation rate of your club's members in the AHS national society? Have you submitted your roster to Pat Mercer, AHS Membership Secretary, to ascertain at what level your club involvement in AHS national reflects as a percentage? Are you a gold, bronze, silver, club? I encourage each of our clubs/societies to find new ways to garner new members and then get them



*H. 'Orange Vols' (Kirby-Oakes, 1981)*

involved in the national organization and local and regional events. One of the major undertakings this year by the AHS has been the massive much-needed improvements to the technology supporting AHS. A lot has been done and if you have logged onto the Daylily Database recently, you know to what I am referring. Finding names of cultivars is so much easier. In many instances, it practically prefills for you. Likewise, the registration process was masterfully improved so that when a hybridizer enters the information online, it automatically moves into place without all the several manual steps it formerly required. Additionally, AHS has received a large donation to build a new, more functional website. In other news, the Publication Committee, with Board approval, has decided to make all of the recent AHS publications available through Fulfillment by Amazon. Single book sales on Amazon will expose our publications to a vast audience looking for "gardening" books and hopefully attract new interest in daylilies. The Publication Services Manager will continue to ship club orders for 10 or more copies. There will be additional changes for many of our other products sold in the publications store starting in 2018 so watch for future announcements. There were 15 approved reports given during the AHS Board of Directors meeting and those have been formatted into wording consistent with the AHS Policy and Procedures Manual. They have now been incorporated as a part of the latest update to the AHS Handbook which can be found online through the Portal. As always, if I can be of service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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## Garden Judges Liaison Reports

*Bill Schardein*

**W**ANTED! GARDEN JUDGES FOR REGION 10 We've just concluded another year's Regional meeting that was held in Memphis, TN. I believe everyone who attended this year went home with some very wonderful memories of the gardens, the new people and old friends that we encountered at these events. Chris and I had a very eventful ride down, getting stuck in bumper to bumper traffic, due to a fatal accident, that made us get to our hotel destination five hours later than expected! We had a late dinner date that night to celebrate Chris' birthday. The next day we were able to get registered and then began my duties as Judge Liaison by working as an assistant to Brenda Macy who taught the Garden Judges Workshop II at Janice Wood's home. We started inside with the first portion of the class. The outside portion was great with Janice's wonderful selection of flowers and seedlings to learn to judge. I think everyone enjoyed the fellowship as well as the learning experience. This year we had six people in all to take Garden Judges Workshop II. No one took the Garden Judges Workshop I. In the future anyone thinking about taking the workshops should make preparations ahead of the time that you show up at any event. This way there will be instructors who have enough time to have the paperwork



*H. 'Trenton Song to the Moon'*  
(Oakes-M., 2008)

needed and be prepared to teach these workshops. Remember, those who plan these events have to have classroom space available and need to get instructors who will be attending to run the workshops. This takes planning well ahead of the date of the event. This will help the people running the meetings to have an easier and less stressful time themselves. For anyone who has been contacted by AHS that they need to complete their renewal process and have not done so this year, please contact the Region 10 President, Lorene Crone, to see if she can give you an extension. But don't delay! There is limited time to get this done.

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### Contributions to American Hemerocallis Society

#### A contribution at the Silver Level - AHS General Fund by:

- Martha Ferguson Union, KY
- Elizabeth & Greg Trotter Georgetown, KY
- Memphis Area Daylily Society in memory of Jim Glisson, Carol Raiford, Ken Hamslet, Betty Wilson, Curtis Liner

#### Other Donor Level - AHS General Fund by:

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- Elizabeth Trotter Georgetown, KY - in memory of Erma Hazel Rosen
- Laura Teague Madisonville, KY



*H. 'Choo Choo Fantasy'*  
(Pickles, 1995) Photo courtesy of Susan Okrasinski

# Exhibition Judges Liaison Report

*MaryAnn Duncan*

A warm welcome to our newest Region 10 Exhibition Judge instructors, Cynthia Cory and Deron Willmoth. Deron completed his final step to instructorship on June 16, 2017, during the Region 10 summer meeting in Memphis, TN by assisting in Clinic III. Cynthia completed her last required assistantship in Grand Rapids, Michigan during the Region 2 summer meeting. Both Regions 2 and 10 need instructors and we often cooperate on instructors and judges due to the proximity. We are so pleased to recognize this accomplishment for these two Region 10 members and whole heartedly congratulate both of them.

Although there were no registrations for Exhibition Clinics I and II classes at the Region 10 summer meeting in Memphis, plans were nonetheless made with a Master Panel in place and prepared instructors for Clinic II. Thanks to Willie F. Graham, Don Wolff and Linda F. Hassler for their readiness to serve on the Master Panel. Grateful acknowledgment is also extended to Lorene Crone and David Kirchhoff for their willingness to instruct Exhibition Clinic II.

Exhibition Clinic III, the refresher course, had four attendees – one from Kentucky, one from Tennessee and two from Mississippi. Credit for teaching this class is given to Deborah S. Smith and Mary Ann Duncan, assisted by Deron Willmoth. The newest AHS video presentation

highlighting the changes in the 2017 edition of the Exhibition Judges Handbook was used.

Region 10 continues to be in need of more exhibition judges and instructors. If you have ever considered the idea, why not start the training at your earliest convenience? Once completed, you may be asked to judge, serve on a Master Panel, or instruct in other regions, too. What fun that is!! Even if you are not interested in becoming a judge or an instructor, you are urged to take Exhibition Clinic I. It will benefit you immensely in improving your judging skills of your own cultivars before taking them for exhibition. The Exhibition 1 class is now offered online through the AHS portal website. Of course you must be

a dues paid member of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) to take the classes for credit. Why not enroll as soon as possible?

The next opportunity to attend an exhibition class in our Region 10 is the Mid-Winter Symposium in Chattanooga, TN on February 11, 2018. Since Exhibition 1 is now online, including the test, only Exhibition Clinic III will be offered without advance notification. If you are interested in Exhibition 1, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can make arrangements for the materials and instructors..

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*2017 MTDS Flower Show  
Judges Panel: Rich Rosen, Willie Graham, Debbie Smith, Nikki Schmith*



# AHS Region 10 — Summer Meetings

## MEMPHIS, TN



### BUSINESS & BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Respectfully submitted, **Doris Stonska**, Region 10 Secretary

#### Region 10 Business Meeting June 16, 2017 — Memphis, TN

- The meeting was opened at 6:00pm by Janice Wood, Chairperson for the Memphis meeting at the Holiday Inn-University of Memphis.
- President Lorene Crone opened the Business Meeting at 7pm with great pleasure in thanking the Memphis club for hosting the event.
- A roll call was taken of the attendees and their respective home clubs.
  - Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society - 3
  - Daylily Society of Louisville - 4
  - Kentucky Daylily Fans - 1
  - Louisville Area Daylily Society - 3
  - Memphis Area Hemerocallis Society - 12+
  - Middle Tennessee Daylily Society- 10
  - Tennessee Valley Daylily Society - 2
  - Tri-Cities Daylily Society - 1
  - West Tennessee Daylily Society - 2
- The published minutes in the Appeal were passed with Brenda Macy's motion to accept and Chris Schardein's second .
- The Treasurer's Report was passed with motions to accept by Mary Ann Duncan and Lucas Holman's second.
- Regional Publicity Director- reported the decreasing number of voting AHS members in Region 10 for the Popularity Poll. There were 53 votes and 253 members giving it a 18% participation rate. Could markers in tour gardens draw attention to the Pop Poll and could ballots/listing of eligible daylilies be available to increase voting.
- Mary Ann Duncan-Regional Director- No report.
- Exhibition Judges and Refresher Course II had 0 attendance per Mary Ann Duncan Chairperson.
- Garden Judges Course- had 6 attendees, 5 repeat and 1 new according to Bill Schardein Chairperson
- Regional Newsletter Chair- Will Coltharp would love articles to publish on the Regional tour gardens. Deadline for submission is Sept.1, 2017.
- Mary Ann Duncan-Region 10 Director and leader of the search for the next Mid Winter Symposium location with David Kirchhoff, reports that the meeting will be held at the Double Tree Inn in Chattanooga to bring visitors in from surrounding states to boost participation in this wonderful event.
- Jane Dixon commented on the upcoming 2018 Summer Regional at the Hilton Garden Inn for the Chattanooga Summer Meeting. Special timing on this will be during River Bend week which will give you something special to view. They will feature 4-5 tour gardens.
- There were no awards due to the regional nominations/voting for the next Regional President.
- Other Business: Jack Alexander announced that Lorene Crone won another 2 year term as Region 10 President. Congratulations!!!!
- Lorene Crone, Regional President for another 2 years acknowledged her team as her helpers with thanks and adjourned the meeting at 7:30pm.

#### Region 10 Board Meeting June 16, 2017 — Memphis, TN

June 16, 2017 Region 10 Board of Directors Meeting in Memphis, TN

- The meeting was called to order by President Lorene Crone at 4:15pm. Other attendees were Libby Hickman, Sandra Merrit, Mary Ann Duncan and Doris Stonska.
- Sandra Merrit, Treasurer, noted nothing notably remarkable. She has been our treasure for some time now and would like to allow someone new to watch over our treasury.
- Libby Hickman, Regional Publicity Director and Youth Chair, stated that the 2016 Pop Poll had a grand total of 53 participants out of 253 eligible Region 10 AHS members (18%).
- Would tagging for the Pop Poll help identify eligible cultivars in tour gardens? Should Region 10 have a website to share ideas for things to do?
- Mary Ann Duncan, Region 10 Director, noted that AHS National Meeting is next week. Also that records show a decrease in AHS memberships.
- Jane Dixon is helping set up a new location for the Mid Winter Symposium and the Region 10 Summer Meeting at the Doubletree Inn in Chattanooga. Dates will be published soon.
- Jack Alexander stated the need to vote for a Regional President.
- There are no regional or hybridizer awards
- Honorarium – President will receive check for registration paid.
- Meeting Adjourned by President Lorene Crone at 5:00pm.

# National Award Winner Region 10 Service Award

Congratulations to Elizabeth Trotter, winner of the AHS National Region 10 Service Award for services and contributions not only at the local club level but also at the national level. Elizabeth has been a valuable member of her club, the Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society in Lexington, KY for many years using her professional skills as a librarian. In the past she has been her club's newsletter editor for 5 years as well as the webmaster for 7 years.

In 2014 she served as BGHS president and chairperson for the Region 10 convention that was held in Lexington. That same year she also chaired her club's exhibition show. However, her many accomplishments don't just stop at the local club level. She served as the editor of the AHS E-News for 7 years and has acted as the Region 10 historian, maintaining the archives for over 10 years.

In her role as historian, she has contributed to the national AHS archives as well as the policy and procedures committee. Elizabeth often contributes articles to the Region 10 newsletter, *The Daylily Appeal*, and the national newsletter, *Daylily Journal*. Two of her articles have won awards... one for her article about how clubs can use new technology to maintain an archive of historical information, and a second award for her article on attracting bees and butterflies to the garden.

Elizabeth has been a garden judge for 10 years and has maintained an AHS Display Garden for the past 15 years. Many people still remember her garden being on tour during the 2014 Region 10 summer meeting. In summary, Elizabeth loves to promote daylilies and the AHS and has made numerous contributions throughout the years both at the regional and national level. Congratulations, Elizabeth !!



*Elizabeth Trotter, Winner of the National Region 10 Service Award, standing in her garden.*

## AHS New Members

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|--|---|
| <b>Bethany Bull</b><br>Spring Hill, TN                   | <b>Richard &amp; Jean Mauroner</b><br>Chattanooga, TN |
| <b>Sharon Cuffe</b><br>Brentwood, TN                     | <b>Mark Nauert</b><br>Goodlettsville, TN              |
| <b>Glennes Drennan</b><br>Madisonville, KY               | <b>Joanne Overstreet</b><br>Sevierville, TN           |
| <b>Linda Eggers</b><br>Talbot, TN                        | <b>Cyd Riede</b><br>Crossville, TN                    |
| <b>Sherry Farley</b><br>Monterey, TN                     | <b>Kay Rodgers</b><br>Knoxville, TN                   |
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| <b>Rick and Michelle</b><br>Collierville, TN             | <b>Fay Weaver</b><br>Hendersonville, TN               |
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|  | <b>Melissa Youngblood</b><br>Rockwood, TN             |

## Doorakian Donation to Region 10 *By Lorene Crone*

Earlier this month, Region 10 received a generous donation of plants from Dr. Doorakian and Mary C. Fisher. Most were Doorakian cultivars but there were also plants included from other hybridizers. These plants are meant to be distributed throughout the region to ensure that his cultivars remain out there for all to see. As RP, I decided these needed to go to the display gardens throughout the region. On behalf of Region 10, thank you very much for this huge donation. The recipients of the plants were asked that as soon as the cultivars multiply enough to be divided that they share them with others members of the region via the region auctions.

Donated plants were: **Green Icon, Emerald Starburst, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Curtis S. Noel, Igor F. Palacios, Zachery S. Hickey, Adele Gabriel, Kristen Gunning, Teresa A. Mosher, Cabernet Cabaret (Reed), Caesar Augustus (Reilly), Shirley's Green Teeth (Farmer-McCutcheon), Prince Popycock (H. Douglas).**

# AHS Region 10 Treasurer's Report

JANUARY 1, 2017 – JUNE 15, 2017

Submitted by: **Sandra S. Merritt**, AHS Region 10 Treasurer



*H. 'Truffle Sunrise'*  
(Kirchhoff-D., 2001)  
Picture Courtesy of Theresa Maris.

**Balance on December 31, 2016. . . . . \$ 35,491.60**

## INCOME:

MWS – Auctions/Raffle. . . . . \$ 5,800.50

2017 MWS Registration fees. . . . . 5,187.00

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**Total Income . . . . . \$ 10,987.50**

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**Balance 12/31 + Income. . . . . \$ 46,479.10**

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## EXPENSES:

### Spring/Summer 2017 Daylily Appeal:

Printing, postage & mailing . . . . . \$ 3,150.48

Editor's fee – Spring/Summer Appeal . . . . . 750.00

### 2017 Mid-Winter Symposium

Auction plant shipping. . . . . 552.00

A/V tech services & hotel . . . . . 1,102.34

Copies & postage. . . . . 23.17

Hotel (includes 18 speaker rooms) . . . . . 9,135.84

Registration refunds . . . . . 267.00

Speaker travel. . . . . 865.72

Wineception. . . . . 13.20

Office supplies (name badges, ink). . . . . 41.98

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**Total Expenses . . . . . \$ 15,901.73**

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**Balance on June 15, 2017. . . . . \$ 30,577.37**

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# 2017 Mid-Winter Symposium

## INCOME/EXPENSE STATEMENT – JUNE 15, 2017

Submitted by: **Sandra S. Merritt**, AHS Region 10 Treasurer



Top: H. 'Lemon Souffle' (Kamensky, 1994) and H. 'Threshold of a Dream' (Owen-P., 2010). Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Trotter.

### INCOME:

|                               |    |                  |
|-------------------------------|----|------------------|
| Registration fees             |    |                  |
| 2016 . . . . .                | \$ | 1,010.00         |
| 2017 . . . . .                |    | 5,187.00         |
| Auctions . . . . .            | \$ | 5,595.50         |
| Raffle . . . . .              |    | 205.00           |
| <b>Total Income . . . . .</b> |    | <b>11,997.50</b> |

### EXPENSES:

|   |           |                  |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Audio/Visual tech (fee & hotel) . . . . .         | \$        | 1,102.34         |
| Auction Plant Shipping . . . . .                  |           | 552.00           |
| Hotel:  |           |                  |
| Dinners . . . . .                                 |           | 3,840.00         |
| Mtg room/tables . . . . .                         |           | 1,550.00         |
| A/V equipment . . . . .                           |           | 135.00           |
| Taxes/gratuities . . . . .                        |           | 1,215.50         |
| Postage (auction plant shipping checks) . . . . . |           | 9.31             |
| Copies & postage . . . . .                        |           | 23.17            |
| Registration refunds . . . . .                    |           | 267.00           |
| Speaker & honorary rooms (18) . . . . .           |           | 2,395.34         |
| Speaker travel . . . . .                          |           | 865.72           |
| Wineception . . . . .                             |           | 13.20            |
| <b>Total Expenses . . . . .</b>                   | <b>\$</b> | <b>11,968.58</b> |
| <b>Income over Expenses . . . . .</b>             | <b>\$</b> | <b>28.92</b>     |





# 2017 Region 10 Flower Shows

Region 10 is especially proud of the four clubs that scheduled AHS Certified Flower Shows during 2017. A lot of work goes into putting on a show, but there is perhaps no better means to attract the attention of the public and increase club membership. Flower shows are addictive and this is reflected probably no better way than the below story that I got from Annette and John Rice of BGHS !!

We heard a very loud bang at night and the house shook. We looked outside and a huge dead tree had fallen on our house, taking a portion of our roof off with it. It had missed our van by a couple of inches!

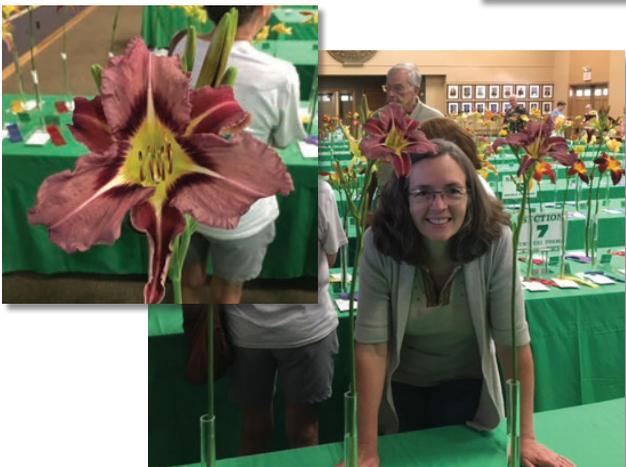
Of course, it was the day of our flower show. John looked at me and said: "Well, what are you going to do today?"

I said: "Heck- Of course I'm going to the flower show!" I went and won Best in Show, Best Extra Large and Best Seedling that day!

You win some and you lose some. The old saying: "When life seems like a lemon, make lemonade!" seemed appropriate!!



MTDS Design  
Tri-Color Award Winner  
Fay Weaver



Cassie Graham with her MTDS  
Achievement Award Winner

## MIDDLE TN DAYLILY SOCIETY

### Best Extra Large

H. 'Jurassic Fiesta'  
(Stamile-Pierce, 2011)

Exhibited by  
Rusty and Sharon Turner

### Best Large

H. 'Tidewater Elf'  
(Holme-S., 2012)

Exhibited by Bonnie Fakes

### Best Small

H. 'Green Derby'  
(Herrington-T., 2007)

Exhibited by  
Rusty and Sharon Turner

### Best Miniature

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

Exhibited by  
Shirley Fincannon

### Best Double

H. 'Scream And Shout'  
(George-T., 2013)

Exhibited by  
Rusty & Sharon Turner

### Best Spider

H. 'Orions Band'  
(Murphy-J.P., 2006)

Exhibited by Cullen Merritt

### Best Unusual Form

H. 'Trojan Warrior'  
(Gossard, 2011)

Exhibited by  
Rusty & Sharon Turner

### Youth

H. 'Peanut Butter Frenzy'  
(Apps, 1999)

Exhibited by Tucker Gaby

### Best in Show

H. 'Green Derby'  
(Herrington-T., 2007)

Exhibited by  
Rusty and Sharon Turner

### Achievement Medal

Cassie Graham

### Tri-Color Design Award

Fay Weaver

## TN VALLEY DAYLILY SOCIETY

### Best Extra Large

H. 'Whipper Snapper'  
(Shooter E., 2007)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Best Large

H. 'One For The Road'  
(Selman, 2014)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Best Small

H. 'Katisue'  
(Herrington-T., 2004)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Best Miniature

H. 'Little Boss Man'  
(Herrington-T., 2004)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Best Double

H. 'Spring Bling'  
(Pryor J., 2006)

Exhibited by June Scoggins

### Best Spider

H. 'Ghost Ranger'  
(Elliott-S., 2015)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Best Unusual Form

H. 'Big Birds Friend'  
(Gossard, 2003)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Best Seedling

Exhibited by Ralph Gordon

### Best in Show

H. 'Little Boss Man'  
(Herrington-T., 2004)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Popularity Poll

H. 'Webster's Pink Wonder'  
(Webster-Cobb, 2003)

Exhibited by James Mullins

### Youth

H. 'Yazoo Elsie Hinton'  
(Smith-W.H.)

Exhibited by Tucker Gaby



## DAYLILY SOCIETY OF LOUISVILLE

### Best Extra Large

H. 'Yazoo Elsie Hinston'  
(Smith-W.H., 1986)  
Exhibited by Summer Marks

### Best Large

H. 'Dragon Fury'  
(Polston, 2014)  
Exhibited by Kris & Jedy Hodge

### Best Small

H. 'Scarlet Butterfly'  
(Reinke-B., 2004)  
Exhibited by Nancy Smith

### Best Miniature

H. 'Brookwood Black Kitten'  
(Sharp, 1995)  
Exhibited by Summer Marks

### Best Double

H. 'Peggy Jeffcoat'  
(Joiner-J., 1995)  
Exhibited by Summer Marks

### Best Spider

H. 'Planet Max'  
(Reed, 1996)  
Exhibited by Bill Schardein

### Best Unusual Form

H. 'Fly Like An Eagle'  
(Shooter-E., 2009)  
Exhibited by Nancy Smith

### Youth

H. 'Brookwood Black Kitten'  
(Sharp, 1995)  
Exhibited by Jonathan Hodge

### Best in Show

H. 'Brookwood Black Kitten'  
(Sharp, 1995)  
Exhibited by Summer Marks

### Regional Popularity Poll

H. 'Webster's Pink Wonder'  
(Webster-Cobb, 2003)  
Exhibited by Beverly Crittenden

## BLUE GRASS HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

### Best Extra Large

H. 'Voluptuous Blonde'  
(Rice, JA, 2011)  
Exhibited by Annette Rice

### Best Large

H. 'Desperado Love'  
(Stamile, 1994)  
Exhibited by Debbie Monbeck

### Best Small

H. 'Little Cadet'  
(Durio-D., 1979)  
Exhibited by Debbie Monbeck

### Best Miniature

H. 'Eenie Weenie'  
(Aden, 1976)  
Exhibited by Linda Donald

### Best Double

H. 'Elegant Lisa'  
(Donald, 2010)  
Exhibited by Linda Donald

### Best Spider

H. 'Carolicolosal'  
(Powell-L.K., 1968)  
Exhibited by Linda Donald

### Best Unusual Form

H. 'Flying Purple People Eater'  
(Holmes, S., 2009)  
Exhibited by Annette Rice

### Best Seedling

Exhibited by Annette Rice

### Best in Show

H. 'Voluptuous Blonde'  
(Rice, JA, 2011)  
Exhibited by Annette Rice

### Sweepstakes

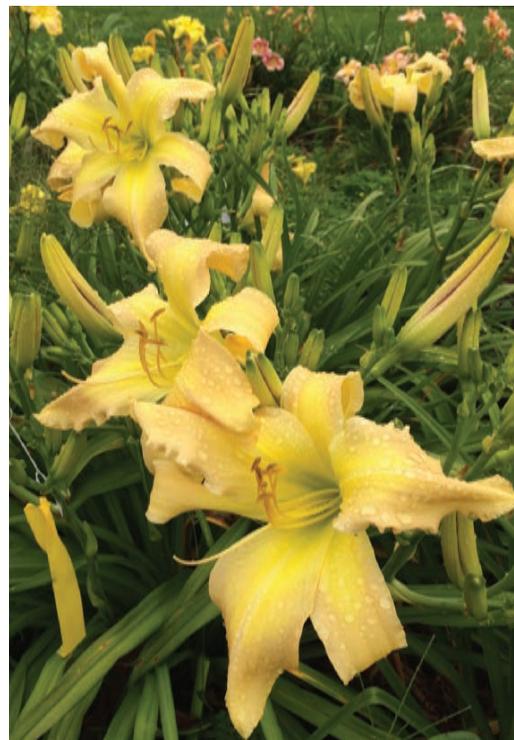
Linda Donald

### Popularity Poll

H. 'Dorothy And Toto'  
(Herrington-K., 2003)  
Exhibited by Willie Graham

### Youth

H. 'Explosion in the Paint Factory'  
(Howard-R., 2013)  
Exhibited by Jordan Hodge



H. 'Voluptuous Blonde' (Rice, JA, 2011)  
Winner of "Best In Show" flower at  
BGHS Show and exhibited by Annette Rice.  
Photo courtesy of Annette Rice.

## WEST TN DAYLILY SOCIETY

No AHS Show in 2017

## LOUISVILLE AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

No AHS Show in 2017

## TRI-CITIES DAYLILY SOCIETY

No AHS Show in 2017

## MEMPHIS AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

No AHS Show in 2017

## KENTUCKY DAYLILY FANS

No AHS Show in 2017



# From Sea to Shining Sea

A RETROSPECTIVE OF THE 2017 AHS NATIONAL CONVENTION  
NORFOLK, VA • JUNE 21-24, 2017

By Susan Okrasinski

**THE SUMMER NATIONAL CONVENTION  
HOSTED BY THE TIDEWATER DAYLILY  
SOCIETY AND HELD IN NORFOLK  
VIRGINIA RIGHT BY THE OCEAN  
WAS A REVELATION OF BEAUTIFUL  
GARDENS, FABULOUS FELLOW DAYLILY  
ENTHUSIASTS AND HEALTHY SEA AIR!**

The tour gardens ran the gamut from the massive Norfolk Botanical Garden to small more intimate neighborhood gardens. The 175 acre Botanical Garden was home to the Dan Tau region 3 seedling bed, as well as many display areas housing rare and unusual plant specimens. This garden alone could occupy many days of leisurely wandering and I would love to return. The larger private gardens of the Pinkham's, the Sterrett's and the Feistel's were each so unique and inspirational. Rich and Rikki Sterrett incorporated many harmonious perennials in their well grown display beds. Greg and Diana Feistel had beds devoted to each of our 15 AHS regions, and the magnificent garden of Linda and Bill Pinkham (set right on the James River) deserves its own botanical garden status. This garden is the result



*H 'Westbourne  
Heavenly Celebrations'  
(Meadows-M.J., 2012)*



*Pictures Courtesy of Susan Okrasinski & Janice Wood*



*Tucker Gaby, Todd Gaby, Don Herr*

*Bill & Linda Pinkham Garden*



*Westbourne Plum Stunned*



*Sterrett Garden*



*H. 'Teenie Girl' (Reinke-B, 2004)*



*Lissa Cash Garden*



of 30 years of hard work and flows seamlessly from Asian, tropical, shade, bog and many other intriguing areas. Bill has also filled it with his striking sculpture and art pieces. We saw some very interesting tropical plants along with daylilies in many of the smaller gardens. The “Two Friends Gardens” (located across the street from each other) of Lissa Cash and Linda Patton were home to a large collection of Mary Jane Meadow’s daylilies as well as a number of David Kirchoff’s beautiful doubles. The Walsh garden had one of the nicest bed of roses constructed from an antique metal bed frame nestled in among the well grown daylilies. The Sweetland garden was a bird sanctuary in addition to a daylily garden. There were hummingbirds buzzing around everywhere! We all returned to our homes filled with inspiration for our own gardens. Many thanks to the hardworking members of the Tidewater Daylily Society for providing us with such a memorable convention!

# SCENIC CITY BLOOMS

## PREVIEW

### *AHS Region 10 Summer Meeting & Garden Tours*

JUNE 1-2. 2018

HILTON GARDEN INN—HAMILTON PLACE  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

The Tennessee Valley Daylily Society is pleased to announce its hosting of the 2018 AHS Region 10 Summer Meeting and Garden tours in Chattanooga, TN on June 1-2, 2018.

There will be four gardens on tour and the club has forwarded a few garden descriptions and pictures so that we can begin planning ahead.

A registration form is enclosed in this issue of the *Daylily Appeal*.



#### **Butler-Cansler Garden**

Casandra learned to love gardening from her parents, Ralph and Vera Cansler. Her first daylily memories are of the wild orange variety that grew along the driveway to their house in Illinois. Fast forward to the 1980's and early 1990's. Her parents had begun growing many varieties of daylilies along the driveway on their farm in North Georgia. Casandra moved back to Chattanooga in 1997 after medical school and residency. Her parents gave her fans of Illini Jackpot, Frans Hals and Fuchsia Dream which survived, and others which succumbed to Roundup! A few years later she ordered a collection of 10 reblooming varieties from Springhill Nursery, 8 of which survived. In the meantime, Casandra had become a consulting rosarian and focused on roses, shrubs and companion plants. Roland met Casandra in 2007 while visiting his sister in Chattanooga during a lengthy convalescence from an auto accident. When Casandra learned of his interest in gardening, she asked him to help prepare the Mills' Rose Garden in Soddy Daisy for the Tenarky District Regional Convention that September. As they worked together in the garden, a romance blossomed. The following summer when the daylilies, Asian and Oriental bulb and water lilies began blooming, he "fell in love" again — with the lilies! They added a few daylilies from The Barn Nursery, mail order. Summer 2014 they took a side trip to Oakes Daylilies on the way to a vacation in Pigeon Forge. That fall they ordered 30 plants. They saw a daylily photo on the internet and inquired of the hybridizer who referred them to Lee Pickles less than 2 miles from their home! The rest is history.



## George & Ginny Gannaway Garden

George moved into his present home in a subdivision in North Chattanooga in 2009. He and Ginny were married in 2011 and began to develop a daylily garden. Initially the rear property line was outlined with cryptomeria and deodar cedar. George has had daylilies in his yard for over 50 years and had moved several plants from his previous yard. Through the years, he has maintained a hybrid his grandmother purchased for \$10 in the 1950's. Presently, the Gannaway yard consists of approximately 250 daylily plants in various flower beds landscaped with flowering shrubs, hostas, ferns, flowering perennials and annuals.



## Libby's Lilies

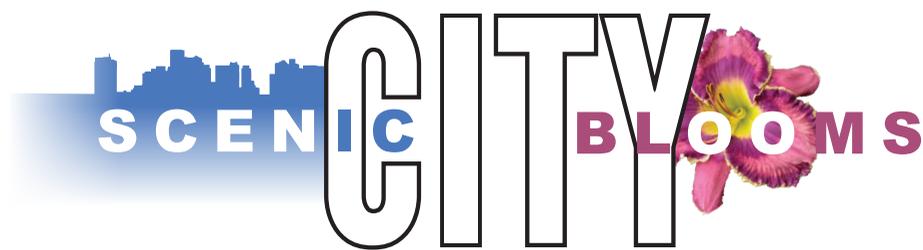
My love of gardening began in 1998 when I bought my first home. As I began to see the need for landscaping, my mom gave me my first two daylilies. It didn't take long for me to have a backyard full. Since 2008, my daylilies have moved with me 3 times. Lastly making home at our current location in July, 2010. The landscape at the back of our home was basically a drop off. Many loads of topsoil were brought into build my daylily gardens and our pool. My husband spent many hours building retaining walls just so I could enjoy my hobby of collecting daylilies. I currently have about 750 varieties of daylilies. I have the majority of Region 10 hybridized daylilies in two beds against the house. I also have a bed of daylilies that were named for members of our Tennessee Valley Daylily Society. You will find an "A" bed that contains flowers that reflects my home state and favorite football team. My favorite three daylilies are located at my mailbox. These are cultivars named after my girls and a 2017 introduction by Lee Pickles named H. 'Libby Hickman'. My girls, Lauren and Amy, also have their own collections in their respective beds. In light of getting more attention on cultivars in our Region 10 popularity poll, you will see them clearly marked for your viewing. While daylilies make up the better part of my garden, you will also find many hydrangeas, hostas, Mexican sunflowers, coneflower, Lenten roses, Knockout roses, banana tree, and many other container plants. My love of gardening and daylilies is evident as you stroll through my yard. I hope you enjoy your time at my garden. I'm so pleased to have you here.



## River Rock Gardens

Welcome to River Rock Gardens in Harrison, Tennessee. Featuring: Tucker's Daylilies, Kendra's Dahlias and Todd's Hostas & Irises. If at any time you are viewing flowers in our garden and cannot see a river rock, PLEASE let us know and we will put one there! Tucker Gaby is 15 years old and started his passion for daylilies after a visit to Possum Hollow Gardens on July 4, 2013. He is currently growing over 600 cultivars and over 200 seedlings from his own hybridizing program. Tucker was accepted as a Historical Garden and Display Garden from the AHS in 2016. The daylilies for your viewing will be located in a variety of places throughout the subdivision lot. As soon as you step off the bus, you will be able to start viewing daylilies. Be sure to view the 3 Historical beds, the Biblical-themed bed, the Miniature bed, the Doubles bed, the Ravine bed, the 5 Dollar bed, 3 National Convention beds, and the Main Hybridizing bed. Additionally, there is a "pink" river rock bed that is maintained by Kendra Gaby who is 13 years old. Although the daylilies take up the majority of the real estate, over 100 hostas will be available for your viewing at the same time. Sorry to report that it will be too late to view any blooming irises (100+) and too early for most of the dahlias (60+).





## AHS Region 10 Summer Meeting & Garden Tours JUNE 1-2, 2018

HOSTED BY THE TENNESSEE VALLEY DAYLILY SOCIETY - CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

### Friday June 1, 2018

- 11:00 a.m. – Garden Judges 2 Clinic (if signed up)\*  
*Located at 7806 Clara Chase Drive, Ooltewah, TN 37363*
- 12:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. – Registration at Hotel
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. – Silent Auction
- 1:00 p.m. – Garden Judges 1 Clinic (if signed up)\*
- 1:00 p.m. – Exhibition Judges Workshop 2 and 3\*  
*Dinner will be on your own.*
- 6:00 p.m. – Welcome & Regional Business Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. – Nikki Schmidt, Guest Speaker Presentation
- 8:00 p.m. – TVDS Club Event

### Saturday June 2, 2018

- 7:30 a.m. – Bus departs Hotel for Garden Tours
- 8:00 a.m. – Hickman Garden
- 9:30 a.m. – Gaby Garden
- 11:00 a.m. – Lunch
- 12:45 a.m. – Butler-Cansler Garden
- 2:15 a.m. – Gannaway Garden
- 4:00 p.m. – Bus Return to Hotel
- 5:30 p.m. – Silent Auction Closes
- 6:30 p.m. – Region 10 Banquet, Awards, Brags
- 7:30 p.m. – Region 10 Auction

### REGISTRATION FORM SCENIC CITY BLOOMS Region 10 Summer Meeting and Garden Tours

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Registration for Judges Clinics:  Garden 1  Garden 2  Exhibition 1  Exhibition 2  Exhibition 3

*Each person attending the Judges clinics **must obtain** a copy of Judges Handbook (available on the AHS website) and study the appropriate sections. There is a \$5.00 fee for credit and a \$3.00 fee to audit. If no one pre-registers for a clinic by registration cut-off date, that clinic will not be held.*

**Registration Fees:** Make check payable to: **Tennessee Valley Daylily Society**

**\$100** per person (if registering after May 20, registration will be \$125)  **\$60** per Youth (Y)

**ENCLOSED AMOUNT \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mail to:** June Scoggins, Registrar, 455 Winding Ridge Rd, Rock Spring, GA 30739

#### Hotel information:

#### Hilton Garden Inn/Hamilton Place

2343 Shallowford Village Drive  
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37421

Reservations: (423) 308-4400

Please ask for AHS Region 10 Rate

#### Region 10 Auction Plant Donations

Rick Saputa, 216 Primrose Way, Signal Mtn, TN 37377 • (423) 842-6794 • [saputa@epbfi.com](mailto:saputa@epbfi.com)  
For additional information contact Jane Dixon at (423)580-9205 or [jane.dixon.2366@gmail.com](mailto:jane.dixon.2366@gmail.com)

## TAKE NOTE

### 2018 NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

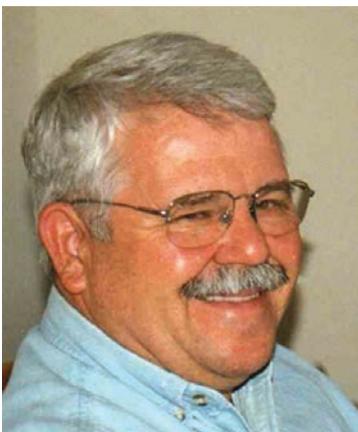
The Georgetown Area Daylily Society  
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina  
June 6-8, 2018

### FUTURE REGION 10 MEETINGS

- 2018 – Chattanooga, TN  
June 1-2, 2018
- 2019 – Tri-Cities, TN
- 2020 – Louisville (LADS)

## In Memoriam Phil Ramey

The Tri-Cities Daylily Society recently lost one of our most vibrant and energetic members, Phil Ramey. He was not only very interested in growing daylilies but was also a Master Gardener and a valued member of many other gardening groups in the Tri-Cities area. He was a natural born teacher and consequently was in great demand as a speaker not only in our club but many other groups as well. We at TCDS miss him tremendously and will carry on his legacy of hard work, unflagging interest in all things botanical, and thinking outside the box.



# Popularity Poll

## UPDATE AND 2017 WINNERS

Last fall a review of the current popularity poll (pop poll) process was determined necessary as we saw participation rates drop below 20% throughout AHS. This group volunteered to look at the process and recommend changes in order to promote more interest in the pop poll and increase participation at each region level. The findings were presented to the AHS Board at the summer meeting in Norfolk, Va., and approved for 2018. The following suggestions were made:

### 1. Add Newer Cultivars

- Add cultivars from Region 10 which received an AHS Award & Honor the previous year
- Winners of National Convention Awards, regardless of region hybridized could be added if the Convention was held in Region 10

### 2. Generate Winners List

- Once a daylily has won the highest number of votes it would be removed from ballot the following years and be placed on a new Regional 10 Daylily Winners List
- The Winners List would need to be searchable on the web for Region 10 with photographs
- The Region 10 Daylily Winners List will begin with at least the past 10 years top winners and be added to each year

### 3. Promote Pop Poll

- The results of the pop poll should be shared with other local/regional special interest groups to inform others about what grows best for Region 10 gardens
- Articles in newspapers, discussions at garden club meetings, facebook posts, and notifications to such groups as the Master Gardeners could all help promote interest in daylilies

The popularity poll is such a great tool to allow others within our region to know what grows best for our region. If you have any additional ideas on how to promote the pop poll and increase participation, please let me know.



*H. 'Webster's Pink Wonder'*  
(Webster-Cobb, 2003), Winner of the  
Region 10 Popularity Poll.

The 2017 Popularity Poll results are in. This year region 10 had a participation rate of 26.45%. This is a much higher participation rate than last year. Thanks to all that participated. The Winners are:

- Webster's Pink Wonder
- God Save The Queen
- Primal Scream
- Blazing Cannons
- Mary's Gold

It's obvious a few changes are needed in our pop poll. We had 94 cultivars on the original ballot with space to make up to five write-in choices. This year we had 75 different cultivars that were write-in votes. In the future, we will be adding newer cultivars and awarding the top winners in our Region 10 Daylily Winners List (official name TBA). Please submit any ideas you may have in making the pop poll of more interest for our region. We would love to see more participation in the future.



# MWS 2017 Flashback

THE MID-WINTER SYMPOSIUM WAS THE FIRST DAYLILY WINTER SYMPOSIUM TO BE HELD IN THE U.S. OCCURRING OVER 25 YEARS AGO IN CHATTANOOGA, TN. THROUGHOUT THE YEARS MWS HAS HOSTED A LIST OF EVER IMPRESSIVE SPEAKERS AND THE 2017 MWS WAS NO EXCEPTION AS NIKKI SCHMITH, AHS PRESIDENT, WAS THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER. TO GET EVERYONE IN THE MOOD FOR THE UPCOMING 28TH ANNUAL MWS BELOW IS A SUMMARY OF NIKKI'S 2017 MWS PRESENTATION AS WRITTEN BY ELIZABETH TROTTER

Nikki Keeton Schmith, AHS President, kicked off the 27th Mid-Winter Symposium in 2017. Nikki enjoys traveling to “do daylilies”. She is a popular speaker, and has many opportunities to travel and talk about all things daylily. During her program, she shared photos of her beautiful garden and some of her special garden projects.

Nikki is very creative, and likes to paint and craft decorative art for her garden, whether it be a table with a huge flower design on top, or a magical miniature fairy garden. A lot of Nikki's plants have come from her grandmother and from friends. Every plant in her garden has a story. Nikki said, “Gardens become a tapestry of who you are”. She has managed to break three tillers while establishing her current garden in Worden, Illinois.

She takes great enjoyment in arranging the tones of flowers for maximum impact, including both daylilies and what we daylily lovers like to call “companion plants”. She currently grows 504 cultivars, and takes care to choose those she feels are the best examples of each color and form. Some of her favorite daylilies include: **'Lemon Souffle'** (*Kamensky*,

1994), **'End of the Tunnel'** (*Williams-S.*, 2013), **'Little Angel Eyes'** (*Stamile-G.*, 1997), **'Fried Green Tomatoes'** (*Herrington-T.*, 2012) and **'Janet and Bill'** (*DeVito*, 2011). She is also partial to **'Brookwood Wow'** (*Sharp*, 1994), as she has won Best in Show with it twice!

For the last half of her talk, Nikki put on her President's hat and gave an overview of the Society for the past year. Nikki has led many initiatives for the benefit of the Society. We had long been sold out of the metal AHS Display Garden signs and Nikki was instrumental in making these signs once again available to display garden owners. Upgrading the Registration process has been an ongoing project. The technology behind the online database, and the online registration process, is being upgraded and streamlined. The online daylily database now brings up partial name matches, and awards that each cultivar has won. In addition, the advanced search option now allows searches by color. These features had long been requested by the membership. The “Illustrated Guide to Daylilies” has been reprinted, and an exciting new book, “The Open



Elizabeth Trotter and Nikki Schmith

Form Daylily”, is now available. The Exhibitions Judges Handbook has been updated, and features color photographs to illustrate daylily forms, color patterns, and more. The AHS supported the publication of “My Grandparents' Daylilies” by Patrick Larsen.

There are many active daylily groups on Facebook, including a public AHS Group with over 2,500 members. One of Nikki and the Endowment Committee's proudest achievements this year was the first-ever AHS Facebook auction making over \$14,000 for the benefit of the AHS in just over a week. AHS also has its own YouTube channel with a dozen videos, which can be accessed for free by searching for “Daylily Society”. Another fundraising initiative this year is the “100 Giving \$100 Club”. For a donation of \$100 to the AHS, donors will receive a beautiful, limited-edition pin. Nikki has much to be proud of as she enters the second year of her presidency and we feel very fortunate to have her at the helm.

By Elizabeth Trotter



AHS REGION 10 PRESENTS THE

# 2018 MID-WINTER SYMPOSIUM

FEBRUARY 9-11, 2018 at the DOUBLETREE HOTEL in CHATTANOOGA, TN

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018

- 2:00 p.m. – **Registration Desk Opens**
- 3:00 p.m. – **Wineception & Internet Robin Social**  
Chris Schardein – Kentucky
- 4:00 p.m. – **Myrtle Beach at the MWS**  
Jay Turman, Moderator – Tennessee  
All hybridizers are invited and encouraged to bring PowerPoint presentations highlighting their 2018 introductions and futures.
- 5:30 p.m. – **Dinner On Your Own** There are many fine restaurants within walking distance.
- 7:00 p.m. – Welcome to Region 10 and the MWS  
Lorene Crone – TN – Region10 President
- 7:15 p.m. – **Panel - Preparing For Spring**  
David Kirchhoff – Kentucky
- 8:00 p.m. – **Hybridizing Images**, Jay Turman – Tennessee  
Hybridizers who are unable to attend are invited to send their introductions and 7 futures to be shown to all attendees. Send images to Brenda Macy.
- 8:30 pm **Daylily Auction**

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018

- 8:00 a.m. – **From The AHS**  
Mary Ann Duncan, Director Region 10 – KY
- 8:30 a.m. – **Rust & Reality**, Mark Carpenter – Texas
- 9:15 a.m. – **Coming Up Short (Groundcover Reblooming Daylilies)**  
Darrel Apps – Wisconsin
- 10:00 a.m. – **Stretch Break**
- 10:30 a.m. – **Liliums**, Chris Wilhoit – Indiana
- 11:15 a.m. – **Tomorrow**, Bill Waldrop – Georgia
- Noon **Lunch On Your Own**
- 1:30 p.m. – **Nature in the Garden**  
Susan Okrasinski – Tennessee
- 2:15 p.m. – **Improving Your Greenhouse & Garden Production**, Bruce Kovach – Georgia
- 3:00 p.m. – **Stretch Break**
- 3:30 p.m. – **Happiness**, Mark Carpenter – Texas
- 4:15 p.m. – **Make It Beautiful**  
Bobbie Brooks – Massachusetts
- 5:00 p.m. – **Region 10 Business Meeting**  
Lorene Crone – Region 10 President
- 6:00 p.m. – **Cash Bar**
- 7:00 p.m. – **Dinner** (Included)
- 8:00 p.m. – **Daylily Auction**



## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018

- 8:30 a.m. – **Invitation to attend the 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach, SC**, Mary Ann Duncan
- 8:45 a.m. – **Invitation to attend the 2018 Region 10 Meeting in Chattanooga**, Jane Dixon
- 9:00 a.m. – **Non Hosta Shade Plants**, Chris Wilhoit – Indiana
- 9:45 a.m. – **Another Look at Northern Tets**, Darrel Apps – Wisconsin
- 10:15 a.m. – **Stretch Break**
- 10:45 a.m. – **Crème de la Crème**, Rich Rosen – Kentucky
- 11:45 p.m. – **Adjourn**
- 12:00 p.m. – **Garden Judges Workshop 1**
- 12:00 p.m. – **Exhibition Judges Clinic I**
- 12:00 p.m. – **Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic III**



## REGISTRATION FORM: 2018 MID-WINTER SYMPOSIUM

FEBRUARY 9-11, 2018

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# Looking Back

**“Walking in Memphis”  
Summer Meeting & Garden Tours  
June 16-17, 2017**



## **Mary Lange Garden**

By Cassie Graham

Looking out the window of our bus as we pull up to Mary Lange’s garden, which sits on a corner lot in a quiet neighborhood, the first thing that catches your eye is the large magnolia tree on the corner making for a grand entrance to the house. There is wrought-iron fencing surrounding the property and the lawn is lush and well-manicured. Then, there are the daylilies. They line the fence in one side yard and also against the house. There is a mixture of old and new cultivars commingled with peonies, iris and salvia. As we make our way over to the large side yard one can see the expanse of the property with the many artfully designed garden beds. Daylily cultivars such as ‘Marlene Dietrich’, ‘Lucky Pierre’, ‘Fuchsia Sunrise’ and ‘Rise of the Phoenix’, along with coneflower and milkweed, fill the area with rich color. Coming into the back corner of this side yard, I am amazed by the breathtaking size of the sycamore trees.

One in particular had a huge forked branch hanging low enough enabling you to touch the smooth, velvety bark from where it had sloughed off its old bark. Underneath the sycamores was a beautiful stone pathway lined with hostas, hydrangeas and ferns leading to a white pergola that supplied seating in the shade. Beyond that was a calming water feature. Stonework around the shaded beds was nicely done. Statuettes and yard-art are interspersed throughout the garden beds for a whimsical flare. The path then leads to a quaint potting shed in the farthest corner of the property. Making your way up steps to the house, there are more daylily beds terraced up the slope. There are hostas in pots everywhere. Now, coming around to the adjacent side yard, daylilies line the fence and roses follow along the house. I was quite taken by such a lovely place. It was a most spectacular garden and one of my favorites on our tour.



## Memphis Botanic Garden – Thomas Trotter Garden

By Elizabeth Trotter

Our lunch stop for the day was at the beautiful Memphis Botanic Garden. At 96 acres, it contains many different garden areas, including roses, a water garden, Japanese garden, sensory garden, herb garden, and much more. Of special interest to our group was the Thomas Trotter daylily garden. It was begun in 1982 when he donated a collection of daylilies to the garden. Beautifully laid out in a circle around a pond with an angel statue, the garden contains more than 500 different daylilies. The Memphis Area Daylily Society has added more daylilies over the years, including a special area for Stout Medal winners. In preparation for the Regional, an Elvis-themed area was added, with cultivars such as ‘Black Velvet Elvis’ (Glidden, 1988), ‘Viva Las Vegas’ (Pierce, 2014), ‘Blue Suede Shoes’ (Ward-L., 1994), ‘All Shook Up’ (Selman, 2009), and many more. After viewing the daylily collection, we were treated to a barbecue lunch in the garden. During lunch, we were surprised by a special visitor—Elvis!—who serenaded everyone as they enjoyed lunch. We could have spent all day in the botanic garden, but soon, it was time to board the bus for the next stop.



# Looking Back



## Sybil Kindig Garden

By Velma Mangrum

As the bus pulled up to Sybil Kindig's yard there was a lovely huge tree in the front yard and lots of pink begonia which highlighted around the tree and the sidewalk. We later learned that she plants the begonias every year. Moving around to the side of the house the daylilies were just absolutely stunning. I didn't count the daylilies, but there were supposed to be over 300 daylilies. Lots and lots of color was everywhere. So peaceful! We also found more begonias in the back yard, and bottles of ice cold water. The day was getting very hot and the water was very refreshing. The birds were very happy as they were chirping about. I'm sure there were other critters because they could hide under the many ferns. This yard was my kind of garden - not much grass to cut, but oh the enjoyment you could get just relaxing in this yard.

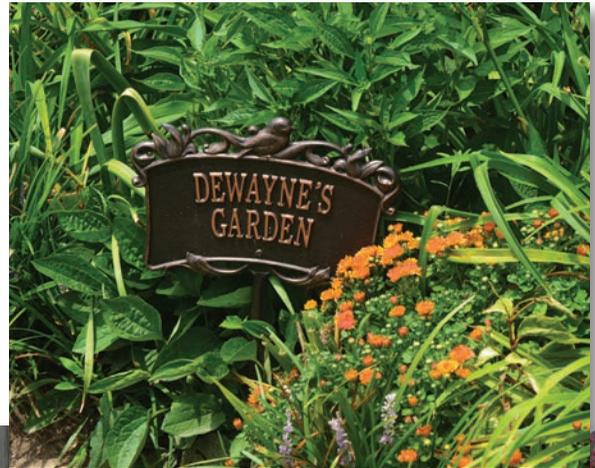


## Dwayne Roberts' Garden

By Bonnie D. Fakes

One might think that a new garden in a new development with few trees couldn't be extraordinary, but Dwayne Roberts' garden in Olive Branch, MS was amazing. Even before entering the garden itself, we were welcomed by a beautiful linear planting on the outside of the fence that included daylilies interspersed with beautiful companion plants such as hydrangea, butterfly bushes, coneflowers, daisies, ornamental grasses and lamb's ears. A lovely welcome sign and daylily flag at the gate beckoned us inside for more delights. The garden is banded by wooden privacy fences on all sides that set a backdrop of clean lines for the neatly banded and edged beds bordering it. Within the beds, a gardener will find delightful daylilies of all types and colors-some very large-interspersed with companion plants and delightful garden accents which surprise as one walks along. There were bells, paw prints, angels, fairies, bunnies and sculptures, Memphis tigers, dogs, giant butterflies, an antique wagon, an elegant peacock, a turquoise lady bug, lovely mossy driftwood and a miniature fairy garden. Four circular beds are in the middle of the grassy area and are interspersed with convenient benches, chairs, or seat from which to enjoy the view of the 490 daylilies enjoying the full sunshine.

A charming weathered grey shed that looks more like a doll's house, tucked itself unobtrusively in one corner surrounded by blackberries, and sporting a window box with flowers, above which a rusty 'watering can' wreath lends a subtle and classic touch. Everywhere that attention to detail was obvious. Several carefully planted trees and a planned water feature indicate that Dwayne is far from finished with what is already an extraordinary experience. The cold lemonade served by our lovely hostesses in their fresh flowered frocks made for a lovely end to an amazing garden visit. We were blessed to get to share this lovely place. Thank you, Dwayne



*Janice Wood and Dwayne Roberts*

# Looking Back

## Pat & Jimmy Bevills Garden

By Will (Bud) Coltharp

The day was HOT in Memphis and many of us were more than just glistening as we arrived at the last garden of the day – the garden of Pat and Jimmy Bevills. I must admit I was a little apprehensive about touring a garden in the hot midday Memphis sun but was pleasantly surprised to see SHADE as we drove up to the garden. That’s because the Bevills’ garden is not only a daylily garden but also a hosta garden! Tall towering trees projected high shade to allow curved beds of daylilies and hostas to grow and flourish just feet apart. I learned that throughout the garden were scattered several hundred hostas and almost a thousand daylilies, all perfectly labeled. And acting almost as punctuation marks in the gardens were pieces of brightly colored garden art – cobalt blue teacups and saucers atop bright red columns, an antique white enamel bed frame turned into a bench, and antique farm implements. Everywhere I looked I saw new ideas for my own garden. And even more breathtaking were scattered tall brightly colored clumps of white, pink, and purple garden phlox along with blue hydrangeas. As I walked through winding garden paths, it was easy to see why the Bevills’ garden has been on numerous garden tours over the years and even seen on TV on ‘Volunteer Gardener’. I was told that Pat and Jimmy were thinking that the day’s tour would be one of the last they host for the public and if so, Region 10 is very fortunate to be allowed to view such a magnificent garden. After strolling around the garden we were all rewarded with ice cold water and ice cream to cap off the afternoon before heading back to the hotel for the evening festivities. I can only hope that I will not be remembered for the visitor that ate more than his share of ice cream!



# REGION 10 CLUB REPORTS

## *Daylily Society of Louisville*

by **Bill Gdaniec**

This has been a busy year for the Daylily Society of Louisville (DSL). Our first meeting in February got everyone talking gardening, daylilies, and planning our year to come. It was great seeing everyone again after our December and January winter break! The club has purchased new tents and tables for our daylily sales. We had three sales this year, one was in Bullitt County, just south of Louisville, sponsored by the Bullitt County Master Gardeners, on April 29th. Another was the Hardin County Master Gardeners Plant Sale in Elizabethtown, Kentucky on May 20th, and our own DSL sale at our flower show on July 1. All were very successful and the proceeds help defray the costs of our annual flower show. In March, Major Waltman from the Olmsted Park Conservancy, which oversees our city parks here in Louisville, spoke on the clean-up of intrusive weeds from our parks and the creation of butterfly habitats. It was all very interesting and we learned that it's a major undertaking to keep our parks looking great.

Our April meeting featured Kathy Morris from the Louisville Nature Center. She spoke about the Center and what it has to offer local gardeners and nature lovers with its hiking trails and educational programs. What a great place and it's right in the middle of the city! The

Louisville Nature Center will also be the location of our annual club picnic in September. Preparations for our 23rd Annual Flower Show and Sale started in earnest in May. Our show chair, Richard Porter, reported our judges and location were secured, display and sale tables ordered, and the need for flyers and new show schedule. All show committee chairs were selected and volunteers signed. All our members work hard on making this a great event each year. Also at the May meeting, Don Wolff gave a slide presentation on late blooming daylilies that was very informative. June was all about final preparations for the flower show and a big discussion on grooming techniques and what judges look at in their decision-making process. The "Flower Show and Sale" itself was wonderful and went off without a hitch. We had a lot of beautiful cultivars entered in all categories and the judges worked hard placing ribbons and selecting the best of the best for the winners' table. The top winners are listed elsewhere in this publication. Congratulations to our membership for a job well done! The July meeting was all about weeds! Lorilee George from the Bullitt County Cooperative Extension Office, gave an interesting presentation

on our most prevalent weeds that invade our gardens. All too many of us were very familiar with many of what she pictured. Now, at least, we their names as we cuss and pull them out! DSL member, Bill Gdaniec, gave a presentation on his hybridizing efforts at our August meeting. He covered his 2015, 2016, and 2017 registrations and futures. Bills' recent efforts include many double and late blooming daylilies. We now look forward to our annual pot-luck picnic on September 24th at the Louisville Nature Center. The club provides the fried chicken and drinks and the membership bring some of the best dishes you could eat. We have some outstanding cooks in this club! I'm not sure what's on tap for our October meeting so I'll move on to our final get together of the year in November. This will be our big Holiday Dinner Party. This year it will be held at Carrabba's Italian Grill. We will have a private room, special menu, and many special door prizes. A great reward to our membership for all their hard work throughout the year in making our club go and grow!

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| PRESIDENT:               | <b>Donna Ward</b>              |
| 1ST VICE PRESIDENT:      | <b>Norma Ward</b>              |
| 2ND VICE PRESIDENT:      | <b>Don &amp; Claudia Wolff</b> |
| TREASURER:               | <b>Bev Crittenden</b>          |
| RECORDING SECRETARY:     | <b>Junelle Edrington</b>       |
| CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: | <b>Bill Gdaniec</b>            |

# REGION 10 CLUB REPORTS

## *Blue Grass Hemerocallis Society*

by Dave Bowman

The year 2017 has been a great year for the BGHS! We kicked off spring with our annual daylily BINGO. Such a fun meeting! Some thought silly at first, but they were first to hit the ground running when they get a BINGO. Members donate daylilies and other companion plants. When on BINGOS, they get a plant. May brought us the SPRING AUCTION. We had some great plants from the Herringtons this time and they really got members to hold up those bidding plates. One has to love a good cat fight bidding between members! Doug and Linda Donald were gracious to open their house and garden to the club to enjoy a great meal and time to kick back. This is also the time to talk about the upcoming show. The Fourth of July weekend was a time of some daylily fireworks on the show table! The blessing of rain this year showed the judges and public how great daylilies can look. This also helped the public sales and some new members for 2018.

PRESIDENT: **Charles Walker**  
 VICE PRESIDENT: **Dave Bowman**  
 SECRETARY: **Beverly Walker**  
 TREASURER: **Debbie Smith**

August found the club at THOROUGHBRED DAYLILIES for the private sale. Daylilies from GOSSARD, KINNEBREW and GRACE were on the tables just waiting for the lucky person to be called for the first draw! This fall we are looking forward to keeping up the momentum with a fall auction, special speaker in October and of course FOOD... we have awesome cooks... November is the BULB swap. The club purchases \$100.00 of nice daffodils and club members bring assorted bulbs and we start drawing names. This is a great way to have fun and add something different to the landscape. I am finding that a lot of members are full of daylilies and do not want anymore. So, this way they can still participate. Christmas dinner closes the year and another chapter of the BGHS... Happy gardening to all !

## *West Tennessee Daylily Society*

by Carol Sims

Spring and Summer have been a season of rest for the West Tennessee Daylily Society. Since the Region 10 Summer Meeting was being held in Memphis, the club opted to not hold a spring sale or daylily show this year. After enjoying a wonderful Region 10 Summer Meeting in Memphis, club members voted to hold the annual fall plant sale in conjunction with the UT Experimental Station's annual fall plant sale. This plant sale proved to be one of the most profitable sales the club has had in recent years.

PRESIDENT: **Lorene Crone**  
 1ST VICE PRESIDENT: **Bryan Fowler**  
 2ND VICE PRESIDENT: **Philip Sims**  
 SECRETARY: **Linda Browning**  
 TREASURER: **Lorene Crone**

Club members are looking forward to our annual Christmas party and dinner, which will be held at the Old Country Store in Jackson, TN.

We are well-rested and ready to get back to our normal schedule of hosting a spring plant sale in April/May along with our annual daylily show in June.

## *Kentucky Daylily Fans*

Report Not Available.

PRESIDENT: **Adrienne McGregor**  
 VICE-PRESIDENT: **Beri Zaparanick**  
 SECRETARY: **Kim Harrison**  
 TREASURER: **Donna Harrison**

## *Louisville Area Daylily Society*

Report Not Available.

PRESIDENT: **Ellen Carrithers**  
 VICE-PRESIDENT: **Andrea King**  
 SECRETARY: **Linda Luck**  
 TREASURER: **Jackie King**

# Middle Tennessee Daylily Society

by Kate Patrick, Nashville, TN

Our early spring meeting hosted hybridizer and garden designer, Bobbi Brooks. We had a wonderful time viewing her images of different gardens and getting tips on how to design with daylilies in the general landscape setting. Bobbi has her own landscape company on Cape Anne in Massachusetts. Although her planting season is quite different from ours, her lessons in how to develop beautiful flower beds were applicable to all of us. April featured a virtual garden tour of Kate Patrick's garden in Murfreesboro, TN. This garden, which happens to be my own, features a wide variety of different perennials as well as daylilies. It is always a pleasure to share it with others and the program seemed to be well-received by the club members. We had our Cultivar Acquisition Program in May where all eligible members received a recently introduced daylily from Tim Bell's 2017 collection. This program is an incentive for members to contribute to the club through attendance and service. Just showing up for meetings gets you points and volunteering for any number of tasks during the year brings even more. We also auctioned off extra plants from the Bell collection and the returned fans from plants distributed two years ago.

When we grow CAP plants in our gardens we are expected to return all but two fans back to the club when they have had a chance to multiply, which is typically two years but can be longer. It's a great way to add good plants to our gardens and raise money for the club too. Our annual Show and Sale was held at Ellington Agricultural Station and turned out to be the best show we have ever had. We had 340 entrants to the show representing many fine cultivars, both old and new. Best in Show was won by GREEN DERBY, entered by

Rusty Turner. Rusty also won the sweepstakes for the show. The rest of the winners are as follows:

**EXTRA-LARGE: Jurassic Fiesta**

Rusty and Sharon Turner

**LARGE: Tidewater Elf**

Bonnie Fakes

**SMALL: Green Derby**

Rusty and Sharon Turner

**MINIATURE: Siloam Red Toy**

Shirley Fincannon

**DOUBLE: Scream and Shout**

Rusty and Sharon Turner

**SPIDER: Orion's Band**

Cullen Merritt

**UNUSUAL FORM:**

**Peanut Butter Frenzy**

Tucker Gaby

**TRICOLOR DESIGN AWARD**

Fay Weaver

Breakfast in the Garden is an annual event we all look forward to. This year it was held in the garden of Greg and Melanie Crane. Even though bloom season was winding

down, the garden looked lovely and had enough on display to keep us all commenting. Their garden features a beautiful and unique garden gazebo and plenty of shade trees to keep it cool. It turns out that Melanie is not only the designer of the garden but the chief laborer when it comes to weeding, maintenance and even laying paving and edging around the beds. Greg is just the daylily guy! Between the two of them they make a great team and have fashioned an outstanding garden. At our August meeting, we were fascinated by the macro photographs of garden wildlife and the commentary of Debbi Monbeck. She takes wonderful close-ups of all sorts of critters. It was incredible to observe insects and daylily parts so close up. I have a deeper appreciation of the edges of petals and the complex eyes of insects since seeing her program. Needless to say, we also enjoyed some great food at our potluck luncheon and the well planted flower displays at Cheekwood Botanic Gardens. We are looking forward to our annual Potting Party where we will pot up all the contributions to next year's Lawn and Garden Show. This year it will be held out at the Alexander/Coltharp farm in Leiper's Fork.

PRESIDENT: **Kate Patrick**  
1ST VICE PRESIDENT: **Greg Crane**  
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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: **Shirley Fincannon**  
TREASURER: **Sandra Merritt**  
HISTORIAN: **Jay Turman**



*Theresa Maris having fun at the MTDS Fall Dividing Party*

# REGION 10 CLUB REPORTS

## *Tennessee Valley Daylily Society*

by Karen Newman – Delano, TN

The first half of 2017 began with a concept for a daylily garden for our friend Louis Prosterman... and ended with the dedication of the Louis Prosterman Memorial Daylily Garden in Riverwalk in Chattanooga on June 8th. Tucker Gaby and his family provided the plants for the garden and kept it maintained until the dedication ceremony. So our club will always have a vested interest in this beautiful garden. Louis was a beloved former member who passed away on January 28, 2016. He was a “mover and shaker” for Hamilton County Government for the better part of forty years and many of the city’s structures in existence today would not have come to fruition without his tireless work...working across party lines. If there was a grant to be had, Louis would find it! Louis was TVDS President in 2001 and TVDS 2nd VP in 2003. He was the person who got this writer interested in daylilies, for which I will always be grateful. While he never registered his seedlings, he had some of the most beautiful daylilies anywhere. Backing up a bit, our first meeting of 2017 was held at the Western Sizzlin in Ooltewah, TN on Saturday, February 4, 2017. A great deal of our meeting time would be spent through the entire year in 2017 discussing the particulars of hosting the Region Ten Summer Meeting in 2018. As someone once said, “There’s a long way to go and a short time to get there.” Our guest speaker for the February meeting was Scott M. Drucker, a local landscape designer who has been in business for eleven years in the local area and even has a daylily named for he and his wife. He owns/operates Dream Gardens and presented a very informative program on “Curb Appeal Tips” which included eight basic design principles. More information on his company can be found at [www.Dreamgardensusa.com](http://www.Dreamgardensusa.com) or [www.Houzz.com](http://www.Houzz.com). April’s meeting was held at The Western Sizzlin in Ooltewah on April 8th, 2017, with guest speaker Bill Waldrop. Bill has become a dear friend and annual speaker at our club. Bill became interested in daylilies in 1992 and has never looked back. He and Diana’s garden (Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Garden) has been featured on HGTV and several other gardening publications. It is a beauty to behold! Bill was recovering from a triple by-pass, but it didn’t slow him down much. His program seems to be going toward doubles and teeth. And, always showing generosity, he brought his entire 2017 Collection for Auction. All of our club members are grateful to Bill for making it possible to have some of these new beauties in our gardens. The TVDS Pre-Show meeting was held on Saturday, June 3, 2017 at Horse Creek Farms, the beautiful garden of George and Ginny Gannaway in Chattanooga, TN.

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| PRESIDENT:             | <b>Libby Hickman</b> |
| FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:  | <b>Lee Pickles</b>   |
| SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: | <b>Joan Trundle</b>  |
| TREASURER:             | <b>June Scoggins</b> |
| SECRETARY/REPORTER:    | <b>Karen Newman</b>  |
| YOUTH:                 | <b>Todd Gaby</b>     |

Our hosts provided BBQ, ribs, soft drinks and paper ware and members brought sides and desserts. Good food and good fellowship were enjoyed by all on what was a weather-perfect day. As would be expected, the majority of this meeting focused on firming up plans for the Annual Show the following week and setting into motion plans to host the 2018 Region 10 Summer Meeting. With one pre-planning meeting already under our belt, we have a follow-up meeting scheduled for August 10, 2017. Our Annual Daylily Show was Saturday, June 11, 2017, at The Barn Nursery.

This is our second year holding the show at The Barn Nursery. It appears to be a win-win. The Barn Nursery worked with us—they did not charge us to have the show; they provided the tables; they did the advertising and they allowed us to sell plants. The only thing they asked was that 10% of our plant sales be donated to their charity, Lana’s Love Foundation, named in memory of one of their family members who died at an early age from cancer. The show was a huge success with a record number of entries and I believe we may have found a new “home” for our show for the future. Show results are printed elsewhere in this publication. And that brought the first half of 2017 to a close for club activities. The beginning phases of the Louis Prosterman Memorial Daylily Bed at Riverwalk progressed through the first six months of 2017, thanks to the diligent work of the Gaby family. And the formal dedication took place on June 8th. Several members were able to attend the dedication...and if you wanted to “hob nob” with Hamilton County dignitaries and maybe learn a few facts about daylilies and about our friend Louis Prosterman, this was definitely the place to be. As of this writing, it has been a very good year! We are looking forward to our August meeting with David Kirchhoff of Daylily World. Our November meeting will feature our own Kirk Steely whose hybridizing program resolves around patterned eyes (at least for today). In December, we will have our annual Christmas feast and catch up on what members have been doing through the off-season. As Lee Pickles always says, “Life is Good”!

## *Memphis Area Daylily Society*

Report Not Available.

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| PRESIDENT:      | <b>Pat Bevill</b>   |
| VICE-PRESIDENT: | <b>Janice Wood</b>  |
| SECRETARY:      | <b>Paula Lasday</b> |
| TREASURER:      | <b>Mary Lange</b>   |

# Tri-Cities Daylily Society

By Rebecca Hall, Kingsport, TN

**T**CDS began its year on March 1, where members were wowed by the presentation of Scott Elliott of Maneki Neko Gardens in Georgia. He presented a very entertaining and educational program followed by an auction of 23 of his beautiful, award-winning double daylilies. Several members enjoyed visiting with Scott over a delicious Italian dinner the evening before. If you are looking for an excellent speaker, we highly recommend Scott.

A new activity for our club this spring was participation in the spring garden fair at Exchange Place Living History Farm in April. We had a table full of daylilies for sale and information about our club, growing daylilies and the AHS. We increased our funds a little as well as our membership through this weekend venture.

The much-awaited daylily season finally arrived. June was convention time! Two members, Chris Massengill and Faye Morris, had a wonderful time visiting beautiful gardens in the Memphis area for the Region 10 meeting, Walking in Memphis. The following week three TCDS members, Susan Okrasinski, Dennis and Rebecca Hall, were in Norfolk, Virginia, for the AHS National Convention, From Sea to Shining Sea. A day was spent in Historical Williamsburg followed by two days of touring six amazing private gardens in the Norfolk area as well as the magnificent Norfolk Botanical Garden which contained the Region 3 seedling bed.

A highlight for us at the banquet was the announcement of the Mildred Schlumpf Landscape Photography Award. Congratulations to our own Susan Okrasinski who won this award for her landscape image of Blue Ridge Daylilies. Some of us are already planning to attend next year's regional meeting in Chattanooga as well as the AHS National Convention in Myrtle Beach.

July still offered daylily gardens to visit. On July 1, TCDS members enjoyed visiting three local members' gardens. What a treat it was! We began the morning with a brunch at the home of Earl Hockin and Carol McCreary. This garden was a creative, unique beauty of raised vegetable and flower beds. In addition, Carol's beautiful artwork was incorporated into the garden design. Anna Littleton's Greenhouse and Garden in Jonesborough was the second stop on our tour. In addition to her wonderful, varied daylily collection and other perennials, her garden contained many whimsical treasures tucked away. The third stop on our tour was to the amazing two-acre garden of Chris Massengill in Bluff City overlooking Boone Lake. In addition to collecting daylilies, Chris is a talented hybridizer with Porterhouse being his most well-known. (It is one of the most beautiful and best performers in my garden.) This was a fun day enjoyed by all.

Another adventure awaited us on July 8. Members carpoled to Blue Ridge Daylilies in Asheville, NC, for their annual multi-club picnic in the garden. We never cease to be amazed by the beautiful daylilies of Bob Selman and Eric Simpson. We were treated to a lunch and snow cones prepared by Bob and Eric's favorite charity, The Carpenter's Heart. Bob and Eric generously donated a portion of their sales to this worthwhile charity.

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The door prizes and generous gifts of daylilies provided by Bob and Eric were also greatly appreciated.

As summer was winding down, it was time for our annual Bays Mountain auction and picnic in August. This is always an excellent opportunity to pick up some great bargains on daylilies, other perennials, garden produce and artwork. We even had two new members join us. Welcome to Diane and Paul Woodall from Blountville, TN.

On September 9, the two founding charter members, Bob Hale and Dennis Hall presented an interesting program on The History of TCDS. They also entertained us with stories of "interesting" daylily folks they met through the years. An interesting tidbit we learned was that Bob Hale as regional vice-president hosted around 40 folks at a Region 10 meeting in his home in 1983. Begun in 1991, it is hard to believe our club is 26 years old. We sadly recalled the almost 20 members who have passed away during these years. Sadly, TCDS experienced the loss of two valued members this year. Buck Worley died March 21. Region 10 attendees may remember his beautiful garden from the 1997 and 2004 regional conventions. On July 23, we lost beloved member Phil Ramey. Phil was a Master Gardener and was a successful speaker for local gardening clubs. Both these great individuals will be missed.

Two more meetings remain on schedule for this year. On October 7, we are trying something new for us. We will have a perennial plant and art swap on Bays Mountain. We will end the year on December 9 with our annual Christmas meeting and party at the Food City Crown Center.

All TCDS meetings are open to everyone. You have an open invitation to attend if you are in the area. You are also invited to be a "Friend" of the Tri-Cities Daylily Society public Facebook group.



Guest speaker, Scott Elliott, visits with Kathy & John Wagner and Chris Massengill at a Tri-Cities Club event.

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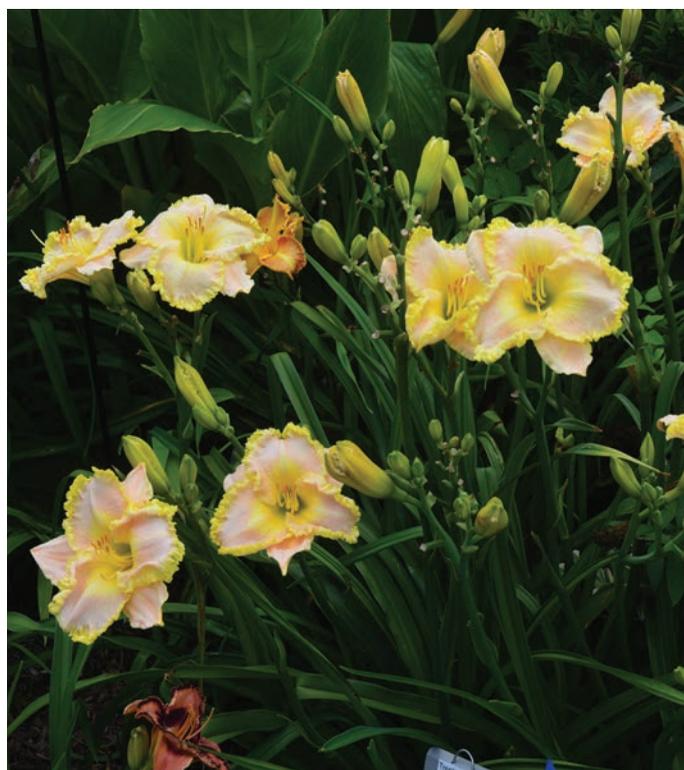
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