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Regional President's Report

Joann Stewart



Hi Everyone, I'm writing on my phone while on vacation in Scotland. Isn't technology nowadays amazing?

I can attest that 'best laid plans' sometimes aren't. Vacation planning in September didn't take into account our frequent early spring rain and slow season onset, so I left home before bloom ended, and I'm missing the tail end of the show. I'm excited, though, about this year's new seedlings, and confirmation that 2019 introductions are as good as I thought. I'm even confident that I'll get home before the finches beat me to the seed pods set before departure.

Obviously SOME long range plans work out 'just right'. The national, our regional and our beautiful shows all seemed to occur right at optimum bloom time.

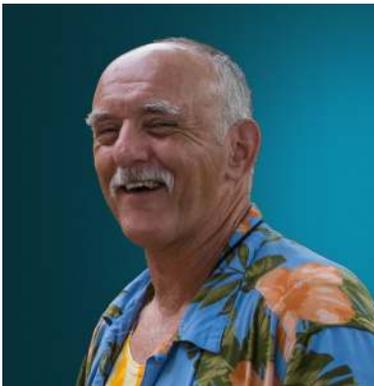
Last year, we invited Bob Faulkner as the guest speaker for our fall regional in Macon. If you're not familiar with his work, trust me: you're not going to want to miss his program. I think you're going to be intrigued by the stunning array of forms and patterns he's developed, and I hope you're inspired by the breakthroughs he's had. Please join us for a day with friends who 'feel like' family.

Regards from chilly Scotland,

Joann

RPD's Report

David Bishop



Hello, daylily fans! In our state, the daylily season is just about over, except for the rebloom scapes and very lates. It's good that we can grow so many different ones. We have the advantage here that many of us can grow evergreens, semi-evergreens, and dormants. People south of us may grow daylilies for more weeks than we can, but many dormants won't thrive there. So, we have a great growing climate for our favorite flower.

I hope that you have enjoyed this bloom season, as it has been very good in NW Georgia. The show that our local club hosted was probably the best ever! There were about twice as many blooms entered as last year, plus three people entered the Ophelia Taylor Award competition. Claude Carpenter, Jack Brock, and Tucker Gaby from Chattanooga had some grand flowers on that table for the OTA entries. While we

do not know if they won the award, they certainly looked like 95+ scores to me! Region 5 has won more awards than any other Region, and it is because of the hard work of our hybridizers and show people. May your tribe increase!

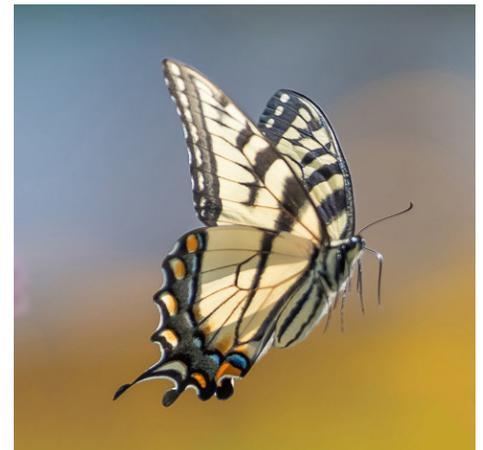
I hope you voted for the Georgia Hybridizer Award this year. We have such great hybridizers here, you cannot go wrong. If you don't hybridize, why don't you give it a shot? Tim Herrington says that a backyard hybridizer has just as good a chance to win awards as someone who has been doing it for years. While I think there is an art along with the science part of it, I think there are many talented people who might just make a breakthrough in the daylily world. Research this winter to make good crosses next bloom season. Don't do as I did for years, using parents with pretty faces, but not good branching or bud count. Good parents beget good children. You can quote me on that.

The Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta did a swell job in hosting this year's Spring Regional. They had prepared very well, and it showed. There were three great gardens on the tour and we ate well Friday and Saturday nights. Julie Covington did a grand presentation about small and miniature daylilies. She is a wonderful photographer and daylily grower, and it showed in her program. The games Saturday started slowly, but more and more people showed

up to have some fun as the time went on that afternoon. Perhaps I would have won a brand new car if I had won any Bingo games. Maybe not.

September 1 is the deadline for voting for the Popularity Poll. As of this writing, only 29 people have cast their ballots. So, if you have not done so, you may vote online or by paper ballot. Either way allows you to make your voice heard. Your vote could be the one that makes a difference in the outcome. Last year, the totals were very close for the final spots, so please vote for your favorites!

David



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Regional Director's Report

Scott Elliott



Greetings Region 5 Members,

Did you know that the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) is also officially known as the American Daylily Society (ADS)? The Society has historically owned both names; either is correct. For marketing purposes, the decision was made by the Marketing Committee to use the American Daylily Society name more frequently in an effort to better promote our favorite perennial. You will begin to see the ADS name used anytime the public is likely to come in contact with the Society because no one outside of daylilies knows what a Hemerocallis is, or how to spell it for that matter. There is no plan to change out medals, letterhead, etc., except as it would normally come up when reordering supplies. There is also no plan to get rid of the American Hemerocallis Society name. There should be little to no expense incurred from this plan.

Region 5 membership currently stands at 463. This makes our region the fourth largest, out of 15, with all the larger regions consisting of multiple states. In the current

year, we have added 46 new members!

A major website overhaul is in progress. The new website was launched by Nikki and her team in May. The work will continue to be rolled out in stages over the next couple years. The final product will be much easier to use and will also be mobile phone friendly. Go to the website and check out the updates.

This fall, probably in October, Exhibition Judges Clinic 3 will be offered as an online seminar. Using WebEx Meeting video conferencing, you will be able to get credit for the exhibition refresher course and keep your judging accreditation current from the comfort of your own office or living room. Watch for notices in your inbox.

Plans are also in the works to offer Garden Judges Workshop 1 as a WebEx Meeting this fall.

Are you highly interested in daylilies and want to learn more about them? Consider becoming a garden judge. Each region is allowed to have up to 20% of its membership participating as garden judges. As of today, only 13% of Region 5 members are serving as garden judges. This means there is an opportunity for 31 more judges within our region!

As a garden judge you will learn to look at the "whole plant" in evaluating what makes a plant great. Additionally, based on observations in our own region or a national convention, as a garden judge you will get to help select the majority of AHS Cultivar Awards each year, including the Stout Silver

Medal, by voting the Awards and Honors ballot.

Thanks to garden judges in our region and across the country, our Region 5 hybridizers continue to excel on the national level. Because cultivars tend to do their best in the area in which they are hybridized, it is vital for our region to fully staff our garden judge ranks to continue to support our local hybridizers.

Contact our Garden Judges' Liaison, James Fennell, for information on how you too can become a garden judge. To make it even easier, the first of two required courses to become a garden judge will be offered this fall online.

For the past two years, the ADS/AHS has sponsored an auction on Facebook to raise money for the General Fund. Each year this has brought in around \$16,000. I was fortunate enough to be one of the contributors to the event, auctioning off "a day in the hybridizer's garden" for a total of \$700.

This year we are looking for Region 5 members willing to donate items to the auction to continue to make it a success. Typically, the donations are not daylilies, but rather unique daylily-related items, garden art, stays in vacation homes/timeshares, visits with a hybridizer, etc. Be creative! Contact me if you have items or experiences to donate.

Scott



Our Leaders during the Spring Garden Tour

Secretary's Report

Doris Bishop



Region 5 Spring Meeting Minutes

The Spring Meeting of the Region 5 of the American Hemerocallis Society was held June 15-16, 2018 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Alpharetta, Georgia with the business meeting beginning at 7:55 p.m. on June 16. The meeting was called to order by Region 5 President Joann Stewart. The first order of business was to announce and approve the Nominating Committee to begin the search for the next Region 5 president. Joann had asked Jack Rigsby to head the committee which is also composed of Mark Franklin and Camilla Arthur. Joann asked if anyone else wanted to serve on this committee. Since no one volunteered, these three individuals were approved by a show of hands as the Nominating Committee. Joann welcomed everyone in attendance and asked if there were any first-time attendees. Several hands were raised including some attending from other regions.

Region 5 Treasurer's Report

Region 5 Treasurer Jack Rigsby reported the region has over \$30,000 in Regions Bank. Jack shared that Region 5 newsletter editor Claude Carpenter pays \$30 a month out of his own pocket for an online application he uses for the newsletter. Jack made a motion to reimburse Claude for this expense. The motion was accepted by Tim Herrington and Buddy Childs, respectively, and approved by a voice vote from the members present. Jack explained that the region newsletter, The Georgia Daylily, costs \$3000 for each issue. Three issues are published each year with more than 450 copies per issue. This is a cost of \$9000 per year to our region. Only about \$400 to \$600 comes from the AHS each year to offset this huge expense. Jack proposed that a panel of three members be created to look at the feasibility of selecting one edition a year to be distributed electronically. Some copies would still be published for those without electronic capabilities. The panel would carefully study this option to determine if it is best for the region. Claude added that

some other regions are already doing this. Region 5 Director Scott Elliott reported that other regions who are already doing this have found that their people are not reading the online issue. Discussion from the floor ensued. Mark Franklin made a motion that the three-member panel be created to study the feasibility of having one electronic newsletter a year and two printed issues and report its findings at the October region meeting. A voice vote was taken to approve the creation of this panel with one "no" vote expressed. The region members will have the opportunity to vote on this change, if the electronic issue is proposed by the panel. Joann interjected that other options to consider are to publish only two newsletter issues a year or publish all three issues electronically.

Joann reported that there have been no clubs to volunteer to host the spring regional for 2021. Region 5 will host the AHS National Convention in 2020, so there will not be a spring region meeting that year. Joann encouraged clubs to be creative with the kind of regionals hosted. Clubs could go in together and share the responsibilities. There is plenty of time to get gardens ready for 2021. Another region does not have the problem of finding a club to host the spring region meetings. That region has a rotation with each club taking a turn to host the meeting.

Region 5 Director's Report

Region Director Scott Elliott updated the members on what is happening in the AHS. There are 463 members of Region 5 with our region being the fourth largest region. Region 5 has added 46 new members in the last year. As Region 5 is growing, overall membership in AHS continues to decline. There has been a name change from American Hemerocallis Society to American Daylily Society. "Hemerocallis" is not being dropped, and both names will be used interchangeably. American Daylily Society will be used for marketing and identification purposes. The new name will help with outreach and help people to understand what the organization is. No money is being spent on the name change. There is a new and improved website that is still a "work in progress". The database has not changed. It will take time to learn where everything is. If something is not working, contact Technology Chair Nikki Schmith or Scott. Each region can have twenty percent of its members as Garden Judges. Region 5 only has thirteen percent now and can have thirty-one more Garden Judges. Garden Judges play an important role in the AHS/ADS. They vote for all the cultivar awards. More Exhibition Judges are needed too. Region 5 has one-third of all the shows in the AHS/ADS. Scott encouraged hybridizers to become Exhibition Judges, so they will know what wins. In

October, Scott and Nikki Schmith will offer Exhibition Judges Three classes nationally and online. More information will be published. Exhibition Judges Two will be offered at the Northwest Georgia Daylily Society's show next weekend. A new definition has been added to the Daylily Dictionary which affects daylily registration. Scott read aloud the definition for 'Color Changers'. The judging standard for 'Color Changers' will be developed for next year's shows. Scott updated us on the fundraisers for AHS/ADS. Since AHS/ADS has lost half of its membership in the last ten years, it is dependent on donations and fundraisers. The Facebook auctions from the past two years has earned about \$16,000 each year and will be held again in early 2019. Facebook auction donations are needed from Region 5. Scott shared that he had donated a day in his garden as well as selling his daylilies that day at half price. Other hybridizers may want to do this. If anyone has ideas for earning money, please contact Scott. Another successful fundraiser that will continue next year is the '100 Giving \$100' Campaign. One hundred pins are available at the price of \$100 per pin. Region 5 has been the best supporter of this campaign. Anyone interested in participating should go the AHS/ADS website and click on 'Giving'. So far this year AHS/ADS has received \$9000 through donations and fundraisers.

Scott continued his report by announcing the 2018 National Convention Award winners from Region 5:

Georgia Doubles Appreciation Award - Jan Joiner for 'Big Fuss'

Florida Sunshine Cup - Tim Herrington for 'Halloween Green'

Multi-bloom Phtoography Award - Claude Carpenter

Landscape Photography Award - Claude Carpenter

Best Use of Humor-A.W. and N. A Shucks - Tim Herrington

Best Newsletter Award - Claude Carpenter

Best Use of Pictures in a Newsletter - Claude Carpenter.

Special Newsletter Award - Joann Stewart

The Regional Service Award - Mark & Patty Franklin

Previously announced winners of awards received at the convention:

Tim Bell

XL Diameter 'Linda Bell'
Award Of Merit - 'Jessica Lynn Bell'

Secretary's Report (cont)

Tim Herrington

Don C. Stevens Award 'Mayor of Munchkinland'

Award Of Merit - 'Green Rainbow'

Honorable Mention- 'One Eye Willie'

Heather Herrington

Harris Olson Spider Award
'Banana Pepper Spider'

Katisue Herrington

Award Of Merit - 'Christmas In Oz'

Jan Joiner

Lambert/Webster Award -
'Sebastian the Crab'

Honorable Mention- 'Big Fuss'

Honorable Mention- 'Fingers of Faith'

Bill Waldrop

Honorable Mention- 'Hotlanta'

Honorable Mention- 'Irish Royalty'

Nancy Eller

Honorable Mention 'Treva Gene'

Don Eller

Honorable Mention- 'Deep Dark Duck'

Scott Elliott

Ida Munson- 'WYSIWYG'

Honorable Mention- 'Depends on the Whether'

Junior Citation- 'Lone Stranger'

Warner Brothers came to Georgia looking for a daylily garden for making a movie about the infamous Leo Sharp. Sharp was a daylily hybridizer who became a drug dealer. Charlie Shaw's Sunshine Garden was selected, and filming has already begun. The movie is entitled 'The Mule'.

Scott concluded his report talking about the 2020 National Convention which will be in Savannah, Georgia. Joiner Gardens will begin accepting guest plants this fall. The Enman Joiner Seedling Bed will also be in the Joiner Garden. Each hybridizer is allowed up to five seedlings and must designate Large or Small flower. The Joiner Garden will be closing this year with Jan retiring from the business. She is seeking to "bring home" as many of the over 800 daylilies registered by the Joiner family to have on display for the National Convention. The Ogeechee club that is hosting this National Convention is a small club. Many volunteers are needed to help in all areas. Chairpersons have already been chosen. If anyone will help, please let Scott know.

Roll Call By Club/#Present (Led by Doris Bishop)

Albany Daylily Society 4

The Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta 25

The Daylily Society of Greater Augusta 0

Central Georgia Daylily Society 0

Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society 0

Cobb County Daylily Society 8

Dublin Hemerocallis Society 8

Flint River Daylily Society 0

Heart Of Georgia Daylily Society 0

Middle Georgia Hemerocallis Society 12

North Georgia Daylily Society 0

Northwest Georgia Daylily Society 13

Ogeechee Daylily Society 4

Savannah Daylily Society 0

South Georgia Daylily Society 0

Southwest Georgia Daylily Society 2

Valdosta Hemerocallis Society 2

Region 5 Secretary's Report

Minutes of the Region 5 Winter Meeting were unanimously approved as printed in the last issue of The Georgia Daylily. Barbara Kirby made a motion to accept the minutes.

Joann called upon Mark Franklin to discuss the Photography Contest changes. Mark asked to wait and make his presentation at the October meeting, since it would not affect this year's contest.

Mark Franklin announced the winners of two special region awards for this Spring Region Meeting:

Clump Award

Third Place (tie) (4 votes) -

'Mary's Gold' - Franklin garden

'Swirls And Twirls' - Carpenter garden

Second Place (5 votes) -

'Halloween Green' - Franklin garden

First Place (6 votes) -

'Wayne And Coral's Love' - Franklin garden

Enman Joiner Seedling Award

Third Place #12 - Mark Franklin

Second Place # 4 - Glenn and Lonnie Ward

First Place #1 - Lonnie Ward

The business portion of the meeting concluded. Claude Carpenter introduced our special guest speaker, Julie Covington. Julie, a native of Virginia, joined the AHS in 1997 and two years later her garden became an AHS Display Garden. She has served her local daylily club in every position except treasurer. Julie is both a garden judge and exhibition judge and has created a blog to show pictures of beautiful daylilies and gardens as well as to educate others about growing daylilies well. She served as AHS President for four years and received the coveted Helen Field Fischer

Gold Medal at the National Convention in Myrtle Beach earlier this month. Julie praised Region 5 for its shows, gardens, and hospitality before presenting her program on small and miniature daylilies--Tiny Jewels of the Garden--Julie's Journey Through Daylilies.

Immediately following Julie's inspiring presentation, Mark Franklin made these announcements. The winner of the contest for the Region 5 club with the highest percentage of members attending this weekend's meeting was the Northwest Georgia Daylily Society who received a \$250 monetary award. The Middle Georgia Hemerocallis Society, Northwest Georgia Daylily Society, and Dublin Hemerocallis Society were recognized for their silent auction donations. Each club was given a bag of daylilies to take back to their club. Mark also recognized the members of the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta for making this regional happen. He asked the DSGA members, meeting chairman Claude Carpenter, meeting chairpersons, garden hosts, and wife Patty to stand and gave them a big 'Thank you!'

Barbara Kirby concluded the meeting by extending an invitation to all to come to Warner Robins, Georgia next May 31-June 1 for the Spring Region Meeting which will be hosted by the Middle Georgia Hemerocallis Society. The meeting location will be the Marriott Courtyard with hotel rooms \$119 a night. Four beautiful gardens will be on tour: James Fennell (Enman Joiner Seedling Bed will be here with up to 3 seedlings per hybridizer, labeled Large or Small), Buddy Melvin, Winfred Huff, and Eula Fluellen. The program will be presented by Region 5 hybridizers Bruce and Kathy Fowler of Kathy's Daylilies.

The meeting concluded at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Bishop

Region 5 Secretary



AHS Region 5 Treasurer's Report

Jack Rigsby



Treasurer's Report - Jack Rigsby

AHS REGION 5 TREASURER'S REPORT 3-13-18 Thru 7-15-18

Balance Forward 3-13-18		\$ 36,175.30
Income		
Advertisement Fee - Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society - Annual Festival	75.00	
Individual Subscription - GA Daylily	25.00	
Honorarium - South GA Hemerocallis Society - T. Herrington, S. Elliott, T. Bell M. Singletary, J. Joiner and C. Carpenter	600.00	
Memorial Donation - Valdosta Daylily Society - Montez Faucett	50.00	
Subtotal	750.00	
Total Income		750.00
Expenses		
Newsletter Expenses		
Albany Word Processing Company -Spring 2018 Edition GA Daylily	265.13	
Sundance Press Printing -Spring 2018 Edition GA Daylily	2,125.50	
AHS Region #5 GA Daylily Editor	500.00	
AHS Region #5 GA Daylily Systems Application Support 2018	359.88	
Subtotal	3,250.51	
Other Regional Expenses		
AHS Region #5 Director - Travel Expenses - AHS National Mytle Beach, SC	500.00	
AHS Region #5 President - Travel Expenses - AHS National Mytle Beach SC	500.00	
AHS Region #5 Regional Publicity Director - Travel Exp. AHS National MB, SC	181.97	
AHS Region #5 Website Renewal Fee	40.34	
Subtotal	1,222.31	
Total Expenses		4,472.82
Balance as of 7-15-18		\$ 32,452.48

Contributions made to the AHS by Region 5 Members

Contributions at the Silver Level made to the William E Monroe Endowment Fund Trust:

- Joann Stewart
- Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta in memory of Emily Strickland and Virginia Miller.

Mark and Patty Franklin Win the 2017 AHS Region 5 Service Award

By Tim Herrington

At the 2018 AHS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, S.C., Mark and Patty Franklin were the recipients of the AHS Region Service Award for Region 5. They reside in Alpharetta, Georgia and absolutely uphold the characterization of significant service to the daylily world. They have been members of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) since 1996 and they certainly support the activity of growing daylilies and the institution of our daylily society. They are members of the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta (DSGA) and have been



members of the Cobb County Daylily Society (CCDS). Mark has held the following positions in both clubs - President, Vice President, and Board Member. He has selected and ordered plants for the membership rewards program. Mark was in charge of organizing guest speakers for both clubs. He has picked up and returned guest speakers to the Atlanta Airport and driven to Macon, Ga. to pick up a guest speaker and then made the return drive the same day. Mark has represented his daylily club as a speaker for local, elementary, and high schools speaking about their garden and daylilies. Patty served as President of DSGA for three years; CCDS/DSGA combined daylily Show Chair 4 times, DSGA Show Chair 2 times and has recently been voted to be the permanent DSGA Show Chair. Both have helped set up and dismantle a daylily show, dig and wash auction plants, and helped with any little detail that needed to be done for a successful club activity. They have served on numerous daylily show committees and been in charge of different committees, such as schedules, placement, education, set-up & dismantling, tabulation, clerks, awards, etc. Both have hosted guest speakers in their home and entered flowers in their club daylily shows each year for the past 20 years.

AHS Region 5 has three meetings a year; the

winter meeting, the spring conference, and the fall meeting. They have attended and participated in the activities for most of these meetings over the years. They have served on two spring regional hosting committees (2011 & 2018). Mark was chairman of tour gardens, chairman of bus plants and gift plants. Patty was registrar for 2 Region 5 spring meetings. Their garden, M P Flower Gardens, has been a regional tour garden twice. Also their garden hosted Enman Joiner Region 5 Seedling Bed during the 2015 National Convention. Mark most recently wrote an article for The Georgia Daylily about their club trip to the northern daylily Mecca.

They were one of eight AHS National Tour Gardens in 2015. Mark and Patty served on the AHS 2015 national organizing committee. Mark held the title of "Chief of Staff" (responsible for checking up and follow up on all committees), chairman of bus plants and gift plants, and chairman of tour gardens. Patty was the registrar for the 2015 AHS National Convention. They worked with the artist and metal worker to design and create large metal daylilies to be used as fundraisers for the national convention and then drove to Detroit to pick them up. They grew the plants that were used for the plant sale at the national convention. They both maintain an AHS Display Garden,

named M P Flower Gardens, where a slightly rolling slope of daylilies greets visitors in a layout you'll never see anywhere else! Set among the daylily and iris beds are surprise sculptures, yard art and a gazebo. More private areas near the house include companion plant gardens, daylily reserve and seedling beds. A most delightfully huge metal daylily sculpture changes positions yearly. Their collection of daylilies include a very wide range of all forms and types, plus they have their own introductions. Their garden is a large place for sentiment and gives the appearance that it serves

them as their private refuge for inspiration, creativity and a connection with nature. It has been an AHS Display Garden for 10 plus years. One can see the daylilies Mark has hybridized along with his several cultivars that have won the AHS Achievement Medal. They both serve as Exhibition and Garden Judges and are both Exhibition Judge Instructors. Mark and Patty Franklin have donated plants for all club plant sales, regional plant sales, club meeting door prizes and regional plant auctions. They have donated plants and helped establish daylily gardens at their local YMCA and at the Hyatt Regency Hotel (for 2015 National Convention). They have been very charitable with the value of the daylilies given. When a person gives you their time to an endeavor, they can give you no more precious gift. That statement exemplifies the efforts Mark and Patty have given to AHS Region 5. Congratulations to Mark and Patty.



Meet Your Newsletter Editor - Claude Carpenter



Claude Carpenter has been the President and RPD of Region 5 and is now the Editor of The Georgia Daylily. Most of our region has known Claude for many years, however, there may be a lot of things you do not know about him. David Bishop asked Claude to answer a few questions about his background. His answer to these questions follow:

What is your name?

Have answered to the name of Claude Carpenter for a lot of years.

Where do you live?

I currently live at 6075 Vickery Pt. Cumming, GA 30040. Through the years I have lived in a lot of locations. Grew up in the Nashville, Tennessee area and finished under graduate work at Vanderbilt University. Since then I have lived in Seattle, Washington; Fairfax, Virginia; Honolulu, Hawaii; Alexandria, Virginia; Richmond, Virginia; Memphis, Tennessee; Tampa, Florida; and Atlanta, Georgia.

Briefly tell us about your family (spouse, any children, pets, etc.).

Martha and I have two daughters (Penny Galvin and Pamela Collins). Both live in the area and we have two granddaughters (Megan and Kaleigh Galvin) and one grandson. (Blake Collins)

At what jobs have you worked?

My work experience goes back quite long way. As a navy Lieutenant JG I was assigned to one of the largest computer centers in the military at that time where I learned to program some of the earliest computers that were huge monsters which had about 1% of the computer power of today's cell phone. After leaving the military I spent 35 years in computer technology working for several companies. During these 35 years I had work assignments in many locations as noted above.

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in the Nashville, Tennessee area.

How long have you grown daylilies?

My brother Thomas gave me my first daylily in

1975 and he would give me daylilies each time I moved to another city through the years. I was not serious about growing them because of my work until we settled permanently in the Atlanta area in the early 1990s.

What got you started with daylilies?

My brother Thomas Carpenter was involved with daylilies starting in 1955 when he and a friend bought two daylilies: (Kindly Light (Bechtold, 1950) and Multnomah (Kraus, 1954). In 1963 he became friends with Virginia Peck who had been growing daylilies since the 1940s. Virginia was growing daylilies and doing some hybridizing with diploids. She had attended the 1961 AHS Convention in Chicago where she learned of a method of changing diploids to tetraploids in a presentation by Dr. Robert Greisbach of DePaul University. Over the next several years Tom would travel to the Pecks to help in the conversion process and during that time grew several hundred daylilies in his beautiful garden in Goodlettsville, Tennessee. He encouraged me to grow them for many years. In the early 1990s I attended a daylily show in Nashville, Tennessee and was blown away by the beauty of the flowers exhibited. By the way the best-in-show that year was H. 'Mary's Gold' hybridized by Harold McDonell a member of my current club. That started my love affair with daylilies. Thomas gave me my first hundred daylilies and we would share daylilies over the next fifteen years until his death three years ago.

How many DLs do you currently grow?

When we downsized from a large home with one acre of land, we also downsized from a garden where we grew 500+ daylilies to a garden with only 110 daylilies. I love to add new daylilies each year and in the process of adding new ones I must get rid of some because of my limited space. Sometimes it is hard to get rid of old friends. I do like to spread them out at least three feet apart and use AAA labels. You do not have to have a large space to have a beautiful daylily garden.

What are your favorite types of DLs- form, color, size, other traits?

My favorite forms of daylilies are Spiders/ Unusual Form and Miniatures. Seventy of my 110 daylilies are those three forms although I grow all forms.

With what clubs are you associated, and for how many years?

I have been a member of the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta since 1995 and a member of the AHS since 1998. I am also a member of Cobb County Daylily Society and Northwest Georgia Daylily Society.

What do you like about DL clubs and their activities?

What I like about daylily clubs is the people I

have become friends with. Daylily people are the best and I have built lasting friendships with a lot of people that love to grow this wonderful plant. The local club is the heartbeat of the AHS and where the growth of the AHS takes place. The AHS like all flower societies is declining in membership every year. The local club is the place where growth takes place. We need to do a better job of attracting and retaining members.

What do you like about AHS Region 5?

Region 5 is one of the best regions in the AHS. We have a lot of clubs and many active hybridizers that have and are making significant contributions in the evolution of the daylily. We have about 15 daylily shows each year which is about one third of the shows in the AHS. This is probably why our membership in Region 5 is declining slower than any region in the AHS. Shows attract people that do not currently grow daylilies and is a great source in attracting new members. What I like most about Region 5 is our people.

What would you like to see improved in Region 5?

The biggest need in the region is the attraction and retention of new members. New members are not normally attracted by the AHS Region 5 organization. New members are attracted by the local clubs. The future of our organization depends on attracting and retention of new members. We tend to have dozens of people become new members each year during our daylily shows. Many will join and never show up for one of our meetings and others may attend one time and never come back for another meeting. We need to spend more time in our efforts in following up on our new members, showing them we are glad they came when they show up, and getting them involved in our club activities. Maybe more of our programs should be oriented toward helping new members in their efforts in obtaining and growing daylilies.

Briefly discuss any other items you'd like to mention.

We have a shortage of Exhibition and Garden Judges in Region 5. Many of our judges have retired from their position and many more are needed. If you are not currently an Exhibition or Garden Judge I would encourage you to consider the possibility of becoming one.



The Georgia Daylily Wins Best Newsletter Award

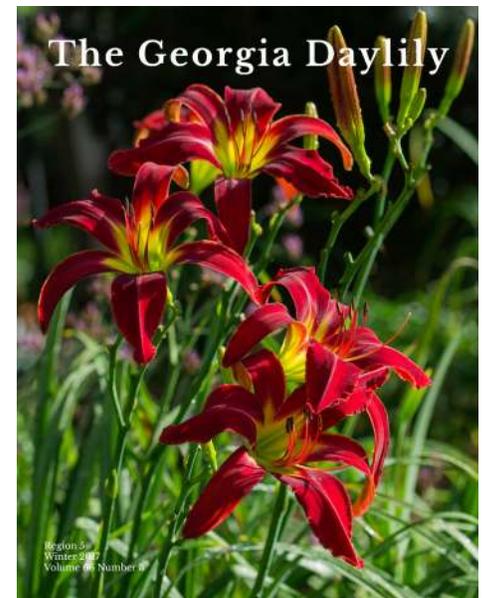
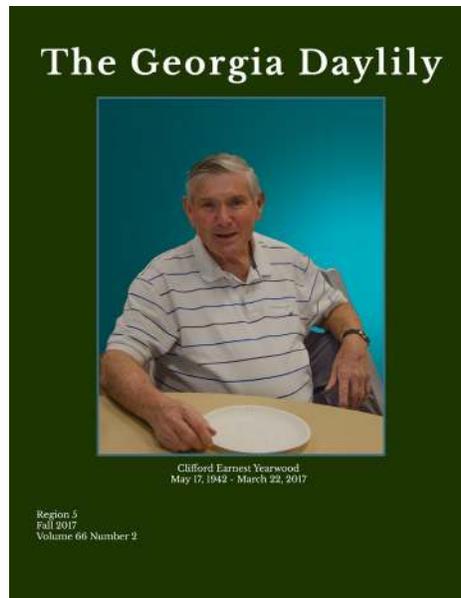
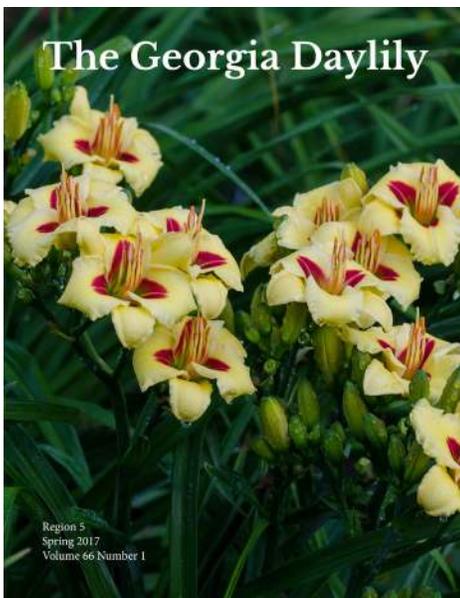
By Tim Herrington

One of the highlights at the AHS National Convention in Myrtle Beach, S.C. was Claude Carpenter winning the Best Newsletter Award for his three 2017 issues of The Georgia Daylily. This award is given annually by the American Hemerocallis Society. The only other time Region 5 had won this prestigious award was in 1991 in Minnesota when Jean Swann was editor. However then it was not a clear win, for Region 6 tied with Region 5 that year for



Claude receiving the Best Newsletter Award at the National Convention

the Best Newsletter Award. Claude has done a wonderful job as our editor and we really appreciate his work for striving for excellence in each issue. All of us in Georgia are so proud of Claude for setting his sights high, and making every effort to achieve this award. He also won the Best Use of Pictures and Graphics Award at the national. Once again a hearty congratulations to Claude!



Editor's Note



I was surprised and honored when I received the AHS Newsletter of the year award at the National Convention in Myrtle Beach. This award should be shared by all the people in Region 5 that contribute content to each edition.

Since this is such an active region we have a lot of information to share in each edition. Please continue to provide me with content and feature articles. I will try to put it together in a meaningful way.

In this edition we have five feature articles. I want to thank Tim Herrington, Bill Waldrop, Bruce Kovach, and Jessie Worsham for taking the time to share with us information about our favorite flower.

We also have complete results of the 2018 Region 5 Shows and as I have stated before we have more shows than any other AHS Region.

Our guest speaker in the upcoming October meeting is Bob Faulkner. You don't want to miss this. Bob spoke in the Spring Meeting

of the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta and believe me he was one of the best speakers we have had. He is so genuine and has a lot of knowledge about hybridizing for patterned daylilies.

See you in October.

Claude Carpenter

Jan Joiner, the Person and the Hybridizer

By Tim Herrington

We daylily folks sometimes love to remember and love to slip away from reality and go somewhere we've been. In preparing to write a story about a Region 5 legend in her own time, I thought about some of my favorite "firsts." I remember opening my first paycheck, when I went to Memphis and saw Graceland, holding my grandson after he was born, and I remember meeting Jan Joiner for the first time. Her father-in-law, Enman Joiner introduced her to me and she said "it is a pleasure to meet you" with a very friendly smile. She then loaded about 20 sacks of daylilies with a lot of dirt on them in my back seat and trunk and politely said "Please come back to see us," in a voice that would be a high standard for great customer service anywhere in America. That work ethic and friendly attitude has made such a huge impact in the world of daylilies that Jan Joiner, the person, has indeed become a legend in her own time. She is a giver, and not a taker... A forgiver and not a resentment holder... A peacemaker and not a fighter. Great people are just ordinary people who really understand the meaning of life; and share their wisdom and are kind to everyone. That is the Jan Joiner we all know in Region 5. 2018 is the last year Joiner Gardens will be open for sales ending a run of 56 years open to the public. Jan will continue growing daylilies and hybridizing and invites all her daylily friends to still visit her in 2019 and especially in 2020 when her garden will be on tour for the AHS National Convention. She simply states that this change is because she wants to enjoy her daylilies without all the paperwork. Operating a commercial daylily garden to the public



can be very time consuming, a lot of physical work and requires a lot of behind the scenes recording keeping, forms, tax reports, etc.

Jan Joiner, the hybridizer, is also a legend in her own time. Nine years ago Jan Joiner won the prestigious Bertrand Farr Silver Medal which is the highest award a hybridizer can achieve in the American Hemerocallis Society. Compared to other competitive pursuits, it is like a country singer winning 'Entertainer of the Year' in Nashville, an actor winning an Oscar, or an athlete winning an Olympic Gold Medal. Established in 1950 and named for an

early daylily nurseryman, this medal awarded yearly, is a distinguished honor for members who have attained outstanding results in the field of daylily hybridizing. Jan is one of only six hybridizers from Georgia to ever receive this recognition and one of the 67 winners worldwide to ever achieve this honor. Now being in this elite group out of an estimated total of over 6,000 hybridizers that have registered daylilies, indeed means Jan Joiner, the hybridizer, is in the 'Cream of the Crop' category. The recognition of being a Bertrand Farr Silver Medal winner means her daylilies are certainly a major contribution to the daylily world. Jan dabbed her first pollen in 1979. Seven years later in 1986 she registered her first daylily, 'Sweet Beginning.' Flaming enthusiasm, backed up by horse sense and persistence, is the quality that she most frequently used to be successful. Later she started dabbing some double pollen and had a seedling she nicknamed 'Rose Bud' which Enman saw that she was fascinated with.

Consequently he turned the diploid double line over to her around 1990. That double was registered as 'Rebecca Marie' in 1992 which was a fragrant, light rose self with a green throat and became an instant hit for her.

What Jan Joiner has accomplished with breeding doubles can easily be compared to what Serena Williams did for tennis and Carrie Underwood did for country music. She believed that obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal. 77% of all her registrations have been doubles so far. Here are two unique and



H. 'Bubbly'
Joiner, J (1989)
Photo by Hybridizer



H. 'Fluttering Beauty'
Joiner, J (1999)
Photo by Hybridizer



H. 'Sebastian The Crab'
Joiner, J (2003)
Photo by Hybridizer

Jan Joiner, the Person and the Hybridizer (Cont)



H. 'Sunglasses Needed'
Joiner, J (2007)

Photo by Claude Carpenter



H. 'Cherish Your Loved Ones'
Joiner, J (2015)

Photo by Claude Carpenter



H. 'Spin and Twirl'
Joiner, J (2008)

Photo by Claude Carpenter

exceptional contributions she has made to the improvement of the double daylily. First was a miniature double that was a game changer for the size of doubles in our society. Many years ago I was at Joiner Gardens and Enman Joiner showed me some of Jan's seedlings and I observed a beautiful little double seedling in Jan's seedling patch. It was an apricot self with a tiny green throat with super branching and just breathe taking. On a scale of 1-10 I immediately scored it as a 15. Jan Joiner registered this flower in 1989 as '**Bubbly**' and it immediately became an instant success overnight because it possessed distinction, great growing habits and most important great breeding habits. It won the Georgia Hybridizers Award in 1991 and ten years later '**Bubbly**' won the Donn Fisher Memorial Award for the most outstanding miniature (under 3") as voted by the AHS Garden Judges. Many hybridizers have used this flower to establish a small double breeding program. This flower has made an impact in our society and is good representative for the ideal small or miniature doubles. Second, in 1999 Jan introduced '**Fluttering Beauty**' which was her first release that was an attempt at unusual form double breeding. At 9 inches this impressive flower shook the daylily world up with her brilliant endeavor. She began by putting pollen from her '**Jan's Twister**' on any narrow double petal flower she could find. Several years of line breeding followed. The petals of this ivory double are narrow and the entire bloom has a lot of movement. In addition no two blooms are quite the same. This indeed was a landmark flower as it did not fit into any recognized category at that time. Creating doubles with this type of form was a very new concept to breeders then and is still one of the hottest topics among daylily connoisseurs throughout our society.

As mentioned earlier, '**Bubbly**' was one of her 9 AHS Specialty Awards she has won. Others include 4 Ida Munson Awards for best double with '**Peggy Jeffcoat**' in 2001, '**Firefly Frenzy**' in 2011, '**Sebastian The Crab**' in 2012, and '**Sunglasses Needed**' in 2016 and 4 Lambert Webster Awards for best unusual forms with '**Sebastian The Crab**' in 2017, '**Firefly Frenzy**' in 2016, '**Friilly Bliss**' in 2005 and '**Jan's Twister**' in 2000. Some other very distinctive doubles with the spidery/UFO appearance are '**Spin And Twirl**', '**Fashion Leader**', '**Jaw Dropper**', '**Airy Delight**' and '**Rosy Outlook**'. All are at least 6" and whereas they are all open, loose forms, some are more "spidery" than others. Some just really defy the description and have to be seen to be believed! Color has been important to Jan, for example her '**Sunglasses Needed**' has a vivid light lemon blush where the center petaloids protrude and are pinched together which gives the impression of an explosion of color.

When someone can bring to the forefront innovative forms and color to our favorite flower from a new angle, then that marks real advances in hybridizing. This fact alone is an example of society members fulfilling the mission of our society by fostering the development and improvement of the genus *Hemerocallis*. Jan Joiner's skills have been duly recognized in the Pyramid of Awards System of AHS with 39 Honorable Mentions and 5 Award of Merits. But what is even more distinguished is that 2 of her cultivars have won the prestigious Lennington All American Award which recognizes a daylily that is affordable, time-tested, and performs well in many regions of the country.



H. 'Jaw Dropper'
Joiner, J (2014)

Photo by Hybridizer



H. 'Peggy Jeffcoat'
Joiner, J (1995)

Photo by Claude Carpenter

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Jan Joiner, the Person and the Hybridizer (Cont)

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These two are **Jan's Twister'** in 2003 and **'Peggy Jeffcoat'** in 2010.

Jan's Little Rascal (2008) was her first small flower tetraploid double and she hit a jackpot with this one. The color is a peachy-pink and very dainty looking. Personally it is one of my favorites for it has great overall qualities. This daylily has been the runner-up for the Annie T. Giles Award for best small flower in 2017 and 2016. Now for big doubles you cannot ask for any better than her **'Simply Karen'**. This 2011 introduction is a 6 1/2" burnt orange blend above a golden orange throat. A tad bigger is the awesome 7" **'Big Fuss'** which has an extended yellow-orange throat. The color on the ends of the petals and sepals is salmon. This past June, this double won the Georgia Doubles Appreciation Award for the Best Double Daylily Clump seen at the 2018 National Convention in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina which is one of the big four convention awards annually given. This is the 2nd time she has brought the Georgia Doubles Appreciation Award back to Georgia with **'Peggy Jeffcoat'** in 2000. Her **'Silence is Golden'** is an intense golden-yellow with a lot of ridges in it. It reminds Jan of the days when she did hair dressing: She would tease the hair and the ends would curl over in a bouffant. Like that hairstyle, **'Silence is Golden'** is a very fluffy double that is different form from most doubles.

Over the years Jan has won numerous Best In Show, Purple and Blue Ribbon Awards in daylily shows. She is a winner of the rare Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Award and 1 of only 23 who have ever won this award with 5 daylilies

in one exhibit that scores 95 or above in a show. She also is only 1 of 5 women that ever achieved this status which can only be won once in a lifetime. Her seedlings that won the AHS Achievement Medal reflect her excellence in knowing what distinction is all about. For a seedling to win the AHS Achievement Medal, the total of all three judges' averaged scores must be 90 or greater or the average scores of two of the three judges on this panel must both be above 90. The following 17 daylilies she hybridized received this great honor; **'Peekaboo I See You'**, **'Springtime in Savannah'**, **'Sweet Spirit'**, **'Cherish Your Loved Ones'**, **'Southern Dance'**, **'Jitterbug Giggles'**, **'Big Fuss'**, **'Fingers Of Faith'**, **'Garden Jitterbug'**, **'Some Like It Sassy'**, **'Tickle My Fancy'**, **'Southern Made'**, **'Sassy Sister'**, **'Ruffled Ruckus'**, **'Ruth Whitten'**, **'Nell Dean'**, and **'Peggy Jeffcoat'**.

It is always sad when an era ends, but remember we the growers of all the Joiner daylilies have been part of that era also and we will continue growing our Joiner daylilies that we enjoy. Joiner Gardens will go down in the history of Region 5 as being the commercial garden with the longest time in operation for the public and one of the greatest of all times. Just like her father-in-law, Jan's daylilies will stand the test of time and she will be known as one of the greatest double breeders in the daylily world. I personally admire her determination while fighting and living with rheumatoid arthritis. This is an autoimmune disease that causes chronic inflammation of the joints, the tissue around the joints, as well as other organs in the body. She is a fine example of demonstrating perseverance which is the hard work you do

after you get tired of doing the hard work you already did. Another very important fact about Jan is that she has many daylily friends in our society. Near the top of every list describing what anyone wants in a daylily friend is this: Someone with a good heart. That's because the most beautiful people have a kind and generous spirit that radiates to those around them. We can't resist someone who is consistently gentle, compassionate, and accepting. That is the Jan Joiner I and all her daylily friends have come to admire. A celebration of daylilies and the people who grow them is indeed represented by this astonishing lady. Jan Joiner, the Person and the Hybridizer has left her footprints in the sands of time because she has worn work boots.



**H. 'Fingers of Faith'
Joiner, J (2009)**

Photo by Claude Carpenter



**H. 'Simply Karen'
Joiner, J (2011)**

Photo by Claude Carpenter



**H. 'Love Unlimited'
Joiner, J (2002)**

Photo by Claude Carpenter



**H. 'Swirls and Twirls'
Joiner, J (2014)**

Photo by Claude Carpenter

Secrets of the Rosette Garden

By Claude Carpenter



In the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in northwest Georgia there is a daylily garden that has produced an unusual number of Rosettes, probably more than any daylily garden in America during the past 13 years. Since 2005 there have been 13 Best In Show, 93 Best in Section, and 17 Sweepstake Rosettes won by daylilies from this garden. That is a total of 130 Rosettes. This garden belongs to Jim Mullins and Terri his bride of 32 years. I recently spent some time in Jim and Terri's garden photographing some of the most beautiful clumps you will ever see. The garden surrounds his beautiful home and all the beds are raised with the daylilies planted at least four feet apart. Most of the daylilies are in clumps with 8-12 scapes on each. I went to their garden the day of the Northwest Georgia Daylily Show. There were enough quality scapes in the garden that

day to have a dozen shows. Some of these clumps are shown on these pages. I have also spent some time talking to Jim about his success (secrets) in growing daylilies that win all these awards.

Jim did not grow daylilies until 2002. That year he read an article in the local newspaper about a daylily garden in town. During a visit to the garden of Gregg Connell, Jim bought his first daylily for \$5. At first Jim was blown away by the prices daylilies were bringing, however, a couple of years later he made the statement – look at this daylily it is only \$100. In 2003 Jim entered his first AHS Daylily Show. He entered 2 off-scape daylilies and won one blue ribbon. He was hooked. To say Jim is competitive would be an understatement. Jim is a person that does not do anything half way and that is certainly true in his venture into daylilies.

I asked Jim what was behind his success in winning all those rosettes. Jim stated that the keys to his success are: selection of the right daylilies to grow, growing them well, and knowing how daylilies are judged.

Selection of the right daylilies to grow

What are Jim's keys to selecting the right daylilies? Jim lives in Calhoun, Georgia where they normally have a lot of freezing and thawing in the spring. Because of this it is important to have daylilies that are hardy in his climate. Evergreen daylilies don't normally do well in his area and when he is selecting daylilies he tends to stay away from evergreens. Jim tries to select daylilies that project to do well in shows. Jim uses a

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



**H. 'Tribute To The Mayor'
Netherton (2016)**



**H. 'Blueberry Cream Cupcake'
H. Herrington (2015)**

Secrets of the Rosette Garden (cont)



H. 'Lime Tree Delight'
H. Herrington (2015)



H. 'Green Apple Quickstep'
Elliott (2015)



H. 'Portrait In Green'
T. Herrington (2014)

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combination of factors in the selection of new plants. The first spread sheet he put together listed all Best In Show by Section from 2011 forward for Region 5. He also looks at data from 2000 forward. (Jim states that the analysis of this data is a whole subject into itself.) He uses the information contained in these spread sheets to balance out his garden. He has found that many of the past winners are candidates for growing in his garden, however, some of those that do well in South Georgia are too tender for growing in his area. He has recently completed a list of rosette winners for all AHS regions and that information will be used in a follow-on article to the "Skinny Dipping" article that was published in a recent issue of The Georgia Daylily and the AHS Daylily Journal. Jim has found that daylilies from some hybridizers do extremely

well in shows in his area and as you will see by the inventory of daylilies in his garden. He tends to obtain new introductions from those hybridizers. Knowing what judges are looking for when selecting daylilies for the head table is also a key to selecting daylilies for his garden. Good branching is extremely important to exhibition judges when selecting section rosettes. Jim adds new daylilies each year and tends to rotate out daylilies that are not performing well. He will trade daylilies with other daylily growers and has family members that love the daylilies he gives them. It is obvious that Jim is growing the right daylilies for his rosette garden.

Growing them well

When you see the healthy clumps of daylilies growing in his garden you realize he knows the secrets to growing them well. He uses

raised beds with a mixture of mushroom compost, pine fines and sand. He has his soil tested by the extension office of the University of Georgia and tries to maintain the right chemical balance in his soil. Jim uses a small amount of fertilizer each month in the spring and fall. He waters the garden with an irrigation system. He has a structured spraying program to prevent insects and rust. He also treats for slugs which can do tremendous damage to scapes during the show season. After the last daylily show of the year Jim will stop spraying for rust. If one of his daylilies shows rust two years in a row he removes them from the garden.

Knowing how daylilies are judged

Jim states the last factor in his success in winning rosettes is knowing how they are judged. He advises anyone that wants to be successful in showing daylilies to become an



H. 'Aliens In The Garden'
Gossard (2011)



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

Secrets of the Rosette Garden (cont)



H. 'Fried Green Tomatoes'
T. Herrington (2012)

Exhibition Judge which will teach you what the judges are looking for. It will allow you to point score your entries before you cut them. He believes that judging a show gives you a good idea of what a cultivar should do in your area. When you are an exhibitor your focus is on your entries and other entries for the same name class, and your focus is much narrower. Also judging shows outside your region gives you a broader knowledge base. Jim became a junior Exhibition Judge in 2005, a senior Exhibition Judge in 2006 and became an instructor shortly thereafter. He has been Exhibition Show Chair 5 times and Chair of the Judges and Clerks 12 times in his home club (Northwest Georgia Daylily Society). He was a consultant to Scott Elliott and Barbara Kirby during the rewrite of the Exhibitions Handbook in 2017.

When asked what he does the week of a show he stated that he starts the selection



H. 'Barb Clark'
Bachman (2008)

process early in the week as to what might be available for show day. He tries to select entries for all sections. He says that he cuts scapes the day before the show and does the grooming that afternoon and evening. Jim is very knowledgeable in grooming his selections and has taught grooming classes for several clubs in the area. A video of one of his grooming classes is available on the "Staging Accredited Daylily Shows" page of the AHS Portal.

Jim's summary of his secrets: Become an exhibition judge, grow good exhibition quality daylilies and pay attention to the details. Take good care of you plants all year long and attend any grooming clinic that you can, you never know when someone will share a pearl of wisdom for you.



H. 'Gleam of Time'
J. Joiner (2002)



H. 'You Shine'
R. Joiner (2014)



H. 'Astral Voyager'
Mason-M., (2000)



H. 'Mayor of Munchkinland'
T. Herrington (2010)

Mother's Day Morning

By Bill Waldrop

Our granddaughter, Lily Whitfield, loves daylilies. She walks with Grandpa in the garden, and has done so since she was very small. I once set my empty coffee cup on the ground, and she soon had it in her hands,



and was seemingly drinking from it just like Grandpa does. So, last summer the thought came to me that Lily should begin early to become a Georgia Hybridizer. After all, she was born in Marietta, Georgia, and age 5 is surely of sufficient age to begin her lifetime of hybridizing.

One of the new daylilies that I purchased to use during the spring of 2017 was H. 'Master And Bold Ruler. It is an extremely large purple daylily with basically a very nice white ruffled edge. It was hybridized by my good friend, Guy Pierce in Florida, and I thought that it would be a good candidate for Lily to use in her new hybridizing adventure. So I took Lily to the Greenhouse, and with Grandpa's encouragement, she took the stamen from a bloom on Guy's daylily. We then walked to one



of my favorite seedlings which is numbered 7-867. I will soon introduce this seedling because it is 27" tall with five and six way branching. It is pod fertile, and the flower is 5 inches in diameter. It likewise is a dark purple



Lily and her Seedling

color, and it has ivory colored "teeth" that are very obvious. I then encouraged Lily to put the pollen at the tip of her stamen onto the pistil of 7-867. It was so hard to hold back my hand so that Lily alone would do the hybridizing.

After Lily applied the pollen I encouraged her to put an appropriate wire at the base of the flower she had pollinated. Over the course of the next several days she repeated the process several times.

On August 20, 2017, Lily harvested her first seed pods. She brought the pods to the kitchen table and broke the pods apart, and



the seeds were all on the table in front of her. I showed Lily how to prepare her "sandwich bag" and to show the cross and the date the seeds were put into the bag. The bag stayed in the salad drawer of the refrigerator for several weeks. On Sept. 3, 2017, Lily actually planted her seeds into 3" peat pots. The seeds came up about two weeks later, and everytime Lily was here she checked her peat pots to see if her sprouts were emerging. When the sprouts did emerge she was so, so excited. I confess that perhaps I was even more excited than Lily to see the growing sprouts.



Time went by and it wasn't long before the peat pots were too small for the growing daylilies. I mentioned to Lily that perhaps she might put her peat pots into one-gallon containers. Lily could see that the roots were getting very long, and were growing through the peat pots, and she agreed that using one-gallon containers would be good. So, she used the same soil



that I use for other plants in the greenhouse, and she put each of her 15 plants into the one-gallon containers. She did this completely by herself. Grandpa did not help. She put slow release 18-4-8 Florikan fertilizer into each pot, and she also put the chemical "Merit" into each pot. All of the seedlings clearly began to grow even larger. In fact, the seedlings grew so fast that within a few months each seedling had to be put into a two-gallon pot.



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Mother's Day Morning (cont)

Grandpa had to handle the transplantation to the two-gallon pots because of the weight of the pots. The seedlings grew and grew but got a rest during the winter when it was so cold. Indeed, in early December we had our first snow, and there was no power in the Greenhouse. The power went out for 4 days and during this time the temperature was in the teens. It was extremely cold! Then February came and Lily's seedlings became larger and larger. The cross Lily had made was good and the plants were big. I think my friend Guy would have been impressed if he could have seen Lily's work.



While Lily was growing her first daylilies, our friends, Bruce and Kathy Fowler, from Moultrie, Georgia, came to speak to our Club, the Cobb County Daylily Society. It was special that Bruce and Kathy were with us on April 8, 2018, because this was the day that Lily joined our Club. We had a Club picture made to celebrate the occasion, and in the picture Lily is sitting between Bruce and Kathy. Lily we're glad you are a Club member!



Well, Lily's first bloom came when she was with her Father. So, she couldn't see the bloom. I thought that the first bloom was OK, so I put pollen on the pistol. The pollen set and a seed began to form. Then, when Lily came back to visit with Grandma and Grandpa, the same scape had a second bloom. Of course we went to see the bloom. Lily looked at the bloom, then she touched it with her fingers.

She studied the new bloom and then turned and looked toward me with a facial expression showing considerable disappointment. Lily didn't like her first bloom. I remember from many times over the years when this same thing happened to me.



Then, on the morning of Mother's Day, May 13, 2018, the excitement of Lily's hybridizing was fully realized! Something big had happened! Lily had a flower on her second seedling; and it was just gorgeous. We went to the Greenhouse to see the seedling, and it was assigned Seedling Number 8-702.



This was all so exciting that Grandpa brought the bucket containing the seedling from the Greenhouse to the Kitchen, and then Diana and Lily and her mother Kelley all had their picture taken together on the front porch. Lily is holding Louie our cat, and Lily's flower is in front of Grandma. The flower is so beautiful and Lily takes great pride in what she has accomplished. She has decided that it will be called **H. 'Mothers Day Morning'**; and this name has accordingly been reserved with our AHS Registrar.

Lily is now Georgia's youngest Hybridizer, and



we are proud that she is a member not only of our Club, but also a member of Region 5 and AHS as well. Lily you are the best!



Attention Georgia Hybridizers

Run to the mailbox and mail those seedlings

2019 Spring Regional to be held in Warner Robins GA needs to be filled. What an opportunity to share your hybridizing program with over 100 of your favorite friends!

Categories are Large, Small, and Youth. Each hybridizer is allowed 3 entries; please label plants by category and send your plants to:

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Saturday Afternoon Skit in Alpharetta

By N.A. Shucks



The Esteemed Moderator and Panel

(Introduction: The 1258 words you are about to read gave me more fun writing them than a lost dog has in a meat market. Why? Because they represent one of the funniest things Region 5 has ever been involved in, which is a humorous theatrical performance that occurred on June 16, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the spring region meeting. The article below only received 'One Pinocchio' from our Region 5 fact checker, participant in the presentation and regional secretary, Doris Bishop. She stated that there were some selective telling of the truth, some omissions and three exaggerations, but no outright falsehoods or whoppers like one might get with a 'Three or Four Pinocchio' Rating. Occasionally Doris gives one of my articles the 'Geppetto Checkmark' which is reserved for ones that are unexpectedly true, but she does not award that rating very often.)

My notorious and famous cousin from Cornatzer, North Carolina, A.W. Shucks, came to Alpharetta to enlighten us daylily folks in Georgia with a comedy skit about daylily shows. Excuse me, it is now Dr. Shucks, who just got his Ph. D. in Fermentation Sciences where he studied brewing from systems designs and engineering to understanding the social and cultural implications of beverage production using corn. **'What Mother Never Told You About Ethics & Integrity In Flower Shows: A Panel Discussion'** was the name of the skit witnessed by 54 folks Saturday afternoon at the region meeting in Alpharetta. The skit was written by A.W. Shucks and presented with three members of the A.W. Shucks Fan Club performing as the panelist and A.W. Shucks as the moderator. The purpose was to hopefully inject some humor at the conference. Patty Franklin, the events coordinator for Saturday, first had to get approval from the planning committee whether or not to have some humor. Because of Patty's clarification, they unanimously approved it and classified it as a

'health related fitness activity'. You see Patty knew laughter activates the body's natural relaxation response and strengthens one's immune system for older adults in their 60s and 70s. Of course she knew a good majority of the attendees might be in that age group. By the time the audience got in and settled, the panelists got dressed and a few announcements were made, along with the 35 minute live presentation, over an hour had passed. But being the smart planner A.W. Shucks is, he had allowed that time to be directly related to the endurance of the average human bladder of older folks. You see he is in the 60s and 70s group that Patty Franklin talked about. Having the desire for some instant feedback like all writers have, one attendee was questioned by



Ken sets the stage for the skit



Most of the audience stayed awake

A.W. Shucks right after the performance. He told Mr. Shucks that he was aglow and had the condition of being flush with radiant emotions, such as one in the bloom of love. Or, it might just have been gas he concluded.

This parody or satire about daylily shows dealt with judging,

Saturday Afternoon Skit in Alpharetta (cont)

exhibiting flowers, and scenarios where ethics and integrity could be questioned about certain events that can occur. Shuck's wife Maize, snuck in an original laugh-o-meter Johnny Carson once used on the Tonight Show. This device could identify real and fake laughter. When the skit ended, it was determined that 75% of the audience had real laughter, 16% had fake laughter, 5% were playing with their cell phones, and 4% didn't register on that apparatus for they were still in the back figuring out what daylilies to bid on for the silent auction. The actors were disguised to reflect parts of the script in hopes of not revealing their true identities.

In carrying out the dialogue, the panel was reminiscent of 4 famous comedians, Bing Cosby, Desi Arnaz, Lucille Ball, and Bob Hope, performing to a live audience. Pictured L-R are the Moderator A.W. Shucks (Ken Cobb), the Hybridizer (Tim Herrington), the Exhibitionist (Doris Bishop), and the Exhibition Judge (David Bishop). The panel answered the moderator with typical goofball answers to produce laughs from the audience. It was obvious the audience could easily figure out that the cast was more lucky than talented in obtaining the 75% of real laughter. In all probability, the conversation between the Moderator and Exhibition Judge dealing with exhibitors trying to overhear judges comments while judging their entries, was the one that almost made the laugh-o-meter explode. The Exhibition Judge stated that when we (the 3 member judging panel) see someone watching or listening to us, we just move our lips as if speaking, but use the old paper-rock-scissors game as a code to select the winners (open hand for blue, two fingers for red, and closed fist for yellow).

When asked if the group will perform at other daylily functions, the panel stated unanimously no and that it's one and done. David Bishop, who is a potential Oscar Mayer Bologna Award winner for leading actor in a comedy role, gave two reasons for the skit to be one and done: 1. There's no place to go but down with another skit, and 2. Nobody should have to tolerate another performance of the skit. A.W. Shucks said he wrote the script 20 years ago and it was originally banned in his region. He is a firm believer that when it comes to writing comedy, every syllable counts. He also stated it



Joann, Julie, and Cynthia enjoy the skit

will never be produced live again because he would never be able to get such talent to act out the parts of the panel as he found here in Georgia. Then graciously, A.W. Shucks thanked the audience at the end and shared some of his wisdom with those that endured the skit with this comment; *"We can't all be comedians, some people have to do the laughing."*

Here are a few actual comments from four of the observers. Cecilia Land: It's hard to pick a favorite part. The whole skit was hilarious. The comment about using green eye shadow on scapes did make me flashback to the 80's when I had a whole array of green eye shadow that would really be useful if the rules would allow it. Another thing that came to mind was the relevance of the issues to today even though the skit was written years ago. It's a classic!



The panel is rewarded with a copy of The Gardener's Lunacy Book

Julie Covington: When the panel entered the room led by the "anonymous exhibition judge" garbed in judicial robes with a bag over his head to preserve anonymity, I was extremely relieved to have already swallowed a sip of sweet iced tea. Otherwise, I would have committed one of the most egregious social blunders in the south, the "snorting of the iced tea through the nose" due to excessive laughing. Intake of sweet iced tea had to be completely restricted until the panel discussion was over.

Joann Stewart: The skit seen at the Region 5 summer meeting showed a variety of ethical issues facing judges, exhibitors and other show participants. Despite good guidelines for judges, situations still arise with participants which could reflect badly on show exhibitors, personnel and clubs. Using humor, the ethical highlights (and their solutions) were seen in a lighthearted way, and viewers really enjoyed the different viewpoints expressed by individual panel members. Though in fun, real issues were presented. It was a worthwhile way to present the real issues facing daylily club members and judges. Pat Mercer: What a delightful way to poke some corn spun humor into a serious topic on show ethics. Why it was better than sliced bread in getting points across. Kudos to the participants who were disguised in order to protect their identity like we really didn't know who they were. AW Shucks! Don't matter! It was all in fun!

A 'You Tube' video is now available of the skit. Please contact David Bishop, Region 5 RPD, if you are interested in its internet address. A.W. Shucks thinks this is the Best Comedy Skit ever filmed in the AHS. Oh! It is the only one! He should know since his alter ego just happens to be the chair of the AHS Archives Department. Anyhow the 'Saturday Afternoon Skit in Alpharetta' will go down in history as a great literary, theatrical and video production along with such others as 'One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest', 'It's A Mad Mad Mad World', and 'The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly'. Get your copy now.

Remembering A Great Friend and Mentor

By Bruce Kovach

Some of you know that my great friend and daylily mentor Lee Pickles from Chattanooga, TN, died earlier this year.

The last several years I had gone up to his place numerous times to help him, pot, plant, move and spray in his yard and greenhouse. His heart was weakening, and he could only walk about half way down a greenhouse row, hybridizing before having to sit down and catch his breath. He was a real trooper, never complaining a bit. It was the least I could do for all the time and education that he gave me.

He was a wonderful mentor. Always had time for me and willingly gave answers to all my questions. I always worried that I should not burden him with too many questions, but, now that he is gone I wish I had asked many more. Lesson learned, no question is not worth asking, no matter how trivial that you might think it is.

I have been hybridizing for about 15 years and have had a fully functional greenhouse for the last three winters with limited success. My entire hybridizing program was to try and create great doubles that would compare with some of David Kirchoff's masterpieces, not an easy task. I was getting discouraged. I am one that now knows how difficult it is to create great doubles. David truly is the king of doubles I can't imagine his dedication to making this form better and better. I don't have many, but I am not giving up. You should see some of my beauties in the coming years.



Lee Pickles hybridizing in his greenhouse

Lee suggested that I hybridize some singles along with my doubles. He also knew the difficulty of producing doubles was much more difficult than singles.

David and Mort were also great friends with Lee, calling each other often and sharing wine and dinner together with Lee's wife Jean. They have great memories.

Lee had 173 introductions over his tenure. He once told me that his hybridizing program started all over the map. He definitely loved yellows and hybridized quite a few. He and his friend, the late Bob Carr would spend hours on

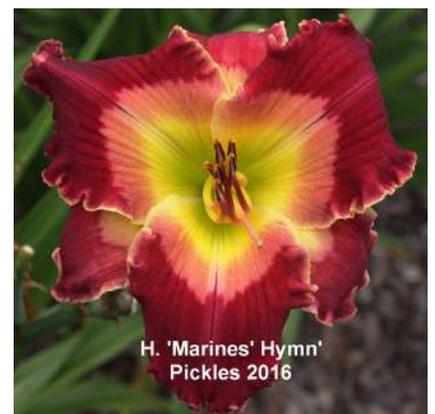
the phone discussing daylilies and any other topic that hit their fancy. They both had great sense of humor, so those conversations would be not only educational but hilarious. Lee probably planted 2,000-2,500 seedlings each year at the peak of his program, and while he loved those yellows he finally changed about 7-9 years ago and started producing fantastic reds. Lee had been focusing over 90% of his hybridizing program on reds during that time and made great progress. Some of his best ones are H.Stolen Heart, H.Christmas Memories, H.Choo Choo Caboose, H.Jaimie Pickles, H.Nicole Pickles, H.Marines' Hymn, H.Lee's Heart Breaker and H.Libby Hickman



H. 'Nicole Pickles' (Pickles 2016)



H. 'Jamie Pickles' (Pickles 2016)



H. 'Marines Hymn' (Pickles 2016)



Seeds Germinating

They are ALL wonderful.

Lee always thought that education was important. He had a blog that addresses quite a few daylily topics. One thing that he taught me was to scarify my seeds in addition to stratification when trying to germinate seeds.

I remember asking him what he does to get a high germination rate on his seeds, since I had difficulty getting a high germination of my seeds no matter how long I kept them in the refrigerator crisper. I mentioned my problem to Lee one day and he asked me if I was using any scarification methods. I had never heard of scarification. It involves weakening, opening, or otherwise altering the coat of a seed to encourage germination. He encouraged me to try adding 2-3 capfuls of bleach in a gallon of water and then put all the seeds from a cross into a small plastic Dixie cup with about 1/2" of the bleach/water mixture. I tried that method along with keeping those seeds at a constant 74 degrees while during the germination. The results are outstanding, I am getting 90% or better. You will begin to see results in 5-7 days. Note the pictures of the process. Then I usually plant the entire cross of germinated seeds in about 10-14 days into a fine germinating mix using my tree trays to encourage long roots.

Lee never realized how much he has taught everyone with his articles on his blog, <http://daylilypotpourri.blogspot.com/>. It is still active, and you can review and learn quite a few things that he posted over the years. He started and spent quite a few years overseeing the Mid-Winter Symposium that was held in Chattanooga each January/February. The focus of the symposium was always on education of daylily enthusiasts and hybridizers. I remember going to the first one along with some others and enjoy all the presentations and wine parties.

Lee was the master organizer. He labored for hours upon hours researching and documenting not only all his daylily crosses,

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Germinated seed after 7 days

but he always detailed each of his family and friends vacations so well that they just paid their share of the costs but always left the details to Lee knowing that they would all have a great time. Thankfully I was able to get all his pictures and crosses off his computer before he passed.

My mentor gave me one of the biggest compliments imaginable. Lee knew his days were numbered, he called me one evening and asked me to take over his hybridizing program and continue to produce great reds, building on the foundation that he built. He had over 1000 seedlings and his introductions that were either planted or potted and asked if I could take them all (except for a few of Jean's favorites.) I agreed with the stipulation that 1/2 of the revenue of all his plants and even future introductions would be shared with Jean.

I spent numerous 290-mile trips to Lee's and back taking every one of them. Quite a job! I did my best to get the plants that he had in the ground back into newly prepared beds and his potted plants that he had in water beds, back in new water beds that I prepared. In April I completed moving them all and talked to Lee that I had completed the transfer and he thanked me. I think he was relieved to know that all his work was not going to be left and his legacy would continue.

Lee always had an ending phrase on his emails "Life is very, very good", he lived each and every moment with the determination and vigor to be successful. He also used a phrase with me on numerous occasions "It is not important how many times you try and fail, but how many times you get up off the ground and try again".

I miss you my friend and think about you every day.

Life is very, very good.
Bruce Kovach

Weeding

By Tim Herrington

If you use gallons of "Weed Be Gone" in your arsenal of gardening tools, you could be missing an added benefit to old fashion hand weeding. You all know by now that a weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for learning how to grow in rows. We all have our time machines. Some take us back; they are called memories and weeding can be an excellent stimulus. However daylilies go with weeds just as much as a slug on a scape or thrips in a bud. Conversely weeding and going down memory lane can go hand and hand. Weeding might be considered a nasty chore, but it's a great way to really get to know what's going on in your garden and also your mind. Plus, when it's done in the right frame of mind, weeding can be a pleasant, Zen-like experience. Memories are the treasures that we keep locked deep within the storehouse of our souls, to keep our hearts warm.

Have you ever been weeding in a daylily bed and it triggered a lot of pleasant memories in your mind? For example when I am around *Hemerocallis* 'Curious George' I think of Martha Fawcett. H. 'Me And Joe' rings a bell of a happy day with Joe Watson strolling through our seedling patch. H. 'Mary's Gold' rekindles memories of Harold McDonell and Mary Howard, H. 'Strawberry Cream Cupcake' takes me to the Atlanta Botanical Garden and eating dessert with Lillian Grovenstein. H. 'Cherokee Mary' reminds me of the lovely trip to the Valdosta regional when Ruth Killingsworth and I were staring at it in sheer amazement. H. 'Aliquippa' jogs my memory of our trip to Pittsburgh, Pa. When I see H. 'Baby Boomer' with multiple blooms I visualize the happiness on Becky Brock's face after she had won Best In Show with it in Athens. H. 'Scatterbrain' reminds me that I think Enman Joiner named that daylily for me. I am confident you have comparable recollections as you weed also.

As I grow older, I am beginning to understand that weeding can be a form of meditation. It is kind of like going to another place so you can figure everything out and you are not charged for it. I often get into that meditative zone also when writing, and when I come out I feel completely peaceful. Finally, it's not just about winning the weed war; it's trying to relax about the weeds. A few weeds won't destroy your daylily garden. Weeding is the best time to figure out the world. However when you visit a friend's garden and start pulling their weeds without their consent, then you might be showing signs of going over the edge.

AHS Display Garden Spotlight - Shady Rest Gardens

By Jessie Worsham

Photos by Claude Carpenter

A few years ago I was recruited to be the Display Garden Liason for Region 5. On behalf of the Regional President and AHS Display Garden Chair, I traveled around the state to inspect all the display gardens in the state of Georgia, and also to visit prospective applicants, to make sure they were ready. In my travels I have seen all kinds of gardens, from big to small, from organized to creative chaos, from urban to rural. Each garden has a personality all its own, making it a unique example of how daylilies can contribute to the landscape. Many people have asked me what the purpose of a Display Garden is. I think the answer might be a little different for each garden owner, but as daylily ambassadors, I think the most important purpose of a display garden is to share the beauty and versatility of our favorite flower with other people. When someone sees a beautiful flower bed, they might want to recreate that look in their own garden. They may have never thought of daylilies as anything more than "ditch lilies", but now they see them from a different perspective. In this way, Display Gardens have an important role in accomplishing our mission of promoting daylilies and educating the public.

Of all the AHS Display Gardens I have



it's no surprise that they are frequently asked to be on tour. Shady Rest has been featured at the National Convention, Spring Regional Meeting, NWGDS Garden Tour, and they have hosted multiple local club events.

David and Doris are some of the kindest, most hard working folks I have ever had the privilege to meet. It's hard to believe that they do not employ any staff. They designed and built the garden with almost no outside help. Despite being a

visited, Shady Rest Gardens is one of the most incredible. This hidden retreat is a marvel of human ingenuity and creativity. The large trees, rolling hills, water features, and the amazing plant diversity make it a feast for the eyes. Tucked away in the North Georgia Mountains, David and

"DIY" garden, it contains some impressive features. A picture is worth a thousand words, as they say, so Claude Carpenter visited Shady Rest to take some photos of their amazing landscape.

I had the opportunity to interview David and Doris about what it means to them to have a display garden, and what advice they would give to those who may be considering becoming an official AHS display garden.

Q: What are some of the features that first time visitors notice?

David: If they are new to daylilies they often are surprised at the plant stands and labels. Often they asked if we named them. Most display gardens have a variety of plant material besides daylilies. In



Doris Bishop have created a whimsical place full of imagination and beauty, so



H. 'Senator Edward M. Kennedy'
(Doorakiam 2010)



One of the many hillside gardens



H. 'Doris and David'
(Devito 2014)

AHS Display Garden Spotlight (cont)



H. 'Elizabeth's Kentucky Cupcake'
(T. Herrington 2014)

our garden they might notice all of the terraced flower beds, as we have a hilly terrain.

Doris: Some visitors are overwhelmed by the number of daylilies that we grow and often ask if we have any help taking care of the garden.

Q: What are some of your favorite features or favorite areas in the garden?

David: We have some water features that are soothing to hear, but my favorite area is the seedling beds. There's something new blooming for many weeks each year. We have spent many nights in the Shady Rest Cabin. A peaceful feeling descends upon you when you step inside the door.

Doris: I also enjoy the fairy gardens and the many mini and small hosta groupings that I have created at the storage building.

Q: What are some of the top performers in your garden?



View of the potting shed from garden

David: Any Georgia hybridizer's flowers do very well here, probably due to the climate. This year "Green Bananas," Murphy's "Ocean Spirit," and "A. W. Shucks" have done well.

Doris: "Explosion In The Paint Factory" has been a fun daylily to grow since most of its blooms are different, and it has been a good grower for us.

Q: What are some of your favorite companion plants?

David: In our gardens there are many hostas, Japanese maples, native azaleas, Japanese azaleas, ferns, hydrangeas, and other shade loving flowers.

Doris: Over 600 different hosta cultivars. As we continue to downsize our daylily numbers, we are adding more sun-loving plants such as a mixture of colors of coneflowers, rudbeckia, and both bearded and Japanese iris.

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H. 'Lillian's Lying Eyes'
(Manning 2007)



The Potting Shed



H. 'Thanks for Last Night'
(Kovach 2010)



A large display of H. 'Ocean Spirit' (Murphy 2006)

AHS Display Garden Spotlight (cont)

Q: Approximately how many daylily varieties do you grow?

David & Doris: Around 2000, but we are working to reduce that.

Q: Any fun facts? Anything else you'd like to tell us?

David: I never expected to care anything about any kind of flower. As a teenager, my friends and I thought it was pretty sissy to see my friend Pat's "Uncle Bobby" working in his daylily garden.

Doris: We could not have the garden that we have if both of us did not work together to make it happen. The garden is a shared passion.

Q: What advice would you give to someone who is considering becoming a display garden?

David: Look up the requirements on the AHS website and get daylilies that are not necessarily your favorite color, size, or form. You'll need to consider the cost (in labor and money) of keeping the garden in presentable condition.

Doris: If you do not like having visitors in your garden, being a display garden is not for you.

Thank you David and Doris, for your help with this article, the great advice you have given me and others over the years, and for going above and beyond when it comes to your contributions to the Society. Your garden is a real gem, and I thank you for sharing it with so many people. Despite all the hard work, you have an attitude that inspires others to grow daylilies, and create unique garden spaces of their own.

As AHS members, Display Gardens are an integral part of our mission. According to the website, "An American Daylily Society Display Garden is established to display the very best daylily cultivars to the general public. Its purpose is to educate the visitor about modern daylilies and how they can be used effectively in landscapes." In this way, a daylily garden becomes an art gallery, a masterpiece on display for all to see. I hope some of you will be inspired by Shady Rest Garden, and will be motivated to get outside, play in the dirt and create something new. If



The Magic of Oz Bed

you have a wide variety of daylilies in your garden, enjoy visitors, and love hard work, then please consider becoming an official AHS Display Garden. For requirements and more information, please visit daylilies.org/daylilies/display-gardens/, or contact the Display Garden Chair,

Melodye Campbell, at displaygardens@daylilies.org.

We will highlight more Region 5 Display Gardens in coming issues of The Georgia Daylily.



H.'Green Bananas'
(Herrington, T 2006)



H.'Ocean Spirit'
(Murphy 2006)



A view of some of their hillside gardens

A Fun Time at the Region 5 Spring Meeting



Region 5 Spring Tour Gardens

A Visit to the Garden of Mark and Patty Franklin

By Tim Herrington

What a real treat and delight it was for the attendees of the spring regional to visit the garden of Mark and Patty Franklin's MP Flower Gardens. It is an AHS Display Garden located on four acres with their beautiful home just a few minutes outside of Alpharetta. Arriving early in the morning, we first walked briskly along a driveway onto a slightly rolling slope of daylilies on both sides in a layout of color you'll never see anywhere else. It was like when Dorothy and Toto left the black and white world of Kansas and entered the colorful land of Oz in that famous movie. The Franklin's proudly said to all 'Welcome to our "Hobby Gone Wild"!!! After a short stop at the gazebo and refreshment tables, it was absolutely daylily time in their garden which had a collection of iris, 800+ varieties of daylilies, along with peonies, camellias, crinum lilies, assorted roses, magnolias and many other companion plants. Their daylily collection included small, large, extra large, doubles, unusual forms, spiders, many new introductions and some older, time proven cultivars. But allow me to call attention to their bed of the 30+ different "Mini" cultivars, in that I have never seen a display of that magnificence and beauty anywhere, even at national conventions. Each clump had at least 25 to 30 buds. For those that love and grow daylilies with blooms under 3" in diameter, they no doubt had found miniature heaven.



H. 'Mary's Gold'
(McDonell 1984)
Photo by Tim Herrington



Jim Netherton admires this clump of H. 'Wayne and Coral's Love'
(Netherland 2013)
Winner of the Katsiue Herrington Best Clump Award
Photo by Tim Herrington

garden setting, it was easy to feel that from the eye to the heart beauty is goodness. The standards Mark and Patty have set for their garden layout and design are indeed a true showcase for daylilies. If any of the readers of The Georgia Daylily haven't visited MP Flower Gardens, then it is well worth a trip for you to make. This garden is indeed a love song, a duet between two human beings and Mother Nature.



H. 'Southern French Toast'
(M. Franklin 2014)
Photo by Tim Herrington

We were all dazzled with the Franklin's 'Southern' series of daylilies in full bloom. Mark registered and put into commerce his first 7 daylilies in 2014 which were 'Delightfully Southern', 'Southern By Chance', 'Southern French Toast', 'Southern Heat', 'Southern Original', 'Southern Sunday', and 'Southern Winner'. In 2017 along came 'Southern Wizard'. Also in 2014 four more were registered under the Spencer-Franklin named which are 'Atlanta Daze', 'Janina Spencer', 'Southern Gem' and 'Southern Heart Breaker'. In 2018 Mark has registered 6 daylilies using the 'Southern' prefix which are presently on display. They also had some outstanding seedlings, which means the daylily world is in store for some beautiful daylilies in the future. After the tour as I embraced the exquisiteness of their



Photos by Pam Haffner

Region 5 Spring Tour Gardens

A Visit to the Garden of Claude & Martha Carpenter

By David Bishop

To say that the daylily garden of Claude and Martha Carpenter is one of the best in Georgia is an understatement. First, it could be THE best daylily garden in Georgia, although some people have others in mind. That means that it is one of the best in the US. That means it is one of the best in the world. Most people in Region 5 have visited the garden, the rest need to do so. It was a remarkable garden at another location years ago, but it seems even better now.

If you like a neat garden, this would suit you just fine. With all of the things that Claude does for the national society and Region 5, it's hard to believe that he can maintain such a beautiful place. He cannot sleep much during the spring and summer. All of his daylilies are clumps, as were in the other gardens on the tour in



June. The voting for clump award must have been divided many different ways, as there were so many to see. He has one of the best collections of small and miniature daylilies anywhere. Many of them are Herrington introductions. Claude has figured out how to grow them well with just the right amount of water and the

correct type of fertilizer. Insects may be afraid to bite one of his daylilies. Daylilies from the Carpenter garden have won Best In Show at daylily shows more than once. He entered five cultivars in the Ophelia Taylor Award portion of the NWGDS show on June 23, and one of his entries still won Best In Show! His rule now is that if a daylily comes in the garden to be grown, one must exit it. Staying small is certainly one way to control your work so



that every flower is pampered.

The snacks served by Martha in their garden during the tour may have caused some of us to go off our diets. She could start a recipe book of things she's cooked up for garden visitors.

Any visit to the Carpenter garden is a pleasant experience.



H. 'Heavenly United We Stand'

(Gossard 2009)

Photo by Claude Carpenter



A clump of H. 'Purple Tarantula' (Gossard 2011)

Photo by Claude Carpenter



H. 'A Little Twisted' (Elliott 2018)

Photo by Claude Carpenter

Region 5 Spring Tour Gardens

A Visit to the Garden of Bruce and Pat Kovach By Claude Carpenter

As you enter the garden area from the terrace level of Bruce and Pat's home you see a large display garden located in a valley with a large fountain in the center. Terraced beds containing seedlings go up the slope behind the display garden. To the right is a huge greenhouse where Bruce does most of his hybridizing. I understand that the greenhouse can accommodate 1200 seedlings. On the slope from the house to the display garden is a cascading waterfall. The waterfall and the fountain in the center of the display area provide a soothing sound as you enter the garden.

This year has been a year in transition for Centerpiece Garden. Bruce was a good friend of Lee Pickles who passed away recently. Bruce was asked by Lee to continue his hybridizing program. Over the last several months Bruce has moved thousands of Lee's seedlings from Chattanooga to Centerpiece Garden and has merged Lee's hybridizing program with his.



**Kovach Seedling
Junior Citation Candidate**



**Kovach Seedling
Junior Citation Candidate**

Visitors to the garden got to see quite a number of seedlings and well as a display area with a large selection of daylilies. There were quite a number of doubles since Bruce's hybridizing focus has been primarily on doubles until he recently took over Lee's hybridizing program.

The Garden Judges II class was taught in the garden during the visit and the Region 5 Hybridizer's bed was located in the garden as well.

We look forward to the introductions that will come out of Bruce's hybridizing program in the coming years. I understand that he has several daylilies to register this year.



Scott and Joann cooling in the shade



Bridges and stone walkways are located between the house and the garden.



A large fountain is positioned in the center of the display garden

Club Reports

Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta

Cynthia Rigsby, Reporter

It has certainly been a very busy daylily season this past spring for the members of the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta (DSGA). For the past two years we have been preparing for hosting the Region 5 AHS Spring meeting which was held June 14 and 15 at the Atlanta-Alpharetta Hilton Garden Inn. The committee for the meeting discussed having the weekend a little different from years past. One thing that was a big success was the addition of games during free time on Saturday afternoon after the three beautiful garden tours. The Franklins, Carpenters, and Kovachs all welcomed everyone into their wonderful gardens. It's hard to capture all of the beauty during the time given for the tours, but we did our best. We were delighted to have as our guest speaker, Julie Covington, past AHS President. Julie shared pictures of her small daylilies. The hotel experience was enjoyable because of the helpfulness of the staff and the tasty breakfast. All in all, our club was pleased with the results and are looking forward to the meeting next year in Middle Georgia.

Early in the spring we participated in a couple of plant sales in the Greater Atlanta area. First, we went to the big barn in Cumming for the Forsyth County Master Gardeners' plant sale.

Club members knew so many of the master gardeners who were there working that it added to the fun of being there to sell beautiful daylilies. Two weeks later, we went to Bulloch Hall in Roswell for the North Fulton Master Gardeners' sale. This is a very pleasant venue where we see our friends who come back for more daylilies every year. Both sales were very good.

Since our club hosted the Region 5 Spring Meeting, it was decided that we would not have a certified show this year; however, we did decide to have an off-scape show, photo contest and plant sale on June 23. This turned out to be a great idea as there was a lot of good PR and educational opportunities. The attendees were the judges of both the off-scape section and the photo contest. Winners of these contests were members who are new to entering shows.

There were 5 categories in photo contest and were won by Martha Carpenter, Palmer Haffner, and Pam Haffner.

Winners in the off-scape section were Levi Alsup with first and third places for entering "Entwined in the Vine" and "Green Inferno."

Second place went to Royce Stanford with "Hotlanta," and fourth and fifth went to Bruce Alsup with "Southern Winner" and "Milk Chocolate." Bruce Kovach had the most popular seedling. Congratulations to all!



Our Young adult member Levi Alsup won 1st and 3rd place in the off-scape section.

Southwest Georgia Daylily Society

Scott Herrick, Reporter

The Southwest Georgia Daylily Society had its annual Daylily Show at the Lion's Club of Donalsonville on the 19th of May. There was a good turnout of both exhibitors and the public! Our Daylily sale that was running concurrently actually was shut down much earlier than we had planned because there was so many buyers that we sold out! The Nethertons brought many beautiful flowers and their quality was reflected in the number of their flowers that ended on the head table. One of Jim's flowers, Wayne And Coral's Love, took the top honor, Best In Show!

We had our post show picnic at the beautiful home of Lee Ann Heard with very good attendance, but now we are going into summer hibernation.



**Best in Show
H. 'Wayne and Coral's Love'
(Nethernton 2013)**



**Jim Netherland with his entry of
H. 'Wayne and Coral's Love'**

Dublin Area Hemerocallis Society

Tim Herrington, Reporter



Pictured are the members who placed daylilies in Section 14 to honor Pat Mercer during Pat Mercer Appreciation Day at our show. L-R are Bill Sheppard, Kay Sheppard, Joe Copeland, Pat Mercer, Jack Brock, Hans Herrington, Joe Watson, Heather Herrington and Janet Watson.

The club meets the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Oconee Fall Line Technical College in Dublin. We start our meetings with a prayer and then the meal. Members are always delighted with the variety of food members bring to each meeting. Next our Secretary Lana Lott always reads the minutes from the previous meeting. Then our Treasurer, Jack Joiner, gives us a financial report. After that Chip Wood always gives his Presidents report. At the end of each program we all get a chance to draw for many wonderful door prizes.

Since the last edition of The Georgia Daylily, we have had 4 meetings. On March 26, Winfred and



**Best In Show
H. 'Go Go Curls' (Herrington, T 2016)**

Janie Huff came to visit and did a program on their daylilies. Winfred specializes in Unusual Forms and Spiders and their garden is named Back Yard Daylilies located at 146 Henson Road in Hawkinsville. We were shown their 2017 and 2018 introductions and many futures coming down the pipeline. During the program members received some complimentary plants from their program. Many of their daylilies are named for Indian Chiefs and anything related to the Georgia Bulldogs. We were indeed blessed for them to show us their daylilies.

On April 22, the club conducted a pocket change auction which brought in a lot of money for us. Then the club voted to honor Pat Mercer and dedicate the show to her with an official proclamation read by President Chip Wood and approved by all the members. She is our only charter member and is the longest active member. We realize that a celebration of daylilies and the people who grow them are indeed represented by this astonishing lady. She is the recipient of the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal which is the Daylily Society's highest honor. Section 14 in the show schedule was called the Pat Mercer Appreciation Award Entries with a cash prize of \$50.00 for 1st Place and \$25.00 for 2nd Place to be awarded at the end of the judging.

On May 28, show plans were discussed and our master exhibitor Jack Brock conducted a grooming clinic assisted by Chip Wood. On June 2, we had 170 entries in our show from 19 exhibitors who were; Amelia McLeod, Asha Downey, Brenda Jones, Chip Wood, Chris Wood, Hans Herrington, Heather Herrington, Janet Watson, Joe Copeland, Joe Watson, John Downey, Justin McLeod, Kay Sheppard, Lindsey McLeod, Michael Land, Mike Curlin, Pat Mercer,

Paula Copeland, and Tim Herrington.

On June 24, Chip Wood began the annual member appreciation activities with giving out some special gifts. He thanked everyone including those not present for all the work they have done during the year and for coming to the meetings. We have a great president who takes the time to honor his members. Then Lana Lott and Mike Land helped with putting gifts in 2 boxes and members got to choose one of them or Chip offered some daylily cash for points for the annual point auction. It was like the 'Let's Make A Deal' TV show. What fun we had.

2018 Show Results

Best Unusual Form Flower and Best In Show H. 'GO GO CURLS' entered by Tim Herrington.

Best Extra-Large Flower H. 'HEAVENLY UNITED WE STAND' entered by Chip Wood;

Best Large Flower H. 'JAMMIN'S BLUSHING BRIDE' entered by Chip Wood

Best Small Flower H. 'FESTIVAL OF APPLES' entered by Jack Brock

Best Miniature Flower H. 'LIL' BLACK BUDS' entered by Jack Brock

Best Spider Flower H. 'JOURNEY TO OZ' entered by Heather Herrington

Best Double Flower H. 'IF I ONLY HAD A BRAIN' entered by Chip Wood

Best Youth Entry H. 'DIXIELAND FIVE' entered by Hans Herrington

Best Popularity Poll Flower H. 'DOROTHY AND TOTO' entered by Chip Wood

Best Seedling #6218 entered by Chip Wood;

Sweepstakes Winner was Jack Brock

AHS Award of Appreciation for Educational Exhibit winner was Terry Litke

Achievement Medal Winner-
Tim Herrington

Albany Daylily Society

Toni Pickel, Reporter

March 2018

The Albany Club meeting was held March 17th and our guest speaker was Scott Elliott from Maneki Neko Gardens! As always, Scott has amazing helpful hints and assistance in helping others in their daylily beds; and Scott never disappoints with his plants that he brings for Auction!

April 2018

The Albany Club April meeting was held April 21st, and our guest speaker was Glenn and Lonnie Ward from Oak Heaven Farms Daylilies. We all enjoyed hearing about the Koi ponds and the Wards have built their little piece of Haven not too far up the road from Albany. We look forward to visiting soon!



Best In Show
H. 'Darth Ciduuous'
(Elliott 2017)

May 2018

Our annual Albany Mall Show was held May 12, 2018 at the Albany Mall. Our Show Chairman was Kaye Fearneyhough, Co-Chair was Marlon Brown and Show Emeritus was Marion Tyus.

We had 133 scapes entered into the Show, not too bad for the crazy weather we had leading up to the Show! And it looks like sales were great as well! Also, we had about 17 new members sign up.

June 2018

The Albany Club took the month of June 2018 off for time to get our gardens back in order and time to spend with family.

July 2018

The Albany Club took the month of July 2018 off for time to spend with family, way too hot for digging! Happy 4th!

Upcoming

August 2018

The Albany Club will be hosting a picnic meeting at the home of Reid and Jennifer Arnold. Our guest speakers will be Jim and Mary Netherton and they will discuss the in's and out's on how to showcase your entries at a Daylily Show. Can't wait for this one!

September 2018

The Albany Club will be back out normal location of Phoebe East, 12 Noon. Our guest speaker will be Winifred and Janie Huff from Backyard Daylilies.

October 2018

The Albany Club will be hosting our Annual Points Auction, much anticipated meeting for the Albany

Club! Can't wait to see what we have for Auction!

If you are ever this way, please stop in to one of our meetings, we would love to have you!

Thanks,
Toni

2018 Show Results

Extra Large – H. Humdinger (Joiner 1988)
William McLeod

Large – H. Wild Dreams (Grace.L 2012) Jim Netherton

Small – H. Darth Ciduuous (Elliott 2017) Scott Elliott (Best In Show)

Miniature – H. Rhett My Boy (Netherton 2015) Mary Netherton

Double/Multiform/Poly - H. Jelly Filled Donut (Eller.N 2004) Mary Netherton

Spider – H. Green Frolic (Netherton 2008) Jim Netherton

Unusual Form – H. Getting Airborne (Gossard 2006) William McLeod

Youth – H. Amethyst Prism (Pierce.G 2013) Amelia McLeod

Popularity Poll – N/A

Seedling – POE3501 (Netherton) Jim Netherton

Heart of Georgia Daylily Society

Wanda Willis, Reporter

The Heart of Georgia Daylily Club, Perry, Ga continues to grow with daylily lovers & even those not familiar with Daylilies. They are being educated at each meeting about growing & caring for them. We acquired five new members at our July meeting.

Some of the club members were able to go to Joiner Daylily Gardens on May 1, 2018 & purchase some of



Heart of Georgia members in the Joiner Garden

their beautiful daylilies. The Joiner's were so gracious and made it possible for our club members to have a picnic at their garden. We surely will miss buying from them & wish them well in retirement.

Central Georgia Daylily Society

Anne Weathers, Reporter

Daylily enthusiasts love this time of year. We get to enjoy our beautiful plants and share them with others. Of course there is the hard work of getting them ready for the show and preparing for the show. But it's all more than worth it!

In April we met at the Hopewell United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for a pot luck supper, door prizes and to plan our spring flower show. We voted on the AHS Popularity Poll also. Juanita Yearwood donated many wonderful plants from the Yearwood garden to the club for auction and we were able to get some of the "Earnest Yearwood Collection" cultivars. Throughout the year our club has benefited from the generosity of Mrs. Yearwood. She has graciously donated many lovely daylilies to the club to sell and add to our club's assets. We are blessed by the friendship and memories of the Yearwoods.

Jack and Becky Brock hosted the May meeting at their lovely home. We toured their garden and shared a delicious pot luck supper before settling down to business. After finalizing arrangements for the upcoming flower show, Becky Brock demonstrated grooming techniques on specimens brought by members. Then she explained how the blooms were judged. We also had the opportunity to add to our gardens with an auction of donated daylilies. Also in May, our club president Becky Brock spoke to the Milledgeville Garden Club. In the presentation, she discussed how to grow daylilies and how to exhibit them. She then gave each member a daylily plant.

On June 5th, the Central Georgia Daylily Club show was held at the Walter B. Williams Recreation Center in Milledgeville. Participation was good with 161 cultivars entered. The following were the results of the show:

We want to thank all those who helped make our show a success. We particularly want to thank those who came from out of town to enter and enjoy our flowers.



Best In Show - H. 'Ms Mary's Pick'

2018 Show Results

Best Large Cultivar: H. 'Entwined in the Vine-
entered' by Kay Sheppard

Best Extra Large Cultivar: H. 'Fried Green
Tomatoes' - entered by Chip Wood

Best Small Cultivar: H. 'Buckets of Butter'-
entered by Jack Brock

Best Miniature Cultivar: H. 'Ms Mary's Pick'
entered by Jack Brock

Best Double Cultivar: H. 'Peach Cupcake'-
entered by Chip Wood

Best Spider Cultivar- H. 'Yellow Monkey'-
entered by Jack Brock

Best Unusual Form Cultivar: H. 'Tahoe Snow
Blizzard' - entered by Jack Brock

Best Seedling Entry: entered by Velma Brett

Best Novice Entry: entered by Sharon Carr

Best Off Scape Entry: H. 'Spotted Fever' -
entered by Joe & Janet Watson

Best In Show: H. 'Ms Mary's Pick' -
entered by
Jack Brock

Sweepstakes: Jack Brock

Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society

Glenn Ward, Reporter

We would like to invite everybody to attend our club meetings, which are held on the 1st Saturday of every other month (Jan, March, May, July, Sept., & Nov.) except when the meeting date falls on a holiday weekend, AHS Region 5 meeting or AHS National Convention date, at which then we meet the following weekend. Our meetings are now being held at the Columbus Botanical Garden, 3603 Weems Rd., Columbus, GA.



**AHS President Judie Branson
presents the
'Daylily Ambassador Award'**

Festival this year, to present The Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society, Columbus Botanical Garden and University Of Georgia Extension Service with a new AHS award called the "Daylily Ambassador Award". This award is presented to the club or organization that has been an advocate and educator to the general public about daylilies. Our club had another very good Daylily Festival and Show at the Columbus Botanical Garden. The results of our daylily show was as follows:

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Judie Branson (AHS President) made an appearance at our Daylily

Greater Augusta Daylily Society

Arleigh Mansfield, Reporter

May 10th

Our May meeting always falls on the 3rd Sunday of the month so that we do not gather on Mother's Day, so on this muggy Sunday that could have passed for mid-summer thirteen of us met at Lake Park Baptist Church. Arleigh Mansfield called the meeting to order promptly at 2:30. We first expressed our sympathy to treasurer Barbara Drew whose husband recently passed away.

After the minutes and reports Jim Shipp, show chair, proclaimed that all was ready for our June 2nd show. One obstacle this year had been that Charlie Shaw, who in the past has so generously supplied us with daylilies for the plant sale was not able to do so this year. However, a former member Mary Sawilowsky and current member Emory Hale stepped up to offer their plants. A great big thank you to these two.

Larry Welch spoke on the rules for daylily entries in the show. He included how to fill out an entry form properly and how to groom. He delineated the various divisions and sections. Larry also explained the point system by which the judges render their decisions. We should all be ready for a great show on June 2nd.

June 2nd

The persistent rain that had plagued us for about 2 1/2 weeks abated and capitulated to the bright sunshine. We were all concerned about the quality of our blooms with the fickle temperatures and the deluges but we managed to produce 97 on-scape and 5 off-

scape entries. We rivaled busy ants as we scurried around preparing the blooms, the 48 photography entries and the colorful designs. Many thanks to Jim and Vicki Shipp, Ginny Allen, our judges and all who made this a successful show. Three people became new members. Welcome Anne, Linda and Pam. We look forward to seeing you at future meetings.



Best In Show
Seedling entered by Emory Hale

2018 Show Results

Extra Large: H. 'Standing at Attention' - Larry Welch

Large: H. 'Spacecoast Francis Busby' - Larry Welch

Small: H. 'Buckets of Butter' - Emory Hale

Miniature - H. 'June Bug' - Emory Hale

Double - H. 'Legacy of Life' - Emory Hale

Spider - H. 'Miss Jessie' - Emory Hale

Unusual Form - H. 'Gold Pinwheel' -

Emory Hale

Seedling - Emory Hale

Best In Show - Seedling - Emory Hale

Sweepstakes and Master Sweepstakes
Emory Hale

Photography - Jeannie Cadden

Tricolor - Pam Kolb

Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society (cont)

2018 Show Results

Best Large and Best In Show - H. 'Mary's Gold' - David Fitch

Best Extra Large - H. 'Beautiful Edgings' - Wayne Snellgrove



Head Table Photo by Show Committee

Best Small - H. 'Darth Ciduous' - Scott Elliott

Best Miniature - H. 'Wise Blood' - Dominique Elliott

Best Double - H. 'Mayelle' - Scott Elliott

Best Spider - H. 'Journey to Oz' - Pam Snellgrove

Best UF - H. 'Plum Gorgeous' - Glenn Ward

Best Seedling - Sedse 17-43 - Scott Elliott

Sweepstakes - Larry Miller

People's Choice Award - H. 'Plum Gorgeous' - Glenn Ward



Best In Show
H. 'Mary's Gold' (McDonnell 1984)
Photo by Claude Carpenter

Northwest Georgia Daylily Society

David Bishop, Reporter

The Northwest Georgia Daylily Society meets the fourth Saturday in each month except November and December. We meet at the beautiful Stiles Auditorium at 10:00 AM, so people may go about their business after the meeting. In March we hosted Bill Waldrop, a great hybridizer and a member of our club. He gave an energetic presentation and auctioned some of his award winning daylilies. April saw Bruce and Kathy Fowler visiting our club. They are excellent speakers and gave us much information about growing daylilies. We saw some of their grand introductions, plus some that are coming out next year. May saw Jim Mullins instructing the club on the finer points of grooming daylilies for the show. He certainly knows about preparing them.

The 2018 NWGDS Show was the best show in recent years. We had an incredible turnout of volunteers, and exhibitors, as well as visitors from the public. We also had record plant sales and 30 new members joined. Over 150 people came to buy flowers or view the show. Of the 174 entries, we had 18 Extra Large, 27 Large, 19 small, 13 miniature, 11 Double/Multi-Form/Poly, 16 Spiders, 32 UFs, 29 Youth, 6 Pop Poll, and 3 Seedlings. In addition to these entries, we also had 4 Ophelia Taylor entries, winners of which will be announced after review by the AHS. Despite the overwhelming number of entries, our judges deftly selected the top scoring entries for the head table. Thank you to the judges, Jim Netherton, Jack & Cynthia Rigsby, James & Louise Fennell, and Barbara Kirby. We know we didn't make it easy for you.

A special thank you to those who were involved in publicity. I believe the increased publicity contributed to the amazing turnout. Now that we have established a presence, I think next



Best In Show
H. 'My Buddy Landon' (L. B. Davis 2013)

year can be even better!

In July we will have an ice cream social, discuss the show, choose a Nominating Committee, and play a little "Daylily Bingo." We have our MARS (points) auction at the August meeting and everyone has a swell time. September will be a plant swap and social gathering. The club will elect new officers in October, plus make plans for a great 2019!

Refreshments and a Bargain Table are regular features at our meetings. Visitors receive free daylilies. We laugh a lot. That's free, also. Club website: www.nwgds.org

Show Results

- Best In Show - H. 'My Buddy Landon' - Claude Carpenter
- Best Youth - H. 'Along Came Amanda' - Kendra Gaby
- Best Double - H. 'Uncle Wiggly Longears' - Jim Mullins
- Best Spider - H. 'Incy Wincy Spider' - Deb Akin
- Best Small - H. 'End of the Tunnel' - Jessie Worsham
- Best Popularity Poll - H. 'Dorothy and Toto' - Jim Mullins
- Best Large - H. 'Citrus Punch' - Jim Mullins
- Best Seedling - "Seedling B4" - Jim Mullins
- Best Unusual Form - H. 'My Buddy Landon' - Claude Carpenter
- Best Extra Large - H. 'Heavenly United We Stand' - Jim Mullins
- Best Miniature - H. 'Peanut Butter Frenzy' - Claude Carpenter
- Sweepstakes - Jim Mullins
- Award of Appreciation - Lori Murphy
- Design (People's Choice Vote) - Jo Ann Dorsey
- Off Scape (People's Choice Vote) - Kendra Gaby

Savannah Hemerocallis Society

Gail Fowler, Reporter

The Savannah club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at The Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens and Bamboo Farm, Hwy 17 S., Savannah, GA 31419. We warmly welcome both members and guests.

2018 Events:

- September 20th Annual Plant Points Auction
- October (TBA) Botanical Garden plant sale
- December 8th Christmas Social & gift exchange

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The Savannah Hemerocallis Society 2018 annual Daylily Show was held on May 19th at Oglethorpe Mall in Savannah, GA. The name of our show was "Blooming Good Show" and the results are as follows:

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2018 Show Results

- Best Extra-Large - H. 'Keep Me In Mind' - Sheila Woo
- Best Large - H. 'Symphony of Color' - Heather Herrington
- Best Small - H. 'One Eye Willie' - Tim Herrington
- Best Miniature & Best In Show - H. 'Munchkin Music' - Tim Herrington
- Best Double - H. 'Strawberry Cream Cupcake' - Heather Herrington
- Best Spider - H. 'A Little Twisted' - Scott Elliott

North Georgia Daylily Society

Lynn McAllum, Reporter

Our club held its 26th annual daylily show on Saturday, June 2nd at our usual venue, the State Botanical Garden in Athens. Even though we had a late blooming season and an early show date, our show was beautiful. Judges commented on our fresh, vibrant flowers, and the warm welcome and hospitality shown by our club members. We extend our thanks to Perry McAllum, who has served three consecutive years in a row as Show Chairman, and to all club members who worked together to pull out all the stops for a beautiful show. Although we are extremely proud of all of the show winners, we especially offer congratulations to David Hoechst, winner of Best In Show and Sweepstakes, and to Ron and Susan Wise, who won Best Double with their very first daylily show experience, as well as Lexi Holliday, who won Best Youth in HER first show experience.

Prior to that, members gathered at the home and garden of David Hoechst, Dragonfly Farm, for our annual Membership Award Points auction and covered dish picnic on a beautiful, sunny day. Members who arrived early were treated to a tour of David's place. Members used their accrued points they earned for attending meetings and participating in events to purchase daylilies.

Two weeks after the show, club members spent a lovely afternoon at the home and garden of Mike and Tracy Dorsey, Bottoms Up Daylilies in Cleveland, enjoying an outdoor luau party. Mike's amazing seedlings were on display and members enjoyed walking through the

beautiful garden, admiring daylilies and other flowers. During this time we also discussed our show and ways we could improve it.

On Saturday, July 7th our club will be taking a day bus trip to Bob Selman's Blue Ridge Daylilies. Bob, along with Eric Simpson, had auctioned off some of their gorgeous introductions at an earlier meeting, so we are anxious to pick up the daylilies we purchased and enjoy an afternoon in the garden.

Our club takes a break in August and September, and reconvenes in October.

We invite anyone interested to attend any of our meetings and club functions. We love guests! More information about our club and upcoming events can be found on our website, www.northgeorgiadaylilysociety.com.



Best In Show
H. 'Red Light Green Light'

2018 Show Results

Extra Large: H. 'Virgil's Suspenders'
entered by Elaine Kelley

Large: H. 'Asheville Sunlit Rainbow'
entered by David Hoechst

Small: H. 'Red Light Green Light'
entered by David Hoechst

Miniature: H. 'Raspberry Pixie'
entered by Don Holliday

Double: H. 'Adopt Me'
entered by Ron Wise

Spider: H. 'Velvet Ribbons'
entered by David Hoechst

UF: H. 'Twitter Bug'
entered by David Hoechst

Youth: H. 'Little Business'
entered by Lexi Holliday

Seedling: Luther Beck #15-6

Sweepstakes winner: David Hoechst

Best In Show: Small: H. 'Red Light Green Light'
entered by David Hoechst

Venue: State Botanical Garden, Athens

Savannah Hemerocallis Society (cont)

Best UF - H. 'President Chip' -
Heather Herrington

Best Youth - H. 'Say Hello To Hans' -
Hans Herrington

Best Popularity Poll - H. 'Everybody Loves
Earnest' - Stan Woo

Best Seedling - Heather Herrington

Achievement Metal - 3 seedlings (17-07)
Scott Elliott

E.R. Joiner GA Hybridizer's Collection Award
H. 'Keep Me In Mind'; H. 'Kay's Rosy Cheeks';
H. 'Keep Waltzin' - entered by Sheila Woo

Sweepstakes - Stan Woo



Winner's Table



Best In Show
H. 'Munchkin Music'

Honors Court

Cobb County Daylily Society

Diana Waldrop, Reporter

We meet on Sundays at 2:00 p.m. in Room 256 at the Marietta First United Methodist Church, 56 Whitlock Avenue, in Marietta, Georgia 30064. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, August 12, 2018. This is always a fun meeting because we have Pizza and we vote on our favorite daylilies from the Popularity Poll.

Earlier this year on April 28 and 29, our plant sales person, Gene McCord, set us up to sell some daylilies at the Jonquil Festival in Smyrna. It was very successful, and we sold many daylilies. This is our fourth year selling at the Festival and we now have customers who have purchased daylilies in prior years. Gene makes sure everyone gets a membership brochure and the people always enjoy receiving an AHS Daylily Journal or the Georgia Daylily Journal.



At our May 6th meeting, we enjoyed hearing from Chris Forest, a Cobb County Master Gardener. She taught us about making healthy soil to use in growing our plants. Chris also told us about those “billions of micro-organisms in a single pinch of soil and how they all need to eat and how to feed them. She was quite inspirational and I think many members of our club decided we need to do better preparing our soil and growing our plants.

On May 24th we enjoyed “Breakfast in the Garden” at Bill and Diana’s Garden. Claude Carpenter taught us about grooming our



daylilies for the upcoming Daylily Show and Sally Holcombe helped us with the Designs for our Show. We had good food, good fellowship and good daylily instruction.



On June 2, 2018, we had another successful Daylily Show. Camilla Arthur was our Chair and Don Bodnar was our Co-chair. We had 107 entries, with a very successful plant sale and approximately 40 to 50 people who came inside to see the flowers and the exhibits. All total, we believe we had over 150 people visit our Show. We purchased a new Samsung Tablet so we could use the “Square”. About one-half of our sales were made as a result of being able for our customers to use their credit cards. We also gained two new members at the Show and an additional nine members from two daylily sales at Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens.



Best In Show
H. ‘Yellow Monkey’

2018 Show Results

Best XL - H. ‘Ring of Magnetism’ -
Jim Mullins

Best Large - H. ‘Dark Eclipse’ -
Diana Waldrop

Best Small - H. ‘Ceechee’s Cookie’ -
Jim Mullins

Best Miniature - H. ‘Little Mystic Moon’ -
Jim Mullins

Best Double - H. ‘Color Frenzy’ -
Diana Waldrop

Best Spider and Best In Show
H. ‘Yellow Monkey’ - Jim Mullins

Best UF - H. ‘Off To See The Wizard’ -
David Arthur

Best PP - H. ‘Mayor of Munchkinland’ -
Jim Mullins

Best Seedling - Bill Waldrop

Best Design - ‘Playing The Drum’ -
Camilla Arthur

Sweepstakes - Jim Mullins



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Valdosta Hemerocallis Society

Kathy Fowler, Reporter

The Valdosta Club has been having a busy bloom and meeting season. We have been so glad to see the bloom season come, but as always it is slowly fading away.

In April we finalized all the plans for the Valdosta Daylily Show held at the Mall in Valdosta Ga. We were delighted to welcome Jim Mullins who gave a great grooming presentation. Everyone left excited for the show to come. In May the Judges Picnic/meeting was held at Bruce and Kathy Fowlers garden, "Kathy's Daylilies". Bargain plants were brought for the sale the

following day and reminders were given out on times for all participating or helping. A delicious meal was served, afterwards a short business meeting and an auction was held. Lots of wonderful times and lots of laughter was had by all. The following day the Daylily show was held. Congratulations to all the winners and especially to Penny Certain for taking the Best in Show with her Best Large Daylily. June followed with yet another picnic with all the delicious trimmings which was held at the Wynn's Daylily Garden. Another great

time was had by all who attended. More good times are yet to come this summer. The clubs normal meeting time is the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Western Sizzlin in Adel Ga. Members and visitors are delighted at the meetings end with a live auction. We invite all to join us for a good time and lots of great camaraderie with each other.



**Sweepstakes Winner
Terry Wilson**



**Best In Show
H. 'Spacecoast Irish Illumination'
Perrelia Certain with her BIS**

2018 Show Results

Best in Show-- H. 'Spacecoast Irish Illumination' -Perrelia Certain

Best Ex-Large - H. 'Columbia Emerald' - Gene Wynn

Best Small - H. 'Mississippi Bill Robinson' - Gene Wynn

Best Miniature - H. 'Little Black Buds' - Gene Wynn

Best UF - H. 'Cool Banana' - Kathy Fowler

Best Seedling - Tim Bell

Popularity Poll - H. 'Dorothy and Toto' - Mary Wynn

Achievement Medal - Tim Bell with Seedlings

Sweepstake Award - Terry Wilson

Middle Georgia Daylily Society

Winfred Huff, Reporter

Well, summer has arrived, and the flowers which had been blooming profusely have now begun to wind down for the growing season. Those rebloomers have put on their next scape, and some beauty is showing in the garden. The excitement and expectation in the spring has now turned to dreams of next year. In Middle Georgia, the season was one of the best in quite some time. The gardens in our club put on a show this year and made all its owners proud to have had the chance to grow new, old, and favorite cultivars. We look forward to fall and the opportunity to plant some new cultivars and get them ready for the regional which will be held in our area next year. Preparations have already begun to host next year's meeting. We look forward to showing what mother nature has blessed us with. See you then!



**Best In Show
H. 'Incy Wincy Spider' (Herrington 2009)**

2018 Show Results

Best Extra Large: H. 'Sundays With Vernon' - Jack Brock

Best Small: H. 'Little Orange Tex' - Jack Brock

Best Seedling: Chip Wood

Best Miniature: H. 'Tim's Poetry' - Buddy Melvin

Best Double/Poly: H. 'Tim Herrington' - James Fennell

Best Spider and Best In Show: H. 'Incy Wincy Spider' - Tim Herrington

Best Unusual Form: H. 'Adventures In Oz' - Michael Land

Best Youth: H. 'Lime Tree Delight' - Hans Herrington

Best Popularity Poll P: H. 'Dorothy And Toto' - Tim Herrington

Best Large: H. 'Fried Green Tomatoes' - Tim Herrington

Ogeechee Daylily Society

Beverly Cook, Reporter

Despite our weather issue, this year has been a good one (so far) for our Club.

Ogeechee Daylily Club hosted a show at Fellowship Baptist Church in Brooklet that resulted in Best in Show for Scott Elliott, plus three achievement medals. Royce Joiner received two achievement awards and Jan Joiner received two as well. Pardon the pun, but that's real achievement! Sue Cliett, as always, did a wonderful job on the organization and presentation.

Scott Elliott also hosted several mobile shows that were a tremendous success. Always willing to share his knowledge, Scott always tries to make his guests feel welcome and special. Justin McLeod won the Ophelia Taylor Award, Scott received 3 achievement (bringing his grand total of 11 this year alone) and Best Flower award for 867-53 AND Best In Show on 5/26 for A LITTLE TWISTED.

At the Nationals, BIG FUSS (Jan Joiner 2013) won the Georgia Award for Doubles. This is a large double yellow/salmon/orange TET of varied form. Jan could not be present because the Garden was open. She fully expects to make it next year to see her friends, and since the Garden will not be open, there should not be a conflict.

Most of you know by now, but this will be the last season for Joiner Gardens. Jan and Royce are retiring. Both will continue to hybridize and will welcome visitors (by appointment) to show them around, but they will not be offering plants for sale. They are attempting to gather all 800 of the registered Joiner daylilies into the Gardens, most of which will be viewable at the Nationals in 2020. Both are really anticipating a good retirement with lots of daylily time—without the hassle of paperwork.

Our peak season is almost over here in

southeast Georgia, but with the freakish weather we've had, who knows what will happen next?



**Best In Show - Main Show
H. 'Bob Loves Barbara'**



**Best In Show - Mobile Show
H. 'A Little Twisted'**

Ogeechee Main Show 2018 Show Results

- Best XL: H. 'N. A. Shucks', - Scott Elliott
- Best Large: H. 'Victorian Princess' - Justin McLeod
- Best Small: H. 'Dietmar's Wisdom' - Dominique Elliott
- Best Miniature: H. 'Wise Blood' - Dominique Elliott
- Best Double and Best In Show: H. 'Bob Loves Barbara' - Scott Elliott
- Best Spider: H. 'Jumpin' Jan', Scott Elliott
- Best UF: H. 'Tender is the Night' - Dominique Elliott
- Best Seedling: Royce Joiner
- Achievement Medal: sedse16-08, Scott Elliott; sedse16-61, Scott Elliott; sedse16-03, Scott Elliott
- Achievement Medal: J12TD-JKsdlg xTPB212-26, Jan Joiner; J12TDJKSdlgxTPB212-31, Jan Joiner;
- Achievement Medal: R12THOWxHBHMB-4, Royce Joiner; R12TGen42-3, Royce Joiner
- Sweepstakes: Kevin McClinton

Ogeechee Mobile Show 2018 Show Results

- Best XL: H. 'Red Volunteer' - Justin McLeod
- Best Large: H. 'Light in August' - Dominique Elliott
- Best Small: H. '867-53 Oh Nine' - Scott Elliott
- Best Miniature: H. 'Wise Blood' - Dominique Elliott
- Best Double: H. 'Bob Loves Barbara' - Scott Elliott
- Best Spider and Best In Show: H. 'A Little Twisted' - Scott Elliott
- Best UF: H. 'Gooficus' - Scott Elliott
- Seedling: Dominique Elliott
- Achievement Medal: sedse17-55, Scott Elliott; sedse13-05, Scott Elliott; sedse18-35, Scott Elliott; sedse17-30, Scott Elliott
- Sweepstakes: Scott Elliott
- Ophelia Taylor Entry: Justin McLeod

HELLO FALL

Fall Regional Meeting date: Saturday, 06 Oct 18
Meeting location: Flint EMC Community Service Center
900 GA Highway 96, Warner Robins GA 31088

A Registration/Lunch Fee of \$16 per person will be charged for this meeting. A registration form is provided at the bottom of this page.

Proposed Agenda/Times as follows:

8:45 AM: Registration

9:00 AM: Line up for Sale Plants

9:15 AM: Sales Tables Open for Business

10:00 AM: Call to order, current issues, club news (count and show dates)

10:15AM: Officer/Chair reports, Show results, Contest Winners, etc..

10:45AM: New Business,

11:00AM: Guest Speaker: Bob Faulkner, Dayton OH: www.naturalselectiondaylilies.net

12:00PM: **Lunch from Georgia Bob's BBQ: Pulled Pork or Chicken Salad** (served and eaten in meeting room (long narrow tables, theatre style). Sides include BBQ Beans, Brunswick stew, Cole Slaw, Dessert, Tea, Buns. Bread. We provide cleanup.

12:45PM: Auction of Faulkner daylilies and other donations

2:30 PM: Special (Board) Meeting if required

2:45PM (or as soon as the auction is over) Exhibition Judges Workshop III *

NOTE: Auction donations (plants, garden art, use your imagination, etc...) are always welcome and appreciated! Your donations will be acknowledged.

Directions from I-75: Exit 142 east on GA Hwy 96 for 4.6 miles, bldg. on right, park in east and south lots

Directions from Savannah: I-16: Exit Hwy 358 Danville (left) to GA Hwy 96 west for 22 miles

Registration Form

Name: _____ Email: _____

Other attendee(s) included in check: _____

NOTE: Register by 20 Sep and you will be eligible for a drawing of a \$100 daylily....

Room Capacity: 95

Send this registration form and check (made out to Region 5 AHS) to: Barbara Kirby, 102 Haag Drive, Warner Robins, GA 31093 to arrive by **29 Sep 18**. You may contact Barbara at (478) 922-8416 or bkirby2@earthlink.net

***ATTENTION EXHIBITION JUDGES:** An Exhibition Judges Workshop III (Refresher) will be offered provided four people sign up by 15 Sep; please let us know ASAP to have a count for materials. \$5 will be collected in class.

Sign up here: _____

Meet Our Fall Meeting Speaker

Bob Faulkner

I've been hybridizing for 25 years. My home was built in 1834...I was born and raised here and now I own it. So I've lived in the same home for 72 years. I have two acres of fertile farmland where I collect and grow all types of unusual trees and plants, including daylilies.

My goal is to produce the most beautiful patterned daylilies in the world. I believe in prayer and the power of prayer and to that I give most of the credit of my success.

I grow both dips and tets, and have all along, but the dips have far outperformed the tets as far as pattern is concerned.

When I began I didn't own a camera, a computer, nor had I ever spoken in front of a crowd. I could not have imagined where I am today. I was shy and unassuming. My weaknesses have been made into my strengths.

I believe that anyone beginning in daylily hybridizing today has more



Photo by Barb Buikema

were small and they were few and far between. It took a long time to get something really nice.

When I began hybridizing there were very few people who would give you a helping hand, or advice or lend you pollen, etc. One of my goals has been to break that stereotype of a self-absorbed program, protecting your genetics and keeping all your secrets to yourself. I feel that has done more damage to the AHS and I hope to be the beginning of a few folks who will turn that around.

Money is not a goal to me....the process is most rewarding to me and I feel that if I do that right, treat people right and help all I can....money will come.

I have no idea where this journey will take me so I'm just letting it unfold as it will...and enjoying the ride.

To be continued sometime in the future.

Bob

access to more great genetics than ever before. One can get beautiful flowers on their first try. When I began this process eyes and edges were just beginning to appear and patterns

Favorite Things Daylily Garden

156 Fite Bend Rd
Resaca, GA 3073



H. 'Lime Explosion'
(Connell 2018)
\$125



H. 'Purple Daze'
(Connell 2018)
\$100



H. 'Dr Starr Miller'
(Connell 2014)
\$25



H. 'Bodacious Bite'
(Connell 2004)
\$15

See our 2018 Introductions and hundreds of cultivars online at:
https://favorite_things_daylily_garden.plantfans.com (Phone # 678-986-6361)



H. 'Dixieland Blues'
(Connell 2018)



H. 'Deep Dark Desire'
(Connell 2015)



H. 'Going Pink'
(Connell 2018)



H. 'Mulberry Circle'
(Connell 2018)



H. 'Babes In Paradise'
(Connell 2017)



H. 'NuGrape Twister'
(Connell 2017)

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