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# Regional Director's Report

Scott Elliott

The new daylily season appears to be already here in Southeast Georgia. After some of the coldest weather early on in recent years

(we had three nights below 15 degrees in a row!), we are experiencing a very early spring. I hope we had enough cold weather to produce good scapes this year. Many of the daylilies are already poking their heads up out of the ground in anticipation of an exciting new year.

#### Nominations for Personal Awards:

I was very pleased with the number of nominations received from Region 5 for national personal awards (Bertrand Farr, Helen Field Fisher and the Moldovan Mentoring Award, in addition to the Regional Service award) this year. We will have to wait until the convention to see who won. Keep your fingers crossed and be watching on Saturday night of the convention.

Be keeping in mind qualified individuals from our region eligible for these prestigious awards for hybridizing, service and mentoring. I will supply more details about the specific qualifications and deadlines in the next issue of the Georgia Daylily.

#### Membership and Dues:

As of January 24, 2023, the ADS membership stood at 5,461. Over the past two years we have been able to increase our membership by a few hundred members. Assuming we can retain most of our members, the dues received from the increased membership will allow us to avoid raising dues for at least another year, even in the face of rising costs from excessive inflation. Thanks to the efforts of Society members to "spread the word", the ADS is pleased to keep membership dues among the lowest among similar societies.

#### **Nashville Convention:**

Can you believe it? The convention in Nashville is completely sold out! Even with adding additional registrations, the convention was still sold out in January! I look forward to seeing all the Region 5 members who were fortunate enough to register in time. Make plans to register early next year for the convention in Oklahoma; you don't want to miss out.

#### Convention Hosts Needed:

The Conventions chair is currently accepting applications to host the ADS National Conventions in 2026 and 2027. The convention team is available to help with all aspects of hosting a convention, including an experienced team of hotel and food contract negotiators. Check out the ad from the Conventions committee in this issue or contact Jack Rigsby at conventions@daylilies.org for more information

# 100 Giving \$100 and a Possible New Collectible Coming:

The 100 giving \$100 campaign has entered its 7th year. Each year a new collectible limited edition pin is created and sold exclusively to the first 100 members donating at least \$100 specifically to this fund which benefits the general fund of the Society. To participate, you can contact our Endowments Chair, Greg Crane, directly at endowments@daylilies.org or go to the ADS website and click on "Donations" under the "Get Involved" tab, then select 100 Giving \$100 when asked to select the fund to receive your gift.

Be on the lookout for a new promotion being worked on by the Endowments committee. I believe an announcement will be made at the convention (maybe before) with some fun collectibles available to donors.

#### Regional Membership Distribution:

The directors and Regional Presidents from all 15 regions have begun discussions to try and come up with ways to fix some of the problems we have with member distribution in some regions. Currently, four of our regions fall outside the recommendations set forth in the bylaws for percentage of members in each region; three fall below the recommendations and one is above the recommendations. The biggest problem we have is in some of the smaller regions by membership numbers, which are also our largest regions by geographic area. It is very difficult in these regions to hold effective and well-attended regional meetings. Additionally, four of our regions are being represented by Directors from outside their own regions because no qualified and/or willing members from the respective regions were willing to serve in this position.

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## Regional President's Report

Patty Franklin

Hello Daylily Friends,

2023 will be a great year for Region 5 and we kicked it off with a wonderful Winter meeting on February 4th in Haynesville. We had 92

people present and 4 of those attending were at a Region meeting for the very first time. It was great to meet some new daylily friends and reconnect with friends we haven't seen in a while. Daylily Friends are THE BEST!

Jim Murphy, from Woodhenge Gardens, near Charlottesville, VA was our guest speaker and he shared an impressive program of his and Margo Reed's hybridizing journey — they've certainly created some beautiful plants in a very hilly and rocky garden setting. Thank you for sharing your garden, your plants and your knowledge with us, Jim!

Following Jim's program, Tim Bell led us in a delightful auction of Jim and Margo's donated plants, along with plants from Kathy and Bruce Fowler, Scott Elliott, Elaine Kelley, Bruce Kovach and Tim Bell. We also had a pleasant surprise from 2 members who are incredible bakers - - a coconut pound cake and a butter, vanilla pound cake were also auctioned. I know some happy families that enjoyed those special auction items. A few more of Matt Kent's beautiful hummingbird houses were given away and auctioned to some lucky winners. We have very generous Region members who share their plants and other talents to benefit the region - - thank you!!

Kathy and Bruce Fowler supplied the plants for the Daylily Bargain Table sale prior to the meeting and I believe all their plants (almost 200 double fans) were gone within the first 30 minutes. Thank you to the Fowler's for digging, washing and labeling plants in the dead of winter so we can add new daylily varieties to our gardens!!

Some attendees brought companion plants and a few daylilies for 'The Georgia Daylily' bargain sales table that Mark Hendry "manned" for us. These are pure donations with all proceeds going directly into the treasury earmarked for printing of 'The Georgia Daylily' journal. Thank you, Mark, for all your hard work!!

We had a report from our Nominating Committee of Allen Bonner, Claude Carpenter and Scott Elliott who are working to identify our next Region 5 President and Region 5 Director. If you're interested in serving in any Region 5 leadership position in the future, please let us know of your interest. We're always looking to "share the load" and need fresh ideas and "able bodied" friends to lead our Region forward.

As I'm sure you're painfully aware, prices are going up in every

aspect of our society and printing and publishing are no different. We'd like to have 3 printed editions of 'The Georgia Daylily' journal, if at all possible, but this past Winter, Claude Carpenter published our first Region 5 'Georgia Daylily' electronically and it was beautiful. Thank you, Claude. We kept \$4,000 in our Treasury by publishing this one edition "on line". It's not the same as having a hard copy, but it was manageable, full of informative information and beautiful photographs, and if you're a bit "old school" like me, you printed out your own copy to have at your fingertips and "ready" whenever you need it. If you ever have any funding sources, ideas or suggestions for publishing of our 'Georgia Daylily', please feel free to contact me, Claude, Kathy Fowler or Jack Rigsby. We'd love to hear from you!!

I hope you'll make plans now to join us May 20th for a Region 5 one-day "Spring Fling". There's a registration form included in this journal – just tear it out, fill it out and send it to Joann Stewart. You don't want to be the one left out of this fun day with your daylily buds. There will be 3 guest programs for our meeting: The Herrington Family, Winfred Huff and Nikki Schmith, along with club gift baskets, silent auction items and door prizes throughout the day. We'll have a special lunch prepared by the Middle Georgia Daylily Club and refreshments throughout the day. We're still making plans for a full, fun-filled day, stay tuned for more information. I'd like to ask you and your club to consider what you could donate to the Region to add to this special one-day event. Give me a call or send me an email - -

Looking forward to warm, sunny days back in the garden! Patty



H. 'Southern French Toast' (Franklin-M., 2014) photo by Claude Carpenter



### Secretary's Report

#### Lori Murphy

#### AHS Region 5 Winter 2023 Meeting Minutes

The Winter 2023 Region 5 Meeting was held on February 4, 2023, at Haynesville First Baptist Church, Family Life Center.

Patty Franklin welcomed everyone and asked James Fennell to open in prayer. Patty introduced Lori Murphy as the region secretary for 2023. Patty also recognized 4 first time attendees to the meeting. There were 90 people to register for this meeting.

The Secretary's report was presented for approval based on publication in the last issue of The GA Daylily. Being that there were no additions or corrections, the motion passed as published.

Kathy Fowler shared the results of the Popularity Poll which were published in the last edition of *The Georgia Daylily*. The winner for 2022 was Big Fuss which will be added to the proven winners list and retired from the poll. That leaves 26 cultivars on the poll for 2023. Kathy will continue to move the winner to the Proven Winner's list and remove any cultivar that receives less than 6 votes until the total number of the poll reaches twenty cultivars before any new nominations will be added.

With that explanation, Kathy then introduced the 2023 Popularity Poll Ballot. The cultivars are: Blowing Pinwheels, Breathing in Snow-flakes, Bubbling Crude, Cherokee Mary, Clyde Reese Jr, Dixieland Five, Elva White Grow, Hazel Wilson, Here's to You Will Robinson, Italian Summer, Lil Black Buds, Native American, Off to See the Wizard, One Eyed Dragon, Opa Klaus, Peacock's Pride, Simply Karen, Southern French Toast, Space Coast Francis Busby, Spacecoast Scarlet Desire, Spiral Distraction, Talquin's Broken Arrow, Talquin's Sangria, Tim Herrington, Thomas Tew, and Viva Glam Girl. Deadline for voting is September 23rd with the winners announced at the fall meeting.

The Popularity Poll winners can be a part of local shows but that is up to the discretion of each show chair. They do not qualify for AHS/ADS Rosettes and cannot be a part of the Best in Show judging. Be sure to check out the proven winners list for ideas of plants to share with new members or the community around you as it is a representation of cultivars that do well in GA.

Jack Rigsby gave the treasurer's report details. We currently have \$34,014.90 in the bank account. A savings of \$3500-4000 was gained by having the one issue of the GA Daylily be online. The report was voted and approved as submitted.

Scott Elliott gave the regional director's report of happenings on the National level. He said the AHS national budget showed a surplus for the first time in about 15 years due to having 450 new members since 2020. Because of this surplus there are no plans to raise dues at this time. The AHS/ADS is struggling to get new members especially

out west. They face many obstacles in gaining members because of the high cost of housing with suitable garden space and the size of geographic regions which make long travel times and added expenses to attend meetings.

The 2023 AHS National Convention in Nashville has opened up some more spots for the convention but as of the meeting only about 12 spots remained. The convention will be held in June with exciting gardens and events planned.

The AHS online Auction will begin March 1st to raise funds for the society. They are looking for donations of items for that. Anyone interested in donating can talk to Scott. All donations are tax deductible and do not have to be daylilies or plants. Items such as weeklong vacations have been offered and have brought lots of money to the AHS funds.

Scott is working on redoing/republishing the Doubles daylily book with many updates. He is looking for seedlings to be submitted for a contest to be on the cover of the new book. Please contact Scott for details.

Scott then announced that the new AHS Exhibitions Chair is our very own Patty Franklin.

Patty encouraged everyone to sign up for meetings early and then conducted a drawing from the 52 names of early registrants for this meeting. Dave Richardson was rewarded for signing up early.

Patty and Lori then conducted the roll call and corresponding show

Show date

Club:	snow date:
Albany 14	May 13th
Central Georgia 5	May 31st
Chattahoochee Valley 5	June 3rd
Cobb County 6	June 3rd
Greater Atlanta 11	June 10th
Greater Augusta 0	No Show
Dublin 6	May 27th
Heart of Georgia 0	No Show
Middle Georgia 12	May 25th
Northwest Georgia 5	No Show
Ogeechee 9	May 17th and 27th
North Georgia 3	June 10th
Savannah 4	No Show
South Atlanta 16	June 7th
South Georgia 0	No show

Upcoming Region 5 Events:

Valdosta 14

Club

May 20th: Spring Fling- A one day event with several speakers, The Herrington Family will be speaking and an auction, a special

May 13th

lunch(not ChickFilA) hosted by the Middle GA club, Photography Program presented by Winfred Huff and Nikki Schmith will talk about growing daylilies and daylily clubs. Plus, raffles, silent auctions and other door prizes.

October 7: Region 5 Fall Meeting, Bob Scott Jr from Topguns Gardens out of Oklahoma will be our guest speaker.

Spring Regional for 2024 will be June 7-8 in Alpharetta. Is is hosted by Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta. Ogeechee Daylly Club will host the 2025 Spring Meeting. We still need hosts for 2026 and 2027.

A recap of Awards won in Region 5 last year includes 3 Awards of Merit (two of which will go on the Stout ballot for 2023), 10 Honorable Mentions and Specialty Awards in the areas of Small, Double, Spider, Early Bloom, Eyed and Miniature. Region 5 is very well represented in the national awards.

Also recognized were Achievement Medals won at last year's shows: Albany had 3 for Scott Elliott, Cobb had 1 for Bill Waldrop, NW-GDS had 1 for Elaine Kelley (her first), Middle GA had 2 for Scott Elliott and Dominique Elliott, Ogeechee had 4 for Scott Elliott, Dominique Elliott and Justin McLeod (2), and Savannah had 3 for Scott Elliott. We as a region had a total of 14 achievement medals last year.

All Region 5 hybridizers were encouraged to nominate one of their introductions for the Georgia Hybridizer's Ballot to be voted on by all Region 5 members. Nominations close February 14th.

Jack brought up an issue concerning Regional Director and President travel expense reimbursements. The amount given by the region to cover these expenses had not changed for over 10 years even though travel costs have been increasing. A proposal was made to increase the reimbursement amount to \$1000 to cover 2 trips for Regional Director and 1 trip for Regional President to attend National level meetings. A motion was made, seconded and approved by vote.

Allen Bonner then gave a report of the recommendations from the nominating committee for next year's Regional Director and President roles. The committee consisted of Allen, Claude Carpenter and Scott Elliott. Their recommendations were for Patty Franklin to be Regional Director and Dave Richardson to be Regional President. That will be put to a vote at a later meeting.

Gail Knight has volunteered to take on the responsibilities of connecting people who would like to go to Regional or National Meetings but need to share expenses with someone in order to be able to do that. Patty will send out an email with those details later. Thanks, Gail for seeing a need and volunteering to help!

Thanks to Mark Hendry for single handedly covering *The Georgia Daylily* bargain table today!

How can you help the Region? With having no Spring Regional "convention" to help raise funds for the region we will need help for the Spring Fling on May 20th. Can your club donate a basket for auction or other door prizes, plants and such to help us out?

We had another early bird drawing and Camile Graddy, who was attending her first region meeting got a Tim Bell daylily.

Patty then recognized our youngest attendee, Kinzley Clack who is only 6 years old and Joe Scott Watson who at 82 was our most sea-

soned attendee. Both received a Matt Kent created "hummingbird house".

Exhibition Judges update- Cynthia said that a refresher course will be offered at our Spring Fling. Exhibition 1 and 3 will be offered online. Exhibition 2 and Master Panels will be determined.

If there is interest at a club level for classes contact Cynthia for any of the exhibition classes.

Garden Judges Update is much like Exhibition. Classes 1 and 3 will be available online. Garden Judges 2 must be an in person/in garden class that can be scheduled with James Fennell. James is also willing to come to clubs to offer Garden 1 for those wanting to have him.

Our speaker was introduced and we were glad to hear Jim Murphy talk about Woodhenge Gardens. He gave a wonderful presentation for his and Margo Reed's hybridizing programs and gardens.

After the presentation we enjoyed a Chick-Fil-A lunch and then had auctions: Jim Murphy's plants and other items donated by region members. Patty adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Murphy



H. 'Mr and Mrs Bubbs' (Douglas-H., 2019)

Photo by Claude Carpenter



## RPD's Report

Kathy Fowler

Happy ALMOST Springtime everyone.

My how time flies and what an amazing thing to watch. The flowers stop blooming, a lot of foliage

dies, dead scapes to pull and clean up from a bloom season that set our souls on fire. Now, here it is... life is starting to emerge from a harsh winter. Plants are growing and greening up, getting ready to burst forth in color. It makes us itch to get out there amongst them and clean up from that awful freeze. Just hold on a little bit cause as always, it's not done with us yet. There is always that late freeze that likes to sneak in, but life in the form of amazing colors, will be here soon.

I hope everyone is preparing for their flower shows that are just around the corner. It's better than any beauty pageant for the young ladies. We had a great turn out at the Winter Regional in Haynesville Baptist Church. There was a lot of news of upcoming events. We had reminders of the new Photo Contest and the Popularity Poll contest that will be happening this year again. It's good to know so you can be prepared to send in your photos of your favorite daylily and vote for your favorite daylily that does outstandingly for you in your garden. We had a great speaker and had the opportunity to get some new flowers for our gardens.

Stay tuned for a season of exciting things to come. I can't wait to see you all again at our "Spring" fling (so to speak). A lot of preparations are going on so that we all will have a fun time of sharing the love for our daylily together. The National Convention is just around the corner and is always a fun adventure to go on. Keep these and many more on your calendar.

Till next time....Kathy Fowler, RPD

### Regional Director's Report (continued)

As the committee members look at ways to improve the effectiveness of the current regional structure they will be reaching out to the membership for their input in the decision-making process. When the time comes for your input, please communicate through your Regional President or Director.

#### Getting Involved:

I strongly encourage the submission of ideas for improving the society and its ability to provide value for our members. If you want your voice to be heard, contact me directly and/or the special chair of the relevant committee(s). The email addresses for the directors and chairs of all the committees can be found on the ADS website under the "Society" pages.

#### **Upcoming National Conventions:**

June, 14-18, 2023: Nashville, Tennessee June 12-15, 2024: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma July 9-12, 2025: Seattle, Washington

Scott Elliott Director, Region 5 President, American Daylily Society



H. 'Love to Joe Marohl' (Elliott-D., 2017)

Photo by Claulde Carpenter



# Treasurer's Report

Jack Rigsby



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Balance Forward 11-16-22	

\$ 34,766.99

Region #5 Winter Meeting - Bargain Table Sales	\$ 910.00
Region #5 Winter Meeting - Registrations	\$ 1,710.00
Region #5 Winter Meeting - The Georgia Daylily Table Sales	\$ 430.00
Region #5 Winter Meeting - Plant Auction Sales	\$ 1,790.00
Region #5 -Winter Meeting Square Auction Plant Sales	\$ 1,757.98
Region #5 Winter Meeting - Donation GA Daylily	\$ 10.00
Region #5 Advertisement The Georgia Daylily (2)	\$ 200.00
Region#5 Memorials (2)	\$ 200.00

Total Income \$ 7,007.98

#### Regional Expenses

Region #5 Winter Meeting - Lunch	\$ 1,460.34	
Region #5 Winter Meeting - Haynesville Baptist Church	\$ 200.00	
Region #5 Winter Meeting- Support Services	\$ 100.00	
Region #5 Winter Meeting - Supplies & Beverages	\$ 123.28	
Region#5 Winter Guest Speaker Travel & Split	\$ 1,143.00	
Region #5 Winter Auction Plants Splits	\$ 237.50	
Region #5 The Georgia Daylily Editor Winter Edition 2023	\$ 500.00	
Region #5 Winter Meeting Postage	\$ 9.55	
Region #5 Website Renewal	\$ 120.00	
Region #5 ADS Insurance and State Filing Fees	\$ 153.25	

Total Expenses \$ 4,046.92

Balance as 2-20-23 \$ 37,728.05

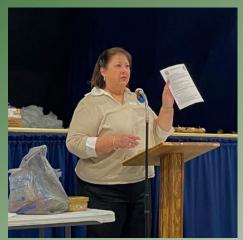
Region 5 appreciates the contributions made by the following in support of *The Georgia Daylily*:

Northwest Georgia Daylily Society in memory of Roland Stokes

Northwest Georgia Daylily Society in memory of Marvin Acree

# Having Fun at the Winter Meeting

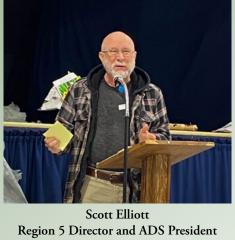
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President Patty Franklin Conducting the Business Meeting



Our Guest Speaker Jim Murphy



Giving us the state of the ADS



**Kathy Fowler** Manning the Bargain Table



**Kinzley Clack** Our youngest attendee



Scott Elliott and Justin Mcleod



Mark Hendry Manning The Georgia Daylily Sales Table



Joe Scott Watson Our most mature attendee



Jim Mullins and Elaine Kelley

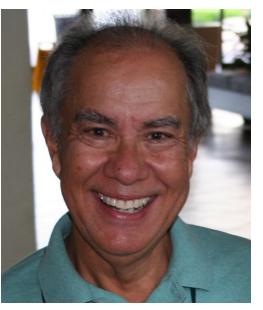
### We Remember

#### Stan Woo

By Tim Herrington

Region 5 is deeply saddened by the loss of Stan Woo, 73, of Savannah, GA, who died peacefully on December 6, 2022, at Hospice of Savannah. Stan is survived by his wife and fellow adventurer of 40 years, Shelia Woo. Both were very active in the activities of the Savannah Hemerocallis Society and Region 5 with both holding many leadership positions over the years. In 2013 Stan and Sheila were awarded the Regional Service Award for outstanding service to AHS at the regional level. He also served as editor of *The Georgia Daylily* for 2 years. Stan graduated from Armstrong State College with a degree in Biology. He worked at the Skidaway Institute of Oceanography and as a research scientist at the USDA Agricultural Research Service's Stored Product Insects Research and Development Labora-

tory, both in Savannah, GA. Stan continued his career as the Quality Control Manager for Carson Products of Savannah (L'Oréal) until his retirement in 2003. After retirement, he enjoyed working in the



archery department of the Bass Pro Shops in Savannah, GA. A skilled outdoorsman and avid hobbyist, Stan was active in many groups along with the daylily society. He held membership with the Savannah Ski and Adventure Club. Stan became a Master Gardener and took great joy in both growing and hybridizing daylilies. Stan was also an avid fisherman and hunter with one of his greatest loves being the thrill and challenge of bow hunting. He was a member of the Switzerland Bow Hunting Club in South Carolina. With all his many interests, Stan was generous in sharing his knowledge and loved teaching others through his experience. Stan is also survived by two sisters and several nieces and nephews. A service to celebrate Stan's life was held January 7, 2023, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Evangelical

Lutheran Church in Savannah, GA. Donations may be made to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church or the Savannah Botanical Gardens.

### Fred Ham - Region Five's Original Cheerleader

By Harold McDonell

Last year, Frederick Donald Ham passed away at the ripe old age of 88 years. Most of our present Region Five members have never met Fred. He was in a different era, the 1960's through the 1990's. After that time, he became less and less active in Region Five and other daylily activities as his health began to deteriorate. The last time most of us saw him was at the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta's 50th anniversary celebration in 2012 which Fred, though then very frail , insisted on attending. At that meeting he stole the show and regaled the attendees with hilarious stories of the earlier days of the society.

So why is it important that we remember Fred? Simply put, he was the ultimate cheerleader for daylilies and Region Five at a time when it was growing fast and establishing itself as a major force in the American Daylily Society. Fred was there when Maggie McDowell of Macon, Georgia became the Region Five Regional Vice-President in 1982. By that time he and his partner, Jim McGinnis, were already quite active in Region Five activities, most of which were taking place in Macon and places south in Georgia. Maggie strived, as Region Five's dedicated daylily ambassador, to extend the reach of the region's influence into north Georgia and all other parts of the state that had no organized daylily local clubs and activities. With Maggie's help, Fred and Jim established the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta.

There was something about Fred that made everyone who came to know him love him. He lit up any room he entered and was always the center of attention. Somehow, he seemed to know everyone and just about everyone knew him and considered him to be "my good Friend." He most definitely was the ultimate cheerleader for Region Five during his time and in that role, he assisted Maggie and many other leaders in making daylilies and daylily activities popular throughout Georgia. He was everywhere a daylily activity was happening. He and Jim were avid judges and traveled the state as well as other states to judge in shows. He attending almost all national conventions and regional meetings, and many meetings of local societies. He dug in and helped wherever he was needed and everywhere he went, he spread cheer, laughter, and love of daylilies.

Since Fred Ham has faded from the scene, Region Five has seen others assume his mantle as grand cheerleader and ambassador for Region Five. There was Earnest Yearwood and Ron Bonner (Who can ever forget those two?), who were as effective as Fred in infecting people with daylily fever and making life fun. More recently, David Bishop has assumed the role with his good cheer and many comic antics. Somehow, though, Fred retains the title of the ultimate cheerleader in my mind because he was the first such force that I encountered as I began my long membership in the American Daylily Society and Region Five over 45 years ago.

Region Five did not just build itself overnight into the premier organization it is today. It was built on the backs of the many members who went before us, people like Fred Ham, who worked tirelessly to shape it into its present state. We owe much gratitude to our Region Five ancestors and we should never forget them and the history they forged for us. Rest in peace Fred Ham, my good friend.

# **Region 5 Spring Meeting 2023**

# A ONE DAY "SPRING FLING" KIND OF DAY ...

Meeting Date: Saturday, May 20, 2023

Meeting location: Haynesville First Baptist Church, 2953 US-341, Hawkinsville, GA 31036.

A Registration/Lunch Fee of \$30 or 'No Lunch Registration' of \$15 per person will be charged for this meeting. A registration form is provided at the bottom of this page.

Proposed Agenda/Times as follows:

8:30 AM: Registration Opens

9:00 AM: Line up for Daylily Sales Table

(Plants provided by: Shady Rest Gardens - David and Doris Bishop AND

Katielou's Lilies - Katielou Greene)

9:00 AM: Set up - Raffle Baskets, Silent Auction Items, Door Prizes

9:15 AM: Daylily Sales Tables Open, 'The Georgia Daylily' sales table open, Raffle tickets for Sale

10:00 AM: Call to order, Officer/Chair reports, Club news, New Business

10:30 AM: Guest Speaker: The Herrington Family, Herrington Daylilies, Dublin, GA

11:15 AM: Herrington Plant Auction

11:45 PM: Lunch - prepared by the Middle Georgia Daylily Club

12:15 PM: Guest Speaker: Winfred Huff - Photography Tips, Tricks and Information

12:45 PM: Guest Speaker: Nikki Schmith, former AHS President, Motivator, Daylily Ambassador

2:00 PM: Auction of your donations – Daylilies, Crafts, Yard Art, Baked Goods

3:00 PM: Raffle drawings, Silent Auction Winners Announced

You may contact Joann at (706) 424-1079 or Simontonbr@aol.com

3:30 PM: Clean up and Safe Travels Home

NOTE: "The Georgia Daylily" fund raising table needs your donations. Daylilies, companion plants, garden art, etc. are always welcome and appreciated!!

#### Registration Form – please print!

Name:	Email:
# attending for lunch x \$30 # attending, not having lunch x \$15	
Other attendee(s) included in check:	
NOTE: Register by May 1st and you'll be eligi	ble for a drawing of a \$100 daylily
** Send this registration form and check (pa Joann Stewart, 2300 Simonton Bridge Road, Wa	

# Meet our "SPRING FLING" Speakers

### The Herrington Family

Pictured are a few of the many Herrington introductions



Tim, Heather, and Hans Herrington will be our speakers for our May 20th meeting. Few families have made their daylily interests as much of a family affair as these three including Tim's late wife Katisue. Their love affair with daylilies began in 1981 when Katisue and Heather came home one day with a daylily, and it had a name. It was Heather's number one hobby and by the time she graduated from high school, she

was an established hybridizer and youngest exhibition judge in America. Her first registration was 'Selma Longlegs' in 1988 which was named for the late Selma Timmons who lived in Warner Robins and was the AHS President at that time.

Then Katisue and Tim found themselves caught up in Heather's passion, resulting in the rare instance where parents took up the hobby of the child. After Katisue passed away, Heather and her son Hans moved back home to live with Tim. Hans, who is now an active AHS youth member, now represents the third generation of this family affair with daylilies. All together they have registered 331 daylilies.

Diversity of form and size has always been one of the Herrington hybridizing objectives. They wanted to create daylilies that could be entered in the various AHS flower show sections. Presently the large flower single daylily dominates 64% of all daylilies registered. In contrast the Herrington daylilies consists of only 23% of the large flower single daylily. It is this diversity of size and forms that has added dimension and distinction to the Herrington hybridizing program. Their remaining registrations include 20% doubles, 20% small flowers, 16% unusual forms, 9% miniatures, 8% spiders, and 4% extra-large flowers. The Herrington family has won many awards; however, the two most significant things for them in the daylily world are (1) their relationship with their daylilies and (2) their relationship with daylily people.



H. 'Lilac Lollipop' (Herrington-H., 2018)



H. 'Boo Boo Giggles' (Herrington-T., 2018)



H. 'Hat's Off to Sue' (Herrington-T., 2008)Awards: AM 2022; HM 2019; JC 2008



H. 'Popcorn Factory' (Herrington-H., 2018)



H. 'Forever My Girl' (Herrington-T., 2021)

# Meet our "SPRING FLING" Speakers

#### Nikki Schmith

Everyone should be obsessed with something, and for Nikki Schmith, that obsession is gardening with daylilies.

She is a past president of the AHS and continues to serve the society on various committees and as a senior exhibition judge, garden judge and an exhibition clinic instructor. Her garden, which now contains a rotating collection of around 350 daylily cultivars, hundreds of other perennials and various unique container plantings, is located in Worden, Illinois. Her previous gardens in Michigan were featured in The Michigan Gardener and she has registered a few unique cultivars with the American Hemerocallis Society. In 2015, she planted several beds of daylilies in the community park and also maintains her own official AHS Display Garden. In 2022, she was awarded the Helen Field Fisher Gold Medal for a lifetime of service to AHS. It is no secret that exhibiting daylilies and being a daylily ambassador is her passion.

Nikki's written work and photography have been featured in regional, national and global publications. Most recently she landed the cover of Garden Gate magazine with a photograph of *H*. 'Strawberry Cream Cupcake' and a multi-page spread featuring double daylilies inside. The British Hemerocallis Society regularly features her photography in their Bulletins.



Nikki with a bouquet of daylilies

Professionally, she is in her 23rd year as an education specialist at Ford Motor Company, but her "real job" is mothering and loving an amazing, busy family. Nikki likes to integrate technology as a fun gardening tool and likes to share and discover new ways to use your computer and your daylilies together. You can find her at <a href="https://www.agirlandhergarden.com">www.agirlandhergarden.com</a>



Nikki at her garden gate



H. 'Heart of Glass' (McCutcheon-Schmith, 2014)



H. 'A Thousand Sweet Kisses' (Schmith, 2013)



H. 'In the Garden of Angels' (Schmith, 2015)



Nikki from behind a giant boom of *H.* **'Opa Klaus'** (Waldrop, 2015)



Scene from Nikki's Garden Nikki calls this beautiful chaos. The Georgia Daylily

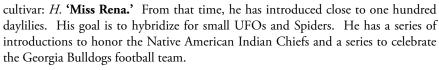
# Meet our "SPRING FLING" Speakers

#### Winfred Huff



Winfred is a 1965 graduate of Perry High School, Perry Georgia. He earned his Associate Degree in Divinity from Brewton Parker College, Mount Vernon, Georgia. He currently serves as the associate pastor at First Baptist Church, Haynesville, Georgia. His mother got him interested in gardening, her interest became his. He is married to the former Janie Goss of Browndale, Georgia. He became interested in daylilies when a member of the Middle Georgia Daylily Club gave him several older introductions. He was forever bitten by the proverbial bug and had to have more daylilies to whet his appetite.

more daylilies to whet his appetite. He began his hybridizing efforts in 2002 when he introduced his first



One of Winfred's many contributions to Region 5 is to function as the Chairman of the Dennis Calbreth photo contest. In that capacity he receives hundreds of photo contest entries each year, and working with a committee of photo specialist, selects the winning entries for seven photo categories. He will present some tips on how to create winning entries in the photo contest.



H. 'Dem Dawgs Didit' (Huff, 2022)



H. 'Amen on Twelve' (Huff, 2018)



H. 'Backyard Dancing With Ducks' (Huff, 2018)

Shown are a few of Winfred's Introductions



H. 'Chief Red Fox' (Huff, 2018)



H. 'Little Castaway' (Huff, 2013)

### **Let's Have A Daylily Show**

(Sharing information, thoughts and ideas from Nancy Falck, Nikki Schmith and Patty Franklin)

Why Should We Have a Show?

- Have fun in competition
- Attract new members
- Validate members' work
- Educate the public
- Fund raising venue
- Use talents of members
- Nurture friendships

But are there benefits to the public? Stimulation of public interest -

- Demonstrate the merits of daylilies in gardens
- Show the use of daylilies in floral arrangements
- Point out advances in color, form and size of daylilies
- Encourage youth to grow, hybridize, show daylilies
- Encourage visits to area gardens

Are there benefits to individual members?

- A forum for daylily growers to:
- See newer registrations

- Compare horticultural practices
- Encourage the upgrading of collections
- Reacquaint themselves with old favorites
- Enjoy the competition of displaying their flowers and winning awards

Are there benefits to a Daylily Hybridizer?

- Exhibit their new cultivars
- Receive feedback from judges on their seedlings
- Compete for major AHS awards
- Have their winning cultivars and seedlings published in The Daylily Journal and in regional publications
- Have their names and winning entries published on the AHS Awards and Honors pages

Most of all, Daylily Shows provide:

- A social opportunity during bloom season to reach out to the general public and teach them that daylilies are more than just orange and yellow
- Opportunities for club members to learn about judging daylilies
- Exceptional opportunities to recruit new club members

There are excellent resources on the AHS website to learn more about hosting a Daylily Show - Committees, Procedures, Materials and Supplies, Judges, Exhibiting Daylilies, Transporting and Grooming Daylilies, etc. Visit www.daylilies.org, click on 'Resources', select 'Media Library', scroll down and select various power point programs to learn more about: 'Staging a Daylily Show', 'Exhibition Shows for Enthusiasts!', and 'Preparing to Exhibit Daylilies'. These resources are free and ready to teach and guide you how to host a successful Daylily Show.

# 2023 Region 5 Exhibition Judges

Bruce Alsup	EX/j	2024		Janie Huff	EX	2025	
Levi Alsup	EX/s	2026		Winfred Huff	EX	2025	
Vicki Alsup	EX/s	2026		Matt Kent	EX/j	2025	
Reid Arnold	EX/s	2026		Sarah Kent	EX/j	2025	
Camilla Arthur	EX	2026	I	Barbara Kirby	EX	2026	I
Allen Bonner	EX/j	2026		Gail Knight	EX	2025	
Pat Bonner	EX	2026		Earl Lawson	EX/s	2023	
Selena Bonner	EX/j	2026		Dixie Lee	EX/s	2026	
Viki Breeland	EX/s	2026		Sara Martin	EX	2025	I
Jack Brock	EX	2025		Beverly McWilliams	EX/s	2026	
Renee Carleton	EX/j	2025		James Mullins	EX	2026	I
Claude Carpenter	EX	2026	I	Lori B Murphy	EX	2026	
Rose Mary Dixon	EX	2026		Earl Pickel	EX/s	2026	
Scott Elliott	EX	2026	I	Toni Pickel	EX/s	2026	
James Fennell	EX	2026	I	David Richardson	EX/j	2025	
Louise Fennell	EX	2025		Regina Richardson	EX/j	2025	
Ronnie Fowler	EX/s	2026		Cynthia Rigsby	EX	2025	$I^{**}$
Vicki Fowler	EX/s	2026		Jack Rigsby	EX	2025	I
Mark Franklin	EX	2026	I	June L Scoggins	EX	2026	
Patty Franklin	EX	2026	I	Joann Stewart	EX	2025	I
Nanci Griggs	EX	2026		Ryan Tolbert	EX	2025	
Tim Herrington	EX	2025	I	Sidney Ward	EX	2025	I

Yolanda Wages Ward	EX	2025	I
Joe Scott Watson	EX	2025	
David R Williams	EX	2025	
Melissa Williams	EX/s	2025	

Legend EX Senior Judge EX/J Junior Judge EX/S Student Judge 20XX Expiration I Clinic Instructor



Region 5 Judges Liaison

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## 2023 Region 5 Daylily Show Schedule

#### **Albany Daylily Club**

May 13 American Legion Post #30 815 Willie Pitts Jr Rd Albany, GA 31707 Show Chair: Kaye Fearneyhough kaye@kkdaylilies.com 229- 894-4692

#### **Cobb County Daylily Society**

June 3, 2023 Marietta First United Methodist Church Show Chair: Luke VandeVate lukevandevate@gmail.com (770) 827-9261

# Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta

June 10, 2023 Sexton Hall Enrichment Center 2115 Chloe Road Cumming, GA 30041 Show Chair: Patty Franklin mpflowers@comcast.net 770-815-1902

#### Ogeechee Daylily Club

May 27 Old Fellowship Baptist Church 5526 US Highway 80 E Brooklet, GA 30415 Show Chair: Kevin McClinton kevinmcc73@gmail.com (912) 665-3681

#### Central Georgia Daylily Club

May 31, 2023
Baldwin County Recreational Dept.
Banquet Room
Milledgeville, GA
Show Chair: Jack Brock
jackbecky154@gmail.com
478-456-0472

#### **Dublin Area Daylily Society**

May 27, 2023 Dublin Mall Dublin, GA Show Chair: Chip Wood royjr80@hotmail.com 478-290-8886

#### North Georgia Daylily Society

June 10, 2023
The First Presbyterian Church
239 West Candler Street
Winder, GA 30680
Show Chair: Perry McAllum
perry.mcallum@gmail.com
706-540-1087

#### **Ogeechee Mobile Show**

May 17, 2023 Maneki Neko Garden 658 Edward Smith Rd. Ellabell, Ga 31308 Show Chair: Scott Elliott scottelliottdaylilies@yahoo.com (912)5967252

# Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society

June 3, 2023 Columbus Botanical Garden Columbus, GA Show Chair: James Tyrol SJ3Tyrol@gmail.com 860-961-2600

#### Middle Georgia Daylily Society

May 25, 2023 Centerville Galleria Mall Warner Robins, GA 31088 Show Chair: Mike Curlin Dwcurlin@gmail.com 912-682-6628

#### Valdosta Daylily Society

May 13, 2023 Crescent Valdosta Garden Center 904 N Patterson St Valdosta, GA 31601 Show Chair: Jessica Clinard jesca28@gmail.com (386) 867-1239

### **Trends in Daylily Hybridizing - My Observations**

#### Words and Photos by Claude Carpenter

have been actively growing daylilies for about 28 years and have been a member of the American Daylily Society for 23 years. During that time, I have grown all the forms of daylilies and have seen a change in my own preference for the different daylily forms. Recently I found a listing of the daylilies in my garden in 2006. I was really surprised at how much the makeup of my garden had changed since 2006. See Chart 1.

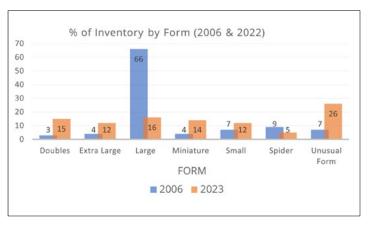


Chart 1 - Carpenter Garden Inventory

Two out of every three daylilies in my garden in 2006 was the Large (4.5" - <7"). Today the Large size composes only one out of every seven daylilies. As you can see from Chart 1 all of the other forms compose a higher percentage today than in 2006 except the Spider forms.

How does this change in my garden inventory reflect the trends in hybridizing? To answer that question, I did an analysis of daylily registrations over the past two decades. What is the health of ADS hybridizing in 2023? Chart 2 shows the number of registrations each year since the year 2000. As you can see from the trend line shows that daylily hybridizing is thriving. Yearly registrations are up 20 percent over these two decades.

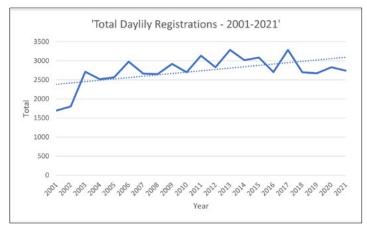


Chart 2 - Total Registration by Year

Then I asked the question, are the daylily forms being introduced each year changing? I pulled the number of daylilies registered each year since the year 2000 by the seven forms used in our daylily shows and created trend lines for each.

#### **Doubles**

Since Region 5 (Georgia) is the doubles capital, I looked at the trends in that form first. See Chart 3

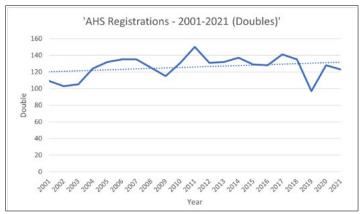


Chart 3 - Double Registration by Year

Doubles registrations have been running between 120 and 130 for the past twenty years and the % of the total registrations remains about 6% of the total registrations each year. My appreciation of the doubles form has increased over the past 15 years. As you can see from Chart 1, I am now growing 500% more doubles in my garden than in 2006. Tim Herrington's article in the 2022 Winter Edition of The Georgia Daylily entitled "Region 5: A Daylily Mecca" explains why I am growing more doubles today than earlier in my daylily venture. The availability of award-winning doubles continues. Thankfully, we have a number of hybridizers in Region 5 still creating double daylilies. The only Double to win the Stout Medal in the past twenty-five years was 'Dorothy and Toto' hybridized by the late Katisue Herrington. It won the award in 2015.



*H.* 'Dorothy and Toto' (Herrington-K., 2003) Awards: Stout 2015; AM 2012; HM 2009; IM 2009; GD 2012

#### Some Recent Double Registrations by Region 5 Hybridizers



H. 'My Friend Red' (Kovach, 2022)



H. 'Tim Herrington' (Elliott-S., 2014)Awards: AM 2021; HM 2018; JC 2014; ATG 2021; IM 2020



H. 'Blueberry Cream Cupcake' (Herrington-H., 2015)

#### Large

The largest change in my garden inventory is the Large full form daylilies (4.5" - <7"). In 2006 two thirds of the daylilies in my garden was this form. Only 16% of my current garden inventory is this form. When I look at the trend of the registrations for this size (See Chart 4) you can see the availability is increasing over the past two decades. I still love this size daylily. What explains the decrease in the number I grow? I have limited garden space to grow daylilies and I love all the forms of daylilies. To make room for the other forms I had to decrease the number of Large daylilies I grow. It is interesting to note that no Large daylily registered since 2000 has won the Stout Medal.

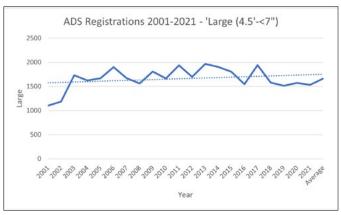
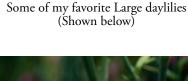


Chart 4 - Large (4.5" - <7") Registrations by Year





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



H. 'Mary's Gold' (McDonell-H., 1984) The Georgia Daylily



H. 'Jessica Lynn Bell' (Bell-T., 2010)



H. 'Breathing In Snowflakes' (Douglas-H., 2016)

#### Trends in Daylily Hybridizing - My Observations (Continued)



*H.* 'Isabelle Rose' (Laprise, 2009) **Awards**: Stout 2022; AM 2020; HM 2017



H. 'I Lava You' (Holmes-S., 2009)

Awards: Stout 2020; AM 2018; HM 2015;
IC 2010

H. 'Scarlet Pimpernel' (Ripley, 2006) Awards: Stout 2019; AM 2016; HM 2013; NRS 2013

The last four Unusual Form Stout Medal winners
(Shown above and below)

#### **Unusual Form**

The next biggest change in my garden inventory is the Unusual Form category. This is a form I absolutely love and as you can see from Chart 1 the number of Unusual Form daylilies in my garden has increased by 400% since 2006. In the year 2001 there were only about four hundred Unusual Form daylilies that had ever been registered. Today about that number is registered each year. (See Chart 5) Six of the last twelve Stout Medal winners were Unusual Form. They were 'Isabella Rose' (2022), 'I Lava You' (2020), 'Scarlet Pimpernel' (2019), 'Webster's Pink Wonder' (2014), 'Heavenly Angel Ice' (2013), and 'North Wind Dancer' (2011).

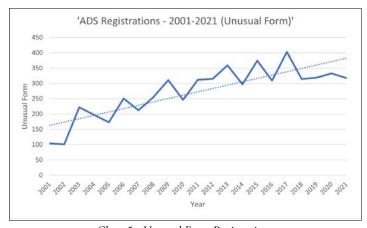


Chart 5 - Unusual Form Registrations



H. 'Webster's Pink Wonder' (Webster-Cobb, 2003) Awards: Stout 2014; AM 2012; HM 2009

#### **Spiders**

The Spider form has seen a tremendous change since 2000. Registrations have decreased from sixty-three registrations in 2003 to only eight Spider registrations in 2018. A number of the recent Spider registrations have also been registered as Unusual Form. It is now extremely hard to obtain recently introduced Spiders. Chart 6 shows the dramatic decrease in the registration of this form. No spider registered since 2000 has won the Stout medal. The last spider to win the Stout Medal was 'Skinwalker' (2009) and it was registered in 1997. I believe that 'Ghost Ranger', hybridized by Scott Elliot may have a good chance of winning the Stout Metal in the comming years.

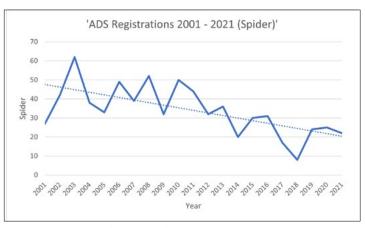


Chart 6 - Spider Registrations

#### Some of the Spiders in my garden



H. 'Ghost Ranger' (Elliott-S, 2015) Awards: ESF 2021; HOS 2022



H. 'Femininity' (Reinke-J., 2007))



H. 'A Little Twisted' (Elliott-S., 2015)

Awards: HM 2019

Extra Large Stout Medal Winner

(Shown below)

#### Extra Large

The bloom size of daylily registrations has been on the increase over the past two decades. In 2006 I had only twelve daylilies (not a Spider or Unusual Form) in my garden with a bloom size over 7". My current garden has thirty-six. Take a look at Chart 7 to see how registrations in this category has changed over the past two decades, You can see from the trend line on this category that the number of annual registrations has doubled over the past two decades. The popularity of this form is reflected in the Stout Medal winners in this category. Extra Large daylilies have won four of the last twelve Stout Medals. They are 'Entwined in the Vine' (2018), 'Heavenly United We Stand' (2017), 'Rose F. Kennedy' (2016), and 'Carnival In Mexico' (2012).

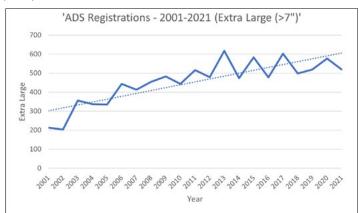


Chart 7 - Extra Large Registrations



H. 'Entwined In The Vine' (Emmerich, 2007)Awards: Stout 2018; AM 2014; HM 2011;RWM 2012; XLD 2012



H. 'Heavenly United We Stand' (Gossard, 2009) Awards: Stout 2017; AM 2015; HM 2012; XLD 2014 The Georgia Daylily



H. 'Rose F. Kennedy' (Doorakian, 2007)
 Awards: Stout 2016; AM 2013; HM 2010;
 RWM 2013



H. 'Carnival In Mexico' (Santa Lucia, 2000)Awards: Stout 2012; AM 2010; HM 2005; DCS 2011; XLD 2010

#### Trends in Daylily Hybridizing - My Observations (Continued)

#### **Small and Miniature**

That leaves the Small and Miniature daylily categories. I have significantly increased the number growing in my garden over the years. I love the smaller daylilies, and this is where you see the most branching and bud count. We are fortunate to have hybridizers in Region 5 that continually introduce these forms. Like our double daylily hybridizers, they have won many national awards with their creations. This is highlighted in the AHS publication "Small and Miniature Daylilies" published in 2022. 'Mayor of Munchkinland' hybridized by our own Tim Herrington won the Stout Medal in 2021 since this prestigious award began in 1950 (72 past winners). This was only the third miniature to ever win the Stout. Chart 8 gives us a look at registrations for these categories over the past two decades. Together they represent only 7 percent of the registrations each year and the number being registered each year remains consistent.

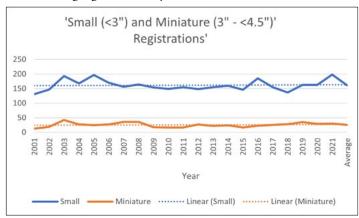


Chart 8 - Small and Miniature Registrations

#### **Summary**

What have we learned about hybridizing trends with all of this analysis?

- Hybridizing appears to be alive and well as annual registrations have increased by almost 500 over the past twenty years.
- Unusual Form daylilies have become more popular as shown by the number of awards and the increased annual registrations.
- The annual registration of daylilies with bloom size over 7 inches has increased by 200% over the past 20 years.
- The hybridizing of Spiders has dropped significantly and currently there are more miniatures introduced each year than Spiders.
- The annual registration of Doubles, Small, and Miniature daylilies has remained about the same over the twenty years.

We also learned the following from an article published in the 2020 Spring Edition of The Georgia Daylily (*The AHS Award of Merit*):

- The hybridizing trend is toward taller scapes in all cultivar forms.
- There is a trend back to more diploid hybridizing.
- The percentage of registered dormant daylilies has increased.

Small and Miniature daylilies introduced by Region 5 Hybridizers (Shown below are some grown in my garden)



H. 'Halloween Green' (Herrington-T., 2011)



H. 'Darth Ciduous' (Elliott-S., 2017)



H. 'Winning Praise' (Netherton, 2012)



H'Mayor of Munchkinland' (Herrington-T., 2010) Winner of 2021 Stout Medal



H. 'Genial' (Elliott-S., 2019)



H. 'Cherry Tomato Jubilee' (Herrington-H., 2016)



H. 'Tribute To The Mayor' (Netherton-J., 2016)



H. 'Dietmar's Wisdom' (Elliott-D., 2016) The Georgia Daylily

# Carpe Hemerocallis! Seize the Daylily!

by Rita Buehner

'd like to share an AHA! moment I had in my garden in 2017. I walked past a daylily clump. Something unusual made me stop, back up and stare at a beautiful bloom of H. 'Pamela Williams' (Kirchhoff-D., 1997). The bloom was soooo full! Unusually soooo full - 11 stamens, 2 pistils, 11 sepals and petals. This flower was the only one of its kind in the clump and was surrounded by normal single blooms of identical color and pattern each with the normal number of parts.

At first, I just thought two blooms were overlapping. But upon closer inspection, all the bloom's parts were arranged in one flower as if Mother Nature Herself had just assembled the



H. 'Pamela Williams' (Kirchhoff-D., 1997)





H. 'Black Raven' (Gossard, 2015) Photo by hybridizer

flower as a craft project. When I looked at the back of the bloom, it was obvious that the carpels of two buds were fused creating a distinct indention or valley where the two flowers should've split from each other. Two conjoined sepals were obviously fused.

How common are conjoined daylily blooms? One internet source called "Indiana Farmer" said it happens as often in daylily 'births' as it does in human births and is quite rare. While I wonder what research "Indiana Farmer" pulled his statistics from, I can agree it probably happens more often than we notice but still rarely. A conjoined flower of H. 'Black Raven' (Gossard, 2015) was posted on Facebook just last summer.



H. 'Black Raven' (Gossard, 2015) (Conjoined flower) Photo by Todd Hefty



H. 'Pamela Williams' (Kirchhoff-D., 1997) (conjoined flower)



H. 'Pamela Williams' (Kirchhoff-D., 1997) (Clump)

As I age, I crave these AHA! moments and, more often than not, they're going to occur in my own backyard. I'll be stopping more to look at what's going on. A new meaning for Carpe diem! Seize the day! Or better yet ... Carpe Hemerocallis! Seize the daylily!

IF you want to read more about conjoined flowers, the following link takes you to an excellent article on The Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center website.

> https://www.wildflower.org/magazine/native-plants/beautiful-mutants (Photos of H. 'Pamela Williams' by Rita Buehner)

# **Smartphone Camera Tips**

By Vicki Alsup



Opring is just around the corner, and I say BRING IT ON! I'm ready to see some color when I walk out the door, hear birds chirping with excitement and be able to walk around without getting soaking wet and muddy. While most daylily lovers are excited to see how their latest creations look and held up during the winter months, I'm ready to grab

my camera and start preparing for capturing the beauty in the gardens.

Yes, I'm one of those people that you find with a camera in my hand most of the time. I love my Nikon D750 along with the lenses I use to take photos of our flowers. It's not always convenient, it is rather bulky and depending on the lens I use it can be darn heavy. But it gives me the flexibility to change settings to get the best photos no matter what the outside conditions are. Then I can take my camera card, download the photos and edit them to get a photo that is almost as beautiful as the flower itself. It also provides more pixels to produce a photo that can be printed as large as I want.

Now, not everyone has a digital camera and you really don't need to spend thousands of dollars on one to get a photograph that can be put on a website, social media, share with your friends, or one that can be entered into a Daylily photo contest. Most people have a smartphone of some kind and they are all equipped with great cameras. And chances are that you have it with you most of the time, even when you are strolling through your garden admiring your flowers. So I'm going to share some ideas and tips to try to help you get a better photo of your flowers or at least get you to pull your smartphone out and try it.

Step 1: When your daylilies start blooming find you one that stands out and catches your eye and start there.

Step 2: Take that phone out of your pocket and open up your camera icon.

Step 3: It should automatically open to Photo mode so stick with either Photo or Portrait mode for your flowers. (Do not use flash for your flower photos)

Step 4: Get close to the flower you want to photograph - get close means physically close not zoom close – I repeat DO NOT ZOOM in on it- I know it's tempting - don't do it. We all need more steps in our day so take one or two steps closer.

Step 5: Push the button and take a photo. Now don't move to another flower yet, take a second photo of the same flower BUT try this: move the phone down to a different angle, maybe a little lower than you just took the photo at, level with the

flower, you get the idea. Press the button again to snap the photo.

Step 6: You are going to take one more shot before you move on to the next flower. Find the angle you want to get next, frame the flower just where you want it, how is it looking. Is it too bright or too dark?. Now with your thumb, where it says photo, portrait, etc., place it on either of those words and swipe upward – you just opened a whole new world of smartphone photography. You can adjust the lighting (exposure) by clicking on the circle with the plus/minus sign, your ratio size by clicking on the numbers 4:3, 16:9, etc., there are a few other options, but you really don't need them



now. The main one will be the exposure adjustments. So, hold that phone up to the flower (do not be tempted to use that zoom function), then use your thumb to move the exposure slider from side to side. See how it changes the lighting – once you find the sweet spot, tap the screen where the flower is located, this will make sure the focus is on the flower, hit that button and take the photo.

Step 7: Now go back to your photos icon and compare all three photos. Does that last one look the best, chances are it does.

Step 8: Now go do it again with a different flower and try a few of the things below and see how they look - flip your phone upside down and down low, if you switch to portrait mode vs photo-this gives you a blurred background, back up and do a garden shot, just

get creative and have fun. You can use a tripod made for smartphones if you have an unsteady hand.

Overall, it's how you take the photo not what you take it with. You have heard the saying "A picture is worth a thousand words" so get to shooting and let's share with the world what we love about the daylily and our gardens. Share those photos with your friends, on social media, websites, articles and I hope to see more photos in the 2023 Photography contests.

Note: the instructions in Step 6 may



vary according to your carrier and model of phone.

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# The Role of the ADS Garden Judge

#### What is a Garden Judge?

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

#### Why should I consider becoming a Garden Judge?

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

# What are the steps I need to follow to become a garden judge?

- 1) You must have been an AHS Member for at least 12 calendar months to begin training. (When you send in an application to become a judge at the end of your training, you must have been an AHS member for 24 calendar months.)
- 2)  $^*$  Very important: Before you take any workshops, read Chapters 1 and 2 of the Garden Judges Handbook, Judging Daylilies In The

Garden' (You can download a PDF copy on the ADS Portal or you can order a hard copy on Amazon.)

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

#### Whom do I contact for more information?

You may contact your Regional garden judges liaison. The Region 5 ADS Garden Judges Liaison is James Fennell. His email address is jaf@fennell.org



Scene from Blue Ridge Garden during 2022 National Convention Garden Tour

## 2023 Region 5 Garden Judges

2025		Bruce Alsup	2027		Patty Franklin	2025		Lori B Murphy
2025		Levi Alsup	2027		Mark Hendry	2026		Cynthia Rigsby
2025		Vicki Alsup	2027		Heather Herrington	2026		Jack Rigsby
2026		Camilla Arthur	2027	I	Tim Herrington	2027		June L Scoggins
2025		Gregg Barner	2027		Janie Huff	2024		Charles Self
2025		Idabeth Barner	2027		Winfred Huff	2023		Maxine Self
2027		Jo Anna Perks Belmont	2025		Faye Hulst	2025		Susan Vaughan
2026		David Bishop	2025		Joe Hulst	2027		Bill Waldrop
2026		Doris Bishop	2025		Jan Joiner	2027		Diana Waldrop
2022		Brenda Briley	2023	I	Barbara Kirby	2027		Sidney Ward
2025		Jack Brock	2023		Gail Knight	2027		Yolanda Wages Ward
2024		Renee Carleton	2026		Bruce Kovach	2027		Janet Watson
2025	I	Claude Carpenter	2024		Earl Lawson	2027	I	Joe Scott Watson
2023		Buddy Childs	2025		Dixie Lee	2025		Anita Wilson
2024		Karen Cotton	2024		Kevin McClinton			
2027		Rose Mary Dixon	2025	I	Harold McDonell	Lege	nd	

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# The Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society, Columbus Botanical Garden and UGA Extension

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Scott Elliott

**James Fennell** 

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# Region 5 ADS Display Gardens

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Please contact the owners of the gardens prior to visiting and arrange visiting hours.

#### Alsup Gardens

6375 Elmo Road Cumming, GA,30028 Contact: Bruce and Vicki Alsup Phone: (770)-337-5668 or (770) 789-8913

Email: mrb.alsup@yahoo.com Best time to visit: June - July

#### **Indian Camp Daylilies**

2211 Indian Camp Road Nashville, GA 31639 Contact: David & Regina Richardson Phone: (229) 238-1616

Email: drich2211@yahoo.com Best time to visit: Mid May - Mid June

#### MP Flowers Daylily Garden

15230 Birmingham Hwy Alpharetta, GA 30004 Contact: Mark and Patty Franklin

Phone: (770) 410-0548 Email: mpflowers@comcast.net Best time to visit: Mid May - Mid July

#### Prissy's Daylily Garden

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447 Rivers Rd
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Contact: Matthew Stafford &
Jonathan McDaniel
Phone: 706-333-3563
Email: mattriver7@yahoo.com

Best time to visit: June - July

#### Bell's Daylily Garden

1305 Griffin Rd Sycamore, GA 31790 Contact: Tim Bell Phone: (229) 256-1234 https://bellsdaylilygarden.com/ Best time to visit: May - Mid June

#### Kathy's Daylilies

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Email: kathysdaylilies@yahoo.com Best time to visit: Mid May - Mid Jun

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549 Kendricks Road Brooklet, GA 30415 Contact: Karen and Fred Cotton Phone: 912-660-7629

Email: nonnisdaylilies@gmail.com Best time to visit: Mid May - Mid June

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#### The Bird's Nest

1296 Johnson Brady Road Canton, GA 30115 Contact: Steven/Serena Verner Phone: (770)262-8734 stillvern@hotmail.com Best time to visit: June - July

#### Eula's Roadside Garden

2216 HWY 341 South
Perry, GA, 31069
Contact: Eula Fluellen
Email: fluellenfamily@windstream.net
Best time to visit: Mid May - June

#### Kennesaw Mountain

#### **Dayilily Gardens**

310 McDaniel Road Northwest Marietta, GA 30064 Contact: Bill Waldrop Phone: (770) 429-0204 Email: wwlawyer@aol.com Best time to visit: June - Mid July

#### **Piney Creek Gardens**

168 Head Lane Broxton, GA 31519 Contact: Sharon Brown Phone: (912) 592-9119

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#### Simonton Bridge Daylilly Farm

2300 Simonton Bridge Road Watkinsville, GA 30677 Contact: Joann Stewart Phone: (706) 424-1079 Email: Simontonbr@aol.com or oconeewoman@gmail.com Best time to visit: June - July

#### Vickery Lake Daylily Garden

6075 Vickery Pt Cumming, GA 30040 Contact: Claude Carpenter Phone: (678)469-4731

Email: claudecarpenter@comcast.net Best time to visit: June - Mid July



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H. 'Ansley Jewell' (Richardson-D., 2022)



*H.* **'Lauren Reese'** (Richardson-D., 2022)







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# Albany Daylily Society

#### Selena Bonner Reporter

Spring is in the air for the Albany Daylily Society, and the club has continued its growth as we welcomed two new members since fall. We are very excited to have these new daylily friends join our club. We look forward to serving our community with them and growing our friendships.

In November, we enjoyed a fun and entertaining presentation from longtime friends David and Doris Bishop (Shady Rest Gardens) as well as an auction of some their fantastic daylilies.

We ended the year in December with a wonderful time of food, fun, and fellowship at our Christmas party. Our very own, Kaye Fearneyhough (Kaye's Kreations Daylily Gardens) started our year off in January with her wildly wonderful and informative presentation of her hybridizing program and her gardens in Georgia and Florida.

Our club's annual daylily show, and plant sale will be held Saturday, May 13, 2023, at the American Legion Post #30 on Gillionville Rd.

in Albany, GA (location to be confirmed). Kaye Fearneyhough will be the Show Chair for this year's event, and members Camille Graddy and Selena Bonner will be Show Co-Chairs.

The Albany Daylily Society promotes member growth, service, and daylily education. Our club meets on the third Saturday of the month.

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2023 at 11 AM at the American Legion Post #30 on Gillionville Rd. in Albany, GA. Our guest speaker will be Tim Herrington.

The following monthly meeting will be held Saturday, March 18, 2023, at 11AM at the American Legion. Our guest speakers at the March meeting will be Matthew Stafford and Jonathan McDaniel of The Country Estate-Williamson. They are members of the South Atlanta Daylily Society, Region 5's newest daylily club. We look forward to them sharing their story and enthusiasm with our club. For more club news and information, follow us on Facebook at Albany Hemerocallis Society.



# Cobb County Daylily Society

#### Diana Waldrop Reporter

The Cobb County Daylily Society celebrated our Christmas Party on December 4, 2022. We had a great attendance with lots of great food. Our Hospitality Chair, Ida Dixon, along with her husband,

Ken, and Glenn and Yvonne McKenney, certainly planned a wonderful, fun event. Ida brought a small, decorated Christmas Tree, and even prepared lovely gift bags for everyone. Our new President, Matt Kent and his wife, Sarah, were excellent hosts. It is always a good time when good friends and daylily lovers get together for a party.

You can see the CCDS in the Group Photo. We are looking forward to 2023 with many great events planned. Our first meeting will be in February with James Mullins sharing his knowledge on how to prepare for spring planting. We all look forward to the great infor-

mation Jim will share with us. Our Daylily Show is on Saturday, June 3, 2023, at the Marietta First United Methodist Church in Marietta. Our Show Chair is Luke VandeVate. Any questions, please contact Diana Waldrop at 770-429-0204.



Members at Cobb County Daylily Society 'Christmas Party' meeting



# Central Georgia Daylily Club

Jan Adair and Jean Stevens Reporters

Our first meeting of 2023 will be held at Lockerly Arboretum on Saturday, March 18th at noon. We will have a potluck lun-

cheon. Tim Herrington will present a new program to our group.

On Tuesday, April 11th, our club will meet at the Calvary Baptist Church, McIntyre, GA at 6:15 pm for a potluck supper. A short program will follow.

Our May 16th, Tuesday, meeting will be at Jack and Becky Brocks for a grooming presentation and mini show in preparation before our show competition.

Our annual daylily show will be held at the Baldwin County Recreation Dept. in their banquet rooms on Wednesday, May 31st. The

show is open to the public from 1-4 p.m. Doors open to the exhibitors at 7 a.m. Judging starts around 11 a.m. Come and enjoy the beautiful blooms.



Club President, Becky Brock, conducting plant auction at recent meeting



# Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society

#### Pam Snellgrove Reporter

At our November meeting discussions were held about plans for the Christmas party, the sale of the club trailer, suggestions for Christmas donations, introduction of 2 new members, an update on construction of flower carriers, and a review of our Hills and Dales trip.

The speaker for this month was Dave Richardson of Indian Camp Daylilies. After his presentation he auctioned off about 20 beautiful daylily plants. The winners were delighted with their new plants.

Our Christmas party was held Dec. 9. A good crowd attended and enjoyed a festive meal and a rousing game of 'Dirty Santa'. Our

January meeting was a program by Jennifer Davidson of the Russell County Extension Service who talked about interesting places to visit in southeast Alabama. We all learned things we had not known about places not far away. In our business meeting we talked about the price of daylily carriers that are being made and the development of a club logo, an explanation of how our Christmas donations were used, the plans to award three \$1000 scholarships again this year, and plans for a trip this spring to Gibbs Gardens. Most of the group expressed interest in going and Larry Miller will get prices of rental buses so we could go as a group.

Our meetings are held at Edgewood Presbyterian Church, 3617 Macon Rd, Columbus, Ga., on odd numbered months. Visitors are welcome.



# The Daylily Society of Greater Augusta Arleigh Mansfield Reporter

I am sorry to write that this will be the last report from the Daylily Society of Greater Augusta. Over 85 % of our members have voted to disband. We are now in the

process of getting the necessary work done. Cited reasons are the fol-

lowing: the Covid pandemic, our aging group and a lack of energy associated with age and health. We have many vases, and some plant stands of which we need to dispose. If any group would like any or all then please call Arleigh Mansfield at (706) 863-5731. It has been a pleasure to be part of The Daylily Society of Greater Augusta, Region 5 and the national society.

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# Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta

Vicki Alsup Reporter

Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta ended 2022 with our annual Thanksgiving and Christmas parties. We had a great turnout for both and had lots of fun. At the December meeting, Claude Carpenter did a

presentation on "Photographing our gardens". We learned how to take better photos of our daylilies with our camera and

smartphones and hope to see more of those photos in 2023. While 2022 was a great year, we are looking forward to what 2023 brings our club and all of our gardens. We have planned a full calendar of events for all of our upcoming meetings. We will be having our first meeting of the year on February 18th at Bellmere Garden House at 10:00 am and our guest speaker will be Tim Bell from Bells Daylily Garden Our meetings are always "eating meetings" so come on out, bring a dish to share and see if you are lucky enough to win a door prize too. Our Club will be hosting the Region 5 Spring Regional in 2024 and are already making plans. We have the following club positions that still need to be filled which are (1) Plant Sale & Auction Chairperson (2) Youth Coordinator and (3) Education Chairperson. We



DSGA members at our annual Christmas Party

also are looking into possible activities outside of our membership meetings. DSGA will have their show on June 10th at Sexton Hall, in Cumming GA. Patty Franklin is the Show Chair.



# Dublin Area Daylily Society

Tim Herrington Reporter

The Dublin Area Daylily Society (DADS) 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 by Rev. James Fennell and then the meal.

Next our minutes by our Secretary, Lana Lott, are approved that were e-mailed to everyone before the meeting. Then our Treasurer, Angela Blue, gives us a financial report. After that Chip Wood always gives his detailed President's report.

On December 5th, we had our annual Christmas Party and meal. Hans Herrington started with a Christmas Q. and A. session for everyone. Then Chip Wood lead everyone with an exciting game of bouncing a ping pong ball into a bucket to get a Christmas gift. We all were tested on the degree of our manual dexterity skills. It was much harder than we thought.

On January 23 Wendy Adams of 'Bee at Peace Farms' presented us with one of the most exciting programs we have ever had. She did a program on planning a pollinator garden and shared with us infor-



Hans Herrington conducting Q. and A. session at Christmas meeting

mation about attracting bees to a garden and growing trees and plants that will attract bees.

Our show will be on May 27th at the Dublin Mall.



# Middle Georgia Daylily Society

Winfred Huff Reporter

The MGHS club is doing well. We closed out the year of 2022 by having Liz and Alex Salter with us for our annual Christmas meal. They did an outstanding program. Elizabeth was presented a cus-

tom-made birdhouse on behalf of the club. We always enjoy their time with us and already have them booked for December 2023.

We also were privileged to have Mark and Patty Franklin pay our club a visit on January 28. They shared their passion for the daylily and brought some to auction. They both have been integral parts in Region 5 and the success we have enjoyed.

We have a schedule of events coming up: Saturday, March 25, members of the South Atlanta Daylily Club will visit us. Representatives of Country Estate Williamson will speak about the exciting news of their endeavors.

Saturday, April 29, Bill and Diana Waldrop will be our guests.



Club members at Christmas Meeting

Thursday, May 25, will be our Daylily Exhibition at the Galleria Mall in Centerville. We invite anyone of our Region 5 members to join us. We have a fun time and enjoy being around each other.



# North Georgia Daylily Society

Meloney Higginbotham, Reporter

Our 2023 officers are President, Elaine Kelley; Vice Presidents, Roger West and Alan Lunsford; Treasurer, Joanna Gardner; Secretary, Janann McInnis, Recorder: Meloney Higginbotham; Parliamentarian and Hospitality, Julia Lyons, and IT, John Sol-

omon.

Our September 2022 gathering featured guests Mike and Tracey Dorsey. They shared their hybridizing program and auctioned off some of their favorite daylilies.

Our December 2022 meeting was our Christmas Party and a little bit of business. We had lots of great dishes, desserts and what we love most, fellowship. We voted to hold meetings every month except January. We ended our meeting with the club favorite for the holiday season, a good game of 'Thieving Santa'.

We are thrilled to welcome three new members Christy McGough and Deborah and Bill Brownlee to our club. Now onto 2023!!! Happy New Year!! The common theme to our conversations is "Can't wait for spring" and "I hope the cold snaps weren't too long and hard for our gardens to have a great bloom."

We kicked off our February meeting with a soup, chili, and dessert

challenge. Alan Lunsford won with his delicious potato soup entry and Janann McInnis won the dessert bragging rights with a decadent brown sugar pound cake with caramel icing. John Solomon shared updated regional news and the popularity winners for 2022. The board is working on updating our bylaws and are planning on giving everyone new notebooks at our March meeting.

For our upcoming March meeting, Claude Carpenter will join us to discuss garden photography. In April, Nathan Wilson from Lanier Nursery will be



Elaine Kelley with her first Achievement Medal

sharing thoughts and guidance for companion plants in our gardens. Many more exciting programs are being finalized by Alan Lunsford and Roger West.

As a final note, a few of us headed south to the February Region 5 meeting. We were so glad to see Elaine Kelley receive her first Achievement Medal for her entry 'Potting Shed Trinity's Delight' in the Northwest Georgia Daylily Society show. Congratulations Elaine!



# Northwest Georgia Daylily Society

#### **David Bishop Reporter**

The NWGDS meets each fourth Saturday at the beautiful Stiles Auditorium at 320 Cherokee Avenue in Cartersville, GA.

In January the club had Ben Winkelman come from the

Rome C.E.O. to speak about animals in our gardens. He brought five live animals, which were big hits with our members.

February will see a three-person discussion panel about growing daylilies. They will field questions from the memberships and usually they have some differing opinions about some ways of doing things. It is early enough in the growing season to help new gardeners.

March will be a Zoom meeting of a hybridizer from out of Georgia. We will have a daylily and other flower sale in April.

Our new officers are Mark Hendry, President; Brian Crisp, Vice President; Doris Bishop, Treasurer; and David Bishop, Secretary.



# Ogeechee Daylily Club

Lynn Shaw Reporter

The Ogeechee Daylily Club wrapped up our 2022 session with our Thanksgiving Meal in November. We had a beautiful program presented by Steve Tacopina of the Deep

Savannah Daylily Society end-

ed 2022 with a Festive Christmas

Party. We had a bountiful feast

prepared by our members. There

was a time of remembrance for our

beloved member Stanley Woo who

South Orchid Society. Steve shared his 30+ years of experience and vast knowledge of the many variations of orchids with our group. He provided "how to grow" literature on each of the plants he brought and offered a plant giveaway at the end of his presentation.

To kick off 2023, the club hosted a low country boil and bingo night. Club President, Kevin McClinton, moderated an open Q&A on the general care of daylilies. It was a fun kickoff for the new year filled with fellowship, great food, and lots of bingo prizes.



Steve Tacopina presenting program on orchids



# Savannah Daylily Society

#### Nele Ewaldsen Reporter

We sang a rendition of the Twelve days of Christmas with all gifts relating to daylilies. It was a blast. We also had our traditional secret Santa gift exchange. New officers were installed for the year 2023 and a planning meeting was held in January. We plan to work on ways to increase our membership and the general education about daylilies to the community. As all of us, we excitedly anticipate the arrival of spring.

recently died. We will forever remember Stan and all the many contributions he made to our organization, local, region, and national.



# South Atlanta Daylily Society

Matthew Stafford, Reporter

The South Atlanta Daylily Society has a Spring full of fun activities.

March 16th the club will host Mac & Scott Meyn from Eezie's Daylily Farm in Osyka, MS as guest speakers.

April 20th the club will host Scott Elliott

from Scott Elliott Daylilies at Maneki Neko Gardens in Ellabell, GA as guest speaker.

May 18th the club will host Greg Crane, ADS Director - Region 10 as guest speaker.

The club meets at 7:00 pm. South Atlanta Daylily Festival will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 from 9:00am to 5:00pm at Sunny D Farms located at 1412 Hutchinson Rd, Williamson, GA 30292. Along with an accredited ADS show, the festival will feature educational displays and workshops, food trucks, arts & crafts vendors, and a club daylily sale table. Kathy's Daylilies will serve as the vendor for plants. For more information, please contact the club's Vice President, Matthew Stafford at 706-333-3563 or mattriver7@yahoo.com

# South Georgia Daylily Society

Nancy Perry Reporter

The South Georgia Daylily Society kicked off the new year with a wonderful and well attended meeting.

Harley Herrin of 1831 Garden Center in Waycross was the guest speaker at the January meeting. Soci-

ety Vice President Bob Kimbrell introduced Herrin. Herrin presented "Harley's Helpful Horticulture Hints."

Herrin is known for his affable manner and thorough knowledge of plants and horticulture techniques. He noted that

winter is the time to begin planning for this year's flower and vegetable garden and shrub and tree care. He encouraged society members to use the acronym A.P.P.L.E. to apply to their horticulture hobbies. "You should assess, plan, prepare, learn and enjoy," he said. Herrin gave tips on pruning using P.R.U.N.E. "You should prepare the plant, remove dead or diseased growth, understand your plant, nothing left behind and enjoy," he said. "You should also go by the five D's: remove the dead, damaged, disease and dying for a desirable result. Herrin gave away door prizes to the group assisted by Society President Vickie Vincent.

A covered dish supper was served prior to the meeting and a short business session was held prior to Herrin's presentation. A total of twenty-six members and guests were present for the meeting. The next meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21, at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Tim Bell



Harley Herrin of 1831 Garden Center in Waycross speaks at January meeting

of Sycamore, well known horticulturist, will be the guest speaker for the February meeting. Bell will also hold a plant sale at the meeting. Membership to the South Georgia Daylily Society is open to everyone who is interested in growing day lilies or really any plants. The Society membership is growing, and we invite guests to every meeting.

# Valdosta Hemerocallis Society

**Terry Wilson Reporter** 

I would first like to give a shout out to my predecessor Kathy Fowler for her work as our club reporter for Region 5 that she has now turned the reins over to myself. Hoping everyone had a blessed and safe Christmas & New Year. Our club has already gotten off to a good start this year.

In January we held our 1st meeting with special guest Winfred Huff of Backyard Daylilies. Winfred gave us some great insight as to what the Dennis Calbreath Photography Contest was all about. He also explained the different categories and what the judges would and would not be looking for in each of them. This was most useful information for anyone wishing to enter this contest or for taking photos of daylilies anytime.

We already have a good lineup of guest speakers for the coming months. February we will have Matthew Stafford of The Country Estate, March will be Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens and in April we will have Jim Mullins on grooming daylilies for a Daylily Show.

On that note, our show will be held at The Crescent in Valdosta, Georgia on May 13th, 2023. Valdosta Hemerocallis Society is the oldest continuously running daylily club in the United States, organized in 1949. The first national daylily convention was held in Valdosta in 1954, then again in 1964



The Crescent Valdosta Garden Center where club's daylily show will be held.

and 2010. The Valdosta Hemerocallis Society held their first daylily show in 1950 and the first accredited show in 1951. Currently we meet every third Thursday at Western Sizzlin at exit 39, I-75 in Adel, Ga at 6:30pm. As the evenings get longer and warmer, we will start meeting again in the gardens so come join us! Until next time "Grow where you're planted".

### Meet Winfred Huff, a 'Good Man' in Region 5

By Tim Herrington



It is when you give of yourself that you truly give. There is an allaround 'Good Man' residing in middle Georgia who wears many hats in the daylily world such as being a garden and exhibition judge, club officer, hybridizer, and Region 5 photo contest chair. He and his wife, Janie, are past recipients of the Tom

Wise Award for outstanding service behind the scenes. We all know him in Region 5 as Winfred Huff, who is a great family man, pastor, friend to those that know him, and an avid Georgia Bulldog fan. He is a very versatile individual who also is a master birdhouse builder. He has constructed many different designs over the years for his garden, door prizes at meetings, and gifts to friends and guest speakers to his daylily club. Winfred can measure, mark, design, and fabricate from various materials birdhouses that are not boring yet have an interesting theme.

At the 2022 Christmas meeting of the Middle Georgia Daylily Club, he presented Elizabeth Salter, from Archer, Florida, with a beautiful custom constructed birdhouse. He even put the Florida Gator logo on the front side since he knew that was where her loyalty was at the annual Florida-Georgia game in Jacksonville when the Bulldogs



Elizabeth Salter with her Birdhouse made by Winfred Huff.

collide with the Gators. Elizabeth and her daughter Alex were the speakers for this meeting. Including her late husband Jeff, the Salter family are hybridizing legends in the daylily world. Being a hybridizer for over 50 years, Elizabeth has registered more miniature and small flower daylilies than any other person in the history of our society, a record that most likely will forever be untouched. With his custom-made birdhouse gift, Winfred Huff once again surely demonstrates that being a 'Good Man' is something you do, not something you are.

# 2023 Region 5 Popularity Poll Ballot

Select your favorite daylilies (up to 5) from the list below. Vote for daylilies that you have observed in your garden or immediate area. If your favorites are not on the list, **you may write in up to 3 daylilies** in the space provided under write-in votes. Please check the box to the left of the daylily. You MUST be an AHS member to vote. (Remember to vote for only 5) The deadline is September 23.

The Popularity Poll is intended to be an individual's own personal vote for the member's favorite daylilies. Independent voting ensures each member's vote will carry equal weight in choosing the Region's most popular daylilies. Group voting and other activities which influence the poll's outcome are not allowed and may result in those ballots not being counted.

	Blowing Pinwheels		Peacock's Pride
	Breathing In Snowflakes	Simply Karen	
	Bubbling Crude		Southern French Toast
	Cherokee Mary		Spacecoast Francis Busby
	Clyde Reese Jr		Spacecoast Coast Scarlet Desire
	Dixieland Five		Spiral Distraction
	Elva White Grow		Talquin's Broken Arrow
	Hazel Wilson		Talquin's Sangria
	Here's To You Bill Robinson		Tim Herrington
	Italian Summer		Thomas Tew
	Lil' Black Buds	Viva Glam Girl	
	Native American	(Write-in names below)	
	Off To See The Wizard		
	One Eyed Dragon		
	Opa Klaus		
Name:Address:City/State/Zip:ADS Member: Yes No			ne Club:t be filled in to be eligible for club and region incentives
Ballot must be postmarked no later than September 23,2023 Mail ballot to: Kathy Fowler 848 Hempstead Church Road Moultrie, Georgia 31788			can also email you ballot to: kathysdaylilies@yahoo.com x your ballot to 229-324-2716

# 2023 Region 5 Hybridizer's Award Ballot

**History:** The Georgia Hybridizer's Award was created in 1969 to recognize outstanding efforts of hybridizers in Region 5. Members of Region 5 vote on the award each year. On September 13, 2003, the membership voted to change the process from Region 5 members selecting a winner of their choice at random to a system where the membership can choose a cultivar on a ballot from choices made by Region 5 members. The ballot will also have a choice of a write in candidate if one chooses not to vote for the hybridizer's choices on the ballot. This process mirrors the awards systems of the ADS. The Regional President will maintain overall responsibility for the award procedures.

**Past Winners:** Previous winners can be found on the Region 5 website at: http://www.ahsregion5.org/region-5-hybridizers-award.html

**Rules**: The rules for eligibility are 1) Only one nomination by a hybridizer 2) The cultivar must be registered by a Georgia Hybridizer and 3) The cultivar must not have won the award in previous years.

**Procedure:** A nomination form will appear in the fall/winter newsletter where hybridizers are invited to nominate one their daylilies for the Georgia Hybridizers Award. Hybridizers have a choice of what they can nominate or not even to nominate a cultivar at all. The ballot will appear in the spring/summer newsletter. The award will be presented at the fall meeting as it has been done in the past.

<u>Please mail your ballot</u> to – Patty Franklin, Region 5 President, 15230 Birmingham Highway, Alpharetta, GA 30004 <u>or email your choice</u> to: mpflowers@comcast.net by <u>July 1, 2023.</u>

**Note-** If you e-mail your choice, put your name by your selection to verify the vote indeed was yours.

**BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS:** The list below are the cultivars submitted by the hybridizers. Circle your choice, sign the ballot, OR write in another choice on the line provided.

'Blowing Pinwheels' 'Dem Dawgs Didit' 'Dietmar's Wisdom' 'Dragonfly Passion' 'Hazel Wilson'	'Illinois Majestic' 'Italian Summer' 'Katisue Herrington' 'One Eyed Dragon'	'Richard Petty' 'Southern French Toast' 'There's My Girl' 'Viva Glam Girl'		
Signature	Write in			
BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS FOR Sanother choice on the line prov	SECOND MEMBER OF FAMILY: Circle you rided.	ur choice, sign the ballot, OR write in		
'Blowing Pinwheels'	'Illinois Majestic'	'Richard Petty' 'Southern French Toast'		
'Dem Dawgs Didit'	_			
'Dietmar's Wisdom'	'There's My Girl'			
'Dragonfly Passion'	'One Eyed Dragon'	'Viva Glam Girl'		
'Hazel Wilson'				
Signature	Write in			

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