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



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You will see Region 5 follow their lead, using the names interchangeably going forward.

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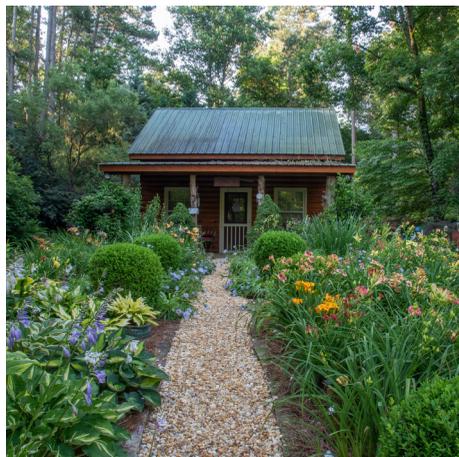
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#### Submissions on the following topics are invited:

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February 15

Fall  
July 1

Winter  
November 1

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Winner of 2020 Stout Silver Medal  
Photo by Claude Carpenter

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Photo of 'I Lava You'  
in clump in front of 'Ghost Ranger'  
Photo by Claude Carpenter

# Regional President's Report

James Fennell

Hi Folks,

As I write this, 2020 is winding down, but as with the daylily there is *hope for tomorrow!*

Our Fall Meeting was a great success! We had five new attendees at our fall meeting making for a well-attended meeting. The bargain table with Miles and Michelle McMillan was busy with people lined up to purchase quality plants at a bargain price. The "White Elephant Table" was another success under the leadership of Doris Bishop. Dan Hansen's presentation dazzled us with his wealth of knowledge as he gave us a glimpse of his new introductions and his futures. As always, Tim Bell and company kept us entertained throughout the auction of great plants donated by members of Region 5. I am still awed by the friendliness and generosity of our Region's members even under less than optimal conditions. The ample space of the meeting site gave us the ability to social distance and follow CDC guidelines.

We really appreciate the hospitality of Haynesville First Baptist Church. I have booked the Family Life Center of Haynesville First Baptist Church for our Winter Meeting. We will continue to follow current CDC guidelines that include wearing a mask and social distancing as we enjoy fellowship.

Region 5 hybridizers continue to be successful on the national level. This year Region 5 was well represented with cultivars hybridized by Katisue Herrington, Tim



Herrington, Heather Herrington, Jan Joiner, Scott Elliott, Bill Waldrop, and Will Marchant. Region 5 people won six of the 10 Specialty Awards! Many of the best daylilies in the world are produced right here in Georgia.

It is with anticipation that I say 2021 is going to be an exciting year for Region 5. We will begin the year with our Winter Meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup>. Our guest speaker will be Jamie Gossard. Jamie is a leading hybridizer with over 840 registrations to his credit.

He hybridizes in two locations, Heavenly Gardens in Galloway, Ohio and Spacecoast Daylilies in Scottsmoor, Florida. I know that Jamie's presentation will fascinate you as we take a look at his future contributions to the "daylily world."

The members of Northwest Georgia Daylily Club are making serious preparations for the 2021 Region 5's Spring Meeting. It will be a treat to tour the gardens and spend a weekend with daylily friends.

I am anxiously awaiting our Winter Meeting and look forward to seeing you there. Please join us for a day with friends who 'feel like' family.

Do not forget to spread the fun, share the load, enjoy the flowers, and cherish the people!

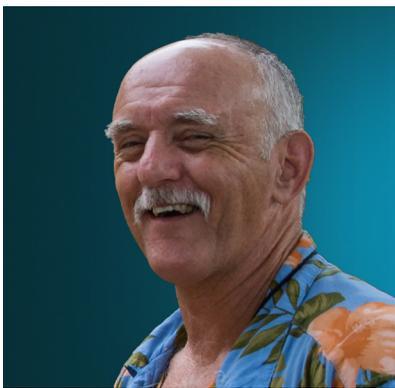
See you on the Daylily Trail,

James

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## RPD's Report

David Bishop



I encourage each one of you to contribute to your local club, Region, and national organization. Everyone has gifts that they can offer. There are many things that you can do. From the setting up of the meeting room to the cleaning up after the meeting, help is

needed. If you don't know what needs to be done or how to do something, just ask and someone will explain it to you. They are glad to have the help. "Many hands make

light work" is true! Things get done faster when lots of people pitch in to get a job done.

One of the problems that plague every organization is a lack of people who are willing to serve as officers or other leaders. It's not in everyone's personality to be in charge of something. Sometimes we have to get out of our comfort zone. Organizations are stronger when they are led by people who are committed to making things better. Often volunteering for a small job allows you to view what others are doing. That may help prepare you to take on a larger role in the club. "I can do anything for a short time" is a mantra that has gotten us through a period of doing something that is not what we love to do. The club may need you to do a job for a while until someone else can fill that position. You don't have to be

# Regional Director's Report

Scott Elliott

It is hard to believe that COVID-19 is still dominating our lives. Some clubs have been able to meet, while others are still unable because of government restrictions or simply due to health concerns. Numerous winter regional meetings have already been canceled. When will it end?

Fortunately, our 2021 national convention is still on the books. The clubs are going forward with plans to hold the convention May 19-22 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Look for advertisements in this issue about the hotels and registration.

Interested in getting involved on the national level with the American Daylily Society? Please contact me. I have a number of open positions needing qualified, enthusiastic members. [president@daylilies.org](mailto:president@daylilies.org)

I was excited to see the results of the 2020 Awards and Honors voting for Region 5. Once again, our hybridizers had great success bringing home four of the 12 Awards of Merit, six of the 10 Specialty Awards and seven Honorable mention awards (including five in the top 20!). Seven different hybridizers from our region were recognized in these awards: Bill Waldrop, Heather Herrington, Will Marchant, Jan Joiner, Tim Herrington, Katusie Herrington, and Scott Elliott. See the results in this issue of the Georgia Daylily for the details or online at [www.daylilies.org](http://www.daylilies.org)

The fall board meeting was held in Mississippi as a Zoom session with 12 of the members actually in attendance and the rest online. With the help of our tech staff, we were able to conduct all the business the board, special chairs and staff normally undertake at this meeting. New items of note from the board meeting include:

1. The board approved the motion brought forward



by the Awards and Honors committee to allow the electronic distribution of the Awards and Honors ballots to all garden judges with email addresses on record (only four garden judges do not have email addresses on file). Paper copies will still be mailed to those judges without email access. A downloadable version will be available to all garden judges on the Portal.

2. A temporary special committee has been formed to study an annual membership vs a calendar year membership. This committee will look into the budget, bylaws and judgeship implications and ramifications of such a decision.
3. The budget for 2021 currently has a shortfall of about \$13,000. This is due mainly to decreased donations and decreased membership; our two main sources of income for the Society. Donations are down, especially for the 100 giving \$100 campaign because we did not have a national convention; typically, about 45 are sold during the convention. Membership is down due to COVID-19 and the fact that the average age of our members is continually advancing with fewer new younger members joining.
4. AHS Region 5 membership stands at 475, as of September 1, 2020. We picked up 40 new members since last year. Region 5 is the third largest region in ADS. We also have 10 youth members; the largest number of youth members in the AHS.

Scott Elliott,  
Director, Region 5  
President, American Hemerocallis Society

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## RPD's Report (cont)

perfect but you need to try to perform as well as possible. It also gives you a greater perception of what a job entails.

Donate your time, efforts, money, and yes, your daylilies! Each club has fund raisers through sales and auctions. You may have some clumps of daylilies that need dividing. You may have a desire to share the beauty of a certain cultivar with others. You may wish that others will vote for a favorite daylily that you have. If it's also growing in someone else's garden, then it probably has a better chance to win an award. The Fall Regional offers an opportunity to donate companion plants for a way

to raise funds for our wonderful magazine, The Georgia Daylily. Clubs have auctions and sales. Sometimes donations are not flowers. At a recent Regional a cake was in the auction, as was a donated wreath. Many clubs have Bargain Tables or other opportunities for you to give from your bounty. Purchasing these items also can be helping out your club or Region. Even when you don't need an item, you can give it away to someone who does. Bid high in auctions and then make someone happy by your gift to them, assuming they want that particular thing.

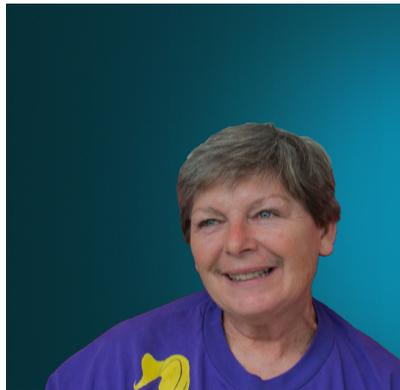
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# Secretary's Report

Doris Bishop

## Region 5 Fall Meeting Minutes

The Fall Meeting of the Region 5 of the American Hemerocallis Society was held October 3, 2020 at Haynesville First Baptist Church in Hawkinsville, Georgia beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Region 5 President James Fennell. Invocation was given by Winfred Huff. James gave a heartfelt thanks to Haynesville First Baptist Church for allowing us to meet in their spacious facility and to Family Pastor William Hurst for helping with technology and the use of the church's sound system. Meeting attendees have been asked to abide by CDC guidelines by wearing masks and social distancing. James extended a warm welcome to everyone in attendance. He recognized Region 12 Director Opal Howell and her guest Marsha Crisler from Florida and five first-time attendees from Region 5. Barbara Kirby, Ron Bonner, and Jim Netherton were unable to attend today's meeting due to illness or other health issues.



Region 5 Treasurer Jack Rigsby reported that the current balance is \$28,176.45. Jack explained that the region spends between \$2,800 and \$2,900 every time *The Georgia Daylily* is mailed out. There were no outstanding expenses or questions about money. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as reported.

## Director's Report

Scott Elliott serves as both Region 5 Director and ADS President. Scott said that if anyone encounters a problem with ADS to contact him. Region 5 membership is 484 members which is down by sixteen from this time last year. ADS membership is down partially due to Covid-19 as well as declining age of ADS members. Scott polled today's attendees to see how many were not members of ADS, but no one raised a hand. Scott had brought copies of *The Daily Journal* to give to non-members. Region 5 can add thirty-two more garden judges. Garden Judges choose the winners of many national awards. Scott pointed out that Region 5 does well in national award recognition. Region 5 has thirty-nine senior Exhibition Judges, and Region 5 has one-third of all the daylily shows in the country. Online classes for Exhibition Judges and Garden Judges will be offered this fall and can be offered any time on demand. If interested in one of these classes, contact Exhibition Judges Liaison David Arthur or Garden Judge Liaison James Fennell. A new ADS position has been created. It is the Local Club Facilitation Chair headed by Mike Denson. This position is designed to help members locate information within the ADS, such as how to start a new club, how to increase membership, how to raise money, etc. The AHS database will likely begin showing the introduction date as well as the registration date. This may be a benefit for some hybridizers, but an extra fee will be charged. The introduction date will be optional and would not start until 2022. Previous registrations may be amended for the extra fee. The ADS is looking for chairs for the national level. Anyone interested in serving should see Scott. Region 12 Director Opal Howell interjected that reading the AHS Officers Handbook would tell the duties of each job. The ADS is looking for someone to head up the Daylily Ambassador Program which honors clubs or organizations that recognize growing daylilies. ADS is \$15,000 short for the current AHS budget and is looking for new ways to raise money. Money is raised by dues, donations, and the "100 Giving \$100" campaign. Those who give \$100 receive a special ADS pin. Scott noted that Region 5 had the largest number of members participating in this campaign. Money earned from

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

Albany Daylily Society 8  
Central Georgia Daylily Society 3  
Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society 2  
Cobb County Daylily Society 11  
The Daylily Society Of Greater Atlanta 8  
The Daylily Society Of Greater Augusta 0  
Dublin Hemerocallis Society 6  
Heart Of Georgia Daylily Society 0  
Middle Georgia Hemerocallis Society 13  
North Georgia Daylily Society 2  
Northwest Georgia Daylily Society 10  
Ogeechee Daylily Society 7  
Savannah Daylily Society 0  
South Georgia Daylily Society 1  
Valdosta Hemerocallis Society 9

## Secretary's Report

The minutes from the February 15 Winter Meeting were published in the spring issue of *The Georgia Daylily*. Since there were no corrections, the minutes were accepted as published.

## Early Bird Registration

The winner of the Early Bird registration drawing was Karen Cotton who received H. 'Freedom Hymn' donated and hybridized by Tim Bell.

## Treasurer's Report

registrations do not go to the AHS budget. ADS Awards and Honors will be announced and posted on the AHS website the evening of October 24. Winners will be on the Region 5 Facebook page too. Awards usually awarded at the National Convention are the Region 5 Service Award won by James and Louise Fennell and the Best Regional Newsletter in the country won *again* by Claude Carpenter. The 2021 National Convention will be May 19-22 in Hattiesburg, MS.

### **President's Report**

Region 5 President James Fennell reminded us that one of his goals is 'Spreading The Fun, Getting More People Involved', but this has not happened this year because of the virus. It has been a difficult year, and difficult decisions have had to be made. James has determined that daylily people are resilient like the daylily; they bounce back and so shall we! James wants our help and input. If you have suggestions, let him know. If he sends you an email, let him know you received it. James needs people to help him lead. Get involved!

### **Regional Publicity Report**

No report

### **Daylily Giveaway**

Debra Curlin was the winner of 'Peacock's Pride' donated and hybridized by Tim Bell.

### **Committee Reports and Presentations**

1. *The Georgia Daylily* Update--Editor Claude Carpenter announced that the deadline for input in the next issue is November 1. As part of the Club Reports section, please include information about how your club has gone through the pandemic and weathered the storm. Each issue costs about \$3000, and we may have to go to one electronic issue in the future. Claude brought extra copies to today's meeting.

2. Dennis Calbreath Memorial Photography Contest--Coordinator Winfred Huff announced there were 170 entries from ten entrants this year, the most entries (and the toughest) since he has been coordinating. The judges were Palmer Haffner, Tim Lewis, and Matt Caporale. Each first place Class winner received \$25. First place Class winners are: Single Bloom--Claude Carpenter, Multiple Bloom--Bill Waldrop, Clump--Bruce Alsop, Landscape--Claude Carpenter, Nature--Bill Waldrop, and Overall Winner--Bruce Alsop for H. 'Blue Viper'.

3. Popularity Poll--RPD David Bishop reported that 123 Region 5 members voted this year. Only the top five winners make the Region 5 Popularity Poll. Below are the top ten 'vote-getters':

10<sup>th</sup> Place--Blazing Cannons, Mayor Of Munchkinland, Orange Velvet (3-way tie)  
7<sup>th</sup> Place--'Lava Flow'  
6<sup>th</sup> Place--'Mary's Gold'

5<sup>th</sup> Place--'Sunglasses Needed'

4<sup>th</sup> Place--'Wayne And Coral's Love'

3<sup>rd</sup> Place--'Everybody Loves Earnest'

2<sup>nd</sup> Place--'Heavenly United We Stand'

1<sup>st</sup> Place--'Dorothy And Toto'

4. Spring Regional Meeting 2021---Co-chair Renee' Carleton from the Northwest Georgia Daylily Society invited everyone to join in on the "Fun In 2021" at the Hilton Garden Inn in Cartersville June 11-12. There will be four tour gardens (Waldrops' Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Garden, Arthurs' Prissy's Garden, Curlette Hennard's Garden, and Bishops' Shady Rest Gardens), Friday night auction, Silent Auction, judges' classes, bargain table provided by Kathy and Bruce Fowler, Saturday picnic and evening banquet featuring the Salters. The Enman Joiner Seedling Bed will be in the garden of Bill and Diana Waldrop. Registration will be limited to 100 participants with the registration fee \$100 per person. The Hilton Garden Inn special room rate for this meeting is \$149 per night. Remember to say "Daylily Convention" when making your reservation to get this special rate. Registration forms are at today's meeting.

### **Special Orders**

Region 5 Director Nominating Committee Chair Winfred Huff announced the results of the written ballot election of Region 5 Director. Scott Elliott received 78 votes, and Patty Franklin received 20 write-in votes. Scott Elliott will serve as the Region 5 Director for 2021-2023.

James explained that another nominating committee is needed to nominate the next Region 5 President. This committee would give its report at the 2021 Winter Meeting, and a vote would be taken at the June Spring Meeting. The new president would start January 1, 2022. James asked for volunteers. Volunteering for this committee are Scott Elliott, Claude Carpenter, and Joe Scott Watson. A vote was taken by a show of hands to accept these three as the nominating committee, and they were elected.

### **Daylily Giveaway**

Claude Carpenter was the winner of 'Peacock's Pride' donated and hybridized by Tim Bell.

### **Unfinished Business**

None

### **New Business**

None

### **Speaker Presentation**

RPD David Bishop introduced today's speaker and hybridizer Dan Hansen from Ladybug Daylilies in Geneva, FL. Dan's mother, Ra Hansen, was also his mentor and taught him much. Dan specializes in tetraploids and does

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# Region 5 Treasurer's Report

Jack Rigsby



## AHS REGION 5 TREASURER'S REPORT 7-8-20 Thru 10-31-20

<b>Balance Forward 7-8-20</b>		<b>\$ 31,726.96</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Fall Regional Meeting - Registrations	1,094.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - Bargain Table Plant Sales	360.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - GA Daylily Table Plant Sales	404.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - Auction Plant Sales	4,735.00	
Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta - Donation Photography Awards	200.00	
Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta - Donation	100.00	
Ga Daylily Subscription (1) 2021	30.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>6,923.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
<b>Newsletter Expenses</b>		
Albany Word Processing Company - Fall 2020 Edition GA Daylily	285.58	
Sundance Press Printing - Fall 2020 Edition GA Daylily	2,650.83	
AHS Region #5 Editor GA Daylily Fall 2020	500.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>3,436.41</b>
<b>Other Regional Expenses</b>		
Winter Regional Meeting Auction Plant Distribution - Postage	123.20	
AHS Region #5 Web Page Renewal (2 yrs)	159.00	
Dennis Calbreth Photography Awards	200.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - Haynesville Baptist Church - Space	200.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - Tech Support	100.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - Guest Speaker Auction Plant Sales Split & Travel Expen	1,330.00	
Fall Regional Meeting - Auction Plant Splits	1,177.50	
Fall Regional Meeting - Luncheon Expenses (Box Lunches)	653.15	
Fall Regional Meeting - Luncheon Beverages	33.98	
Fall Regional Meeting - Regional Director Election - Postcards	136.50	
Fall Regional Meeting - Credit Card Processing Fees	46.57	
Regional Director Travel Reimbursement	500.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>4,659.90</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>8,096.31</b>
<b>Balance as of 10-31-20</b>		<b>\$ 30,553.65</b>

## RPD's Report (cont)

By giving of your help you allow someone else to “rest”. One problem that each organization has is that 20% of the people do 80% of the work. Burnout is real and sooner or later persons get tired of doing so much work. “Sharing is caring” is another saying that has validity. If we would all share in the labors and decisions of a club, Region, and national organization, we'd get more out of it and show our appreciation for the work that has been done before now. You feel more of an investment in that club. While people have varying levels of dedication to a project or

organization and do different amounts of work for it, we all need do more than we do now. Unless, of course, you are doing too much! Please be aware of opportunities for service and thank people for their efforts. They are not doing it for that reason but will appreciate it. Sometimes a person does not think that anyone cares that they are doing their best. No, I am not asking for praise, but am aware that some might feel that nobody cares if they do a good job as long as others do not have to do it.

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## Secretary's Report (cont)

not put his name on anything until he knows everything about it. Dan's words of wisdom, “Without beauty, it has nothing,” is evident throughout his video presentation of his hybridizing program and recent introductions. His passion for hybridizing daylilies has spanned a period of more than twenty years.

At the conclusion of Dan's presentation, boxed lunches from Chick-fil-A were enjoyed by all. *The Georgia Daylily* bargain table remained open during the lunch period. An auction of daylilies and other donated items followed lunch.

### Announcements

1. Winter Region Meeting—February 20, 2021 (meeting location TBA)
2. Spring Region Meeting—June 11-12, 2021 in Cartersville, GA

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectively submitted,  
Doris Bishop  
Region 5 Secretary  
October 28, 2020

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## Editor's Note



This last issue of *The Georgia Daylily* in the year 2020 wraps up a most unusual year for Region 5 and the rest of the World. We have had very few club meeting among our 15 daylily clubs and the National Convention in Savannah was canceled.

As a result of this virus we have been confined to our homes and our gardens. Like many of you my garden has been the highlight of the year. We have had great weather with plenty of rain. The virus did not prevent my garden from being the best it has ever been.

The region did have a meeting in October and 58 masked members attended a meeting held in the Family Life Center of First Baptist Church of Haynesville Georgia. It was really good to see many of my good daylily friends.

In this issue we are focusing on our hybridizers and our photographers. Our hybridizers won 17 ADS Cultivar Awards in 2020. We also had the largest number of entries in the Dennis Calbreath Photo Contest we have ever had. (180 entries). All of this is highlighted in this issue along with the 2020 Popularity Poll.

I know all of you are praying for an end to this virus and back to a more normal way of life.

Regards,  
Claude Carpenter

## Region 5 Contributions

- A donation to the ADS William E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust was made by Harold McDonell in memory of Paul M. Smith a long time member of the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta.
- A donation of \$125 was made by the Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society in support of *The Georgia Daylily*
- A donation of \$100 was made by the Valdosta Daylily Society in support of *The Georgia Daylily* in memory of Jeff Salter.
- A donation of \$200 was made by the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta in support of *The Georgia Daylily*.



## Region 5

Fifty six of our Region 5 members came wearing masks and we were able to social distance in the Family Life Center of the First Baptist Church of Haynesville Georgia. We want to thank the church for allowing us to meet in their excellent facilities.



**Tim Bell**



**Winfred Huff**



**Our President - James Fennell**



**Our Speaker - Dan Hansen**



**Cynthia Rigby**



**David Bishop**



**Steve Stainsby**



**Reg 12 Director - Opal Howell**



**Sue Cliett**



**Janie Seglund**



**Nanci Griggs**



**Louise Fennell - Janie Huff**



# Fall Meeting

Dan Hansen gave an excellent presentation on his hybridizing program and afterwards our attendees enthusiastically purchased approximately 100 auction plants. Photos of some of the masked attendees below.



**Our Auctioneer - Tim Bell**



**Donna Williams**



**Doris Bishop**



**Beverly McWilliams**



**Scott Elliott**



**Billy Stafford**



**Kathy Fowler**



**Bruce Fowler**



**Nancy Stainsby**



**Patty and Mark Franklin**



**David Arthur**



**Lori Murphy**

Region 5 Hybridizers  
2020 ADS Cultivar Awards

**Award of Merit, 2020**

These daylilies will go on the Stout Medal Ballot in 2022



**'One Eye Willie'**  
(Herrington-T., 2006)  
Claude Carpenter Photo



**'Hotlanta'**  
(Waldrop, 2014)  
Claude Carpenter Photo



**'Simply Karen'**  
(Joiner-J., 2011)  
Claude Carpenter Photo



**'Big Fuss'**  
(Joiner-J., 2013)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

# Honorable Mention, 2020

These daylilies will be candidates for the Award of Merit in 2023



**'Off To See The Wizard'**  
Herrington-K., (2009)  
*Claude Carpenter Photo*



**'Flying Monkeys'**  
Herrington-K., (2008)  
*Claude Carpenter Photo*



**'Tomato Sandwich'**  
Herrington-K., (2001)  
*Tim Herrington Photo*



**'Mayor of Cornatzer'**  
Elliott., (2016)  
*Scott Elliott Photo*



**'Spiral Distraction'**  
Elliott-S., (2015)  
*Photo Scott Elliott*



**'867- 53 Oh Nine'**  
Elliott-S., (2016)  
*Claude Carpenter Photo*



**'Zero Dark Thirty'**  
Marchant., (2013)  
*Bill Marchant Photo*

# ADS Specialty Awards - 2020

## Donn Fischer Memorial Cup

For Best Miniature Daylily (Under 3 inches)



**'Grandpa's Little Sweetheart'**  
(Herrington-K., 2010)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

## Annie T. Giles Award

For Best Small Flower (3 - 4.5 inches)



**'One Eye Willie'**  
(Herrington-T., 2006)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

## Ida Munson Award

For Best Double Daylily



**'Tim Herrington'**  
(Elliott-S., 2014)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

# ADS Specialty Awards - 2020

## R. W. Munson, Jr. Award For distinctly patterned daylilies



**'Katisue Herrington'**  
(Herrington-H., 2013)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

## Eugene S. Foster Award For Late or Very Late Blooming Daylilies



**'Strawberry Cream Cupcake'**  
(Herrington-T., 2001)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

## Best Early Season Bloom



**'Wildman George'**  
(Elliott-S., 2010)  
Claude Carpenter Photo

# 2020 Popularity Poll Results

## Most Popular in Region 5



**'Dorothy and Toto' (Herrington-K. 2003)**  
Claude Carpenter Photo

**2nd Place**



**'Heavenly United We Stand' (Gossard 2009)**  
Claude Carpenter Photo

**4th Place**



**'Wayne and Coral's Love' (Netherton 2013)**  
Claude Carpenter Photo

**3rd Place**



**'Everybody Loves Earnest' (Herrington-T. 2005)**  
Claude Carpenter Photo

**5th Place**



**'Sunglasses Needed' (Joiner-J. 2007)**  
Claude Carpenter Photo

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# Dennis Calbreath Photography Contest

## Best Photo of a Clump



**First Place and Best Overall Photo**  
**'Blue Viper' (Gossard 2011)**  
**entered by Bruce Alsup**



**Second Place**  
**'Breathing In Snowflakes' (Douglas-H., 2016)**  
**entered by Claude Carpenter**



**Third Place**  
**'Jitterbug Giggles' (Joiner-J., 2014)**  
**entered by Becky Brock**

## Best Photo of a Daylily Garden Landscape



**First Place**  
**Scene from Tim Bell Garden**  
**entered by Claude Carpenter**



**Second Place**  
**Scene from Waldrop Garden**  
**entered by Diana Waldrop**



**Third Place**  
**Scene from Carpenter Garden**  
**entered by Claude Carpenter**

## Best Photo of a Single Bloom



**First Place**  
**'Dances With Giraffes' (Reed 2005)**  
**entered by Claude Carpenter**



**Second Place**  
**'The One Ring' (Salter, E. H., 2015)**  
**Entered by Bill Waldrop**



**Third Place**  
**'Green Inferno' (Gossard 2006)**  
**Entered by Melissa Williams**

## Best Photo of Multiple Blooms



**First Place**  
**Photo of a Waldrop Seedling**  
**Entered by Bill Waldrop**



**Second Place**  
**'Trade Secrets' (Gossard 2016)**  
**Entered by Vicki Alsup**



**Third Place**  
**Photo of a Beuhner Seedling**  
**Entered by Rita Beuhner**

Dennis Calbreath Photography Contest (cont)

**Best Photo of Nature in the Garden**



**First Place**  
**Frog in Waldrop Seedling**  
**Entered by Bill Waldrop**



**Second Place**  
**Praying Mantis on daylily bloom**  
**Entered by Vicki Alsup**



**Third Place**  
**Grasshopper on H. 'Lydia's Regal Robe' (Waldrop 2008)**  
**Entered by Diana Waldrop**

# Father Knows Best

by Heather Herrington

Several years ago, I asked my father, Tim Herrington, to think back to his twenties when he was a recent college graduate. I wondered if he would have ever envisioned himself going crazy over a perennial flower and letting that interest take over his yard, his vacations, and wallet. Would he have pictured himself spreading pollen, dreaming of rich compost, and meeting people all over the world with the same hobby?



**Heather Herrington (age 15) and Tim Herrington at the 1988 Region 5 Spring Conference in Dublin. Tim was the coordinator for the weekend meeting and garden tours.**

As I expected, he said he would have never guessed it. Fast forward to present day, and he now proudly states in his daylily programs that he can't imagine a world without daylilies. He believes the two most important things to him in the wonderful world of daylilies are his relationship to his daylilies and his relationship with daylily people.

As a teenager I registered my first daylily in 1988 and eight years later my father registered his first daylily. He tells many people that he got caught up in my passion for daylilies, resulting in the rare instance where a parent took up the hobby of the child instead of the child taking up the hobby of the parent. I watched him begin a hybridizing program while living in a household with two established hybridizers, myself and my late mother, Katusie Herrington. He soon realized that the path you're on is not as important as the direction you're heading if one wants to carve out their own little niche as a daylily hybridizer. To date, he has registered 137

daylilies by utilizing the goals of developing daylilies that are highly resistant to rust, have the ability to rebloom, have great garden and show habits, and that are pretty and distinctive. The goal that he feels is really important is for a seedling to have above average branching and bud count. Diversity of form and size has always been one of Tim Herrington's hybridizing objectives. It is this diversity of interests and refusal to be pigeonholed only to create large single bloom flowers, that has added dimension and distinction to his hybridizing program. With this also in mind, he wanted to create daylilies that could be entered in the various flower show sections. This diversity is one of many reasons his daylilies have won many show awards for him and other exhibitors in the society and individual cultivar awards for him in the American Daylily Society (ADS) Pyramid of Awards System. Below is a chart that reveals his diversity of forms and sizes.

Flower Show Section	Tim Herrington Registrations
Double Flower	39 (28.5%)
Small Flower	36 (26.3%)
Large Flower	23 (16.8%)
Miniature Flower	16 (11.7%)
Unusual Form Flower	12 (8.8%)
Spider Flower	6 (4.4%)
Extra Large Flower	5 (3.6%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>137 (100%)</b>

When asked what type of daylily does he like to create, he uses a very simple definition in that he wants his daylilies to contain that special knack to give the viewers a happy feeling when they observe them. He feels to create good daylilies one needs to use good parents. There are three areas that define his commitment to try to make a difference in daylily breeding;

**(1) Flower size:** While close to 70% of all daylilies 4 ½" and over continue to dominate ADS registrations, 59% of his registrations have been flowers under 4 1/2" which includes single blooms, doubles, and unusual forms. His first registration was the 3 ½" **'Baby Boomer'** in 1996 which set a future standard for clarity in color and a great bud count in his program. Two years later he registered his first small doubles, **'Raspberry Cupcake'**,



**'Baby Boomer'** (Herrington-T., 1996)  
Tim Herrington's first introduction  
Awards: HM 2000; FS 2003



**'Honey Crunch Cake'**  
(Herrington-T., 1999)  
Awards: HM 2003; ATG 2012; IM 2019;  
ESF 2016



**'Awed By Claude'**  
(Herrington-T., 2013)

and **'Plum Cupcake'** which have become classics. Many have said that his 4" **'Honey Crunch Cupcake'** has the best example of protruding petaloids of any type of double. One of his passions is to improve the miniature daylily (under 3" in diameter) with clear colors, great branching and bud counts. His 2.8" **'Little Rootie Tootie'** has the character to be a perfect example of a miniature with its pleasing relationship between the foliage and the placement of branches, buds, and flowers which creates a naturally symmetrical form. Many folks have told him this miniature will be the next 'Mayor'. Other distinctive miniatures include **'Terri's Cha Cha'**, **'Boo Boo Giggles'**, **'Chickens On The Porch'**, and **'Munchkin Music'**. Another passion of his was to create a small flower with a large red eye that had super branching and bud count and would be a continuous bloomer. This goal was accomplished when he registered his 4" **'Hat's Off To Sue'** in 2008. The red eye is so huge that the overall color of the flower can best be described as red with a pink edge above a green throat.

**(2) Double "Spideries":** Creating doubles with a spidery/unusual form appearance is a very new and popular concept for breeders. In 2006, Tim registered **'Tangerine Twirl Cupcake'** as his first double of this type. This one has a very rare feature in that it also displays quilling on the sepals and petals. He has continued with this program and to date has added **'If I Only Had A Brain'**, **'Lemon Chiffon Cupcake'** and **'Uncle Wiggily Longears'**, with different colors of red, yellow and orange respectively. All have forms that are loose, open, and have movement.

**(3) Daylilies with Green:** In 1998 Tim registered the 3 1/2" **'Calypso Green'**, his first daylily with an intense green throat and green veining extending out to the edges of the petals and sepals. To enhance the color green in daylilies he had learned you must breed the greenest throated daylilies to other green throated seedlings or cultivars to one another. This means you are breeding for excessive chlorophyll which would increase the intensity of the color green and hopefully the throat size each generation.



**'Uncle Wiggily Longears'**  
(Herrington-T., 2010)



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



**'Mayor of Munchkinland'**  
(Herrington-T., 2010)  
Awards: AM 2019; HM 2016; JC 2010; DFM  
2015; DCS 2017; FS 2015

## Father Knows Best (cont)



**Tim Herrington with 'Strawberry Cream Cupcake' (Herrington-T., 2001) Awards: HM 2007; JC 2001; Georgia Doubles Award at 2017 National Convention**

By doing this he has successfully achieved in getting the color green onto the sepals now which adds to the overall beauty of the bloom. With the addition of **'Along Came Amanda'**, **'Green Derby'**, **'Green Rainbow'**, **'Portrait In Green'**, **'Munchkin Cabbage'** and **'Janice Kennedy'** to his green program, he now has some of the largest green throats into the widest eyes of small flowers that have ever been



**'Raspberry Ripple Cupcake' (Herrington-T., 2007) Awards: DFM 2019; Georgia Doubles Award at 2019 National Convention**

hybridized. He has registered the following unusual form daylilies with blooms over 4 ½" that also have very large extended green throats; **'Fried Green Tomatoes'**, **'Oz's Tin Man'**, **'Green Banana'**, **'Pea Green With Envy'**, and **'Rhapsody In Green'**. Two others with green are **'Awed By Claude'**, a large flower with mostly green sepals, and an extra large flower at 10" named **'It Must Be Cindy'**, described as glowing peach with cream highlights with a large bright green throat.

Each year at the ADS National Convention, attendees visit the tour gardens and observe thousands of daylilies. Two of the four major convention awards they vote on are the best double, sponsored by Region 5 called the Georgia Double Award, and the best small/miniature daylily, sponsored by Region 12 called the Florida Sunshine Cup. For any hybridizer ever to win one or two in their lifetime is a rare and special occurrence. My father's daylilies have won the best double daylily twice with **'Strawberry Cream Cupcake'** and **'Raspberry Ripple Cupcake'** and the best small/miniature daylily four times with **'Baby Boomer'**, **'Mayor Of Munchkinland'**, **'Little Gold Nugget'** and **'Halloween Green'**. Another testament to the appeal of his cultivars are the yearly awards voted on by the ADS Garden Judges. They have four categories for



**'Along Came Amanda' (Herrington-T., 2012)**



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



**'Rhapsody in Green' (Herrington-T., 2012)**



'Pea Green with Envy'  
Herrington-T., 2011)



'Halloween Green'  
(Herrington-T., 2011)  
Awards: ATG 2019



'Portrait in Green'  
(Herrington-T., 2014)

the individual cultivar awards that hybridizers can win. Beginning in order of importance are Junior Citations (JC), Honorable Mentions (HM), Awards of Merit (AM), and the Stout Medal (SM). Tim Herrington has won 6 JC's, 20 HM's, 6 AM's, and had a runner-up for the SM which was **'Everybody Loves Earnest'**. This miniature has also been in the top five daylilies for the last 10 years in the Region 5 Popularity Poll. He likes to enter flowers in daylily shows, and during a span of the last 29 years he has received 16 Achievement Medals for his daylilies. The ADS also has four major personal awards, and Tim Herrington has been awarded 3 of them which are (1) the Regional Service Award in 2004 for outstanding service to the society, (2) the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal in 2014 for attaining outstanding results in hybridizing, and (3) the Steve Moldovan Mentoring Award in 2015 for his lifelong mentoring efforts and especially for mentoring Amanda Hotaling of Delaware, an ADS youth, for several years.

Tangible awards are meaningful, but his gift of giving back to the society he loves is more highly treasured in his opinion. My father never needed to wait a single moment before starting to improve the daylily world with his outstanding service to Region 5. He believes if you make growing daylilies only about yourself, you won't feel fulfilled. I have heard him say many times when you are of service to the daylily society and their members, you get out of the focus of just being about yourself. Tim Herrington has worn many hats over the years, including leadership positions such as local club president, show chair, and Region 5 Vice President (RVP now Regional President) while excelling in some of his low tech skills such as toting and fetching to get whatever job needed to be done. He serves ADS as a garden and exhibition judge and as a clinic instructor for both. For the last 30 years he has silently helped The Georgia Daylily and Region 5 in various capacities. One activity that he really

enjoys is writing an assortment of articles from serious to humorous to capture events, actionable insights into daylilies, and member awards and activities.

Around 1990 Tim and Katusie began presenting daylily programs in Georgia for most clubs and throughout the society's regions. Tim kept that activity up after she passed away until recently when he had health issues. He has shared with me the many happy trips and new daylily folks he met along the way and said if it hadn't been for daylilies, there were parts of America and Canada he never would have visited. In retrospect, he feels one of the best things he ever did was join the American Daylily Society, as it was the glue that cemented his relationship to his daylilies and his relationship with daylily people. Decades ago, he couldn't have imagined all of this, but now, the thought of Tim Herrington and daylilies seems symbiotic, synchronous, and synonymous.



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

# Jack and Rebecca Brock Win Tom Wise Award

The Tom Wise Award is provided to recognize those individuals who give of themselves unselfishly; perform service in support of both local and regional activities; and though never wavering in their dependability, they do whatever needs to be accomplished outside the limelight. Jack and Rebecca Brock from Milledgeville are the 2020 winners for this award. They are a couple who have been members of Region 5 ADS since 2009. At that time they joined the Dublin Area Daylily Society (DADS) and have made many donations to the DADS auctions during the last 11 years. Then in 2015 they were founding members of the Central Georgia Daylily Club (CGDC) based in Milledgeville which gave them 2 daylily clubs to be active in along with Region 5 activities. Rebecca has been President for 5 years with Jack doing any job needed for this new club's success especially with his efforts of auctioning plants that he has donated at every meeting. Jack is also a certified Exhibition Judge with the daylily society. This new club also has put on 3 accredited daylily shows so far with Jack being the show chair in each. On several occasions this club has met at their home and garden for an assortment of daylily related demonstrations. As members of these 2 local clubs, they are known to carry out their tasks of service with courtesy, admiration for others, and with going the extra mile.

In a relative short period of time, Jack and Rebecca Brock have designed one of the prettiest and most



efficient daylily gardens in Georgia and have a collection of daylilies that are great performers which include a very wide range of all forms and types. Their garden has some of the biggest daylily clumps that are breathtaking, heart-stopping, and sensationally gorgeous you will find anywhere. About 50 of these clumps were donated by the Brocks to be utilized for various reasons for the Ogeechee Daylily Society (ODS) for the 2020 National Convention. Assuming the clumps averaged at least 25 or more fans, that is about a total of 1,250 fans or more which is enough to

start a daylily retail nursery. Jack Brock proudly stated he wanted all the attendees to take home some great Georgia daylilies. Since the convention was cancelled due to Covid-19, the ODS conducted a national auction of the Brock daylilies along with some others. Members of the ODS made 2 trips to the Brock Garden to get their donations which brought in some needed funds to help the club financially. In summary, their plant donations to the DADS, CGDC and the ODS along with the many little things they perform for the daylily organizations, echo those biblical sentiments of selflessness and commitment to a greater cause. In their short 11 years of ADS Region 5 membership, they have advanced from novice members to a couple that gladly assists new daylily growers in a range of successful daylily gardening components. They definitely represent the spirit of The Tom Wise Award for indeed they have demonstrated that service isn't about Either/Or, it's about creating YES!



**'Mary's Gold' (McDonell-H., 1984)**  
6th place on Popularity Poll



**'Lava Flow' (Smith-FR, 2005)**  
7th place on Popularity Poll



**'Blazing Cannon' (Waldrop, 2013)**  
8th place on Popularity Poll



**AHS Region 5 Spring Convention**  
**June 11-12, 2021 Cartersville, GA**  
Hosted by Northwest Georgia Daylily Society

Registration fee: \$100 adult per person and \$80 youth per person (After April 15, 2021, add \$15 per registration) **No registrations accepted after May 1, 2021. Registration includes 2 banquets, picnic lunch, transportation to tour gardens, bargain plant sale and Friday night plant auction.**

Make checks payable to: **Northwest Georgia Daylily Society (NWGDS)**  
and mail to Conference Registrar: Lori Murphy 4200 Ruby Forest Blvd, Suwanee GA 30024  
Phone: 678-643-3284 e-mail: [soccersmurphy@gmail.com](mailto:soccersmurphy@gmail.com)

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Amount enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Registration does NOT include lodging—make reservations directly with the hotel. For a discount rate of \$149 per night (per room) at the Hilton Garden Inn, Cartersville, GA, mention the code “daylily convention”. For reservations at Hilton Garden Inn, call 770-382-9787. Other hotels are available nearby. Discount rate is available until May 12th and reservations may be cancelled before May 12 without penalty.)

Judging Clinics: Please indicate the number of attendees. Fees of \$5 per person or \$3 audit fee will be collected at each clinic. Clinics will be offered based on advanced registrations.

Garden 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Garden 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibition 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibition 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibition Refresher \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Reminder:**

Registration fees will be refunded if a public health emergency causing cancellation of the event is in place. The first 50 registrations will be entered into a drawing for the daylily..”A Memory of Earnest Yearwood” by E H Salter 2018. Registration deadline is April 15, 2021. A late registration fee of \$15 will apply to registrations after April 15th. No registrations will be accepted after May 1, 2021.

# 2021 Spring Meeting Tour Gardens



garden. David and Doris grow over 100 Ned Roberts' cultivars which will be the first daylilies seen once departing the bus.

There is much to see and enjoy. Even if this is not your first visit, you will find many changes which include a large collection of miniature daylilies and the addition of several color theme beds. Stroll through the garden, visit the two goldfish/koi ponds, or rest in a rocking chair on the porch of the Shady Rest and listen to the water flowing from the nearby creek bed and waterfall. Come!

## Shady Rest Gardens

David and Doris Bishop's garden is situated on 3.5 hilly landscaped acres in Bartow County. Their journey in daylilies began about twenty years ago and soon grew into a garden oasis. Carved from the woods, Shady Rest Gardens became an AHS Display Garden in 2009. They grow about 1400 registered daylily cultivars, most in established clumps, along with hundreds of David's seedlings. An asphalt drive circles around behind their house and is lined with daylilies, companion plants, shrubs, and trees. Hostas and a large collection of Herrington daylilies surround the Shady Rest, a cabin located along this drive and the garden's namesake. Terraced beds allow them to grow their daylilies on the sloping hillsides with pathways connecting daylily beds and garden rooms.



**'Doris and David'**  
(DeVito, 2014)

The garden comes alive in the spring with blooms of evergreen and deciduous azaleas, camellias, and early spring flowers. Over 600 hostas, numerous Japanese maples, an assortment of hydrangeas, conifers, ferns, Knockout Roses, clematis, coneflowers, bearded and Japanese iris, shrubs, and other companion plants add color and plant variety to the landscape throughout spring, summer, and fall. Visitors will find special surprises throughout the garden. Garden art, fairy gardens, and the Wizard Of Oz daylily bed with its Emerald City add interest to the



**Wizard of Oz Daylily Garden**

## Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens



Diana and Bill Waldrop's Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens has several acres of spectacular daylilies, along with a 35' x 45' Greenhouse, which is used by Bill for his hybridizing. The gardens include over 300 different varieties of daylilies from many hybridizers. The gardens also include many companion plants, sculptures, yard art, a koi pond, miniature Hosta bed, edible gardens, and an exceptionally long scuppernong grapevine, which all combine to elevate the beauty of the property. Looking at the thousands of seedlings will be a particular delight. You will see full form daylilies (Bill's favorite), spiders, UF's, doubles, and small and miniature daylilies. You

will also see the Enman Joiner Seedling bed that features additional hybridizers. It is from this bed that you can vote for your favorite seedlings. Be sure to see the many vegetables that Diana grows, and look for her magnificent 1.5-pound beefsteak tomatoes. Other vegetables that Diana grows include potatoes, green peppers, jalapeno peppers, chives, and summer squash. The garden is available for individual visits, for local club events, and for community events throughout the year. At the Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens, "Southern Hospitality" is presented at its absolute best. We welcome you to the Garden.



**Granddaughter Lilly  
in the garden**



**'Lilly's Golden Curls'  
(Waldrop-D. 2018)**

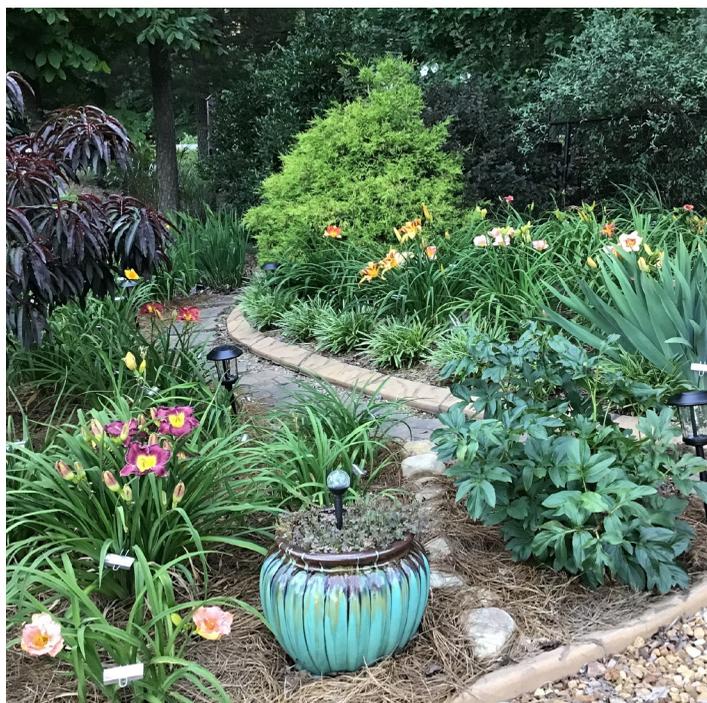


## Lily Hill Garden

Curlette Hennard and husband moved back to Georgia from Texas in the Fall of 2012. They purchased a home in Cartersville on one acre that had been neglected for several years, but saw so much potential. Curlette could finally have the space to create the garden she had always wanted as a young girl. With the help of her husband she began designing and building her first three-tiered bed the first spring in the back yard, so she could plant the

60 daylilies they had brought from Texas. Each year they continued to add new features such as arbors, garden shed, both purchased and self created yard art, additional sun and shade loving beds, and planted daylilies at the front drive to add a welcoming entrance to their home. The next year they started transforming the front yard into a garden full of ferns, hostas, hydrangeas, roses, azaleas, Japanese Maples, Hellebores, extensive fairy gardens, and replaced the grass/weeds with a large flagstone patio to support several peaceful sitting areas to relax and enjoy God's beauty.

As luck would have it Curlette was fortunate to be introduced to the NWGDS, where she met so many wonderful daylily enthusiasts, and therefore not only made new friends, but continued to add to her daylily obsession, to the tune of approximately 250 cultivars. Even though at times they had challenges in adding new beds, etc., to their garden due to the very sloping landscape, it gave Curlette the inspiration to name her garden "LILY HILL". They are looking forward to sharing their little piece of heaven here on earth with their fellow Region 5 Daylily Enthusiasts. Hope to see everyone in June 2021!!





## Prissy's Garden

David and Camilla Arthur's Prissy's garden was established in 2001. The lot on which the home was built was void of any landscaping. We knew we needed professional help to develop the barren tundra. Steven Verner, a landscape architect, and member of the Cobb County Daylily Society came to our rescue. He developed a landscape plan to form the skeletal background so all we had to do was add a gazebo, some perennials, and annuals.

We had brought some plants from our old neighborhood, including about five or six daylilies (mostly unnamed). As the time has passed, Prissy's Garden has become a "City Garden" with over four hundred different named cultivars and several seedlings. We have many older cultivars surrounded by new introductions. The garden features several miniature and small varieties both new

and old, as well as spiders, doubles, and UFO's. No matter what your favorite color or type of daylily you will find it in Prissy's Garden.

The garden is level and has been developed for optimum viewing of the daylilies and companion plants. There are sitting areas in the garden for those just wanting to relax in the serenity of the backyard including stadium seats from the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, a gazebo, and a patio. A brick paver's walkway invites you into the backyard and pergola. Something blooms year around in the garden which includes several types of abelia, iris, spirea, camellia, flowering shrubs, and hollies.

Prissy's Daylily Garden is an ADS Display garden and is named in memory of our Maltese.



An uninvited guest in Prissy's Garden



# How Region 5 Folks Became Interested In Daylilies

By Tim Herrington

If people and daylilies are destined to touch, the universe will always find a way to make that connection. Across space, across time, among paths we cannot predict since nature will always discover a way. In Region 5 every daylily enthusiast has a story to tell about how they became interested in daylilies. This is true because after every daylily season, another chapter is added to one's own personal book of experiences and memories about our favorite flower and the activities surrounding it. This connection shows us who we are and who we become. Every story is worth telling. Here are 7 stories about how daylilies got connected with people.

## David and Camilla Arthur (Marietta)



This delightful couple joined Region 5 in 2005. David states that their interest in daylilies was a meant to be affair. They moved into their present home on Memorial Day of 2001. Within a month of moving, they noticed as they left their subdivision, the

house across the street had a large display of daylilies growing along the road. One day, as Camilla was driving home, she noticed the owner of the property tending to his daylilies. She stopped and said to the neighbor out front, "Your flowers are beautiful". He replied, "They are okay, but if you want to see some really nice flowers come with me to the backyard". While touring the gardens in the backyard, he explained about a daylily club he was starting in Cobb County. That person was Bill Waldrop, one of Region 5's most enthusiastic members. As with the majority of all daylily people, they took the bait, the hook was set and they are now swimming with the daylilies. 10 years later they were Co-Chairs of the 2015 AHS National held in Atlanta along with being a convention tour garden.

## Karen Mowry (Cumming)

This lovely lady has always loved gardening but had no idea of the variety, types and colors of daylilies until she visited Martha and Claude Carpenter's Vickery Lake Garden. Karen was amazed and instantly hooked. You see she had witnessed an unpretentious beauty of harmonious colors with daylilies and companion plants. Personally I have always said that this garden is one of the best designed backyard gardens in our society that will just naturally tantalize any guests and create a very memorable experience for them. Karen started out



with 6 she got from Claude and now has almost 200, sadly with no more room she states. Claude and Felicity O'Neal convinced her to join the Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta and even more friends and opportunities have become available to her. Joining the ADS in 2010 has broadened her understanding and love for daylilies. Karen has now developed a keen eye for daylilies with distinction. She enjoys entering the club's

daylily shows and has won 3 rosettes: Best Miniature, Best Small and Best Large. She also has shared divisions often and happily which has blessed her with even more friends as a bonus.

## Justin McLeod (Glennville)



Justin's interest in daylilies began as a teenager based on his mother and both grandmothers cultivating them. This interest was solidified around 1993 when he visited Joiner Daylily Gardens. Mr. Joiner gave him a few seedlings as well as a near white cultivar called "Gentle Shepherd". Justin was completely

hooked. Little did he know at that time that Royce and Jan Joiner would also be involved in his future. Justin's interest was re-invigorated around 2015 when he discovered that there were actual daylily shows. His first show was the Dublin show where he met Chip Wood, the Herrington's, the Kirby's and Earnest Yearwood. Seeing such a wide array of daylily colors and styles was amazing for him. In Dublin, he would later win the 2017 Best in Show with "Sisyphus". His interest in daylilies has taken

him as far as Wisconsin where he was presented the 2018 Ophelia Taylor award at the 2019 National Convention in Madison. His 10-year-old daughter Amelia has also caught the addiction and has already been awarded the 2016 Selma Timmons award for her show entry of "Little Night Jewel". Daylilies have become a big part of his family activities.

### **Perry and Parker McAllum (Jefferson)**



This fine southern gentleman got interested in daylilies after following a handmade road sign for a daylily garden a few miles outside Jefferson which belonged to Peggy Shumake. Perry pulled up to her garden which was at peak bloom and it was just absolutely amazing to him. His wife Lynn accompanied him on his next trip so she could observe it for

herself. They returned several times over the next couple of weeks and got to talk with Peggy a good bit. She invited them to a North Georgia Daylily Society meeting. At that meeting, Elaine Beck, club president, and the other members made them feel very welcomed. Claudia and Roy Dellinger, who sat across from them, started talking with them and inspired them to participate in this wonderful pastime we all call daylilies. They are still close friends to this day. All of this took place in 1995. Parker McAllum, Perry and Lynn's son, was born in May of 2004 and in June was in his mother's arms while she was show chair at their club's annual daylily show. Now Parker really enjoys showing flowers at the clubs shows and has done quite well at it. I feel confident in saying that he is most likely to be the youngest member in the history of Region 5 to attend a daylily show. Perry reflected 2 important "what ifs" as he looked back when the daylily bug bit him; (1) What if Peggy Shumake's garden would not have been blooming the day he followed the sign and showed up at her garden. (2) What if Claudia and Roy Dellinger had not been so friendly at their first meeting in which they both were nervous about. Perry states that without those 2 simple things happening, they may have not had now 25 years of making friends with some of the most wonderful people in the world. Perry, Lynn and Parker remain active with their club and Perry is the current President of the North Georgia Daylily Society.

### **Mark and Patty Franklin (Alpharetta)**



When people see their astonishing daylily garden, most people assume that it was the plan from the very beginning. They both emphatically state, "Well to tell you the truth, it was the furthest thing on our mind." Patty

and Mark got their start with flowers from their parents and grandparents. Patty's grandmother was a great gardener, and she had a natural green thumb. Many of their companion plants came from her garden years ago. Patty's father gave her the first Iris plants. Mark's grandparents always had a row or two of annuals growing in the vegetable garden. This charming couple had a small yard at their first home and Patty really liked the look, the colors and the fragrance of Iris. They gradually began to collect more and more Iris. When they moved to a new home with a larger yard, they really got involved with the Iris by entering shows and collecting more and more Iris. They found out that when the Iris finished blooming, their yard lost all its color. It was at this point that they found daylilies and that they were very forgiving. They survived even though some care was neglected. The variety of colors were amazing to Mark and Patty. Gradually they collected enough varieties that they looked for a piece of property in the country so that they could grow as many iris and daylilies as they wanted. Eventually the daylilies became their focus. Their garden is named MP Flowers and was an AHS National tour garden in 2015 and Region 5 tour garden in 2018. On their website they summed up their passion with daylilies in 3 words, "Hobby Gone Wild".

### **Curlette Hennard (Cartersville)**



Once upon a time, a determined 'Daylily Bug' kept gnawing on an aspiring gardener until she became completely hooked. This story begins when Curlette, an Atlanta resident, noticed a 'daylilies for sale' sign while on her way to her sister's home in Cedartown. Making a  
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## How Region 5 Folks Became Interested In Daylilies (continued)

quick turn up the driveway she found herself in a patch of eye-catching daylilies. Even though they were unnamed, she purchased one as a gift for her sister, who had just had a baby girl. Another time she was driving by an apartment complex where the workers were removing a lot of daylilies in the landscape. Curlette made a pretty big haul that day not realizing the 'Daylily Bug' was really gnawing on her again. A family move to Texas was next with her taking just fans from each of these daylilies and Kwanso, which was a gift from a neighbor. During the next 15 years she vacationed annually in Georgia. In 2002 she was totally ambushed by the 'Daylily Bug' when she discovered "Edith's Daylilies" in Clarkesville, the garden of Edith Sliger. Edith introduced her to named varieties with a lot of colors and forms and they became great friends. Once on a business trip in 2003 she packed 12 daylilies in a large box, with scapes/buds she had gotten from Edith and flew back to Texas. She enjoyed the blooms in her kitchen for a week until she could plant them. On another trip to Atlanta in 2004, a friend introduced her to Bill and Diana Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies. While living in Texas she visited Jack Carpenter often at his famous Lily Farm. Then in 2013 after both Curlette and her husband retired, they moved back to Georgia to a home in Cartersville with some great growing space. Then one day this gentleman drove in their drive and asked if he could get out of his car and look at her daylilies. This was Region 5's Publicity Director, David Bishop, who lived in close proximity. Later David introduced her to Shady Rest Gardens, Doris Bishop and the Northwest Georgia Daylily Society. Finally, the 'Daylily Bug' convinced Curlette to have her garden, 'Lily Hill Garden,' on tour for the Region 5 Spring Convention in 2021. She is now blessed with an abundance of new daylily friends, but the ones mentioned in this story were instrumental in assisting the 'Daylily Bug,' especially her now 98 year young friend Edith Sliger. Curlette and her daylilies are now living happily ever after. The end.

### Kay Smith (Indian Rocks Beach, Florida)



One of the most interesting stories about one developing an interest in daylilies involves an article in the well-known Southern Living magazine around 18 years ago. As we all know that magazine is filled with beautifully written articles that

celebrates the best of southern life. One edition included beautiful gardens in the south and featured the garden of longtime Region 5 member Martha Fawcett of Savannah. But that really was by accident, for the author of the article was visiting a garden next door for the potential story when she noticed all the daylilies in Martha's yard. The author ended up featuring the Fawcett Garden for the write-up, for it was more fitting than Martha's neighbors' garden.

### Martha Fawcett (Savannah, GA)

A few years later as speaker at the Region 12 Spring Conference in Tampa, I was staying at the home of Kay Smith of Indian Rocks Beach. One evening I asked her how she got interested in daylilies and she told me that Martha Fawcett was her inspiration. You see Kay had read that article in the



Southern Living magazine which also gave information on how folks could grow daylilies close to an ocean environment. So, Kay looked Martha's phone number up, called her and asked could she come visit her garden for she was interested in growing daylilies. Of course, Martha welcomed her. Kay had always been reluctant for she lived next to the Gulf of Mexico. She and her husband then drove to Savannah and observed firsthand how Martha grew daylilies. That was the spark she needed, for Kay later started getting daylilies for her garden and joined the local daylily club. She was hooked! Kay told me that if it had not been for that article in Southern Living and visiting Martha, she probably would have never grown daylilies. This story is a prime example that coincidences or little miracles which happen every day in our lives are hints that the universe has much bigger plans for you than you ever dreamed of for yourself.

# Meet Our Winter Meeting Speaker

## Jamie Gossard

James Gossard is one of the top daylily breeders in the world. Heavenly Gardens grows over 50,000 seedlings per year and introduces around 70 daylilies per year. Currently James has introduced over 850 registered daylilies. Many have received national awards. H. 'Heavenly Angel Ice' won the Stout Medal in 2015 and the Lambert Webster Award in 2009. H. 'Heavenly United We Stand' won the Stout Medal in 2015. In addition, 42 of his other daylilies have won major cultivar awards. His hybridizing program is located in Galloway, Ohio where both Heavenly Gardens and Superior Laboratories is located on the same property. James has a second hybridizing program



(Spacecoast Daylilies) located in Florida where he partners with John Kinnebrew. James also is well known for breeding Red Standard Poodles and Irish Doodles known as 'Heavenly Poodles' and 'Heavenly Doodles.' James graduated from Ohio State University with a degree in Microbiology and is a Registered Sanitarian in the state of Ohio. He is the laboratory director/owner of Superior Laboratories Inc. which is a food, plant, water and environmental testing laboratory. In fall of 2015, James added onto Superior Laboratories a plant ploidy testing program. Initially it was to test daylilies used in his hybridizing program, however, he now offers this service to anyone.



**'Allspark'**  
(Gossard, 2020)



**'Cliff Diver'**  
(Gossard, 2020)



**'Heavenly Feel The Thunder'**  
(Gossard, 2020)



**'Heavenly Protostar'**  
(Gossard, 2020)



**'Spacecoast Time After Time'**  
(Kinnebrew-Gossard, 2020)



**'Heavenly Pink Petticoats'**  
(Gossard, 2020)

# New and Innovative Daylilies for your Garden

By Tim Herrington

Please allow me to inform you of seven new daylilies coming out in 2021 from six distinguished hybridizers plus one of my new miniatures. These are definitely new state-of-the-art and cutting edge daylilies because they represent a breeding phenomenon that can take one's daylily garden where creative and clout intersect. Here are the descriptions.

## ZIG ZAG DELIGHT



Hybridized by Barbara (Barb) D. Wire. Barb has a breakthrough in teeth hybridizing especially due to the strength and vigor of the bloom. An added benefit is that you can use a bloom of **ZIG ZAG DELIGHT** to help you remove food particles from your teeth while viewing the other daylilies in

your garden. This is a super daylily for toothy flowers and toothy people.

## WRONG WAY WILLIE



This double is hybridized by Sara Wimberley and named for her husband, Willie, in honor of his miscalculations at times because of his poor sense of direction.

For example when he drove her to the Middle Georgia Regional last year, he took I-16 in Macon instead of I-75 and ended up in Savannah. Needless to say they missed the registration and auction on Friday night but made it back to the convention hotel at 1:00 a.m. Saturday morning for the garden tours. Sara strives for distinction in her program. **WRONG WAY WILLIE** is a beautiful Georgia peach color that has unique stamens and pistils that face the opposite (wrong) direction in relation to the petals and sepals. It is a 70% double and you can observe this effect only when it does not double for the extra petaloids cover the stamens and pistils when it doubles. As Sara and Willie checked out of the hotel Sunday morning, Willie went south on I-75 and ended up in Valdosta instead of going north on I-75 to Atlanta. On Monday Sara traded Willie's 1987 Nissan Pulsar NX that had interchangeable rear hatches, which means you could drive it as either

an unfinished-looking hatchback or a dopey-looking half-wagon. Willie now is driving their new 2019 Honda Accord with modern GPS capabilities.

## DEAD HEAD JED



Hybridized by Harry Headley and named for his brother Jed, who has never worked a day in his life at a paying job. Jed lives off his family and the government because he feels work is too much of a chore for him to do each day. Harry, who is a chemist by trade, has now created a daylily which

gives each bloom the ability to dissolve in thin air after it closes up from its initial bloom cycle. **DEAD HEAD JED** saves the grower a lot of physical work from removing spent blooms and disposing of them properly.

## STURDY THIRTY SPIDER



Hybridized by Ben Dover from Blowing Rock, N.C., who was tired of his spider daylilies flopping to the ground. Through much trial and error, Ben Dover finally created a spider with a super strong scape that is one inch thick and thirty inches high with a thirty

bud count. During a recent 80 mile per hour wind storm, **STURDY THIRTY SPIDER** stayed erect in his backyard garden. Mr. Dover and his other daylily scapes were found unharmed minutes later flopped down wondering what had happened.

## JUST CALL ME SLUGGER



Hybridized by Mickey Campbell, who has a diligent and industrious personality and works as an engineer for a computer software firm. He finally created a variety that slugs will not eat. The slugs are repelled at the base of this

daylily by a phenomenon that prevents them from generating the protective mucus to survive. Mickey and the folks that he sold this daylily to are busy trying to replicate this characteristic on their seedlings. To make room for his seedlings, Mickey recently purchased a 30 acre farm and home from the sales of **JUST CALL ME SLUGGER**. He named this daylily in honor of his rather passive best friend Slugger O'Toole who told him that there is a whole lot more to life than work and worry. Slugger never seemed to be in a hurry and always reminded Mickey to have some understanding, even sympathy, for those folks who always like to stop and smell the roses.

#### AUDIE'S AUTUMN JOY



Hybridized by Audie Autry. This pumpkin orange daylily is named for his wife Joy and is really unique and exclusive in that it blooms only in the fall of each year.

In closing, many of you readers of *The Georgia Daylily* are aware of my passion for miniature daylilies. So without any further ado, I am very proud to announce my new

#### TEE TINY

whose scapes are no taller than 10 inches. This little jewel has the smallest blooms ever hybridized; so small that you have to look at the bloom with a magnifying glass to really enjoy its beauty. The ADS register, Elizabeth Trotter, had to sponsor a conclave of horticulturists who specialized in defining plant specifications in order to approve the registration

because the diameter of the bloom for **TEE TINY** was under 1 inch at .75. In its show debut it won best in the miniature division, but somehow got lost on its way to the head table. With that being said I am reluctant to enter it in anymore daylily shows.



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## Attention All Georgia Hybridizers

You are invited to nominate one of your daylilies for the Georgia Hybridizers Award for the year 2021.

The rules are

- 1) You can only nominate one cultivar;
- 2) The cultivar must be registered by a Georgia Hybridizer; and
- 3) The cultivar must not have won the award in previous years

Procedure: Please send your nomination on a separate sheet of paper to:

James Fennell, Region 5 President, 320 Pitts Road, Hawkinsville, Ga. 31036-8608 by February 15, 2021 or you may e-mail him your nomination at [jaf@fennell.org](mailto:jaf@fennell.org).

The name of the cultivar and the hybridizer must be listed as it is officially registered using the ADS registration guidelines. It is the hybridizer's responsibility to make sure the eligibility rules of the cultivar/cultivars nominated are accurate.

The submitted nominations from all hybridizers will be combined into one ballot listing all cultivars nominated while also allowing for a space for a write-in nomination. This ballot will be published in the spring issue of *The Georgia Daylily*. This way all Region 5 members would know which cultivars are contending as they visit gardens and observe nominees during the peak bloom season. As in the past the ballots must be received by the deadline announced in the next edition and signed by the member voting. The Region 5 Hybridizers Award would then be presented at the fall meeting by the Region 5 President as it has been done in the past.



Scene from recent Greater Atlanta Show

## 2021 Region 5 Exhibition Judges

Bruce Alsup	EX/S	2023	Vernon Johnson	EX	2021	Selina Swaim	EX/j	2022
Camilla Arthur	EX	2023	Jack Joiner	EX	2021	Ryan Tolbert	EX	2021
David Arthur	EX	2023  **	Barbara Kirby	EX	2021	Marion Tyus	EX	2021
Pat Bonner	EX	2022	Gail Knight	EX	2023	Sidney Ward	EX	2022
Jack Brock	EX	2022	Cecilia Land	EX/j	2022	Yolanda Ward	EX	2022
Marlon Brown	EX/S	2022	Earl Lawson	EX/S	2023	Joe Scott Watson	EX	2022
Diane Bush *	EX	2020	Kanen McLeod	EX/S	2022	David R. Williams	EX	2021
Renee Carleton	EX/j	2022	William McLeod	EX/S	2022	Jessie Worsham	EX	2022
Claude Carpenter	EX	2022	Pat Mercer	EX	2022			
Mike Curlin	EX	2022	Camilla Mitchell	EX	2021			
Rose Mary Dixon	EX	2021	Anna Mixon	EX/j	2022			
Scott Elliott	EX	2024	James Mullins	EX	2023			
James Fennell	EX	2022	Lori B. Murphy	EX/j	2022			
Louise Fennell	EX	2022	James Netherton	EX	2021			
Mark Franklin	EX	2022	Cynthia Rigsby	EX	2022			
Patty Franklin	EX	2022	Jack Rigsby	EX	2022			
Belinda Gibbs	EX	2021	June Scoggins	EX	2022			
Tim Herrington	EX	2022	Janie Seglund	EX	2022			
Janie Huff	EX	2021	Joann Stewart	EX	2023			
Winfred Huff	EX	2021	Bill Surls	EX/S	2021			

### Legend

EX	Senior Judge
E/j	Junior Judge
E/S	Student Judge
20XX	Expiration
	Clinic Instructor
**	Region 5 Judges Liaison



Judging A Show



Clumps of H. 'Ghost Ranger' and H. 'Heavenly United We Stand' in Carpenter Garden

## 2021 Region 5 Garden Judges

2022	Camilla Arthur	2022	Mark Franklin	2021	Jack Rigsby
2022	David Arthur	2022	Patty Franklin	2021	June L. Scoggins
2021	Tim Bell	2022	Heather Herrington	2024	Charles Self
2021	David Bishop	2022I	Tim Herrington	2023	Maxine Self
2021	Doris Bishop	2022	Janie Huff	2022	Bill Waldrop
2021	Pat Bonner	2022	Winfred Huff	2022	Diana Waldrop
2022	Brinda Briley	2025	Jan Joiner	2022	Sidney Ward
2021	Sharon Brown	2021	Royce Joiner	2022	Yolanda Ward
2024	Renee Carleton	2023I	Barbara Kirby	2022	Janet Watson
2024I	Claude Carpenter	2023	Gail Knight	2022I	Joe Scott Watson
2023	Buddy Childs	2022	Bruce Kovach	2023	Jessie Worsham
2024	Sue Cliett	2024	Earl Lawson		
2024	Karen Cotton	2025I	Harold McDonell		
2022I	Rose Mary Dixon	2024	Kevin McClinton		
2021	Don Eller	2021	Cristy McGough		
2021	Nancy Eller	2023	Anna Mixon		
2021	Dominique Elliott	2021	Karen Mowry		
2021	Scott Elliott	2021	James Mullins		
2022I**	James Fennell	2025	Lori B. Murphy		
2021	Kenyon Fennell	2021	Mary Netherton		
2023	Louise Fennell	2021	Cynthia Rigsby		

**Legend**  
**20XX** Expiration Year  
**I** Instructor  
**\*\*** Region 5 Judges Liaison

*This list is an extract from the AHS Membership database and may not be 100% accurate.*



Scene from Bell Garden  
 Claude Carpenter Photo



Scene from Fowler Garden  
 Claude Carpenter Photo

# Region 5's

# Club

## Albany Daylily Society

**Toni Pickel, Reporter**

The Albany Club has been sidelined, as many Clubs probably have been, most of the year. However, we were able to hold a meeting in September. We met at Chehaw Park in an outdoor Pavilion, cool weather and enjoyed the fellowship and being able to see everyone! We have all missed our monthly meetings and wish to get back to them as quickly as possible. The Albany Club will be hosting our Annual Points Auction Meeting this month, October 17th. We would like to thank our local

American Legion, Post 30 for offering their facilities for our meeting, it is much appreciated! We hope to have a November meeting for Thanksgiving and end of year Club activities, but as with the rest of the year, only time will tell. Hopefully, we can all come together in the New Year and celebrate new beginnings, new and old friends, and our love for daylilies. Until we all meet again...thank you Albany Club, Region 5, American Daylily Society and may God Bless us all!

## Central Georgia Daylily Club

**Jean Stevens and Jan Adair, Reporters**

Our club met on Tuesday, Oct. 13, in the backyard of Jack and Becky Brock. Social distancing was practiced by all in attendance and all had a good time. We enjoyed a supper from Georgia Bob's. Our club had 3 members to attend the Region 5 Fall meeting in September. Our club gained 3 new members in October. At our meeting, daylilies were provided for the auction by the Brocks, the Sheppards and other members. There were 17 members in attendance. The auction was successful and membership dues were collected. Plans are in progress for a spring meeting in 2021.



**Central Georgia Daylily Club  
meeting in backyard of Jack and Becky Brock**

## Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society

**Glenn Ward, Reporter**

Chattahoochee Valley Daylily Society will meet for the first time since the COVID-19 hit, on November 7, 2020.

Ellen Averill will be our guest speaker.



# Activities

## **Daylily Society of Greater Augusta** Arleigh Mansfield, Reporter

This year of the Covid has certainly played havoc with daylily shows, meetings, daily life, and our health. Our club has not met since March, but we hope to have a properly distanced meeting on the 8th of November when we aspire to elect new officers. Many in our club have already retired but, perhaps even those of us who still work have found more time to be in the garden as we shelter in place or have fewer events on our calendars. It is such a nice surprise on tours of our gardens to see that unexpected scape on a reblooming daylily or a new tomato or pepper or, in our case a ripening lemon. Tommy and I love to notice Gulf Fritillary caterpillars on passion plant, a Black Swallowtail butterfly laying eggs

on fennel or the fall dance of the Sulphur butterflies. We watch the flights of dueling hummingbirds and dream that one will again winter with us. Migratory birds add an interesting note to the fall landscape. We might just relax by the small fishpond taking delight in nature. Abundant summer rains have created a lush landscape to explore. The weeds are prolific, but the beauty of desirable plants outweighs the irritation of the villainous growths. While we are all more restricted in our movements, let spend more time enjoying what God has provided. Here is to a healthier 2021.

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## **Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta** Cynthia Rigsby, Reporter

The Daylily Society of Greater Atlanta had its first in-person meeting since February on September 26. Members were happy to see each other even though we were not hugging or shaking hands. We socially distanced ourselves in our graciously spaced meeting area at Bellmere Gardens for our annual MAPS auction and luncheon. There was a business meeting presided over by our president Claude Carpenter. Club member Bruce Kovach hybridized a flower and named it for Deen

Day Sanders in honor of her generosity of letting our club meet in her lovely garden house for several years. After the meeting, the auction was held. Members were able to bid on many beautiful plants with their MAPS "money." After the auction, a box luncheon from Honey Baked Ham was enjoyed by all. All of our board meetings since May have been by Zoom. Members look forward to other club meetings.

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## **Heart of Georgia Daylily Society** Wanda Willis, Reporter

With a heavy heart we would like to ask that everyone keep the Salter family in prayers concerning the loss of Jeff Salter. He was a great hybridizer, and friend and will be missed by all. On October 3rd we had a picnic/meeting at the home of Eula Fluellen. It really was great

to see everyone once again, and we had a wonderful time. Time to get ready for winter! Feed/fertilize & cut back and put out mulch/pine straw.

## Dublin Area Daylily Society

Tim Herrington, Reporter

The DADS held their first meetings since February on September 28 and October 26 at the local technical college in a new room best described as a 120 tier-seating lecture hall which made it easy to social distance. We start our meetings with a prayer. Next our Secretary Lana Lott always reads the minutes from the previous meeting. Then our Treasurer, Angela Blue, gives us a financial report. After that, Chip Wood always gives his Presidents report. The September meeting was designated as a membership appreciation meeting with a catered meal provided. At the October meeting there was the annual 'Pocket Change' auction where members brought daylilies to help fund and support our activities. This event is competitive in nature because members always like to see what daylily goes for the highest bid. The winner this year was Jack Brock, who brought 'Terri's Cha Cha' which was the most expensive of all auction plants donated. The DADS had around 70%-member attendance at both meetings. Wearing masks was mandatory at the meetings. Given historical and contemporary precedents, we can only pray and hope that the coronavirus that causes COVID-19 will prove to be a tractable and eradicable pathogen.



H. 'Terri's Cha Cha' (Herrington-T., 2017)  
Highest Pocket Change Winner  
Donated by Jack Brock

## North Georgia Daylily Society

Janann Mcinnis, Reporter

The COVID 19 Virus has prevented our club from having monthly meetings. We last met in March 2020 where we had a chili cook-off and Best Dessert Contest. We had a meeting in September 2020 at David Hoechst's Dragon Fly Daylily Farm in Nicholson, GA. Bruce and Kathy Fowler, Kathy's Daylily's, Moultrie, Ga. were special guests. Bruce and Kathy gave a delightful, informative, and humorous presentation, including a slide show of their farm and daylilies. After the presentation, Bruce and Kathy presided over an auction of daylily plants they brought from their farm. A delightful time was had by the members who were able to attend. We also got some great bargains on beautiful plants. The Club is planning a December meeting which includes a catered luncheon. We will play Daylily Bingo and possibly have a White Elephant Gift Exchange. We are all hopeful that beginning in 2021, we will be able to resume our normal club activities including daylily sales at the Spring Expo and of course the Annual Daylily Show for our members.



Hybridizers Kathy and Bruce Fowler presenting to the North Georgia Club

## Northwest Georgia Daylily Society

David Bishop, Reporter

The July meeting of the NWGDS was held in the Shady Rest Gardens on Saturday, July 25. The club chose as a slogan for the 2021 Spring Regional "Daylily Fun in 2021." Morgan Akin had submitted that saying in March and we finally got to vote on the 25 choices. Voters narrowed it down to the top two choices and then picked his. The Chair of that Regional, Renee' Carleton, gave a report on preparations for hosting that Regional. Things seem to be progressing well. Daylily giveaways were given to the person who drove the furthest to the meeting (80 miles) and to the person whose birthday was closest to the meeting date. 25 people attended the meeting and we dined on ice cream and cake that was brought by the members.

August 22 saw our annual points auction, except that it was not an auction. Members donated multiple DFs of 139 cultivars to be acquired by members. On Friday, several people showed up to set up the tables for people to redeem their points and to place the DLs in crates. Seventeen members came on Saturday to shop for DLs and use their points that they had earned during our abbreviated year's meetings. There were enough DLs for people to get 20 more after everyone had shopped.

We were able to return to the beautiful Stiles Auditorium for our September 26 meeting. There is a limit of 25 people that are allowed to meet under the current rules. The first 25 to reply to the invitation were allowed to attend the meeting. The Nominating Committee presented their slate of officers for the next two years and the club voted unanimously by secret ballot. The President will be Renee' Carleton, the VP will be Dave Williams, Lori Murphy will return as Secretary, and Morgan Akin will again serve our club as Treasurer. Renee' gave a report on the Regional preparations. A cash auction raised \$895 towards funds for the Spring Regional. We dined on grilled hamburgers and BBQ sandwiches. People who made DL donations for August and September were: Deb and Morgan Akin, Curlette Hennard, Bob and Paula Lust, Renee' Carleton, Laura Eaves, and Doris Bishop. The next scheduled meeting of the club will be on Saturday, January 24 at 10:00 AM at the beautiful Stiles Auditorium. Present Club Officers are President/Reporter: David Bishop, Vice President: Beth Ward, Secretary: Lori Murphy and Treasurer: Morgan Akin.

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## Valdosta Hemerocallis Society

Kathy Fowler, Reporter

COVID-19 has turned many of us upside down. Seems with every turn of the corner there was always something changing our plans. Since the May Judges Picnic and Daylily Show was canceled, we began plans to do outreach at the Sunbelt Ag Expo in October with a big flower sale. Much to our sadness, after many preparations, the Sunbelt Ag Expo was canceled. This left us spinning as to what to do with all the flowers that had been prepared for this sale. The club decided to do an Online Face book sale. Much to everyone's surprise, it was a great success. Our July meeting was held in the Bell's Daylily Garden with Tim and Linda Bell as our host. This was our membership drive picnic. We had 8 new members to join. August found us in the garden of Freddie and Becky Potts. Our speaker was Bill Waldrop. September meeting was in the Wynn's Daylily Garden hosted by Jean and Mary Wynn and Jessica Clinard. The speaker was Nicole DeVito of

Nicole's Daylilies. This was a highly informative program and stirred many an interest in the diploid lovers. We are eagerly awaiting her new 2021 introductions. October, we meet in Kathy's Daylily Garden hosted by Bruce and Kathy Fowler. This was the clubs' points auction. A LOT of flowers were provided and enjoyed by each member. The excitement of the evening is when the sprinklers went off drenching Kathy and seeing her make moves she has not made in many a year. We also welcomed another couple's membership. The club is anxiously awaiting a new Daylily sale and outreach program to be held at the Dasher's Nursery and Garden Center, Saturday October 24th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Everyone is welcomed. This will also be another way of selling the plants that were to be sold at the Sunbelt Ag Expo. We are proud to say Covid-19 cannot keep this club down. We will prevail! Come join us anytime.

## Savannah Hemerocallis Society

Nele Ewaldsen , Reporter

The Savannah Daylily Society was happy to have a picnic gathering on Saturday, October 9th at the waterfront home of member Bonnie Gentes. We enjoyed touring her garden and cannot wait to return in the spring to see her many daylilies in bloom. We will have a plant sale on October 24th at the Savannah Botanical Garden where our



club garden is located. We will be selling plants donated by our members. We plan to resume our regular activities in the spring.

At left is photo of Savannah Club members during their club meeting on October 24.

## Middle Georgia Daylily Society

Winfred Huff, Reporter

COVID-19 or no COVID-19, the Middle Georgia Daylily Club pressed on in having their meetings. Our club has been following the CDC guidelines when we meet. We are not having any of our normal noon-day meals that we are so accustomed to having. We want to make sure that we are complying to the rules set by the CDC. Despite the conditions, though, it did not dampen any enthusiasm when we saw the lilies the hybridizers brought. On September 5 we welcomed Jessica Clinard and her father Gene Wynn of Wynn's Garden from Jasper, Florida. Jessica presented a program of their hybridizing adventures as well as how and when they redo their sales garden. After the auction of the plants they brought,

we had an informative discussion on fertilizing and mulching our beds. Our next meeting was on Saturday October 10. We welcomed Bruce and Kathy Fowler from Kathy's Daylilies in Moultrie, Georgia to our club meeting. They both presented their amazing seedlings and introductions for the upcoming year. They recently had made many changes in their garden and invited everyone to come and enjoy their visit. Our club, along with others in our Region, are looking forward to our next Regional meeting on October 3 and also the spring Regional hosted by NWGDS on June 11 & 12 2021. All in all, 2020 has been a challenging year; but we are looking forward to a brighter and better 2021.

## Ogeechee Daylily Club

Tim Herrington, Reporter

The club met October 13th at Elmer Baptist Church in Statesboro. Members enjoyed the fellowship and were very honored to have James and Louise Fennell with us. They live in Hawkinsville and their garden is named HopeHill Daylilies, which can best be described as a 'yarden' -- not quite a yard and not quite a garden. During their program, James said their garden has been a long time developing and is still a work in progress. James is also our Regional President. He did a presentation



2020 Georgia Hybridizers Award presented to Jan Joiner at Ogeechee Club Meeting

of the 2020 Georgia Hybridizers Award and presented the plaque to our own Jan Joiner for her 'Sunglasses Needed'. This beautiful double is best described as a light-yellow lemon ruffled self. It has a 7" bloom on a 32" scape. This is Jan's 4th Georgia Hybridizers Award, with previous winners being her 'Sebastian The Crab' in 2007, 'Firefly Frenzy' in 2006, and 'Bubbly' in 1991. Congratulations Jan!

# South Georgia Daylily Society

Marilyn C. Waters, President and Reporter

Our club held our regular meeting in February which was a business/planning meeting for the remainder of the 2020 Club year. Little did we know that all this planning was to be in vain.

As with many things in life our plans were soon to be changed by an awful enemy called Covid-19. Well, it was decided that we would simply postpone our March meeting and then proceed as usual. Never thinking that we would be quarantined for what has seemed as forever and still going on. This really affects our club since most of us are senior citizens. With this in mind it seemed that the safe thing to do would be to post pone further meetings until we were notified that it would be safe again. We even cancelled our annual picnic even though we held it outside in the garden of one of our members. We had to think about the possibility of rain so it was decided we would not plan for this either.

After a few weeks, it became evident that our club needed a way to keep in touch with each other in order to keep interest going so that members would still maintain their interest in Daylilies, gardening, and our club.

At the request of our president, Marilyn Waters, some of our members started taking pictures of our blooms and sending them to each other. This idea was very well received and soon we were receiving some of the most beautiful pictures of daylilies imaginable. It was such

a joy to check your text messages each morning to see what other members had blooming. Before long we were sending pictures of everything that was growing in our gardens such as companion plants, etc.

This idea progressed to such an extent that one of our new members, Nancy Perry, set up a group text so that we could contact members with one text. With this done we were able to have easier contact with even more members and the idea just boomed.

Our next plan is to set up a reminder on the computer which will be even easier for us to contact our membership and keep members informed about our activities.

In September we finally had our Annual Picnic at the home of members, Mark and Laura Deal. They have a wonderful outdoor covered facility in their garden that was large enough to allow for social distancing and wearing masks when not eating. We enjoyed touring the Deal's beautiful garden between showers. No one seemed to mind the rain. We were just so glad to be back together again. After a real Southern Picnic, each member told two things about themselves that others did not generally know about what they like or did not like. This was a fun and hilarious time for the great attendance that was present. Daylily questions and other gardening ideas are always shared.

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## 2020 Region 5 Popularity Poll Results

Top 50 with number of votes

1. 'Dorothy and Toto'	51	18. 'Linda Bell'	19	37. 'Marion Tyus'	12
2. 'Heavenly United We Stand'	42	18. 'Tim Herrington'	19	37. 'Rainbow Over Georgia'	12
3. 'Everybody Loves Earnest'	41	21. Amanda's Little Red Shoes'	18	37. 'Skinwalker'	12
4. 'Wayne and Coral's Love'	33	21. 'Spacecoast Francis Busby'	18	40. 'David Arthur'	11
5. 'Sunglasses Needed'	30	23. 'Just for Breakfast'	17	40. 'J.T. Davis'	11
6. 'Mary's Gold'	28	23. 'Primal Scream'	17	40. 'Katisue'	11
7. 'Lava Flow'	27	25. 'Honey Crunch Cupcake'	16	40. 'Twisted Whiskers'	11
8. 'Blazing Cannons'	26	25. 'Jelly Filled Donut'	16	40. 'Viva Glam Girl'	11
8. 'Mayor of Munchkinland'	26	25. 'Ruby Spider'	16	45. 'Atomic Fire Ball'	10
8. 'Orange Velvet'	26	28. 'Aaron's Little Whopper'	15	45. 'Canoochee Wonder'	10
11. 'Firefly Frenzy'	25	28. 'Simply Karen'	15	45. 'Kenn. Mountain Hayride'	10
12. 'Sebastian the Crab'	24	30. 'Amazing Morris Kirby'	14	45. 'My Buddy Landon'	10
13. 'Opa Klaus'	23	30. 'Big Kiss'	14	49. 'Diana's Evening Gown'	9
14. 'Lydia's Regal Robe'	22	30. 'Dixieland Five'	14	49. 'Jan's Twister'	9
15. 'Hotlanta'	21	30. 'Magic of Oz'	14	49. 'Native American'	9
15. 'Jessica Lynn Bell'	21	30. 'Moonlit Masquerade'	14	49. 'Rosy Outlook'	9
15. 'Lavender Blue Baby'	21	30. 'Sebastian on Steroids'	14	49. 'Scatterbrain'	9
18. 'Hat's Off to Sue'	19	36. 'WYSIWYG'	13	49. 'Spider Miracle'	9



**Meeting Date: Saturday February 20, 2021**

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

**Directions from I-75:** Exit 135 East towards Hawkinsville. About 10 miles on the right.

**Directions from Hawkinsville:** US 341 towards Perry. About 10 miles on the left.

**Use parking lot near water tower.**

**A Registration/Lunch Fee of \$16 or 'No Lunch Registration' of \$10 per person will be charged for this meeting.**

A registration form is provided at the bottom of this page.

**Proposed Agenda/Times as follows:**

8:45AM: Registration

9:00 AM: Line up for Daylily Sale Tables

9:15 AM: Daylily Sale Tables Open

10:00AM: Call to order, current issues, club news

10:15AM: Officer/Chair reports

10:30AM: New Business,

11:00AM: Guest Speaker Jamie Gossard (Heavenly Gardens)

12:00PM: **Boxed lunches from Chic-Fil-A**

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

2:30 PM: Exhibition Judges Refresher

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

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

**From Savannah I-16, get off at Exit 358 (Danville, left) to GA Hwy. 96 west for 22 miles.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# attending for lunch x \$16 \_\_\_\_\_

# attending, not having lunch x \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

Other attendee(s) included in check: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Register by February 5, 2021 and you will be eligible for a drawing of a \$100 daylily....**

Send this registration form and check (**made to ADS Region 5**) to: Joann Stewart, 2300 Simonton Bridge Road, Watkinsville, GA 30677, to arrive by **February 15, 2021**. You may contact Joann at (706) 424-1079 or

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