

# The **ARKLA** Daylily

Spring 2005

American Hemerocallis Society  
Region 13 - Arkansas & Louisiana



## **Some Like it Hot!**

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Flower Show Chairman  
903-687-3675

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of 5 local gardens

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**May 28**  
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The show will be open for viewing after  
judging is finished (about 12:30).  
There will be sections for off-scape and  
on-scape (only on-scape are eligible for  
Best-of-Show).

For more information, contact Pat Soileau  
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## From Your RVP

Elmer Duplantis, Regional Vice President

Dear Daylily Friends,

Like it or not, we are having too much rain too often. There is no time between rains for the garden to dry enough to allow anyone to do any weeding. The flower beds are not very pretty at the present time due to the weeds but I am sure as the weather warms up and the rains go on vacation, our daylilies should soon have us smiling.

Hopefully you have remembered to fertilize even if the ground is wet. Personally I have broadcast Milorganite on all of my beds. We do hope that "rust" has gone on vacation and does not return. That will never happen but one can hope.

We have a lot to think about and do as the Regional Meeting is fast approaching. Everyone should know

that Baton Rouge is to host the Regional Meeting on the 19th, 20th and 21st of May. They are working very hard so let's all do our share; come and make this a Regional Meeting to remember.

The new members to the local daylily clubs should especially make an effort to attend Regional Meeting and see what it's all about. Baton Rouge is well placed in the state and easy to reach by the Interstate highways. Air service is also good as it is the state capital city.

There will be Garden Judging Workshops 1 and 2 plus Exhibition



Judging Clinics 1, 2 and the Refresher. Current Judges, don't forget to make your classes to renew. Attendees can take these sessions but you must be an AHS member for three years to become a judge. Also to take either of the sessions, one must have with them, the AHS Judging Daylily Handbook. These can be ordered on the order form in the Daylily Journal from Jimmy Jorden, Publications Chairman. You have time to order.

I want to remind everyone that the AHS National Convention this year will be on June 29th, and 30th and the 1st and 2nd of July in Cincinnati, Ohio. We hope to see many of you there and until then,

Happy Gardening!

Sincerely,  
Elmer Duplantis

## RPD Notes

Tom Walker, Regional Publicity Director  
Louisiana

April 15<sup>th</sup> is past, spring is upon us, and the Regional Meeting in May will be here very soon. This means that Bloom Fever will soon be spreading all around the Region. Hybridizers and we regular folk will be out dabbing pollen on flowers that they hope will become the beautiful new 'Hit' in four or five years.

Are you ready? Have you purchased that new digital camera that you have been dreaming about? You need to learn how to use it before the first bloom, because they are usually the best bloom of the season, and you don't want to miss that one.

Are you registered for the Regional Meeting? As of April 13<sup>th</sup>, we have 80 registrations, and most registrations are usually received in the last two weeks before the meeting. This could be a well-attended meeting; you really don't want to miss it. The host club, Baton Rouge Daylily, has planned many fun and

informative activities as well as tours and speakers. With a motto of "Some like it Hot!" it should be good!

I need your help finding the e-mail addresses of the garden editors of the local newspapers around the region. Please help me learn these addresses so I can send articles about your Region and activities. Often local clubs gain new members thru such exposure. We want to attract those rare people like yourselves, who are in love with daylilies, but don't know about our clubs. We need to spread the fever!

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## Last Call - Regional Slide Show 2005

**The Regional Hybridizer's Slide Show will be presented by Clarence and Beth Crochet at our 2005 Regional Meeting.**

**They are accepting 35 mm slides of seedlings hybridized by members of our region. These will be shown at the meeting and then returned to the owners. If you only have digital images, please know it can take up to 2 wks to have slides made. Mail your slides with complete identification and description of the plant and bloom to Clarence and Beth Crochet now.**

**Send to:  
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PO Box 425  
Prairieville, LA 70769  
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## Director's Desk

John Holland, DDS  
Director for Region 13  
Rogers, Arkansas



I'd like to begin my first column by expressing my appreciation to the nominating committee and ultimately the members of Region 13 who felt I would be worthy to serve our group in this capacity. I have always thought my talents involved the plant itself and maybe the garden as a whole but not the political aspects of our hobby. However, when I see people like Clarence and Beth, who surely have done all of the above with ability and class, I realize we all should push ourselves in areas of unfamiliarity.

My first director's meeting confirms that all is well with our National organization. I have always suspected and can now confirm that there are countless volunteers and a handful of paid staff who are genuinely seeking to make our organization the best it can be. Their priorities are your priorities, and we only need to bridge the gap of communication to make sure they are

synonymous. This is where my job comes in. Please feel free to communicate any ideas you may have, no matter how insignificant they may appear to be, with regard to any of our objectives. I will make every effort to present your ideas and concerns to those at the national level who are

charged with making policy.

The second aspect of my director's job involves being chairman of the membership committee. We are charged with increasing the membership of A.H.S. Any ideas that have worked at the local or regional level may help us to do a better job and would be appreciated.

As we enter the growing season, there is plenty of predictability and, likewise, some events and situations arise which are unique. We all should prepare for the predictable and attempt to adapt to the unknown,

Our association allows us to profit from those who have already been there, dealt with the problem successfully, and are willing to share this

information. We can all do a better job as gardeners and growers of the daylily if we will take full advantage of all the information and organization of our society. Please help me to help you to fully utilize their services. Let me encourage each of you to travel as much as your finances and time limitations will allow. Your local club may allow for a certain level of problem solving and information, but to take it to a much higher plane, you must travel. The people are still what make our organization unique, and the more you meet, the better. Region 13 needs more Garden and Exhibition Judges as well as display gardens. Why not take your involvement to one of these levels? Your rewards will certainly be greater with this kind of participation.

I can be reached by e-mail at: [johnholl@ipa.net](mailto:johnholl@ipa.net) and I still enjoy the telephone (479-636-1374), as well as the U.S. mail.

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## Future Regional Meetings

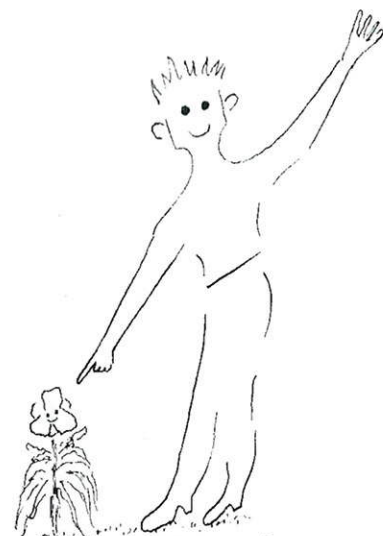
**May 18-20, 2006: Alexandria, LA**  
**Cenla Daylily Society, Greater Alexandria area.**

**2007:** Good news is always welcomed.

LaVera Johnson of the White County Daylily Club called this afternoon informing me that their club had voted today to host the Regional in 2007. More information will be coming later but you can print that much in the ARKLA.

Sincerely,  
Elmer Duplantis

Clubs interested in hosting a Regional Meeting should contact Elmer Duplantis, Regional Vice President.



*Daylily Fan Says:*  
*Always Compliment friends when*  
*you see a beautiful daylily blooming*  
*in their gardens. cdc*



# Regional History Project

## Remembering

### Viola Parker:

A History in Photos of Her Daylilies and of "Hope and Happiness Gardens," from the 1920s to the 1970s -A Presentation by Doug and Libby Beecher

Article by Robert Stassen, Arkansas

Viola Parker was a hybridizer in the 1950s, '60s and early '70s, once served on the AHS Board of Directors for Region 13, and won several Honorable Mention awards plus two Awards of Merit for her introductions.

Writes granddaughter Libby: "I remember her yard being like something out of *Southern Living*, with all sorts of flowers, shrubs and trees. My dad remarked that at one time, Viola estimated she had over 1500 daylilies.

We used to love to go to her house to play in the gardens. I remember she used to get up at 4:30 am during the summer so she could watch her lilies open and make her crosses as soon as the flowers began to open. Dad said she kept a journal that told whether the blooms opened early, stayed open late and whether or not they stood up to the rain, sun and heat.

I enjoyed when she would hold "Open House" in the gardens during the summer. We would all go down and help serve lemonade and cake. After seeing what you all did last summer for the tour, I realize now all the work she put in her garden every year!"

Dear Editor,

My grandmother was Viola Parker, a hybridizer from Region 13 back in the 1950s to 1970s. I have several of her daylilies in my garden, but would like to add to my collection. It was suggested that I write to you and see if you know anyone in Louisiana that might have some of her daylilies that they would be willing to sell. I can be reached at this email address,

lbeeche@ahecnu.uams.edu  
or at my home address: 1204 Tru Lane, Rogers, AR 72756.

I appreciate any help you can give me. Thanks, Libby Beecher.

## Our Memories of Pauline Henry

Jean Toenges and Frances Hogan, Arkansas

Another spring has arrived and once again you are reminded that Pauline Henry has gone on ahead. Ralph joined her last January. It makes you feel good knowing that they are together and happy. At the same time you're sad knowing the walks in her garden and the time spent visiting with her are over. She would share so much information about her daylilies. Why this one was so much better than the other one and "you really need to have this one!"

Even after she had been gone for over a year Ralph made the remark that he was just sitting and waiting for Pauline to call and tell him what she wanted him to do. In a way this describes how Mother and I feel. You miss those calls.

Pauline and Ralph were good friends with my parents. She was my Sunday school teacher when I was very young. If you could memorize the books of the Bible you would be awarded the most beautiful sucker you can imagine. She had ordered them special. I simply had to win one.

Her garden was beautiful even before she started hybridizing daylilies but when she discovered daylilies a whole new world opened. Mother would help her shell the big green pods into a dishpan. No one could have guessed the road that lay ahead.

Over 300 registered varieties, the Stout Medal, Bertrand Farr Medal for Outstanding Results in the field of Hybridizing, plus a box full of ribbons and awards earned during 40 plus years of dedication.

She never did anything half way. In the summer she would can tomatoes and green beans. In fall and winter she would fill the freezer with casseroles and cobblers to be enjoyed during bloom season. She made so many beautiful gifts for friends. Time was valuable and she never wasted a moment.

She had the gift of self-discipline, the talent of an artist, and the kindness and generosity of a dear friend.

Spring is here and now I realize that in ways she is still here. Just take a walk in your own garden and you'll meet her. The Siloams are growing, the scapes are forming and it won't be too long until we see her pretty face once again.

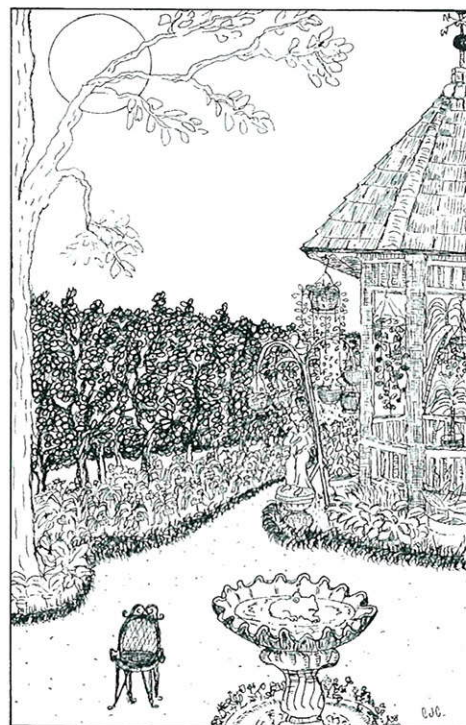
In loving memory.

The original art, pictured at right, is of the daylily garden of Mrs. Margaret DeKerlagrand of east central Louisiana. This drawing by Clarence J. Crochet appeared in the 1988 Regional meeting booklet when Baton Rouge hosted Region 13.

This garden was on tour and remained a tour garden for many years. I visited this lovely garden under the trees in the early 1990s on a BRDS local tour. I was fascinated to learn that all the daylilies were growing in large pots in the beds yet with no pot visible!

Mrs. Dekerlegand told us that gardening in pots, she didn't have to dig and fight tree roots. For me, her garden is still the finest "potted" daylily garden I have ever seen.

Muriel Walker, Louisiana



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## Scholarships

Elmer Duplantis, Louisiana

Very few members of Region 13 know that since 1999, Delta Daylily Society of the Lafayette/New Iberia area has been giving scholarships to deserving students enrolled at the University of Louisiana in Lafayette. As Delta is my "home club," I thought you might like to know - we work hard for our club, college and our students.

Lately, we received three applications and two students qualified. At the recent spring Delta Daylily meeting on March 6th, the members voted to award \$500.00 each to the two qualified girls for the spring 2005 semester and evaluate them this summer for eligibility for the fall semester. The winners, Mary Beth Robichaux and Carrie Michelle Jobe both of St. Martinsville, LA, also have become members of Delta Daylily and attend our meetings. Delta Daylily also pays a membership for each winner for one year to the American Hemerocallis Society.

The winning applicant student had to be majoring in Sustainable Agriculture - Plant Science Concentration maintaining a 3.0 Grade Point Average or better and be a Junior or Senior. Delta Daylily has awarded three \$1000.00 scholarships in the past years.

**We are all teachers.  
We simply share  
what we have  
learned. This  
plants a seed and  
can change the  
world. Pass on  
what you have  
learned today and  
do what you can,  
wherever you are.**

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## Popularity Poll 2005

Tom Walker, RPD, Louisiana

Each year members of the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) have a right to cast a popularity poll ballot for their favorite daylilies in our region. It is the hope of the AHS that this Popularity Poll presents a true picture of which daylilies perform well in our area and which are best liked by the membership. Popularity polls are important to daylily growers—both AHS members and nonmembers—who make daylily selections to offer for sale.

Muriel and I suggest that you start early to consider which ten cultivars for which you will vote. One trick she uses is to purchase a small notebook to carry whenever you visit a garden, and make notes. If the same cultivar catches your eye in most of the gardens you visit, this is one that you probably will want to vote for.

The most important point is to vote. This year, why don't you fool our RVP Elmer Duplantis by casting your ballot by August 1<sup>st</sup>? This way, when he visits your club, you will be able to tell him that you have already voted.

You don't need an official form to cast your ballot. While there is a ballot in the spring *Daylily Journal* and in *The ARKLA Daylily*, you can just take a regular sheet of paper. Print "Pop Poll 2005 for AHS Region 13" on the top, list up to ten (maximum) cultivars that you like, put your name and address on the bottom, sign it, and send it to me. If you prefer, you may send it to me by e-mail. Just be sure that it is post-marked no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>. As tabulator for this region, I'll take it from there and be sure it gets to AHS.

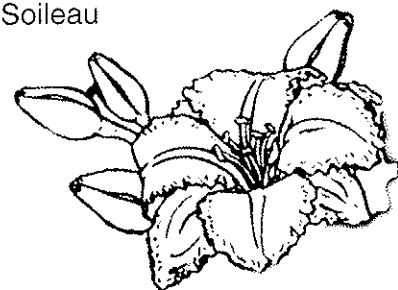
Now for the fun. I'm not using space to give you my address to send your ballot, because it is already somewhere in this newsletter. We'll use the space for other good news. See you in the gardens!

Tom Walker, RPD  
AHS Region 13

## In Memoriam

**Mrs. Hilda Ratliff**

We sadly share the news that Mrs. Hilda "Tot" Ratliff passed away on March 5. She lived in Alexandria, LA with her husband of many years, Mr. Theo Ratliff. Her daughter is Mrs. Nell Shimek of Alvin, Texas, who has won many AHS National Tri-Color Awards. She was a charter member, one of the founders of the Cenla Daylily Society. She had held many offices with the club and as recently as 2004 she served as secretary to CENLA Daylily Society.  
Pat Soileau



**Mr. Ralph Henry**

It is with great sadness we must tell you of the passing of Mr. Ralph Henry. Mr. Henry passed away in January and the Henry home and gardens in Siloam Springs, Arkansas are to be sold. Several daylily enthusiasts in the area as well as in Fayetteville and Rogers are working to preserve some of the collection from the home gardens.

**Mr. John Blanchard**

"We are saddened that SouthEastLa Daylily Society has lost one of our members, Mr. John Blanchard of Covington. He will be missed."  
Judy Manzella, New Orleans

"It was always good to see his smile at a meeting."  
Mark Breaux, New Orleans



# Garden Judges of Region 13

## Why Garden Judge?

Muriel Walker

As editor, I occasionally receive a question that seems to have a broad application. The one below was just such a question from recent daylily convert Tom Lilly. My attempt to answer from my point of view follows.

The Garden Judge learns the attributes of a bloom and the overall plant. They participate at their own pace and when they can. When a Garden Judge visits gardens and observes daylilies growing and blooming, they evaluate cultivars so he/she may have an informed opinion. This opinion is voiced when the Awards and Honors ballot comes each year to be voted by the judge. This allows a judge to put in his/her "2 cents worth" on what they feel are worthy and commendable cultivars for the AHS awards. More judges for our region means more voice in what we believe is good in daylily cultivars and it is a way to promote the good introductions from our region's hybridizers. Of course, any choice must be worthy and if it happens to be from Region 13, that's even better.

A judge's term lasts 5 years and there are renewal requirements. These include a log of the gardens you have visited, paying your AHS dues before January 1 each year, vote and return the ballot each year on time and complete Workshop 2 as a refresher within the last three years of your five-year term.)

An Exhibition Judge judges flower shows... this involves more details on the grooming, display and characteristics of a bloom. In itself, exhibition judging rarely involves a garden or growing of the daylilies.

I try not to be prejudiced but I must admit I am not an Exhibition Judge but I am a Garden Judge. Daylily shows bring in new members to a club so shows are a good thing and they need good judges. An exhibition judge may be invited to "judge a show" by a distant club as

2005 Judge	Expires in
Dr. Donnie Barnes	2005
Ed Beckham	Honorary
Kalen Begnaud	2008
Kenneth Begnaud	2008
Melissa Begnaud	2008
Herman Clause	2008
Tim Coffey	2008
Beth Crochet	2005 I
Clarence Crochet	2005 I
Lawrence Davis	2005
Marie Davis	2005
Elmer Duplantis	2009
Myrtis R. Duplantis	2009
Belle Durio	Honorary
Kenneth Durio	Honorary
Earlene Garber	2006
Diana Guidry	2005
Linda Guidry	2005*
Patrick Guidry	2005
Ed Herringshaw	2006
Dr. John Holland	2005
Marilyn Holland	2005
Lavera Johnson	2009
Jean McCarty	2006
Jerry McCarty	2006
Trudy Pickett	2005
Donna Reaux	2005*
Dr. Terry Rehn	2005
Patsy Soileau	2009
Robert Stassen	2008
Muriel Walker	2005
Tom Walker	2005
David E. Wilson	2008
*=hardship	I = Instructor

usually a judge will not "judge" his own home club's show with fellow members entering it. Again there are some requirements for renewing but I don't have that on the top of my head.

Both are worthy pursuits. Both type judges are needed. The old saying was "one is white glove while the other is work glove....."

Anyone can 'audit' Garden Judge Workshops for a fee of \$3.00 per person per session. If you are an AHS member, consider taking it for "credit" toward judgeship. You must take part 1 and the test, which is then sent in to AHS for

## Time is NOW to become a Garden Judge... or to renew your Garden Judge status?

If your judge status expires this year, to renew it, you must attend a Garden Judges Workshop 2 before renewing. (One must attend a Workshop 2 as refresher within the last three years of their five-year term.)

Also, you must complete your Five-Year Garden Visitation Log and return it with your renewal application.

You must pay your AHS dues each year before January 1.

You must vote and return the Awards and Honors ballot on time each year.

Mail your renewal forms & log to our Regional Vice president, Elmer Duplantis, before November 15th, 2005.

A hardship extension is possible; contact the Regional Vice President ASAP for details.

If you have a hardship extension for 2005, the above workshop and log requirements must be met before the deadline this year to continue as an AHS Garden Judge.

grading and if you pass then you can take part 2. So there is a time test grading delay between taking 1 and 2. This may span different years.

When taken for credit, the cost is \$5 per person per session. One must have been an AHS member for 3 years and completed both sessions in their chosen area, passing the tests required, before you may apply for judgeship from AHS.

I think this is all on the AHS website. Take a look and enjoy!



# Regional Meeting: Some Like it Hot!

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**Dates: May 19-21, 2005**

Host Club: Baton Rouge Daylily Society

**Meeting Registration:** Adult fee is \$95 until 5/1/05 After 5/1/05 the fee is \$105. Youth fee: \$50 under age 16.

**Headquarters:** Holiday Inn Select Executive Center in Baton Rouge, LA at I-10 and College Dr. Exit 158

Special Rate\*\*: \$80 or \$100 a night - per level you choose. Use "daylily" or Group Price  
Booking Code: DL1

Check-in is 4pm Check-out is 11am  
Pool and Free airport shuttle to BR Airport  
Reservations: Telephone: 225-925-2244  
or by internet at:

[www.hiselect.com/execcenterbtr](http://www.hiselect.com/execcenterbtr)

\*\*You should say "Daylily" for this even if they say they are full - (Large convention in town that weekend.)

**Guest Speaker on Friday night:** Nationally known hybridizer and Commercial Daylily Grower Charles Douglas of Brown's Ferry Gardens, South Carolina.

**Tour Gardens** include 2 AHS Display Gardens: Crochet Daylily Garden and Daylilies Etc./the Goudeau Daylily Garden plus the 4 gardens of Annette and Norman Pressler, Jimmy and Linda Terrio, Tim and Carolyn Tassin, and Ellen and Leon Richmond. Ride our cool air-conditioned busses! We aim to have a fun time, talk daylilies and enjoy the gardens & friends!

## Meeting Co-chairs:

Joe Goudeau and Muriel Walker

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or e-mail: [murille@trwmcw.net](mailto:murille@trwmcw.net)

Club web page for info: [www.brdaylilysoc.org](http://www.brdaylilysoc.org)

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Original artwork from the 1988 Regional Meeting booklet. Drawn by Clarence J. Cochet of Prairieville, LA.

At that Regional meeting, Baton Rouge Daylily members and President Rudy Pacas welcomed visitors to nine tour gardens. Among these were gardens of William E. Monroe, Clarence and Beth Crochet, Lee Gates, Edith Sholar, Gleber, Mrs. Dekerlegand, Rudy Pacas, Douglas Mayfield and Ed Beckham.

Open gardens listed were Ken Durio, Lucille Guidry, Elsie Spalding and Marjorie Tanner. Now that is a fine Garden list!

Tour Chairman was Doug Mayfield, Vice President was B.B. Saxton, and Secretary was Beth Crochet.



## REGISTRATION FORM - 2005 REGION 13 MEETING

Please feel free to copy this form. Mail completed form with your check to Registrar Tom Walker, 11483 Millburn Dr.; Baton Rouge, LA 70815-6320. A confirmation pack will be sent to you upon receipt of your fees. \*\*\*\* Make hotel reservations ASAP- there is a shortage of rooms in BR this May. \*\*\*Please clearly PRINT your name(s) as you would like them to appear on your nametag(s).

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

Additional  
Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ -- \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your local Daylily club(s) if you are a member:

\_\_\_\_\_ in City \_\_\_\_\_

**Fee for Early Registration:** \$95.00 per adult till May 1st

-- After May 1: \$105.00 per adult

-- Youth Registration: \$50.00 under age 16

Make check payable to: "Baton Rouge Daylily Society"

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed

Please indicate if you are a current Club president, or past Regional or National AHS Officer:

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Optional: AHS Judges Clinics and Workshops:

Please note: Class fees (approx. \$5) or audit fees (\$3) are paid at the door. You must be AHS member 3 years to take for credit & apply for Judge status, but anyone with a Judges handbook may audit for non-credit. Judges must take renewal clinic/workshop before renewal. You must have with you an AHS Judges Handbook: *Judging Daylilies* for all workshops and clinics. Order these from AHS Publications - website or order form in *The Daylily Journal*. \*\*If you plan to take or audit any class, please print your name below as we must order supplies.

Exhibition Judges

Clinic 1 \_\_\_\_\_

or Clinic 2 \_\_\_\_\_

and/or Refresher \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Judges

Workshop 1 \_\_\_\_\_

or Workshop 2 \_\_\_\_\_

## Some Like it Hot!

### Regional Open Gardens

invite you to visit.

Open 11-3 pm on Thursday only, May 19, is a new AHS Display Garden, Ingram Daylilies, home and garden of Chuck and Jean Ingram in Gonzales, La.

On Sunday only, May 22, open gardens from 11- 3 pm only in the Baton Rouge area are the AHS Daylily Display Gardens of

Rudy Pacas

Crochet Daylily Garden

Daylilies Etc./Goudeau Garden

Plus the newest AHS Display Garden of Mark Breaux in New Orleans.

Additional Sunday open gardens from 11-3 pm only, include:

garden of Annete and Norman

Pressler near Baton Rouge

garden of Connie Ray Everret in  
Gonzales, LA

gardens of Jimmy and Linda Terrio  
in LaPlace, LA

garden of Tim and Carolyn Tassin  
in LaPlace, LA

A contact list for the open gardens will be sent by separate mailing to all registered persons in early May.





## You are Invited!

The welcome mat is out and we look forward to having you visit our gardens and our area for the Region 13 Annual Meeting. We have planned a busy, fun, flower-filled weekend for May 19-21.

We are very excited to have as our guest speakers, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Douglas from Brown's Ferry Garden in South Carolina to share with us their world of daylilies on a commercial scale and his hybridizing program.

- We have outstanding gardens for you to visit, including 5 AHS Display Gardens plus several fine members' gardens as well.

- Of course, we will have lots of good food; with lunch each day, a 'Bring Your Favorite Goodie' social Thursday night, 2 buffet dinner/banquets and unabashed grazing in the gardens.

- There will be a live regional auction and a Cajun Auction, both with slide shows. Our lead auctioneer this year is our Meeting Chairman Joe Goudeau and his team, who always ensure a lively auction event!

- We will hold the AHS judges clinics and workshops with refreshers for interested persons.

- Our Cajun boutique is home to the plant table sale and it will feature for sale original Carmel Foret artwork as well as stationery with original daylily artwork by Clarence Crochet, Embroidery items with daylily themes by crafty ladies Ellen and Laura, and several wonderful hand-quilted daylily wall hangings by our own Jean Ingram.

- And in our spare time, we have planned informal, roundtable discussions and vendor presentations on various daylily subjects.

- As you can see we aim to learn and enjoy doing it! Our club members have worked very hard to pack the weekend and give you a terrific regional meeting.

- I wish to commend and thank them for all their hard work! Without our good people, this meeting could not be possible. Thank you.

So come on down! Let's have fun, enjoy the daylily and the people of the Baton Rouge area and Region 13!

Muriel Walker, President  
Baton Rouge Daylily Society

## Schedule of Events

**Thursday:** Registration opens @ 4, Cajun Boutique Opens @ 4 with plant table sale and more and Cajun Auction\* starts @ 4 in Boutique. Early Bird Social starts about 6 at hotel with slide show preview of auction plants.

**Friday:** Tours start @ 7 am, lunch & tour till 1:30, Cajun Boutique & Cajun Auction\* open 2-6, Garden Judges Workshop 1, Exhibition Judge Clinic 1, buffet dinner with Guest Speaker Charles Douglas, giant Live Daylily plant auction with slide show.

**Saturday:** Tour starts @ 7 am, lunch & tour till 1:30, following return to hotel: Cajun Boutique & Cajun Auction\* open 2-6, following tours are Garden Judges Workshop 2, Exhibition Judges Clinic 2 and Refresher, roundtables and discussion groups, buffet dinner and Awards ceremony with Hybridizer's Slide show!

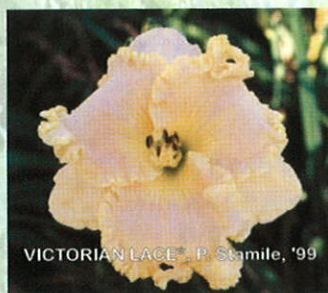
\*We have a new feature: Cajun Auction - where one can purchase tickets at \$1.00 or in multiples and "bid" with each ticket by placing it in the ballot bag of a nice, registered daylily plant (no plant cards here) - you choose from the 30 plus plants in the Cajun Auction. Winning tickets - one per plant - will be drawn Saturday night!



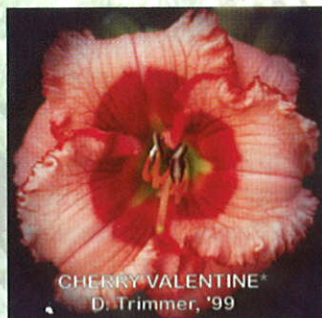
# Gallery of Regional Auction Plants



CHERRYSTONE®, P. Stamile, '98



VICTORIAN LACE®, P. Stamile, '99



CHERRY VALENTINE®  
D. Trimmer, '99



SPACECOAST EASY RIDER,  
J. Kinnebrew, '01

We have gathered many fine cultivars to tempt you! We look forward to you joining us for fun and flowers May 19-21 as Baton Rouge Daylily Society hosts Louisiana and Arkansas for the official Annual Meeting of Region 13!



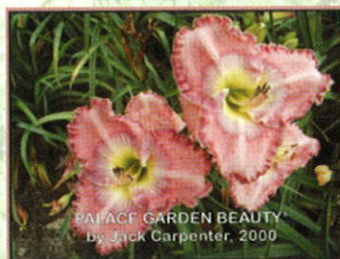
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ED BROWN®, Salter, '94



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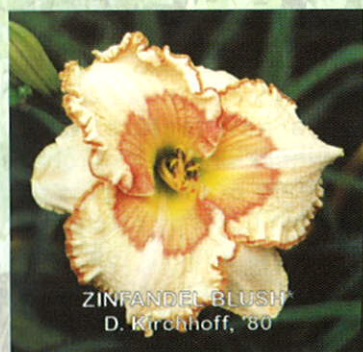
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By Jack Carpenter, 2000



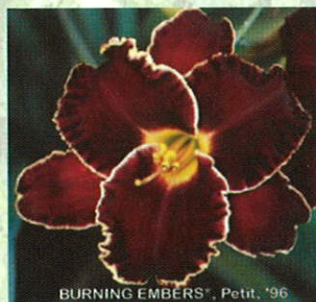
SPACECOAST EDITION CANDY,  
J. Kinnebrew, '01



ESSENCE OF ROYALTY  
by Jack Carpenter, 2002



ZINFANDEL BLUSH®  
D. Kirchhoff, '80



BURNING EMBERS®, Petit, '96



MYSTERIOUS EYES®, P. Stamile, '04



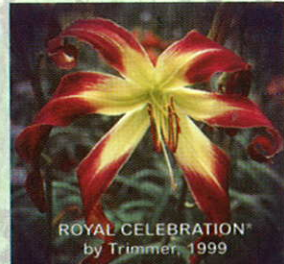
LORI GOLDSTON®, J. Kinnebrew, '99



MANDALAY BAY®, Salter



LIGHTNING STRIKE®, P. Stamile, '97



ROYAL CELEBRATION®  
by Trimmer, 1999



SPACECOAST EXTREME FASHION,  
J. Kinnebrew, '01



# We will see You at Regional

Daylily Yard Birds



Original design by Ellen Richmond and Linda Hanna.

## Our Tour Garden Hosts

Our gardens are delighted to welcome Region 13!

Beth and Clarence Crochet



Joe and Ginger Goudeau



**Mrs. DewPot holds court in the Richmond tour garden and welcomes all to Regional 2005.**



Leon and Ellen Richmond



Norman and Annette Pressler



Linda and Jimmy Terrio



Caroline and Tim Tassin



# A Gardener's Notebook

## Light in the Rust Tunnel?

Pat Soileau, central Louisiana, sends this: On a personal observation - when rust hit, we were all really upset. At least our daylily rust does not stop the blooms. My brother is a soybean farmer and the new rust for soybeans

(expected to really hit hard this year after being brought in by a hurricane from South America) will reduce production by at least 80% if not sprayed.

There are several test sites all over the state which were planted last month. It is hoped that the rust will strike these

and that they can use different sprays to determine which will be the most effective.

Editor's note: Perhaps this will provide an economic motivation for study to find a rust treatment that may benefit soybean farmers and our daylilies. Let's hope so!

## Letter to the Editor

### Looking Back, Looking Forward!

by Robert M. Turley, Iowa, LA

Last December marks one year since I started making some changes in my life. The big change was doing something with all this weight I had gained over the last 15 years. One year later, I have never felt better! I could wear the gray Italian suit I wore some 15 years ago.

Change is inevitable and its impact can be positive or negative. The daylily has been profoundly affected by change. Emerging from species it has been transformed from yellow and orange spidery flowers to round and flat, wide petaled, multi-budded, double-bubbled edged beauties with doubled chromosomes. What other possible flower transformations this once humble flower can undergo is left only to the imagination of those in the future.

For me to have watched this transformation into gorgeous new shapes, forms and embellishments of the daylily bloom has been a wonderful trip. It has brought a lot of pleasure and enjoyment to many wonderful people both past and present. However, all the changes for the positive have brought about some negatives! Somewhere along the way we let the stamina that made the daylily the "perennial supreme" slip away. The late Dr. Philip G. Corliss titled his 1951 book, *Hemerocallis, the Perennial Supreme*, expressing what he and others in the early years enjoyed about their favorite perennial.

I grew up with daylilies in the mid-1950s and at an early age, I can remember never having to spray daylilies for pest problems. Two serious pests have risen that require some pest management care and they are the daylily crown-aphid and daylily rust! Thrips and spider mites can be problems but I have learned to manage them by not over fertilizing with high nitrogen fertilizer; a precursor of rapid multiplication. Of course, there is daylily rot!

For the future, I seek daylilies that have the flower form, shape, color or embellishment that I want for my garden. I also want plants that establish easy, have vigor and stamina, disease and pest resistance or strong tolerance. I do not want to spray daylilies on a 10 to 14-day pest management schedule. As a daylily consumer, you and I can demand this in daylily cultivars. If breeders want their business to be part of the future and want you to buy their daylilies then they will have to be even more selective in future introductions. The latest pretty face will not be enough for tomorrow's introduction! The overall health, vitality, as well as the floral characteristics, will be part of the consideration to be the future award winners.

One might say, "I am just going to grow the older daylilies." By observing the daylilies in the garden, one will find that both old and new cultivars get rust; while some of the older as well as new daylilies do not or get very little. It is the ones

that do not, regardless of age, that will contribute the DNA for resistance to the future generations of "care free" daylilies. The imagination of the next generation of daylily breeders will not be limited to the present mind set, but working and hybridizing under new paradigms. I know this will happen; otherwise, the daylily would wane in popularity especially in the Gulf States of Zone 8 and 9, and will only retain any interest in the North where rust is not a problem. There are too many daylily folks that will not let that happen and will rise to the challenge making it all joy and fun while it happens!

As a horticulturist, I enjoy all kinds of plants, but the daylily is my first love and still maintains that first place from my boyhood. My future goals will be to this end, to keep secure the daylily's place as "the perennial supreme." Through observation and evaluation I will be eliminating daylilies that do not make the cut. In my garden, the daylily selection will be slim and trim just like its caretaker! Purchasing of new daylilies will be done with careful considerations; not just pretty but resistance and tolerance to disease and pests. To effect this kind of change, do it through the market place. Market = sells = dollars.

Here is to a new era in daylilies where the best is yet to come!

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## Bob Scott on Hybridizing

by Robert Stassen, Fayetteville, Arkansas

The Northwest Arkansas Daylily Society kicked off the 2005 season with a presentation by hybridizer Bob Scott of Yukon, Oklahoma on February 8. Bob's color slides are well done, his approaches to hybridizing in daylilies are innovative, and combined with his personality provide for an entertaining, informative presentation.

First, Scott is committed to developing dormant daylilies as an effort to eliminate daylily foliage as a host for rust spores in areas which only have moderate frost conditions, or just sufficient to kill the foliage, if not sufficient in duration to destroy the rust spores.

An intriguing selection technique he applies is sorting the seedlings based on their dormancy. Seeds are sown and transplanted into pots, and moved into a poly greenhouse to maximize late season growth. When night temperatures drop into the 20s, as in the late October and November, the greenhouses are opened up, allowing the Oklahoma wind to work its effect on identifying the dormant seedlings, a dramatic effect in a color slide presentation. Following this, the seedlings are sorted with respect to dormancy, with dormant plants lined out separately from evergreen seedlings. Scott's slides also show the dormants to have superior early spring growth in his beds, although evergreen types make up this difference by the late season.

A selection approach based on dormancy separates siblings into different areas of the bed, rather than rowing them out adjacently, which eliminates tracking based on parentage, but this is irrelevant to Scott. An analogy he presented was that if he were given the choice of assembling a basketball team based on the players' parents, or could choose a team based on the players' performance on the court, he would choose to base his selection on

basketball performance every time. Similarly, he feels that knowing the parentage of a seedling interferes with making a fair evaluation of the plant on its merits. A hybridizer would be more reluctant to discard a seedling when its parents are highly regarded cultivars.



## Central Arkansas Spring

Jim and Kathy Elliott  
Conway, Arkansas

This year we have about 4 acres of daylilies to transplant, plus get a house started. We have had the wettest winter ever and still getting lots of rain. The least it could do is stay through the summer.

In a slide show of seedlings for the e-mail robin members to vote on, one of our slides took 6th place and we felt that was pretty good.

This spring our breeding will be for blue eyes and edges in the tetraploids. The diploids will continue to be big lovely doughnuts.

**Gin Waste:** Kathy and I have been working with a new potting mix for our potted daylilies. We found a new compost mix made from cottonseed hulls and waste material. It is called Gin Waste. We borrowed a professional pH tester and tested as we went. The pH is 8.1.

Before we started, we put 3 single fans in the Gin Waste with no fertilizer or lime and the plants loved it. Then we began adding composted pine bark put through small screenings. This bark we tested registered a pH of 5.9. By using 4 parts pine bark and one part Gin Waste, we came up with a perfect 6.7 pH. To this mix, we added a handful of Nutricote Fertilizer (nine-month formula) to each 3-gallon pot in which we have a single fan daylily.

The plants seemed to like this very well; no yellowing or drooping of foliage and didn't seem to have any transplant shock. They were dark green and looked very good after two weeks.



Gin Waste: after 5 weeks

Plants have been in pots of Gin Waste/compost mix for about 5 weeks now.

The picture of the 3 plants are in straight Gin Waste, no lime or fertilizer. I dug them when they were about 3 inch and they are dormant. As you can see in the picture they like it. Now you know what we know. Jim

P.S. to Jim's tip: I have observed in many gardens and in my own, that a one-gallon pot is not big enough for most daylilies except to stay alive. The 3-gallon size Jim mentions actually allows them to thrive, bloom, keeps roots cool plus the room to grow. Muriel Walker



# A Gardener's Notebook

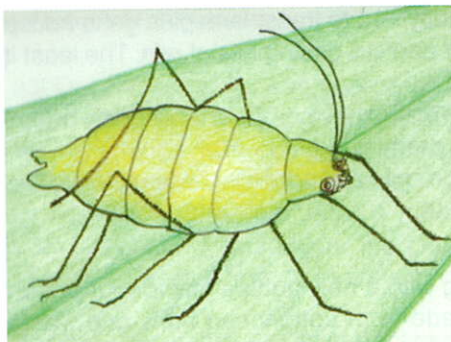
## What's bugging us?

Things that bug us about daylilies? Most are bugs! This is an up close and personal look at the four biggest culprits in our daylily gardens.

### The Daylily Aphid

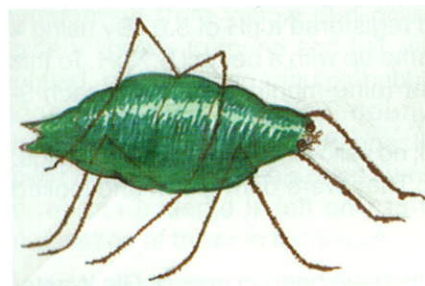
This is a tiny soft-bodied insect that feeds on the new leaves in the center of the plant. Often they are hard to spot until the population is significant. The color will vary by age with young being a paler shade than the adult shown in the lower drawing.

By tiny, it could be compared to the size of the exclamation point following this sentence !



They use a feeding tube/tongue to penetrate the leaf surface and suck the juices from the plant. If untreated, the

plant loses vigor and with a heavy infestation, the plant can be killed.

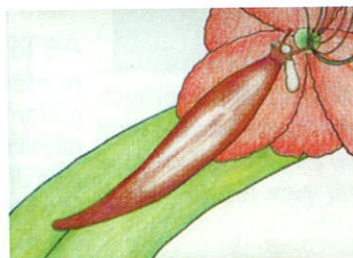


Aphids are active in cool weather, often before the gardener is checking for pests. Fall and early spring are often most active times.

Spray with Malathion can control aphids. Be sure to spray under the leaves if at all possible and apply only to "run off." Over application wastes chemicals and money. Most sprays need approximately 4 hours to dry on the leaf surfaces.

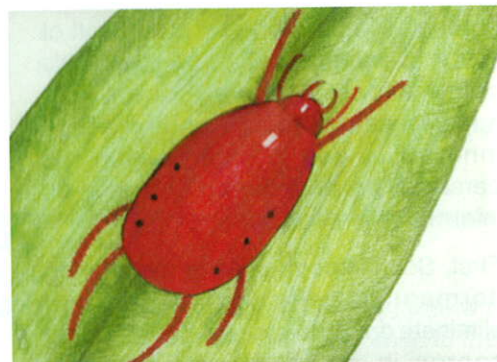
### Slugs

Slugs attack the leaves and blooms of daylilies. They feed at night in the cool and hide from the sun. Pinebark chips and wood are favorite hiding materials. They can be eradicated by using slug bait.



### Red Spider Mites

Spider mites, often red, are tiny creatures that attack daylilies under their leaves, also sucking juices from the plants. These mites resemble very tiny spiders. They also make spider-like webs under the leaves.



One way to determine if daylilies are being attacked by spider mites is to hold a white sheet of paper under the suspected leaf, tapping the leaf with the thumb. If mites are present, they will fall on to the paper and move around. A good quality magnifying glass is also a very good way to identify mites.

Mites can be best controlled with miticides such as "Avid." There are other miticides. But the product "Kelthane" should NOT be used on daylily plants as it will seriously damage them.

### Thrips

Mature thrips are tiny winged insects. Usually they are pale in color from brown to gold to ivory. They are most active in cool weather and will suck the juices from the immature scapes and destroy all the



buds while they are near the ground and under the mulch, resulting in deformed buds and blooms. It is best to begin to spray for thrips during the cool early spring

months to keep them under control. They should be controlled with the use a spray labeled for thrips. Follow all label directions carefully.

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**The ARKLA Daylily**

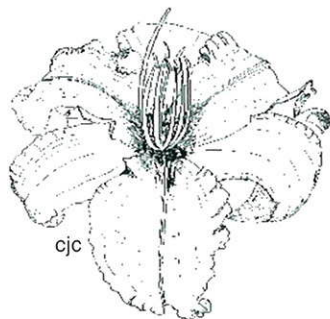


# A Gardener's Notebook

## It's all in "The Name"

Muriel Walker, Louisiana

Cygon 2E will be missing from our store shelves very soon. That name will be important to this story - so bear with me. I learn something every day and here is one I want to pass along to all of you. It seems in the chemical industry, a manufacturer must register a label for a product with each state it which it sells that product and pay each state a very hefty fee. That registration lasts for several years, perhaps 5. When that registration must be renewed, again in each state, the company must decide and if they renew, the renewal fee is amazingly high; again to each state. Do the math.



## Got Fire Ants?

### Fire Ant Bait

5 pounds corn meal  
1 cup sugar  
4 tablespoons Orthene  
Mix well, protect from moisture in a dry container and use as usual.



Spring 2005

One of the staple products for bugs in daylilies, Cygon 2-E is just such a case. It was a systemic Ornamental and Vegetable insecticide for control of scale, mites and aphids. Unfortunately, it seems the Hi-Yield brand, which is the brand often seen in much of Region 13, has decided not to renew "the label." So we won't see that name on the label. Other chemical companys have products on the shelves for sale, products that contain the same chemical as Cygon 2-E.

Here is the fun part. Cygon 2-E had a 23.4% active ingredient of Dimethoate. "The name." One product, Ferti-lome Ornamental and Evergreen Spray, is available as a replacement, has the same chemical but only 8% active ingredient. That's 3 times less. The label

lists daylilies as one of the plants on which this product may be used and spray applied. There may be other products out there so we must search the sources.

Please note: The ferti-lome Ornamental and Evergreen Spray product is NOT labeled for use on vegetables!

As gardeners, we will need to study more to learn the chemical names and percentage. Then find a product to give the desired results. Being a better student may be as easy as asking questions of a truly knowledgeable person, then keeping a notebook, journal or easy reference in our pocket. These may save us frustration at the garden center. And give us more time to enjoy our gardens.

## The Sunbelt Daylily Chapter invites YOU to "Mecca 2005"

REGION 12 SPRING REGIONAL in Lake Mary, Florida May 7-8, 2005

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tour top ten Central Florida daylily gardens in Eustis, Enterprise, DeLand, Apopka, Scottsmoor, Geneva, Sanford and Lake Helen, Fee Includes lunches, bus plants, Friday Social and Saturday Banquet.

Friday, May 6, 2005

7:15 am-3:30pm Bus garden tours  
6:30 Social (hors d'oeuvres, cash bar)  
7:30 PowerPoint show & plant auction

Saturday, May 7, 2005

7:15 am Bus garden tours  
2:30 pm all Clinics & Workshops for AHS Judges  
6:00 pm Social Hour  
\*7:00 pm Banquet, Region 12 Business Meeting and plant auction  
\*Guest Speaker: Jamie Vande, Editor, *Hemerocallis Europa*

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Regional Headquarters:  
Orlando Marriott Lake Mary  
1501 International Parkway  
Lake Mary, FL 32746  
Telephone: 1-407-995-1100 or  
1-800-380-7724

Ask for Regional Meeting rate.

### REGISTRATION FEES:

\$140 for two days of garden tours.  
After April 15, 2005, a \$25 late fee is required.

Checks payable to 'Sunbelt Daylily Chapter'

Chris Rogers, Registrar  
1852 East State Road 46  
Geneva, FL 32732-7248  
(407) 349-0271  
E-mail: ladybugdl@mindspring.com

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Region 12 Spring Meeting: Registrations received after April 15, 2005, a \$25 late fee is required.

Attendees (s) \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap services required? \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

I or we will attend the following:

Exhibition Clinic I \_\_\_\_\_ Clinic II \_\_\_\_\_ Refresher \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Judges Workshop I \_\_\_\_\_ or II \_\_\_\_\_



## Local Club News

### North Central Louisiana Daylily Society

Linda Johnson, Reporter

We welcome visitors, new members and other daylily lovers to join us. Most meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, please contact one of our officers: Sharon St. Andre (318) 263-2566, Linda Johnson (318) 777-3970 or Jo Johnson (318) 255-2790.



### Southeast Louisiana Daylily Society

Greater New Orleans area, Louisiana

We wish to congratulate our own past Vice President Mark Breau on having his garden appointed as an AHS Display Garden - a first for New Orleans in recent years.

We wish to express our sadness at the loss of our member, John Blanchard of Covington. He will be sorely missed.

We gather at 9 AM and start the meeting at 9:30 in the Garden Study Center building of the New Orleans Botanical Gardens at City Park.

Our future 2005 meeting dates will be June 25 and September 24. Visitors are always welcome.

**Is your club's news missing?**

**Each club NEEDS a reporter. Presidents, please appoint a reporter to send news to editor Muriel Walker by mail, by phone or fax @ 225-275-8881 or by e-mail: [muriel@trwmcw.net](mailto:muriel@trwmcw.net)**

### The White County Daylily Society

invites you to the

### 2005 Arkansas State Daylily Tour

Annual Statewide Tour and Meeting of the Arkansas Daylily Society

**Saturday, June 11, 2005**

#### Schedule of Events

#### Friday, June 10, 2005

7:00 p.m. Pre-Registration, Hospitality & Speaker: Carroll Smith, Harding Univ.

#### Saturday, June 11, 2005

7:15-8:30 a.m. Registration, Breakfast, tour Garden #1

8:30-9:30 a.m. Travel: Gardens #2 and #3

9:30-10:30 a.m. Tour of Gardens #2 and #3

10:30-11:30 a.m. Travel: to Garden #4

11:30-12:15 p.m. Tour of Garden #4

12:15-1:00 p.m. Travel to Harding University for luncheon

Board of Directors Meeting (prior to lunch)

1:00 p.m. Luncheon & Annual Meeting, Harding University

PLEASE NOTE: This will be a driving tour; buses will not be provided. Garden maps will be included with your confirmation letter.

Registration: \$35.00 each  
(includes Hospitality Night, Continental Breakfast, Garden Tours & Luncheon)

Mail registration form and payment to:  
Karen Jones,  
539 Narrows Drive  
Greers Ferry, AR 72067  
501-825-8392  
Email: [steve3774@sbcglobal.net](mailto:steve3774@sbcglobal.net)

Area hotels include:

- Heritage Inn (on Harding Univ. campus)  
(501) 279-4700 or 888-766-2465
- Hampton Inn (501) 268-0654  
or 800-426-7866
- Holiday Inn Express (501) 279-9191  
or 800-holiday
- Comfort Inn (501) 279-9100  
or 800-221-2222

**Please reply by May 31, 2005.**

=====Registration Form=====

**The White County Daylily Society invites you to the 2005 Annual Statewide Tour and Meeting of the Arkansas Daylily Society - Saturday, June 11, 2005**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Please reply by May 31, 2005. Please note how many in your party plan to attend.

\_\_\_\_\_ Registrations @ \$35.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_ (includes Hospitality Night, Continental Breakfast, Garden Tours & Luncheon)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Will you be attending the Hospitality event Friday night?

Total fees enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Please make checks payable to "White County Daylily Society."

Mail this form and payment to:  
Karen Jones, Registrar, 539 Narrows Dr., Greers Ferry, AR 72067  
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# 2005 Arkansas State Daylily Tour Gardens

Harry Roland, President  
Arkansas State Daylily Society

This year's tour, to be hosted by the White County Daylily Society, features four gardens located in White County. Three of the gardens were not on the 2002 State Tour while the fourth garden was featured on our 2002 tour and is now an AHS Display Garden.

The tour begins with registration and a continental breakfast at the home of Bill and Wanda Harris in Ward, AR. After touring their garden, the tour will proceed to Bradford for the gardens of Loyd & Laveria Johnson and Dorlene Falwell and then on to Pangburn to view the Rolands AHS Display Garden.

Lunch will be held at Harding University, which is located in Searcy. A short Board of Directors' meeting will take place at Harding University prior to lunch.

We are looking forward to renewing old friendships and making new ones at our tour.

## Wanda and Bill Harris

Wanda and Bill have about 350 cultivars from hybridizers Patrick and Grace Stamile, Jeff and Elizabeth Salter and Jack Carpenter. They also have a very large vegetable garden.

Wanda became a member of AHS in 1990. Wanda and Bill lived in Georgia at the time and when they moved back to Arkansas, she brought her daylilies with her. As Wanda is the main caretaker of the daylilies, she has tried to focus on collecting the newer cultivars.

Wanda hybridizes daylilies and shares them with club members. A continental breakfast will be served at this garden.

## L & L Gardens

LaVera and Loyd Johnson's garden is on a 10-acre farm at the edge of Bradford. Loyd's parents lived there initially; then Loyd moved back here from Chicago.

The flowerbeds have increased until it is almost more than the two can keep up. Loyd has installed an automatic watering system from a large fish/cow pond (bring your fishing poles!).

Daylilies line the driveway and a raised rose bed with daylilies behind it is prominent as you proceed up the driveway. Some newer daylilies, mixed with iris, are to the right. There are several kinds of iris to the left. The farmhouse is surrounded with flowerbeds full of iris and daylilies, as well as other plants.

## Dorlene Falwell

Dorlene has always loved flowers, and soon after the house was built, she started planting flowers, blooming shrubs, and trees. The house is situated on a corner lot with flowerbeds in back of the house. This works well as the flowers can be seen from three streets. Dorlene's main focus is growing daylilies and iris.

A few years ago, Dorlene began to collect the newer daylily cultivars in earnest because "of the beautiful colors and all the ruffles." These daylilies are now the dominant flowers in the beds. A wide variety of hybridizers are represented in her daylily collection including cultivars by Bomar, Carpenter, Carr, Grace, Henry, Kinnebrew, Salter, Smith, Stamile, and many others. There is a mix of older favorites as well as many newer introductions.

Although Dorlene is a relatively new member of the White County Daylily Society, she has acquired a large number of beautiful daylilies and she loves to share their beauty with others.

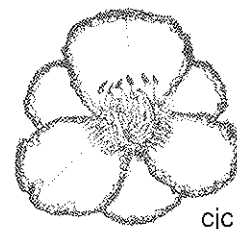
## Blue Bird Hill Farm

Dorothy and Harry Roland  
(A new AHS Display Garden)

We are happy to invite you back to Blue Bird Hill Farm to see the changes we've made since the tour in 2002. Now as an AHS Display Garden, we annually open our garden to the local public in June on certain weekends.

We currently have over 900 varieties of daylilies including many new cultivars. We also have a variety of companion plants and trees so that we usually have something in bloom.

We like to place pieces of whimsy in the garden with benches and a shade house for relaxing. We look forward to welcoming you to our garden.



## Arkansas State Daylily Club

Jim Elliott, President  
Conway, Arkansas

Come join us for our Arkansas State Club tour Saturday, June 11, 2005. We will be touring the White County Daylily Club Members yards and I assure you, they will be very nice indeed. This will also be the Spring meeting for the State Club.

Registration for the tour will be \$35 per person and that includes lunch. If interested, contact Karen Jones at 501-825-8392 or drop her an email at [steve3774@sbcglobal.net](mailto:steve3774@sbcglobal.net)

For Fall Auction of the Arkansas State Club we will have Mark Carpenter doing a slide show and talking about the new colors and patterns in future daylilies. This will be Sept. 17, 2005 in Little Rock, Arkansas at St. Vincent Hospital. Auction plants will be from Jack Carpenter. Bring a friend to both events. We hope you have a great time.



## Local Club News

### Cenla Daylily Society

Pat Soileau, Alexandria, LA

Pat Soileau reminds all that Cenla Daylily Society is hosting a flower show on May 28 at the Alexandria Mall. Entries will be accepted from 8:30 to 10:30. The show will be open for viewing after judging is finished (about 12:30). There will be sections for off-scape and on-scape (only on-scape are eligible for Best-of-Show).

At the March meeting, the club reminisced about "Miss Tot" (Hilda Middlebrooks) who was a founder of our club 10 years ago.

At our April meeting, we drew for 10 registrations to the Regionals in Baton Rouge and set up a bus tour to Jack Carpenter's Lily Farm on June 1. We are taking a bus for the one-day trip. Dean Stafford made a presentation on how to grow German Bearded Iris with a very lively question-and-answer session.

At our May meeting, a workshop will be held showing our club members how to groom daylilies and fill out the entry tags.

The Emma Middlebrooks bed for the 2006 Regional will be in the following garden for fall and spring planting: Pat Soileau, P.O. Box 156 St. Landry, LA 71367. If you can, send plants to be delivered during the week and have it delivered to: Pat Soileau, Bunkie High, 435 Evergreen St., Bunkie 71322.

This will ensure that it is not dropped off at neighbors' houses, etc. Plans are under way for us to host the 2006 Regional on May 18-20, 2006, headquartered at the Best Western. We look forward to hosting your visit to Central Louisiana.

We meet on the first Saturday of every month except July, in the Meeting Hall of the Homewood Baptist Church, Tennessee Ave. at Hynson St., in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Visit the CENLA website: <http://www.angelfire.com/ar2/cenladaylily/index.html>

### Baton Rouge Daylily Society

M. Walker, Baton Rouge, LA

We hope you will join us for the Regional Meeting! The spring meeting of BRDS was held March 19 and we were glad to have over 80 members present. Several new members joined, and we welcomed several guests.

Our meeting included a question-and-answer session from the members on daylily and garden questions. All present were introduced. After a short business session, an update on the upcoming regional meeting in May was discussed. Also this year we plan a total of six meeting/events and a flower display for the public is in planning for 2006.

In addition to ten BRDS member's names drawn last fall for club paid registrations, five more members chose to accept of paid registration instead of a daylily in the plant drawing that was held. The club purchased a group of Salter registrations and these were given away by lottery drawing to members present at the meeting. Members were reminded that Garden Judges Workshop 2 and the Exhibition Clinics and Refreshers will be held at the Regional Meeting.

For more information, contact President Muriel Walker through her e-mail: [muriel@trwmcw.net](mailto:muriel@trwmcw.net) or by phone 225.275.8881 or go to the club webpage: [www.brdaylilysoc.org](http://www.brdaylilysoc.org)

### Hot Springs Daylily Society

Gene Litchliter, Hot Springs, AR

Plants are really off to a good start here in Hot Springs. Everything is blooming so well and soon daylilies will be in their glory. I would guess it is because we have received good rains at the right time.

Our club had an excellent April meeting with a live auction of daylilies from Carpenters that we got on a visit in 2003. These were grown by Kay and Charles Shearer just for this event and we raised almost \$600.00 for the club. Everyone had a really good time and we ignored the program (which was me)!

### White County Daylily Society

Dorothy Roland, Secretary, Searcy, AR

The White County Daylily Society has been mostly busy planning our Arkansas State Tour on June 11th. We hope a lot of you reading this, will plan to be here. Come and see how daylilies grow in Central Arkansas.

We have had some fun times too. We celebrated our clubs' birthday by eating together at a local restaurant. In April we had a program on the basics of daylilies, which was taken from the AHS Web Site. This was a help for some of our newest members and a helpful review for our seasoned members.

In May we have planned a plant exchange - not only daylilies, but whatever we have an excess of and needs dividing. This is always interesting. We have programs coming up on hybridizing and one on photographing daylilies.

We are always happy to have visitors so if you're up our way on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 AM at the Farm Bureau building in Searcy, stop and see us.

Our usual meeting date, the 2nd Wednesday morning of the month, is in Searcy. Everyone is welcome. Contact: Harry Roland, President (501) 728-3557  
E-mail: [daylilydot2@yahoo.com](mailto:daylilydot2@yahoo.com).

Our plant sale will be June 4th at Farmers' Market in Hot Springs beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Key program events coming up are: on May 7th, we will have the Arkansas State President, Jim Elliot. On August 13th, we will have John Holland, AHS Board Member. We meet the 2nd Saturday of the month at NPMC, 1910 Malvern Avenue here in Hot Springs at 10:00 in the Maurice Room.

We have been working hard to increase our membership and have picked up several new members as a result. This is your invitation.  
Gene Litchliter, President  
501-922-6694

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# Local Club News

## Hemerocallis Study Club

David Waters, Publicity; Ark-La-Tex Area

That "new year" optimism was most evident at the January meeting of the Hemerocallis Study Club. The feeling of "Alive in 05" was the expression of the day! At the January meeting the hybridizing efforts of local club members were featured in a slide show presentation with each hybridizer giving commentary about their seedlings. Hybridizing seems to offer an excitement unparalleled by any other aspect of daylily culture. If you haven't already done so, give it a try. You'll most likely be amazed at the fun!

At the February meeting, Jack Carpenter and Josie Bomar from "THE LILY FARM" in Center, Texas, were the featured speakers. Jack gave a photo presentation of the outstanding new cultivars from "The Lily Farm"—as well as a sneak preview of some future introductions on the way! Many great "door prizes" were awarded at this well attended meeting. The club is planning a group tour of the "Lily Farm" this spring. How fortunate we are to have these two "Top Of The Line" hybridizers in our area! It is always a joy to have the opportunity to visit with them.

Clarence and Beth Crochet of Prairieville, Louisiana, gave the program at the March meeting. Clarence presented some insight into the major role Region 13 people played in the development of the modern daylily that we enjoy today. Happily, he brought along a "Boudreaux" story for us!

Club members are looking forward to the May 28th visit to Melvin and Virginia McConnell's garden in Marshall, Texas, and lunch at their ROSEVILLE BED & BREAKFAST. Always a real treat!

Plans are under way for an AHS accredited flower show and a plant sale on June 4 at the Barnwell Art & Garden Center in Shreveport. We would love to see you there. (See ad on inside front cover of this issue.) Several gardens will be Open for touring on the Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Scapes are beginning to appear, signaling the arrival of a new bloom season, with a wonderful new show each day. Daylilies can appropriately be called "Garden Magicians"! One day there is a dazzling blossom display. Nightfall comes and it all disappears. Next morning, as if by magic, there appears an even more glorious display of seemingly endless colors, shapes, sizes, ruffling, edges, eyes, and halos to behold, with even more variations occurring throughout the day! What other plant can possibly provide such an ever-changing scene to entertain a gardener?

The Hemerocallis Study Club meets monthly at the Barnwell Art & Garden Center in Shreveport. Meetings are held at 2 P.M. on the 3rd Sunday of each month unless pre-empted by some other daylily event (National or Regional conventions). You're invited. We love Guests! Will be looking for you in the gardens!



## Southwest Louisiana Daylily Society

Lake Charles/DeRidder, Louisiana

President Nelson Winn announced that on April 2 and 3, 2005 the club offered daylilies for sale at Burton Coliseum during the annual Garden Festival.

The club held a drawing of members at the recent spring meeting. The winners of this drawing will have

their registration fee paid by the club for them to attend the Region 13 Annual meeting in May. This will ensure that the club will benefit from members who have been to gardens both distant and local and exposed to more daylily information. Ten members' names were drawn. Happy gardening!

## Delta Daylily Society, Inc.

JoAnn Bernard, Secretary; Lafayette, LA

Our officers for 2005 are Linda Carson, President; Bettie Prince, Vice President; JoAnn Bernard, Secretary and Clarence Crochet, Treasurer.

Our spring meeting with luncheon was held at Rip Van Winkle Gardens in New Iberia. The members enjoyed a fine lunch and slide program by the owner of the Gardens on garden design and of Rip Van Winkle Gardens. Several new members joined at this meeting and we are delighted to have them.

President Linda Carson and our members recognized Kalen Begnaud as co-winner of the 2004 Erin Christine Stamile Youth Award from AHS at the National Convention last summer. Members voted to send a \$50 donation to AHS through the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund in Kalen's honor. Kalen was featured in an article in the Fall 2004/ Winter 2005 *ARKLA Daylily* newsletter.

The club also voted to pay registration fees for 10 members to the 2005 regional meeting in Baton Rouge in May. Names were drawn by lottery of members present and 10 excited folks found themselves with the chance to go to Regional meeting.

Elmer Duplantis announced the names of 2 winning applicants of the Delta Daylily Scholarship at University of Louisiana at Lafayette. They are Mary Beth Robichaux and Carrie Michelle Jobe, both of St. Martinville, LA. Both girls attend ULLa and work in the Wetlands Research Center in Lafayette. Please see the story "Scholarships" on page 5 of this newsletter.

May 7th is Delta's next meeting with a slide show to be presented by the Crochets' on Contributions of Hybridizers of Region 13. It will be held at Best Western/Acadiana in Lafayette.

Other 2005 meeting dates are July 9, September 10 and December 11.

For more meeting information, please contact Linda Carson, President, at 337-344-8001.



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**Our grateful thanks and sincere appreciation to Reuel and Bobbie Adams who retired as an AHS Display Garden on Dec 31, 2004.**

Adams Daylily Garden,  
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April 2005

### New Display Gardens

I am delighted to welcome several new AHS Display Gardens to our region.

- The Breaux Garden in New Orleans, LA
- The Wacky-Do Gardens in Greers Ferry, AR
- Ingram Daylilies in Gonzales, LA
- Blue Bird Hill Farm in Pangburn, AR
- Locust Creek Garden in Lonoke, AR

Congratulations!  
Elmer Duplantis

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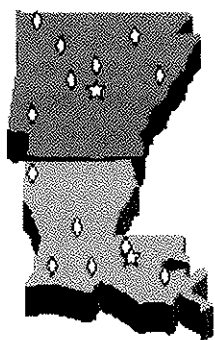
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## New Members

Welcome! We are delighted you have joined the AHS and we look forward to meeting you at a local club meeting. By all means, contact a local club near you and make a few more daylily friends. From the warmth of a handmade quilt of the Ozarks on a glorious fall morning to a spicy bowl of gumbo in Cajun Country or a Southern feast in cotton country, lots of varied and interesting parts make up this terrific region! New AHS members through April 2005:

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## How about these in your garden?

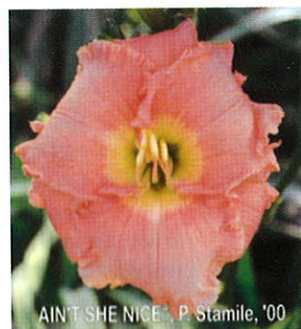
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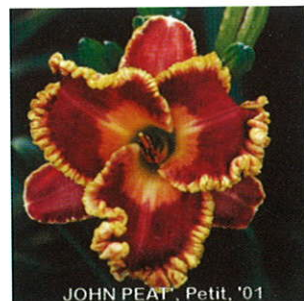
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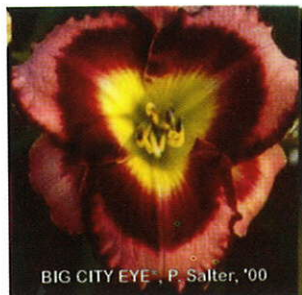
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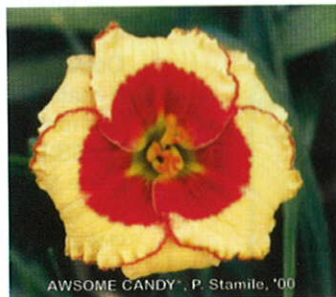
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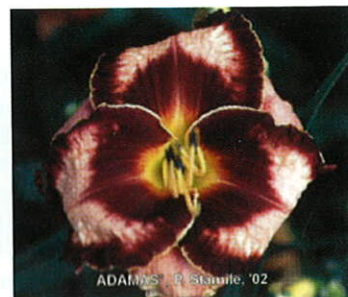
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## Have you sent your slides to Regional Slide Show? Hurry!

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