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Cover Photo: *It is with pleasure that I have chosen a photo of Hemerocallis 'CP Winters' (Rea 2016) to grace the cover of The Dixie Daylily. This cultivar, hybridized by Beth Rea of Biloxi, Mississippi, honors Region 14's immediate Past President.*

(Photo by Beth Rea)

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Articles on Daylily Culture
Profiles of Region 14
Hybridizers
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Features of Historical Interest
Articles on Photography
Scientific Studies Involving
Daylilies
Club News and Events

If possible, please send material by e-mail. Digital images are preferred over photographs and slides.

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REGIONAL PRESIDENT'S REPORT TERESE GOODSON

Growing up in the Chicago suburbs with fifteen siblings, my family always had a huge garden, but never any flowers. Fast forward to 1973 and I found myself in Montgomery, AL, starting out as a cattle rancher (I never even had a pet growing up—that would be one more mouth to feed!) and, once again, no flowers on the farm. That changed in 2009 when I noticed a small article in the local paper mentioning a daylily conference being held in Montgomery. I stopped by Embassy Suites to find only a few posters about daylilies. How lucky for me that I discovered contact information for AHS! My daylily adventures had begun. I ordered daylilies by color (with no names) from eBay and I was happy as a lark! Now it is 2017, and I thank each of you for your support in electing me as your Region 14 President. I just finished serving six years as president of the Montgomery Area Daylily Society, so I feel confident in accepting this new position. I had LOTS of help and support over the years and hope I can count on that same help and support from each of you in this new endeavor.

As a former teacher and elementary school principal, my areas of expertise are communication and organization. As I see regional enrollment numbers decline, I would like to challenge each of you to help us grow. Club presidents, I will be counting on YOU to keep me informed about your meetings and special activities and your current email/addresses/phone numbers. Please be sure your group has a Club Reporter sending in news for each edition of *The Dixie Daylily*. I'd also love to be included when you send out newsletters or provide a new club directory. In turn, when I have information to share, I'll pass that on to you. Keeping members informed makes everyone's job in the region a little easier.

My thanks go to Debbie Smith, RPD, Jim Chappell, Treasurer, and Janet Green, Secretary, for continuing to serve Region 14. I'm also very pleased to announce that Glenda Woods, Kahatchee Gardens, Childersburg, AL, has volunteered to become Membership Chair. Oliver Billingslea will remain as Regional Director and Newsletter Editor. I have confidence in this team of daylily enthusiasts.

Last fall and winter's drought seems to be in the past as I am now seeing healthy daylily foliage poking up in all the beds. It makes me anxious to see the first blooms appear in the garden. Debbie Smith has the 2017 Pop Poll ready, so start perusing the list and be ready to vote for your favorite cultivars.

A great place to see MANY blooms will be at the Region 14 Spring Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS, May 25-27, 2017. (Registration is online at <http://www.ahsregion14.org/Region-14-Spring-2017-Registration-Form.pdf>) Earl and Barbara Watts and Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society members gathered in

January to tweak preparation plans for this event. It was impressive to hear current reports from all of the committees at the meeting. When you have been an active club for 25 years, you know just how to prepare for visitors to your gardens and then make each of them feel special. Congratulations, HADS, on this milestone year! Nikki Schmith, AHS President, will be a special guest speaker this year along with Ludlow Lambertson, Art Gallery Gardens. You'll also have time to attend scheduled Exhibition Judges Clinics and Garden Judges Workshops while you are in Hattiesburg. See you there!

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RPD'S REPORT DEBBIE SMITH

I made it! Thank you all for your help and a special Thank You to Jesse George for all the time he put into talking me through public speaking. The last-minute venue change for the Fall Regional in Biloxi, MS, was more than a bit disconcerting, but we made it. I would like to thank everyone who donated their time, effort, energy, plants and raffle items to make this gathering a success; especially C. P. Winters, who donated all the plants for the sale table.

The 2017 Popularity Poll Ballot is ready and printed in this issue. All the club Presidents should have received a copy by now and it is also available on the AHS and Region 14 websites. All AHS members are eligible to vote, and I would like to encourage all our members to voice their opinion by voting. The 2016 Results are as follows:

1. Suburban Nancy Gayle
2. Double Blue Blood
3. Look Here Mary
4. Thin Man
5. Emma's Curls
- _. King Kahuna

With the crazy weather that we are having, I have multiple scapes on Valentine's Day and roses blooming when they should be cut back. I just can't make myself do that. One of the main discussions at our club meeting on the Gulf Coast is if we will get a late freeze or not. I hope not but continuous warm weather will encourage the bugs. Many clubs are preparing for shows now, and this year it is obvious that we will need more Exhibition Judges if we are to have more than one show on a specific date. Please consider taking these classes at either a Regional or National meeting.

The classes for Garden Judging can both be taken on the same day, again at either a Regional or National

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meeting. Soon these classes will be available on the AHS website. Being a Garden Judge entitles you to vote for the AHS awards including the Stout Silver Medal. We need more Garden Judges so our Southern voice can be more effective.

The Spring Regional will be May 25-27, 2017, in Hattiesburg, MS. Our AHS President, Nikki Schmith, will be the speaker on Friday night, and Luddy Lambertson will speak on Saturday. It is the 25th Anniversary of the Hattiesburg Club and they have been working hard to make this an exciting, fun and educational event. The registration form is in this issue of *The Dixie Daylily*, so make your plans to attend. While you are working in your garden, put aside some extra fans for the plant sale table and share some of your favorite flowers.

The 2017 AHS National Convention will be held in Norfolk, VA, on June 21-24, 2017. It will be hosted by the Tidewater Daylily Society and should give us a different regional view of our favorite flower. I hope to see y'all there!

Please, please, remember to send in any club contact changes for our next issue.

Thank you,

Debbie D. Smith

MINUTES, FALL MEETING 2016

JANET GREEN, SECRETARY

The AHS Region 14 Fall 2016 Business Meeting was held in Biloxi, Mississippi, on October 1, 2016. Steve Hammonds, President of Mississippi Gulfcoast Daylily Society, welcomed members to the meeting.

President Debbie Smith thanked the Mississippi Gulfcoast Daylily club for hosting the fall meeting. She asked Nancy Chain to give the invocation. B. J. Yance, Barbara Register, Barbara Fuller, and C. P. Winters were put on the prayer list.

The business meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Smith. Regional Secretary, Janet Green, was asked to stand. As the Region 14 minutes were published in *The Dixie Daylily*, President Smith asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. No corrections were made and the minutes were approved as published.

Regional Treasurer, Jim Chappell, reported \$21,293.13 on hand as of June 15, 2016. After expenses and earnings, Region 14 now has \$17,305.05 on hand as of October 1, 2016. There were no questions and that report will be filed.

Brief reports were given as follows:

*Regional Director, Oliver Billingslea, sent in a report stating that as of September 9, 2016, both of the new AHS books had been mailed to Thomson-Shore, Inc., in Dexter, Michigan, and that proofs were to be reviewed prior to the AHS Board Meeting, October 28-29 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He reported that both book should be available by mid-November.

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As editor of *The Dixie Daylily*, he reminded us that articles and reports are needed for the Spring issue of our newsletter by March 1. He reported that the winners of the 2016 Region 14 Photography Contest were as follows: Individual Bloom, Beverly Odom; Multi-bloom, Bonnie Lingel; Landscape, Ron Hood; Artistic, Terese Goodson; Daylilies with Companion Plants, Bill Martin. He had also provided certificates for the winners present.

*President Smith announced that the Regional Service Award was presented to Jim and Phyllis Riddle at the National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, and that Fred Manning received awards for *Hemerocallis* '**Lillian's White Lies**' and *H.* '**Lillian's First Bite**', and that last year's honorable mention certificate for '**Lillian's Thin Ice**' was replaced due to damage

*Exhibition Judges Liaison, John Falck, reported that two students attended the Refresher course and that all three classes will be offered at the Spring Regional Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS.

*Garden Judges Liaison, Nancy Chain, encouraged more members to become garden judges and reminded members that garden judges vote on awards, such as the Stout Medal, Awards of Merit, and Honorable Mentions.

*Phyllis Riddle, Regional Publicity Director, encouraged AHS members to vote in the Popularity Poll next year and gave out a list of winners in the 2016 Popularity Poll: 1st place was *H.* '**Suburban Nancy Gayle**', 2nd place '**Double Blue Blood**'; there were 100 members voting in Pop Poll. In Region 13, '**Suburban Nancy Gayle**' came in second behind '**King Kahuna**' which was first.

New Business: None

President Smith thanked all members and others who donated plants for the auction, plant sale table, and silent auction. The monies from these sales go to the region for the cost of *The Dixie Daylily*. The meeting was adjourned.

Bonnie Lingel, MGCDS Vice-President, introduced the speaker, Tim Bell. The program was enjoyed by all. Door prizes were given throughout the meeting, followed by a great lunch, and a successful auction.

Earl Watts, Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society spring regional chairman, invited all to attend the Regional 14 Spring Meeting to be held in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on May 26-27, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Green



TREASURER'S REPORT 12/31/16
JIM CHAPPELL, TREASURER

October 1, 2016—December 31, 2016

Cash on Hand @ October 1, 2016	\$17,305.05
Total Funds:	\$17,305.05
Receipts:	
10/1/2016 Pant Sale and Auction	\$6,200.00
10/13/2016 News Letter Allowance	\$726.80
11/2/2016 MADS Donation	\$255.00
Total Receipts:	\$7,181.80
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Expenditures:	
10/1/2016 Photo Contest, Bill Martin	-\$25.00
10/1/2016 Photo Contest, Bobbie Lingel	-\$25.00
10/1/2016 Photo Contest, Terese Goodson	-\$25.00
10/1/2016 Photo Contest, Beverly Odom	-\$25.00
10/1/2016 Photo Contest, Ron Hood	-\$25.00
10/1/2016 Debbie Smith, Supplies	-\$59.40
10/1/2016 Phyllis Riddle, Supplies	-\$36.99
10/1/2016 Tim Bell, Speaker (Fall 2016)	-\$3,175.00
10/13/2016 Postage for DD	-\$298.75
10/28/2016 Bonnie Lingel, Reimbursement	
Hotel Room, Tim Bell	-\$110.88
12.1.2016 AHS Insurance & Entity Fee	-\$108.75
Total Expenditures:	-\$3,914.77
	-\$3,914.77
Cash on Hand @ Dec. 31, 2016	\$20,572.08
Total Funds:	\$20,572.08

Jim Chappell



This beautiful bowl made by Wayne McLaurin was a donation to the AHS auction held on Facebook, January 15-22. (Photo courtesy of Wayne McLaurin)

RECOMMENDED ADDITION
TO REGION 14 BYLAWS
TERESE GOODSON, PRESIDENT

Jack Harrison, Region 14's Parliamentarian for many, many years, has made a request that we add the following statement to Region 14's bylaws. This would correct the omission of the statement when the bylaws were revised and adopted in 2009, as published in *The Dixie Daylily*.

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition (Page 572, Section 25) and *Pointers on Parliamentary Procedure* by Louise E. Bereskin both indicate that this statement would cover the specific duties for each office, rather than listing them separately:

"These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Society."

This sentence should be inserted after the following statement in the current Region 14 Bylaws.

Article 4. Officers. Section 6. Duties of Officers.

"The RP and the officers shall perform the duties prescribed in the Guidelines adopted by the AHS Board of Directors as currently in effect, and as same be hereafter amended to, among other things, reflect the change in the form of governance of the AHS regions."

While we are discussing bylaws, Club Presidents, have you reviewed the bylaws for your club recently? Do they reflect the current needs of your regional group? As our numbers decline, it is sometimes difficult to recruit new candidates for important offices and positions because requirements for serving in each might be too restrictive. Do take some time to review your documents and make changes, as needed. Both of the above handbooks would be excellent reference materials for your organization.

Terese Goodson

SPRING MEETINGS
2017 HATTIESBURG, MS
2018 MONTGOMERY, AL

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT OLIVER BILLINGSLEA

The AHS Board of Directors Fall Meeting was held in Myrtle Beach, SC, on October 28, 2016. The fall meeting is always held in the city hosting the national convention in two years.

Among the major cultivar awards announced at the meeting were the 2016 Stout Silver Medal winner, *Hemerocallis* 'Rose F. Kennedy' (Doorakian 2007), as voted by Garden Judges, and the 2016 Lenington All-American Award, which went to *H.* 'Margo Reed Indeed' (Murphy-J.P. 2004), as selected by the AHS Board.

Announcement was made of an AHS Online Auction to be held on Facebook, January 15-22, 2017. Each Region was asked to donate two items for the auction. Region 14 outdid itself: Wayne McLaurin of Long Beach, MS, donated one of his hand-crafted bowls; Arthur Woods of Childersburg, AL, donated a rustic birdhouse; Nancy Falck of Fairhope, AL, and Fred Manning of Lillian, AL, donated four of their most recent cultivar registrations; and Oliver Billingslea of Montgomery, AL, donated a signed and numbered copy of each of his two newest publications. All of the items were bid on numerous times. The auction was a tremendous success, raising approximately \$14,000.

The AHS Board announced its newest publications at the meeting: *The Open Form Daylily: Spiders, Unusual Forms, and Other 'Exotics'* and the revised edition of *The Illustrated Guide to Daylilies*. The first is a 232 page book with 616 full color illustrations; the second, also full color, is the "primer" for anyone growing daylilies. Sales began November 15. They can be ordered online from the AHS Portal or directly from Brenda Macy, Publication Services Manager, 109 West Poplar St., Elizabethtown, KY 42701. Her e-mail address is pubsales@daylilies.org

Of particular importance to Region 14 is that among the 6 clubs nationwide which have achieved Platinum Status (100% membership) or Gold Status (90%), the Montgomery Area Daylily Society once again was recognized as having 100% membership in AHS. In a drawing from among these clubs, the Baton Rouge Daylily Society was the \$500 winner for 2016 in this Club Recognition Program.

One of the most important aspects of attending the Fall Board Meeting is the opportunity the directors have to vote for various personal awards: the Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal for Service, the Bertrand Farr Silver Medal for Hybridizing, the Steve Moldovan Mentoring Award, the Electronic Media Award, and the various Regional Service Awards. If you would like to nominate someone for these awards, please do so. Nomination letters must be received by Melodye Campbell, Chair of Awards & Honors, by September 1, 2017. She can accept an electronic submission at awards@daylilies.org or you may mail your letter to her home address at 21 Ambleside Drive, Fairport, NY 14450. These awards are kept secret until the following National Convention.

In other items of interest, a new *Exhibition Judges' Handbook* was approved and is ready for distribution elec-

tronically on the AHS website. There are lots of changes in many areas, with which all exhibition judges, show chairs, and classification and placement chairs should become familiar. The request to become an exhibition judge is now reduced from 24 months to 12.

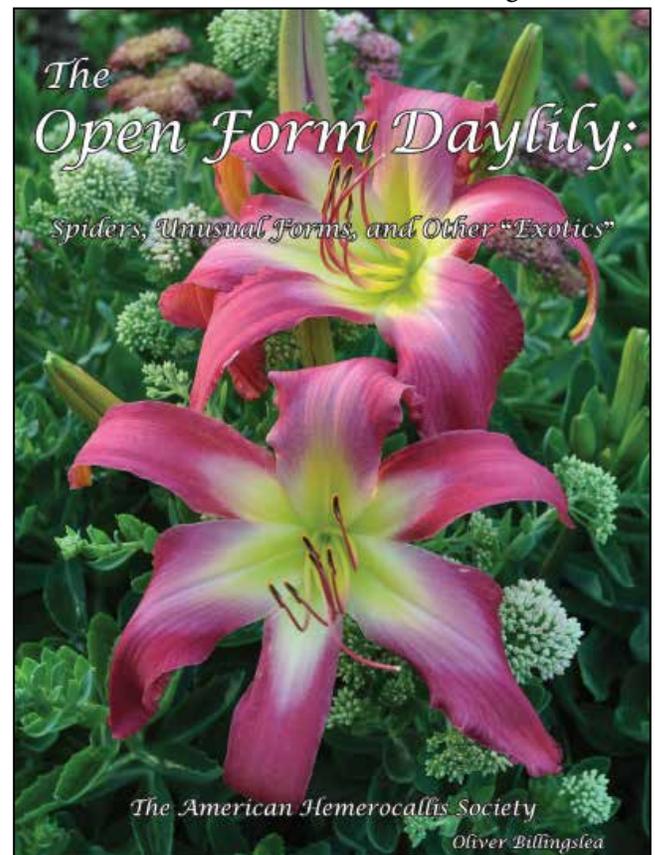
Continuous progress is being undertaken in respect to making the AHS website, the data base, and the portal more user friendly. For the data base, additional search categories including "by color" have been added, as well as information on the awards given each cultivar. When searching for a cultivar, you will get some pop-up choices when you start to type, to help you find the information you seek, even if you misspell something. Cross references for a cultivar's parentage are available, and there will be many more additions in the future.

To be announced in the Spring issue of *The Daylily Journal*, the Board approved a different national fundraising effort: "100 Giving 100." The first 100 people to donate \$100 or more to the AHS General Fund will receive a limited edition cloisonné pin.

Under the new guidelines of the ICNCP, the AHS is no longer required to print the annual *Checklist of Cultivar Registrations*. Consequently, the 2017 *Checklist* will only be available electronically.

In response to a "politically correct" protest lodged at the National Convention in Louisville, KY, regarding the invocation prayer, AHS will ask the sponsoring club in the future to list the invocation separately on the Schedule of Events, so that those who wish to participate may do so and those who do not will not be unduly offended.

Oliver Billingslea



AHS Region 14 Spring Meeting

May 25, 26, & 27, 2017

Hosted by the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society

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Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Meeting Chairperson: Earl Watts

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Guest Speakers: Nikki Schmith and Ludlow Lambertson

Registration Fees:

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Youth: \$50.00

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Room Rate: \$89.00 + tax (Hot Breakfast included); mention DAYLILY ASSOCIATION GROUP BLOCK for group rate. Rates held through May 5, 2017

Registration Form:

1st Person _____

2nd Person _____

Youth #1 _____

Youth #2 _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Indicate Judges Clinics/Workshops you will attend Friday, May 26, 2017 (\$5.00 fee collected on site.)

_____ Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic (10:00-12:00 Noon) _____ Garden Judges Workshop I (12:30-2:30)

_____ Exhibition Judges Clinic I (12:30-3:30)

_____ Garden Judges Workshop II (10:00-12:00 Noon)

_____ Exhibition Judges Clinic II (12:30-3:00)

All participants should have latest copy of JUDGING DAYLILIES.

Do you need handicapped facilities? Yes ___ No ___ Do you have special dietary requirements? Yes ___ No ___

Please give details if you answer yes to either question. _____

Mail this registration form (or similar copy) with your check payable to **Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society**.

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FULL SCHEDULE SET FOR
REGION 14 CONFERENCE MAY 25-27

When the participants in the Region 14 Spring Conference begin to arrive on Thursday evening, May 25, for the early-bird barbecue they will find an action packed schedule to thrill any daylily enthusiast. Registrants will find two full days of education sessions, garden tours, door prizes, plant sales, a silent auction, and the opportunity to swap daylily stories and experiences.

The conference host is the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society, with Earl Watts, Conference Chair. Watts can be contacted at: (601) 268-3884, (601) 467-3896 or bwatts54@gmail.com. A printable registration form is available on the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society web site: www.hattiesburgdaylily.com and on the preceding page of this issue of *The Dixie Daylily*. If you have special food needs or handicapped facilities please indicate in the space provided on the Registration Form.

Highlighting the entire conference will be the attendance of AHS President Nikki Schmith. She also serves as a senior exhibition judge, a garden judge, and an exhibition clinic instructor. Locally, she is a member of the Central Illinois Daylily Society, and a past president of the Greater St. Louis Daylily Society. Nikki will be present for the entire conference and featured speaker on Friday evening,

This whirl-wind of activity begins with the early arrivers at a barbecue, on Thursday evening, May 25. This will be held at Hattiesburg's Multi-Purpose Center, in the Extension Service Conference Room, just south of Hattiesburg on Hwy. 49 South, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Early birds will have the opportunity to fully register at the barbecue, and be ready to go on Friday morning.

Following the barbecue dinner, two daylilies will be auctioned. The unique part is these daylilies are not named, and the high bidder for each will have the opportunity to name the cultivars.

Hotel headquarters for the Conference is the Red Lion Inn, (formerly Hampton Inn) at the intersection of Interstate 59, and Hwy. 98 West, (601) 264-8080. Room rates are \$89.00 plus tax, with hot breakfast included. Room reservation rate cut-off is May 5, 2017. When making hotel reservations refer to: "Daylily Association Group Block."

On Friday, registration will continue, beginning 8:00 a.m. at the Conference Headquarters, the Lake Terrace Convention Center, on Hwy. 49, just south of the Hwy. 49 and Interstate 59 interchange north of Hattiesburg.

Events of the day will include sessions for garden and exhibition judges, and a luncheon for instructors. There will also be two special sessions. The first will be "Publicizing Your Daylily Club," and the second "Staging a Daylily Show." The plant sale, silent auction, and raffle tickets remain open. The first day will end with dinner, a business meeting, plant auction, and an address by AHS President Nikki Schmith.

On Saturday morning registration will be open at 7:00 a.m., and buses will be departing the Convention Center at 7:10 a.m. Lunch will be at the Convention Center as the buses return. Saturday afternoon, the silent auction, plant sale, and raffle tickets remain open.

The concluding event on Saturday evening will be the Awards Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will feature an address by noted hybridizer Ludlow Lambertson, from Art Gallery Gardens in Lake Helen, Florida.



This rustic birdhouse made by Arthur Woods was a donation to the AHS auction held on Facebook January 15-22.

(Photo courtesy of Arthur Woods)

Garden Previews: 2017 Spring Regional Meeting

by Nancy Chain

FigLily Acres

FigLily Acres, home of Edd and Nancy Chain, continues to be a large sunny yard accented with daylily beds. The beds are in various locations around the house and are filled with approximately 600 registered cultivars (yes, we are downsizing). There are many old favorites interspersed with newer additions.

A large bed in front of the house is filled with introductions by Earl Watts. Most of the cultivars are named for family and friends. Behind the house is what could be called a cottage garden—filled with perennials like stokesia, rudbeckia, Shasta daisies, amaryllis, jonquils of various types, and a few daylily cultivars. The patio is edged with coleus, pentas, begonias, and angelonia.

Many of you have enjoyed “Edd’s Red Bed” during previous visits. The “Red Bed” still exists, but is gradually becoming a shade bed. Shade and roots from surrounding trees make growing daylilies difficult.

FigLily is an AHS Display Garden.



The Montgomery Garden

The garden of Don and Connie Montgomery began six years ago and is in full swing—or bloom! Over 1,000 registered cultivars call this garden home, and companion plants abound in a very peaceful setting.

As you enter the drive of the Montgomery Garden, the first bed that you will see has the flag and a collection of Suburban daylilies in honor of Earl and Barbara Watts. Continuing up the drive, you will see the Stout Medal bed, filled with cultivars acquired from C. P. Winters, a special friend and former President of Region 14.

The “Secret Garden” contains Connie’s seedlings, favorite no-names, a collection of cultivars from Mary Lois Burkett, and the beginning of a Lenington All-American bed, also acquired from C. P. Winters.

The Montgomery Garden is a newly designated AHS Display Garden and an Historical Garden.



Suburban Daylilies

Suburban Daylilies is located at 60 Serene Meadows Drive, off of U.S. 98 and Cole Road, west of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The property has a beautiful view of Lake Serene. The garden is divided into three distinct sections: the sales area to the south of the driveway; the display area which surrounds the house and spreads down the hill on the lake side; and the seedling area which is detached on the north side of the property. The daylily beds are edged with Arkansas field stone and are filled with cultivars from the newer collections of numerous hybridizers, registered cultivars from Earl’s hybridizing program, and many older favorites.

The Watts enjoy companion plants, and you will find azaleas, camellias, sasanquas, hydrangeas, gardenias, and an assortment of Knock Out, Homerun, and Drift roses. You will also see numerous other perennials and annuals growing throughout the property.

Suburban Daylilies is an AHS Display Garden, and is a favorite destination for anyone visiting Hattiesburg for the annual Open Gardens hosted by the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society.



Nancy Chain

The Dixie Daylily

American Hemerocallis Society Region 14 2017 Popularity Poll Ballot

The Popularity Poll ballot is printed here and is available on the AHS Region 14 website. Mail or email your choices by September 1, 2017 or use the web-based ballot. Please submit your ballot only once. Each member can vote for up to ten (10) registered cultivars. You have the option of writing in up to five (5) personal choices, should these choices not appear on the Regional ballot. Each AHS member is eligible to vote and is encouraged to do so. Thank you for your time.

Club Affiliation: _____, _____, _____

Please circle your choices:

Abilene Lillian
Alabama Jubilee
Alabama Wildfire
All American Chief
Amalia Harrison
Bali Watercolor
Banana Smoothie
Barbara Fuller
Barbara Mandrell
Barbara Mitchell
Barbara Watts
Beautiful Edgings
Bella Lugosi
Belle Cook
Big Kiss
Big Red Wagon
Blazing Cannons
Blue Hippo
Boundless Beauty
Clothed in Glory
Coach's Braided Angel
Coach's Hot Lips
Coffee to Go
Crazy Ivan
Debbie Daniels
Destined to See
Dorothy and Toto
Double Blue Blood
Double Screamer
Emma's Curls
Evelyn Gates
Fancy Lace
Free Wheelin'
Get Jiggy
God Save the Queen
How Beautiful Heaven Must Be
Jessica Lynn Bell
J.T. Davis
Just for Breakfast
King Kahuna
Last Snowflake
Lava Flow
Lavender Blue Baby
Licorice Twist
Lillian's John Falck
Lillian's Lying Eyes

Lillian's White Lies
Lillian's Woman's Touch
Lilly's Smile
Linda Beck
Little Red Dumplings
Look Here Mary
Loose Reins
Mary's Gold
Mayor of Munchkinland
Megatron
Memphis
MS Red Bed Beauty
Moonlit Masquerade
Moses' Fire
Nancy Billingslea
Nancy's Quilt
Orange Velvet
Papa Goose
Peacock Maiden
Persian Ruby
Phyllis Riddle
Pink Lemonade Party
Planet Max
Primal Scream
Princess Diana
Red Volunteer
Rose F. Kennedy
Rose Masterpiece
Savannah Debutante
Sebastian the Crab
Scream and Shout
Seminole Wind
Shores of Time
Signature Truffle
Skinwalker
South Sea Enchantment
Spacecoast Gold Bonanza
Spider Man
Strawberry Candy
Suburban Barbara Huff
Suburban Golden Eagle
Suburban Nancy Gayle
Talladega
Tangerine Horses
Thin Man
Trahlyta

Tuscawilla Snowdrift
Victorian Lace
Webster's Pink Wonder
White Eyes Pink Dragon
Wild Horses
Wildman George
Wiregrass Greenstar
Wonder of it All

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H. 'Margo Reed Indeed' (Murphy-J.P. 2004)
2016 Lenington All-American Award
(Photo by Debbie Monbeck)

God's Glory Garden: The Trip to Display Status

by Debbie Smith

How does a daylily addiction start? It can be a seemingly insignificant little detail that is hard to pinpoint when looking back, or it can be glaringly obvious. Here is the story of how C. P. Winter's garden, "God's Glory Garden" came to be.

Many of us have visited this garden and marveled at the beauty surrounding us but never thought about its development or age. In this classic story, C. P. (Clara Powell) and Bill were high school sweethearts. C. P. went to Blue Mountain College and Bill attended MS State University; they both graduated in 1961. They married that same year and began their teaching careers in Clarksdale, MS. C. P. taught History and Speech and Bill taught Woodworking, a skill that is evident in their home today. Their son, William, was born in 1963, and their daughter, April, in 1965. C. P. continued her education at Delta State and received her Master's Degree in Counseling in 1970.

with various groups including her church, Home of Grace and Promise, and a program for pregnant women. Many people describe C. P. as "burning the candle at both ends" as she attended the University of South Alabama and the then Mobile College during this time also. After her retirement from the Pascagoula School System, she worked full time at the Home of Grace for 9 years. During her initial interview for the position she told them that "I cannot work where there are no flowers." That was the inspiration for her gardening program with "troubled" girls. She continued to work part time to "support her daylily habit" until ill health stopped her.



Construction in 2003 with Bill at home site

(Photo by C. P. Winters)



Bill and C. P. Winters with Rascal

(Photo by Carla Carter)

C. P. and Bill moved to the coast later that year to Pascagoula, MS, where C. P. served as a counselor at Colmer Junior High. C. P. also worked before and after retirement

In March of 2003 Bill and C. P. started building their dream home on an acre of land in northeast Jackson County, Mississippi, in the Hurley community. The first flower bed went in before the house was finished in July. They moved over 300 daylilies to the site, mostly "ditchbank" lilies that C. P. had rescued from the side of the road when someone threw them out. As so many things do, her addiction started with a chance encounter with Edna Shaw during which Edna told her that she hadn't seen anything yet and that she needed to come by her house to see "real" daylilies. Edna invited her to a meeting of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Daylily Society which she joined in 2004 (as well as the AHS) and began to explore all those "Named" daylilies. Daylilies soon surrounded the house and down the driveway. When she was out of room and desperately needing to expand, the "long" beds in the back yard were built. Around this time, C. P. started to organize and to think about AHS Display Garden Status. The beds were arranged and then rearranged. After C. P. entered her 1st show in 2007, the beds were put in their final arrangement by size of flower. She started a Stout



*The driveway bed with several of those "ditchbank" lilies
(Photo by C. P. Winters)*

Medal Bed which contained all the winners from 1950 to 2015. The Stout Medal Bed has been moved to Connie & Don Montgomery's garden in Hattiesburg, MS, to preserve it.



*C. P.'s backyard with large flowered daylilies
(Photo by C. P. Winters)*



*The entrance to God's Glory Garden in 2015
(Photo by C. P. Winters)*



*C. P.'s sideyard showcasing many of her doubles
(Photo by C.P. Winters)*

activity and was quickly elected as the Secretary of the MG-CDS, serving from 2005 until 2007. Her garden immediately became the "work place" for our club. C. P. began her first term as President of the club in 2009 to 2011, and served her second term from 2012 to 2014. Additionally, C. P. served as AHS Region 14 President in 2015. The daylily named in her honor was hybridized by Chris and Beth Rea and introduced in 2016. She is also a member of Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society and the Mobile Club.

C. P. had been a member of the MGCDS for only five years when in 2009, the MGCDS hosted the Region 14 Spring Regional Meeting. Region 14 President Esker Harrison evaluated the garden and recommended it for AHS Display Garden Status. At that time, there were approximately 1,200 named daylilies in the garden with countless companion plants. There is still an area of the golden "ditchbank" lilies down the driveway and they are labeled as such. In 2013, after hearing Oliver Billingslea speak at a MGCDS meeting, C. P. started a Lenington Bed.

If you are thinking about a display garden, here are some recommendations from C. P. Winters: (1) Decide on a plan; there are no rules, it's your choice but decide on your purpose, i.e. just viewing, for show purposes, or sharing with visitors, etc. (2) Survey what you already have, the numbers and types of daylilies to determine how many beds you will need/want. (3) Remember to leave room in the beds for new acquisitions that you just can't do without. (4) "The Most Important Thing" is keeping a record of each plant. Have drawings of your beds with a record of where each plant is located. "Every time you move a plant you must update your record because you think you will remember, but you won't." (5) Convert to computer records if possible. C. P. uses a Word-Perfect Program but would recommend Plant Step if you are just starting.

Happy Planting!

With her boundless enthusiasm and organizational skills, C. P. was always involved in any work day or club Spring 2017

Debbie Smith

Candid Photos from Region 14 Fall Meeting, 2016

by Bonnie Lingel



Regional President Debbie Smith opening the Fall Meeting



Earl Watts greeting Jesse and Terah George



Kay and Jim Chappell opening the Auction



Nancy Chain, Debbie Smith, and Nancy Falck pausing during a chat



Deborah Campbell, Teresia Robinson, and Jerry McBroom at Plant Sale



Featured Speaker Tim Bell with his son Jared

2016 Region 14 Popularity Poll Results

Announced at Fall Meeting

NAME OF DAYLILY	TOTAL VOTES	19	SUBURBAN BARBARA HUFF	6	
		19	WONDER OF IT ALL	6	
1	SUBURBAN NANCY GAYLE	54	20	BALI WATERCOLOR	5
2	DOUBLE BLUE BLOOD	37	20	BLAZING CANNONS	5
3	LOOK HERE MARY	31	20	DEBBIE DANIELS	5
4	THIN MAN	22	20	EVELYN GATES	5
5	EMMA'S CURLS	21	20	JUST FOR BREAKFAST	5
5	KING KAHUNA	21	20	RED VOLUNTEER	5
6	LILLIAN'S WOMAN'S TOUCH	20	20	SKINWALKER	5
7	TUSCAWILLA SNOWDRIFT	18	20	WHITE EYED PINK DRAGON	5
8	LAVA FLOW	17	20	WIREGRASS GREENSTAR	5
9	DOROTHY AND TOTO	16	21	ALL AMERICAN CHIEF	4
9	SUBURBAN GOLDEN EAGLE	16	21	BARBARA MANDRELL	4
10	HOW BEAUTIFUL HEAVEN MUST BE	15	21	BARBARA MITCHELL	4
10	NANCY BILLINGSLEA	15	21	BELLE COOK	4
10	WEBSTER'S PINK WONDER	15	21	COACH'S BRAIDED ANGEL	4
11	BOUNDLESS BEAUTY	14	21	COACH'S HOT LIPS	4
11	SEBASTIAN THE CRAB	14	21	GET JIGGY	4
11	SOUTH SEA ENCHANTMENT	14	21	LAST SNOWFLAKE	4
12	BANANA SMOOTHIE	13	21	LOOSE REINS	4
12	MARY'S GOLD	13	21	MAYOR OF MUNCHKINLAND	4
13	BELLA LUGOSI	12	21	PERSIAN RUBY	4
13	BIG RED WAGON	12	21	PLANET MAX	4
13	J.T. DAVIS	12	21	SEMINOLE WIND	4
14	BARBARA WATTS	11	21	STRAWBERRY CANDY	4
14	BEAUTIFUL EDGINGS	11	21	TRAHLYTA	4
14	DOUBLE SCREAMER	11	21	WILD HORSES	4
14	PRIMAL SCREAM	11	22	FANCY LACE	3
15	BIG KISS	10	22	JESSICA LYNN BELL	3
16	BARBARA FULLER	9	22	LILLIAN'S LYING EYES	3
16	CLOTHED IN GLORY	9	22	LITTLE RED DUMPLES	3
16	COFFEE TO GO	9	22	MOONLIT MASQUERADE	3
16	LINDA BECK	9	22	ROSE F. KENNEDY	3
17	ALABAMA JUBILEE	8	22	SCREAM AND SHOUT	3
17	AMALIA HARRISON	8	23	ABILENE LILLIAN	2
17	CRAZY IVAN	8	23	BEYOND RED	2
17	GOD SAVE THE QUEEN	8	23	BIG DELIGHT	2
17	LILLY'S SMILE	8	23	BIGGIE SIZED	2
17	PINK LEMONADE PARTY	8	23	BUBBLING UP	2
17	SAVANNAH DEBUTANTE	8	23	DESTINED TO SEE	2
18	FREE WHEELIN'	7	23	HEAVENLY UNITED WE STAND	2
18	LAVENDER BLUE BABY	7	23	LITTLE ALABAMA	2
18	LILLIAN'S JOHN FALCK	7	23	RUBY SPIDER	2
18	MEMPHIS	7	23	SANTA'S LITTLE HELPER	2
18	ORANGE VELVET	7	23	SUBURBAN OLGA ALLEN	2
18	ROSE MASTERPIECE	7	23	SWALLOWTAIL SUMMER	2
18	SIGNATURE TRUFFLE	7	23	TO GOD BE THE GLORY	2
18	SPACECOAST GOLD BONANZA	7	23	VELVET THRONE	2
18	SPIDER MAN	7	23	VICTORIAN LACE	2
18	TALLADEGA	7	23	WILDMAN GEORGE	2
18	TANGERINE HORSES	7			
19	ALABAMA WILDFIRE	6			
19	LILLIAN'S WHITE LIES	6			
19	MOSES' FIRE	6			
19	NANCY'S QUILT	6			
19	PEACOCK MAIDEN	6			
19	PHYLLIS RIDDLE	6			
19	PRINCESS DIANA	6			



First Place Winners
Region 14 Photography Contest for 2016



Individual Bloom Category
H. 'Lighter Than Air' (Salter 2002): Beverly Odom



Landscape Category
Garden of Ron and Barbara Hood, Northport, AL: Ron Hood



Multi-bloom Category
H. 'Double Image' (Stamile 2002): Bonnie Lingel



Daylily with Companion Plants Category
H. 'Brighton Beach' with Pine at Daylily World: Bill Martin



Artistic Category
 Butterfly in Daylily in Eller Garden: Terese Goodson

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H. **'Beyond the Edge'** (Brazelton 2017)



H. **'Big Red Riding Hood'** (Brazelton 2017)

Jim Brazelton of Guntersville, Alabama, is introducing two new cultivars for 2017. *Hemerocallis* **'Beyond the Edge'** is a cross of **'Newfound Road'** x **'Diamond's Gold Nugget'**. It is a semi-evergreen tetraploid, 28" tall, with 4-way branching and 25 buds. The bloom is 8" and is a mid-season bloomer. *H.* **'Big Red Riding Hood'** is a cross of **'Bama's Red Zone'** x **'Big Red Wagon'**. It is a semi-evergreen tetraploid, 30" tall with 4-way branching and 25 buds. The bloom is 8", and is a mid season bloomer. It is a sibling to **'Beyond Red'**. The price of each of these daylilies is \$100 or both for \$175 with free shipping. His address is Jim Brazelton, 464 Rock Hill Road, Guntersville, AL 35976. E-mail: jmbrazelton@charter.net Phone: 256-486-5965.

(Photos by Jim Brazelton)



H. 'O'Bannon Orchid' (Williams-S. 2013) is one of over 600 spider/unusual form daylilies featured in the new AHS publication, The Open Form Daylily: Spiders, Unusual Forms, and Other 'Exotics', written on behalf of AHS by Oliver Billingslea of Region 14. It can be purchased @ \$27 postpaid from AHS, or @ \$21.50 per copy with club orders of 10 or more.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

Club News: ALABAMA

Birmingham Daylily Society

Kay Chappell, Reporter

3rd Sunday—2:00 P.M.
January, February, March
4th Sunday—2:00 P.M.
September
1st Saturday—11:30 A.M.
December

Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham, AL

President:	David Allison
Vice President:	Jim Riddle
Treasurer:	Jim Chappell
Recording Secretary:	Kay Chappell
Corresponding Secretary:	Phyllis Riddle

Our last two meetings in the year 2016 were mostly social with little business. In September we held our meeting after enjoying a covered dish dinner furnished by our members. In December a social meeting was held at a local restaurant.

At our first club meeting in January, Jim Chappell showed us several Power Point presentations. The presentations consisted of the basics of hybridizing, landscaping with daylilies, and the evolution of daylilies. In February we hosted guest speakers, John and Nancy Falck.

Most of our members are planning to attend the Spring AHS Regional Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.



Blount Iris and Daylily Society

No report submitted.



Central Alabama Daylily Society

No report submitted.



Cullman Iris and Daylily Society

Donnie Douthit, President

3rd Thursday—12:30 P.M.
Cullman County Extension Center, 402 Arnold Street, NE, Cullman, AL

The Cullman Iris and Daylily Society had a Christmas party in December at the Tremble Fire Department lodge with the club furnishing the meat and everyone bringing covered dishes. They all had a great time. They have a club trip planned on May 5, 2017 to the Iris City Garden in Tennessee with a picnic lunch. They have four new members.



The Mobile Hemerocallis Society

Nancy Falck, Reporter

4th Sunday—2:00 P.M.
January, February, March, April
The Mobile Botanical Garden, Mobile, AL
Spring 2017

The Mobile Hemerocallis Society began its 2017 regular meeting year January 22 at the Mobile Botanical Garden. After time for catching up with friends and enjoying goodies brought by members, Vice President John Falck called the meeting to order. The primary topic discussed during the business part of the meeting was show planning for the May Show. We were glad to greet our Snow Bird members Dale and Cindy Sherman.

After the short business meeting Nancy and John Falck presented a new program on the history/development of daylilies. The program, "Where Have We Been? Where are we going?" traces the development from species daylilies brought from Asia to the recently defined forms like cristate. The program also features plantmen/hybridizers like Yeld and Stout through innovators of today. Because of the increasing number of hybridizers, the program concentrates on Southern hybridizers of more recent decades. This direction was chosen based on clubs most likely to see the program.

The February 26 meeting was canceled because of members who were traveling or ill. Also, this year it hit a major day of Mardi Gras which blocks much travel through Mobile. The next meeting is March 26.



Montgomery Area Daylily Society

Marie Updike, Reporter

2nd Sunday—2 P.M.
Memorial Presbyterian Church, 2130 Bell Road, Montgomery, AL
February, April; August (3rd Saturday at Noon); October; December (1st Saturday at Noon)—Christmas Party

Club Website: www.montgomeryareadaylilysociety.com
Facebook: Montgomery Area Daylily Society

President:	Linda Carleton
First Vice President:	Donna Curington
Second Vice President:	Rhonda Miles
Recording Secretary:	Marie Updike
Treasurer:	Glenda Woods
Corresponding Secretary:	Martha Barber
Parliamentarian:	Jack Harrison
Reporter:	Marie Updike

MADS members are excited to share both the pleasure of gardening and the sheer delight that magnificent daylily creations bring to our yards. We can recall when we saw our first daylily bloom, making our hearts skip a beat. Who can forget that first visit to a daylily hybridizer? That state of mind is a foundation for building our great daylily club and providing programs to members and guests.

MADS has again filed with the AHS Club Recognition Program to be certified as an AHS Platinum club, in which all 41 club members also hold AHS membership.

The MADS Board met in January to consider proposals and organize events for a rousing 2017. Our members are gearing up for two big plant sales of registered daylilies. One will be on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at Santuck Market opening at 6:00 a.m. The other sale will be Saturday, June 3, 2017, at Eastdale Mall on Atlanta Highway beginning at 10:00 a.m. The President, Linda Carleton, reviewed many of the endeavors our club will undertake in 2017, including a bus trip (three days), a "Daylilies on Tour" one-day car trip to visit nearby gardens, annual picnic at the lake, updating the Facebook page, updating the web site, and publicizing the club's events.

At the MADS August, 2016, meeting, we honored the memory of Mr. Joe Allen Ponder (December 31, 1947 - May 16, 2016). The sadness of his death is/was clearly felt as he was such a joy to be around.

Anyone who knew Mr. Ponder felt truly blessed to experience his kindness. As the meeting resumed, Mr. Fred Huff of Backyard Daylilies in Hawkinsville, GA <http://www.backyarddaylilies.us/> gave a presentation of his glorious, unusual form daylilies, plus setting goals and other facets of his hybridizing program. He said his hybridizing started out as just a whim, but soon became an obsession. Fred and Janie offered some of their 2014 and 2015 daylily registrations for a club auction. Especially sought after was his 2015 introduction, *Hemerocallis* 'Biggie Sized', with a ten-inch lavender bloom, classified as crispate cascade. Next, it was announced the first daylily cultivar winner of the club's new "Linda Agin Memorial Award" was given to *H. 'Blue Grass Memories'*. It's a purple bloom with a slate blue eye registered in 2006 by Ted Preuss. The clump was grown at a tour garden in the 2016 Region 14 Spring Meeting. Also at the MADS August, 2016, meeting, Oliver Billingslea announced that his newest AHS publication, *The Open Form Daylily: Spiders, Unusual Forms and Other "Exotics,"* is anticipated to be available prior to December. Also announced were the several AHS Newsletter Awards given to editor, Oliver Billingslea, for his Region 14 magazine newsletter, *The Dixie Daylily*.

In October, the club's annual daylily auction provided participants with the opportunity to acquire prized daylilies. The event was a big success and intense bidding bore evidence of daylily addictions. Several new members joined MADS in October and were welcomed by all.

MADS ended 2016 with a delicious holiday lunch followed by an entertaining gift exchange program. As well, the installation of new 2017 elected officers was conducted during the meeting. Plans are being formulated to attend the 2017 AHS Region 14 Spring Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS. Hosting the Sally Lake Bed will be Barbara and Earl Watts from Suburban Daylily Gardens. Terese Goodson, recently elected Region 14 President, will lead the Spring Meeting. MADS voted to make a contribution to the new Montgomery Botanical Gardens at Oak Park to help with their fundraising efforts. We are very appreciative of all our enthusiastic members who worked very hard throughout the year to make it all possible.

This year's first meeting on February 12, 2017 was well attended by many members and a few guests. The highlight of the meeting was the slide presentation given by Nancy and John Falck from Hem Haven Daylily Nursery, Fairhope, AL. They gave a very informative slide presentation, "Hosting an AHS Spring Meeting", based on their many years of participating in regional activities. Photos of their daylily gardens and



John and Nancy Falck, shown here with MADS' president, Linda Carleton, spoke on "Hosting an AHS Spring Meeting" in preparation for Montgomery's hosting the 2018 Spring Regional Meeting.

(Photo by Marie Updike)

their instructions for building the Sally Lake Bed guided us on how to incorporate something similar when MADS hosts the 2018 AHS Region 14 Spring Meeting in Montgomery. For that upcoming meeting, Karol Emmerich, the well-known hybridizer from Edina, Minnesota, will be the guest speaker. The Sally Lake Memorial Bed will be hosted by George and Linda Carleton who will soon be accepting daylily seedling plants. Nothing builds enthusiasm like photos of daylily blooms. The club has taken on the challenge and has promised participants a high quality meeting.

On Sunday, April 9, our program will feature Suzanne Sikes, of Luverne, AL, speaking on "The Daylilies of Windmill Gardens." Suzanne is Sarah Sikes' daughter-in-law. On August 19, at our covered dish luncheon, Donna Curington will present a program on the "Daylily Gardens of MADS Members." On October 8, our featured speaker will be Randy Fleming, operator of Dragon's Mead Daylily Program in Panama City, FL.

MADS is growing and doing well. We welcome all guests to come hear our speakers and participate in plant auctions, bus tour, and other events. Our goal is to keep the interest level high while enjoying and exploring the world of daylily plants and people.



The Montgomery Area Daylily Society's officers for 2017 include (left to right) Linda Carleton, President; Glenda Woods, Treasurer; Rhonda Miles, Second Vice President; Marie Updike, Recording Secretary; and Martha Barber, Devotional Chair. Not pictured are Donna Curington, First Vice President, and Jack Harrison, Parliamentarian.

(Photo courtesy of Marie Updike)

North Alabama Daylily Society

Madolyn Whitt, Corresponding Secretary

2nd Saturday or Sunday—2:00 P.M. (Feb., Apr., Aug., Oct.)

Huntsville Botanical Garden, Anderson Nature Center Classroom

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Publicity:	Cherry Hooper
Scheduling:	Randy Whitt
Corresponding Secretary:	Madolyn Whitt
Plant Sales Coordinators:	Randy Whitt, Jim Brazelton, Ross Hunter

Hard work on the part our members and even Herculean efforts on the parts of some individuals resulted in a very successful June daylily sale at the Greenery. Several of our NADS members, Jim and Sharon Beecher, Liz Mullins, Cherry and Roger Hooper, Jim and Kay Chappell, and Don and Pat Nelson attended the AHS convention in Louisville and returned with glowing reports of the gardens they saw.

In August we enjoyed a presentation by Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens. Some favorites from his 2016 introductions included *Hemerocallis* ‘Dental Delight’ and *H.* ‘Lily’s Christmas Slippers’! In September we were honored to host Mark Carpenter from The Lily Farm in Texas. Nephew of renowned hybridizer Jack Carpenter, he believes that the future of AHS requires that we expose more people to our beautiful flower, and he certainly has many beautiful flowers! October brought Lucas Holman and his “The Not So Usual Plants.” He included information on a variety of plants that would complement any garden. In February this year we welcomed Will Marchant of Druid City Daylily Garden in Douglasville, GA. He shared many of his beautiful cultivars and gave an interesting and entertaining presentation. We are looking forward to hearing from Charles and Heidi Douglas in March.

Our club will be hosting the fall 2017 regional meeting in October and plans are underway to make that meeting a success.

On a sad note, we lost two of our club members recently. Jerry Patton, who had planned to present a program for us in October, passed away recently after a battle with leukemia. Willie Markus, a long time member and major contributor to our club, passed away in December after a long illness. These individuals will certainly be missed!



Northeast Alabama Hosta-Iris-Daylily Society

Catherine Townson, Reporter

4th Thursday—6:30 P.M., Guntersville Recreation Center

Our club has a new president, and we have lots of projects ahead of us looking forward to the new year. Last year was very full of travel. We participated in “Art on the Lake” at Lake Guntersville, and we attended the county fair at Boaz, where we won a first place award. We also attended the Blount County Fair and got three awards there. We are a small club and enjoy each meeting and working hard together. We welcome all to come and visit us. Wishing everyone a good year ahead.



The West Alabama Daylily Society

Sarah Lunsford, Reporter

2nd Saturday—11:30 A.M.

Logan’s Restaurant, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

President: Ruth Watts
Secretary: Juanice Hayes
Treasurer: Sarah Lunsford

This past fall, Juanice Hayes, a very special member of WADS, had two speaking engagements on daylilies. She spoke to the garden club in Winona, MS, and to the daylily club in Meridian, MS. Juanice owns a commercial garden on the outskirts of Columbus, MS. She is very knowledgeable about growing daylilies. Those of us in the West Alabama group enjoy visiting her garden. We depend on her for information about fertilization, watering, soil preparation, as well as answers to other questions which may arise.

In December, a group of West Alabama Daylily members joined with members of the North Mississippi/Alabama Daylily Club for a Christmas dinner. We met at the Friendship House in Aberdeen, Mississippi, and enjoyed a variety of seafood dishes.

Spring 2017

January and February have felt like spring in this part of Alabama. Of course this makes us anxious to get into our gardens, clean up the beds, fertilize, rearrange beds, and in short, get ready for the daylily season. One of our speakers reminded us that Valentines Day was a good time to get spring fertilizations done. Because of warm weather, I for one have actually accomplished this.

Our spring meeting will be held the second Saturday in March at Logan’s Restaurant in Tuscaloosa at 11:30 A.M.

Several of the West Alabama club members have registered for the Regional Meeting in Hattiesburg and for the National Convention in Virginia.



The Wiregrass Daylily Society

Pat Wente, Reporter

2nd Saturday—12:00 Noon

December, January, February, March

2nd Monday—6 P.M.

September, October, November

Grace Church, 1401 Cherokee Avenue, Dothan, AL

President: Rita Moore
Vice President: B. J. Yance
Secretary: Bill Wente
Treasurer: Sue Ballard
Chaplain: Lewis Mallory
Parliamentarian and Reporter: Pat Wente

We opened the year with our annual business meeting in September and followed with our annual plant sale in October. Members of our club always enjoy our Christmas plant exchange.

January, February and March were exciting months for the WDS. In January we had the pleasure of having Bill and Diana Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens. Nicole DeVito of Nicole’s Daylilies made sure our February meeting was as lively as the January meeting. Karen and Guy Pierce will join us in March.

Members of our club are enjoying a monthly electronic newsletter, which helps us to keep informed of our club’s activities and also includes other interesting daylily tidbits.

In April we will have our garden tours and brunch.

After a year off (to host the Region 14 Spring Meeting) we are again holding our 8th Annual Daylily Show, ‘Sweet Home Alabama’, scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 2017.

As you may know, scheduling a show in May is most difficult. Every one is competing for a date. Located in the South East corner of Alabama means, we must consider Region 14 (Alabama), Region 5 (Georgia), and Region 12 (Florida). All have an impact on our show. We do hope you can support us and exhibit your beautiful daylilies at First United Methodist Church in Dothan, Alabama. All entries will be received between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. Judging will begin promptly at 10:30 A.M. Breakfast and lunch is provided by Wiregrass Daylily Society in the prep area of the church. Hope to see you on the 20th of May, 2017.

Pat Wente, Show Chairman

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Club News: MISSISSIPPI

Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society

Bud Kirkpatrick, Reporter

3rd Sunday—2:00 P.M.

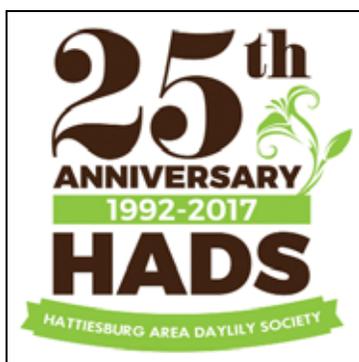
Multipurpose Center, Extension Service Conference Room
952 Sullivan Drive, Highway 49 South, Hattiesburg, MS

September, October, January through May

President:	Gary Campbell
Vice President:	Vonda Martin
Secretary:	Jean Phillips
Treasurer:	Don Montgomery
Publicity Directors:	Bud & Virginia Kirkpatrick

Little did the group of daylily enthusiasts know when they gathered in the back yard of Don and Nell George on Park Avenue in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on Sunday, May 24, 1992, they were forming The Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society (HADS). They were forming what was to become one of the largest and most active daylily organizations in the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS).

The HADS official beginning was June 14, 1992, when 22 daylily enthusiasts met at the Hattiesburg Garden Club and voted to organize. The group elected officers, set dues, and made some plans to encourage a larger membership. Nell George, HADS first president, stated, "We hope to keep the club a happy blend of educational and social activities with lots of garden visiting during the bloom season."



As the second quarter-century began for HADS on September 18, the mission is to continue to fulfill Mrs. George's hope for the organization. Highlighting the meeting in September was the attendance of three charter members: Penny Stringer of Oloh, MS; Marty De Bolt of Bush, LA; and 103 year old Mary Lois Burkett, of Hattiesburg, who still works regularly in her daylily garden. This meeting also featured a husband and wife team of noted horticulturists, long-time HADS members Drs. Wayne and Sylvia McLaurin of Long Beach, MS. The McLaurin's program discussed two important elements of growing and showing daylilies, the use of daylilies in the landscape, and building daylily beds.

In future programs HADS will host noted hybridizers and horticulturist focusing on sharing their daylily introductions, discussing hybridizing techniques, as well as the planting and growing of daylilies. Prior to Christmas, Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies in Marietta, GA, presented our program. Jeff and Elizabeth Salter of Archer, FL, began the new year. Scott Elliott of Maneki Neko Gardens in Ellabell, GA, and Tommy Maddox of Biloxi, MS, will round out the programs for this spring.

The business meeting in March will be highlighted by an address by Terese Goodson, of Montgomery, AL, Region 14 President.

The members of HADS continue to beautify the City for which the daylily is its official flower. Public daylily beds adorn the City in prominent locations, such as the City Zoo, the Convention Center, and the Hattiesburg Visitors Center. Another public garden, the Truman Roberts Memorial Garden, is located in adjacent Petal, MS, to honor a long-time member of HADS.

A special feature of the HADS program in the 25th year will be hosting the AHS Region 14 Spring Meeting May 25-27. In addition to meetings, workshops, and garden tours, will be the presence of special guests: AHS President Nikki Schmith of Worden, IL; Region 14 President Terese Goodson, of Montgomery, AL; and Ludlow Lambertson, of Art Gallery Gardens in Lake Helen, FL. Also in attendance as a special guest, will be Bill Monroe, AHS Chairman of Marketing, of Baton Rouge, LA.

Rounding out the 25th year of HADS will be the popular Annual Daylily Garden Tour on Memorial Day, May 29. The gardens on tour have risen to 13 for 2017, the club having added three new gardens in two years. The 22th Anniversary Daylily Show will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2017, at the Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg.

All monthly meetings of HADS are held in the Extension Service Conference Room at the Forrest County Multi-Purpose Center on Hwy. 49, south of Hattiesburg. In addition to the program, the meetings feature a plant auction and door prizes. Refreshments are served prior to the beginning of each meeting. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

Additional information about the Society, the upcoming meetings and future events may be obtained by visiting the web site at www.hattiesburgdaylily.com



Charter members of the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society (HADS) celebrated the 25th anniversary of the founding of the organization at the September meeting. Charter members in attendance were: (left to right) Marty DeBolt, Bush, LA; Mary Lois Burkett, Hattiesburg; and Penny Stringer, Oloh, MS. Charter members not pictured: Don and Dimple Campbell, Lumberton, MS, and Judy Broome, Sumrall, MS.

(Photo by Louise McClellan)

Marion County Daylily Society

Roger Carr, Reporter

4th Sunday—2 P.M.

Marion County Library 900 Broad Street, Columbia, Ms 39429.

President: Roger Carr
Vice President: John Dawsey
Secretary: Jo Ellen Carr
Treasurer: Glen Dawsey

The club's annual Christmas party was held at Beno's Seafood Restaurant in Bogalusa, Louisiana. Gifts were exchanged following the meal. A great time was had by all.

Among our recent activities, Ms. Marty Debolt gave a program on floral design using daylilies and other greenery found in the home garden. The club also took a tour to West Farms in Franklinton, Louisiana. Mr. Dale Westmoreland, manager of West Farms, gave a program on the History of West Farms and tips on growing daylilies and other plants. Several other tours are planned for the summer.

Members were saddened at the recent passing of Mrs. Blanche Bond, long time member and driving force behind the Marion County Club. She had a great love for daylilies and spent many hours caring for her garden.



Meridian Daylily Club

Reporter, Beverly Odom

3rd Saturday—11:00 A.M.

January, March, July, September, and November

May Garden Tours

Western Sizzlin' Steakhouse, Meridian, MS

President: Lois Smith
Vice President: Mark Flynn
Treasurer: Jeanie Kilpatrick
Secretary: Toni Thompson
Reporter: Beverly Odom

Our guest speakers for our September meeting were John and Nancy Falck of Hem Haven Daylilies in Fairhope, AL. They presented their new program "Where have we been? Where are we going?", a look at daylilies through the years. It followed the development of the daylily form from its start to the modern cultivars of today.

In October, club member Beverly Odom was awarded best photo in the Individual Bloom Category of the 2016 Region 14 Photography Contest for her photo of *Hemerocallis* 'Lighter than Air' (Salter 2002).

In November, we enjoyed an informative presentation by Tim Bell of Bell's Daylily Gardens in Sycamore, GA. He shared many photos of his beautiful garden and many great growing tips. A very lively auction followed with loads of great daylilies.

We wrapped up 2016 with our annual holiday potluck in December graciously hosted by our Vice President, Mark Flynn, followed by a short business meeting.

We started 2017 off in January with a visit from Juanice Hayes of Hayes Daylilies in Columbus, MS. She discussed caring for a small daylily garden and shared pictures of her lovely garden with us.

Looking ahead, we anticipate hosting Henry Little of Brookhaven, MS, for our March meeting. We will also be very busy preparing for our annual plant sale to be held at the Lauderdale County Co-op on April 22.

Spring 2017

We will once again be enjoying garden tours in May, and will hold our first annual summer bbq / meeting in July.



MS Gulf Coast Daylily Society

Debbie Smith, Reporter

2nd Saturday—1:30 P.M.

Vancleave Public Library, Hwy. 57, Vancleave, MS

January, February, March, April, September, and October; Christmas Party in December; Spring Picnic and Club Show in May

Club website: mgcds.web.com

President: Steve Hammons
Vice President: Edna Shaw
Secretary: Lisa Hammons
Treasurer: Judy Harris

After the last-minute challenges of the Fall Regional Meeting in Biloxi, MS, we all breathed a sigh of relief. It was great to see everyone and we came out basically even financially. We would like to thank C. P. Winters for donating the plants for the sale table and everyone that donated items for the raffle.

We had Dr. Scott Elliott as our speaker in September and an exciting auction, but I still didn't get *Hemerocallis* 'Wildman George'. Our crazy weather caused some rearranging and the always entertaining Tommy Maddox spoke in October. The Christmas party was well attended and everyone left full of Holiday Cheer. We drew for 2 AHS memberships and plan to make this an annual tradition.



Members of MGCDs show hand painted balls given out by President Harrison and Secretary Lisa Hammons. Left to right are Grace Haddox, Gracie McBroom, Joe and Teresa Goodman, and Ralph and Jen McBroom.
(Photo by Bonnie Lingel)

In January, the Salters spoke and brought grab bags of many of their introductions so that more people have access to their plants. That is always very popular. February brought us another new speaker in Pete Harry and more newer plants. In March, we will have Drs. Wayne and Sylvia McLaurin to help us organize our gardens.

On April 8, 2017, we will have Dr. Tim Lockley, an Entomologist, so if you are in our area, please join us for food, fellowship and information. We will have the Spring Picnic at Jimmy Smelley's country house in Agricola, MS. Our 13th annual show will be held at Edgewater Mall in Biloxi, MS, on May 20, 2017. We invite everyone to enter and attend. To encourage all of our members to attend the Spring Regional

Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS, on May 25-27, 2017, the club is sponsoring half the registration price.

Our new members are:

- James & Laura Hall
- Chuck & Linda Holcomb
- Joe & Teresa Goldman
- Nancy Miller

We are glad to have them!



A part of MGCDS's annual tradition, at its Christmas party in December, president Steve Hammons (left) presented an AHS membership to Josh Reynolds. Below, MGCDS member Carol Carlilse was also honored with an AHS membership for 2017. (Photos by Bonnie Lingel)



North MS/AL Daylily Society

Martha Stancil, Reporter

2nd Tuesday—5:30 P.M.

Meeting Place (Amory and/or Columbus)

March, April, September, December

President:	Linda Beck
Secretary:	Martha Stancil
Treasurer:	Juanice Hayes
Auditor/Parliamentarian:	Troy Beck

As we are writing this report, the spring daffodils in our area are in full bloom. We know Spring is coming soon. Our daylilies have started coming up and we can't wait to see those we purchased last year "showing off" this year! Some daylilies have increased, and so far we have not noticed any disease appearing due to the recent rains.

Our President, Linda Beck, has been working diligently on preparing the history of our club. This has not an easy task because our club was so active having guest speakers from all over the South during the past 22 years. We will be meeting in Columbus in April to edit and review the history.

Member Juanice Hayes presented programs to two clubs recently: The Garden Club of Winona and the Meridian Daylily Club. The weather for traveling was sunny and pleasant. Ms. Hayes received a warm welcome from both groups. Her topic was how growing daylilies helps physically, mentally and emotionally as the aging process continues. We strive to recruit new members by promoting daylilies, especially by giving away daylilies and literature about them to potential members.

Our December Christmas meeting was held at the Friendship House in Aberdeen. We invited the West Alabama Daylily Society (Tuscaloosa) to have Christmas dinner with us. Everyone had a wonderful time, discussing the latest daylilies and the joy of gardening.

One of our Charter Member Ms. Charlie Mae Westmoreland has moved to Atlanta to be near her daughter. Long standing member Mr. Wayne Fondren lost his wife Mary in 2016. The Fondrens were active members but had resigned due to their health. Mary will be remembered for her love of sharing stories about different cultivars and where Wayne wanted to plant them.

As we look forward to this year's Open Gardens, Spring Regional Meetings, and the AHS National Convention, I am reminded of all the hard work that goes into these events. Many long hours in the garden, preparing agendas, schedules, speakers, etc. comprise a labor-intensive event for us to enjoy. *Your commitment and hard work does not go unnoticed!*



H. 'Midnight Jubilee' (Falck 2017) is one of several cultivars donated by Nancy Falck and Fred Manning to the AHS auction held on Facebook, Jan, 15-22. (Photo courtesy of Nancy Falck)

New Members

July, 2016, through March, 2017

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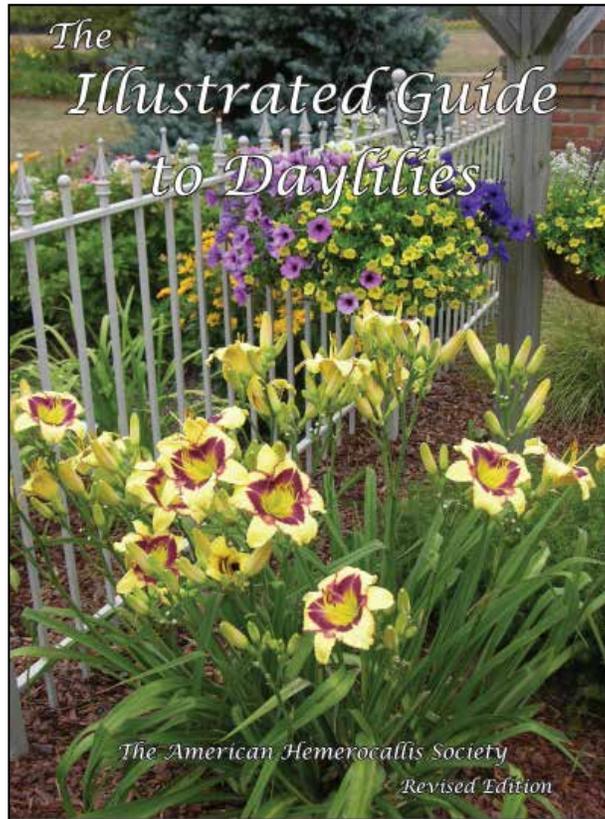
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The much anticipated revised edition of The Illustrated Guide to Daylilies was published in early January 2017. Edited by Oliver Billingslea, it is an essential book for those new to daylilies as well as a detailed guide for the experienced grower.

(Photo courtesy of the AHS website)

Editor's Column:

We are pleased to present our twenty-third issue of *The Dixie Daylily*, and as always, I want to thank my wife, Nancy Billingslea, who has done a commendable job of proofreading.

A primary regret is that we have few writers in our Region willing to write a feature article for our newsletter. (By putting out a smaller issue we do save a bit on printing costs, but as members of Region 14 I should think we ought to be able to find some important issues to write about: beautiful gardens, favorite cultivars, companion plants, gardening techniques, personalities, histories of various clubs, etc. As your editor, nothing would make me happier than to have so many submissions that I would have to put several on hold for a subsequent newsletter.

All that being said, I want to thank Debbie Smith for her article on C. P. Winter's garden, Bonnie Lingel for her Spring 2017

candid photos of the Fall Regional Meeting, and Bud Kirkpatrick for his news release on the up-coming Hattiesburg Regional Meeting. Nancy Chain provided nice previews for the three gardens to be on tour. I also want to commend the several club reporters who submitted timely and detailed club news for this issue. Finally, I would like to thank Pat and Grace Stamile of Arroyo Grande, California, for their recent donation in support of *The Dixie Daylily*.

I considered writing an article on the Louisville National Convention for this issue, as I did for the past two National Conventions in Asheville and Atlanta, but I decided not to add pages to this issue with material not expressly regional. I do, however, hope to see many of you at the National Convention in Norfolk, Virginia, June 22-24.

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