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2019 President's Message

It has been a fabulous year, one I will always remember, with all the great club meetings and the excellent hybridizer's programs that we were fortunate enough to attend. In Hattiesburg, we saw the Salters, Scott Elliott, Dan Hansen, just to name a few. It's so exciting to see all the new trends happening in the daylily world and to be able to talk to these innovators that happily bring these wonderful new creations to share with us. I love all the new sculpting, especially the different colors of sculpted flowers. The new doubles and unusual form doubles. The everchanging face of the small and miniature and the wide variety of eyes, edges and appliques. The spider and unusual forms always seem to catch my eye.

All year everyone worked so hard to make this 2019 year and Spring meeting a success. Our speakers did a fabulous job with their presentations. On Thursday night we had a great meal and musical entertainment. The food was prepared by members of the HADS club, the music was provided by Nancy Chain and the rest of her talented friends playing the dulcimers.

Friday morning passed very quickly. Everyone was coming and going, trying to get registered and to their classes. The ones that didn't have classes were off to the table sales. One class went to a garden where they learned to judge daylilies in the garden. Most were in classrooms at the convention center. The Lake Terrace Convention Center, working with HADS, they always do such an excellent job in helping to make these meetings go

smoothly. By the end of the day everyone was looking forward to the auction that evening. I can't thank everyone enough for their participation. For you are truly Region 14 and the reason we have *The Dixie Daylily*. Early Saturday morning we started out with our bus tours to three wonderful gardens. The Springer Garden, Suburban Daylily Gardens and the Montgomery Garden. Everyone did a great job. You could tell they put a lot of work into the gardens. Once again, the Springer Garden hosted a fabulous Sally Lake Bed. It was a very hot day viewing the beautiful flowers, so everyone was ready to get back to the air condition. That night with smiles on every face, all anticipated the awards ceremony. Every garden took their turn winning their awards as the night neared its demise. Our youth even took plants home with them. Friends started saying their goodbyes to one another as they prepared for their morning departures. It was another wonderful regional meeting.

We will always remember our friends that passed this year. Each in their own way left their mark in the daylily world. Though some members were merely heading home, some were preparing for a national meeting. We still have a fall meeting to look forward to and I can't wait to see what Hattiesburg has in mind for us when they host the 2021 National. I personally want to thank the hosting club, since you guys made it so easy. I am looking forward to next year. If we can keep doing this, there will always be a Region 14.
Henry Little

RPD's Report
by Debbie D. Smith

Another growing season is in the record books; what worked, what didn't, do I want to use 6-month or 9-month timed release fertilizer next year, micronutrients, what do I want to do differently, what have I seen that I want to try? Do I want to start dividing now or wait for a little cooler weather? These are just some of the thoughts that go through our minds.

We have lost some wonderful daylily mentors and friends: Terah George, Jack Harrison, Bob Goolsby, Bill Robinson, Dave Flannigan and Carol Carlisle. They will all be greatly missed.

You may have noticed that our Region 14 website has been updated. A big "Thank you" goes out to Chuck Holcomb for all his hard work. If you see anything that needs to be changed or added, let me

know. Also, as always, please send in your updated club information and officers as they change.

On May 24-25, 2019, the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society once again demonstrated their willingness to work hard and promote our favorite flower, the daylily. Many thanks go to Barbara and Earl Watts for opening Suburban Daylilies; Penny Stringer and her nephew, Keith Powell, for Penny's Daylily Patch and all Keith's work hosting the Sally Lake Bed, and Connie and Don Montgomery for allowing us to tour their beautiful gardens. There will be a write-up of each garden elsewhere in this issue.

It is always hard to choose what to vote for in the tour gardens. These are the winners:

- **Amy Stewart Memorial Award** – Best clump of a registered **Pink** daylily – *Suburban Grace Ruth* at Suburban Daylilies.

- **Bennie McRae Memorial Award** – Best clump of a registered **Small** or **Miniature** daylily – *Suburban Wren* at Suburban Daylilies.

- **Ben Arthur Davis Memorial Award** – Best clump of a registered **Eyed** or **Eyed & Edged** daylily – *Lavender Blue Baby* at Penny's Daylily Patch.

- **Elaine Smelley Memorial Award** – Best clump of a registered **Spider** or **Unusual Form** daylily - *Suburban Coach Burnham* at Suburban Daylilies.

- **Nell George Memorial Award** – Best clump of a registered **Red** daylily – *Suburban Nancy Gayle* at Suburban Daylilies.

- **Robbie Bush Adams Award** – Best clump of a registered **Yellow** daylily – *The Incredible Earl Watts* at Suburban Daylilies.

- **Shelton Holliday Memorial Award** - Best clump of a registered **Double** daylily – *Lady of Sharon* in the Montgomery Garden.

- **Linda Agin Memorial Award** – Best clump of a registered **Purple** daylily – *Lavender Blue Baby* at Penny's Daylily Patch.

- **Region 14 Landscape Award** – Best use of Daylilies in the Landscape in a tour garden – **Suburban Daylilies**, owners Barbara and Earl Watts.

- **President's Cup** – Best clump of a registered and introduced cultivar – **Suburban Nancy Gayle** at Suburban Daylilies.

Sally Lake Memorial Award - Best Seedling or named but not introduced daylily blooming in the Sally Lake Bed:

Winners: # 1 Keith Powell
 1st Runner Up #57 John Falck
 2nd Runner Up #17 Penny Stringer
 #10 B. J. Yance
 3rd Runner Up #16 Penny Stringer
 #27 Martha Braselton
 #40 Victoria St. John

The Best Article in *The Dixie Daylily* for 2018 went to Terese Goodson for "Siri Is Out, But My GPS Is In!!" in the online Winter Issue.

Congratulations to all the WINNERS!

Your 2019 Popularity Poll Ballot must be postmarked by September 1, 2019 to be counted. As always, you may mail it, text it, email me, call me at either home: 251-957-0066 or cell 251-490-2273 or fill it out online. It is a "little" difficult to find online: go to the ADS website (daylilies.org) not the portal; under "Get Involved" click on "Vote"; Select Popularity Poll then pick your region, click the red button and that will bring up the ballot; mark 10 selections or you may write in 5 cultivars then you have to fill out your information for the ballot to count.

I hope to see you at the Fall Region 14 meeting in Huntsville on the first Saturday in October, the 5th, registration opens at 8 am. Until then, *Happy Gardening!!*

Secretary's Report Spring Meeting 2019

The ADS Region 14 spring business meeting was held at the Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg, MS on Friday, May 24, 2019.

President Henry Little thanked the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society for hosting the meeting and welcomed everyone. He introduced guests, officers and speakers. After recognizing the host club officers, the meeting was called to order. He asked if any clubs had members to announce who were ill.

President Little then announced to the membership that a copy of the fall minutes was given to them at registration as well as printed in the online edition of *The Dixie Daylily*. They were to be corrected to say that only the club hosting the spring meeting would receive the \$500 increase to cover expenses. With no more corrections to be made, a motion was made to correct the minutes, it was seconded and passed.

Jim Chappell, Regional Treasurer, read the treasurer's report. The ending balance was \$22,854.43. President Little asked if there were any corrections to the report. There was a motion to accept the report as stated, and the report was approved.

Brief reports were given as follows: Regional Publicity Director, Debbie Smith encouraged ADS members to vote in the popularity poll by the September 1st deadline. She announced that 'Suburban Nancy Gayle' won first place in last year's poll.

Region 14 Director, Debbie D. Smith, reported that the national convention will be held July 10-13 this year in Madison, WI.

Exhibition Judge Liaison, John Falck, reported that 3 people attended Clinic

I, 2 people attended Clinic II, and 7 people attended Clinic III.

Garden Judge Liaison, Nancy Chain, reported that 4 people attended the Garden Judge I Clinic and 12 people attended the Garden Judge II Clinic.

Youth Liaison, Tricia Folks, reported that there were 3 youth in attendance. They visited the Petal Library, painted rocks and hybridized in the garden.

Protocol, Nancy Falck, reported no activity.

Historian, Glenda Woods had no report at this time.

Web Master, Chuck Holcomb, reported that the site was up and working.

Volunteers were solicited for the nominating committee to select the new region president to report at the Spring 2020 meeting. They are Phyllis Riddle, Jason Fleishman, and Kenny Hatten.

B.J. Yance will lead the nominating committee to select a new Regional Director to report at the Spring 2020 meeting.

Unfinished Business:

The membership discussed the purchase of new equipment for the editor of the Dixie Daylily and the need to find a new editor before purchasing such equipment. Earl Watts made a motion to table the matter. The motion was seconded and then carried.

New Business:

The Audit committee consisting of Kenny Hatten, Rita Moore, and Jason Fleishman reported that the treasurer's books for 2017-2018 are in good order and balanced correctly. They moved for the books to be approved by the membership. They also recommended that the membership adopt a requirement that

hosting clubs account for the funds expended and give the remaining to the treasurer within 30 days of concluding their meetings. After much discussion, a motion was made to table the issue for the committee to work out more details. The motion was seconded and then carried.

Announcements:

It was announced that the North MS Alabama Daylily Society has dissolved. Melodye Campbell, Daylily Ambassador Chairperson and Judie Branson, ADS President congratulated the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society for being named a daylily city and presented the 2019 Daylily Ambassador Award to Earl Watts and the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society. The meeting was adjourned.

The meeting was called back to order on Saturday, May 25 for a brief announcement by the Mobile Daylily Club as follows: The membership of The Mobile Daylily Club has voted to disband at this time. They would like to donate the remaining treasury to Region 14 as follows: \$1000 to be held in reserve to be used as seed money for the re-organization of a Mobile Area Club in the future. The remaining balance is to be distributed at \$200 per year to the host (individual garden) of the Sally Lake Memorial Bed to establish and maintain the bed for that year. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Odom, Secretary

Editor 14 Comments

I want to apologize for the lateness of this Dixie Daylily. THANK YOU for your patience. Our budget is tight on publishing & mailing this newsletter so at one point I thought I had everything that was sent to me and it was over 50 pages – our quote was for 30 pages so I had to edit, cut and reduce entries to make it smaller! I took this “project” on as a learning experience and it was!

I sincerely hope that you enjoy reading what other clubs in Region 14 are doing and what happens during our meetings: National, Regional and Local.

I would like to personally thank Kathy Tinius for her assistance with getting

me set up at my local post office. You were a BIG Help!

I want to sincerely THANK Tom Getz for his assistance in helping with the layout of this newsletter – couldn’t have done this without You!!

I have a favor to ask...when you submit a photo for publication please include the photographer, name of your daylily, people in photo & award won. PLEASE...

In April 2020, I hope to publish our next newsletter before our Regional & National conventions in May...Love each other and your daylily gardens!!!!
Deidre Den Bleyker

TREASURER'S REPORT 07/25/2019

JIM CHAPPELL, TREASURER

May 23, 2019 thru July 25, 2019

Cash on Hand as of May 23, 2018	\$22,854.23	
Total		
Funds		\$22,854.23

Receipts

Date			
5/28/2019	Spring 2019 Auction	\$4,022.00	
5/28/2019	Spring 2019 Plant Sale	\$490.00	
6/25/2019	Mobile Club Donation	\$4,281.58	
Total Receipts		\$8,793.58	\$8,793.58

Expenditures

Date	Ck#			
5/24/2019	1120	Debbie Smith Director	(\$1,000.00)	
5/24/2019	1121	HADS Spring Regional 2019	(\$1,000.00)	
5/25/2019	1122	Debbie Smith Supplies and Printing	(\$390.42)	
5/25/2019	1123	Henry Little Region Awards	(\$110.16)	
5/28/2019	1124	Henry Little RP	(\$1,000.00)	
Total Expenditures			-\$3,500.58	-\$3,500.58

Actual Cash on Hand as of July 25, 2019	\$28,147.23	
Total Funds as of July 25, 2019		\$28,147.23

Regional Director's Report
by Debbie D. Smith

I was especially excited to go to the ADS National Convention in Madison, Wisconsin on July 10-13, 2019 because it was in the "North." I wanted to see what was different. It was hosted by the Wisconsin Daylily Society. Unfortunately for me, my orthopedic put me back on crutches the week I was to leave. This severely limited my mobility in the gardens, but I still had a wonderful time. There was no relief from the heat that I had expected, maybe just a little less humidity.

The Board Meeting set a record, everyone being well prepared, we adjourned by 10 am, which I was told was a new record. Having the afternoon free, it gave me time to teach the Exhibition Judging Class. It was announced that work is progressing on the new book "Hybridizing 101" authored by Rhonda Veroeven. Next year a "75th Anniversary" book that is chaired by Nikki Schmith will be released in 2021 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of ADS. All the various fundraising efforts have paid off this year producing a balanced budget, so no funds will be required from the interest of the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund.

As of July 10, 2019, there are 89,675 registered daylilies. Membership continues to decline slowly; as of June 15, 2019, the ADS had 5,267 active members; where on May 14, 2018 there were 5,369 members. Region 14 has 281 members. So please, check your membership expiration date printed on the white cover of your *Daylily Journal*, and send your renewals in promptly. You might even want to give gift memberships as Christmas presents or club function awards. I heard a great idea in one meeting at the National, one club in Florida gives "gift certificates" to club auctions as awards.

Of note at the awards banquet Karol Emmerich was awarded the 2019 Bertrand Farr Silver Medal and Mary Collier Fisher won the 2019 Helen Field Fischer Gold Medal while Kathy D'Alessandro won the 2019 Steve Moldovan Mentoring Award.

On our local level Oliver Billingslea won the Best use of Photos and Graphics for the

2018 season of *The Dixie Daylilies* (all of them). The 2019 Region 14 Service Award goes to Lisa and Henry Little for their many contributions to Region 14. Clyde "Fred" Manning won Honorable Mentions for 2014 *Lillian's John Falck*, 2015 *Lillian's Legends and Lies*, and 2015 *Lillian's Rainbow at Dawn*. The Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society won the 2019 Daylily Ambassador Award. It was presented at the Spring Regional in Hattiesburg by ADS President Judie Branson and Melodye Campbell, Chair.

The Marketing Committee has once again partnered with the American Horticultural Society for cross-member recruitment. There is a pilot test of a new position, the ADS Local Club Liaison. "This program is to involve speaking with the presidents of all the local daylily clubs throughout the country once or twice a year to see how the clubs are doing, to answer any questions they may have regarding the information available on the ADS website, identify concerns and issues that the board should be aware of, to encourage subscriptions to the Daylily Dispatch, and to share ideas gleaned from conversations with other club presidents regarding how to optimize the success of their local clubs."

I am proud to announce that Region 14, specifically Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society (HADS) and the Mississippi Gulf Coast Daylily Society (MSGCDS) will be hosting the 2021 ADS National Convention in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. I have been told that I have lost my mind! Because of the last-minute timing, the Fall Board Meeting will still be held in St. Louis, Missouri on October 18-19, 2019. The 2022 ADS National will be in Asheville, North Carolina. If you would like to nominate someone for the 2020 awards, please send your nomination letter to Claude Carpenter at awards@daylilies.org by September 1, 2019.

If you have thoughts, concerns, issues or need answers please don't hesitate to contact me. I may not know the answer, but I know where to start looking! Thanks

The Montgomery Garden

Lisa Little, Reporter

We arrived at the Montgomery garden around 11:00. Boy was it hot. Connie Montgomery was right there to greet us and welcome us to their beautiful garden. As we exited the bus the hot air blasted us like a blow dryer, but this didn't deter us. We headed into the thick of it and what a beautiful display of daylilies we were walking into. All forms of daylilies were in their garden including a special bed for the Stout Medal winners. This bed included a birdbath complete with a happy pelican. I would love to trade places right about that time with the pelican. Across the drive is the Lennington bed. All the daylilies in that bed have won this award. It is quite a job to round up all these winners and have them all in one place.

The garden art is always a favorite thing of mine to look at. Connie and Don have struck gold in finding all the wonderful pieces that are on display in their garden. Gazing globes in different colors and patterns. Their trellis with the deer horns is amazing especially with the purple Clematis

climbing on it. The old bathtub was cool too with the daylilies, ferns and assorted bedding plants. To the side of the house is a bed for small and miniatures. You just can't beat these little guys for being just right.

We find Don in the back helping people with purchasing and marking their daylilies. I picked the most beautiful yellow ribbon to mark my Iditarod. I have looked for that one for quite a while. At this point we found the shade and a cold drink. Not to mention all the wonderful snacks. There were still so many flowers and art pieces that I wanted to see before we left but the whistle was blowing. It can't have been an hour already. On the way back to the bus I see what looks like an Aloe Vera plant blooming in the ground. Maybe I can get a better look next time. This is one of the most beautiful gardens I have been to and quite an exceptional garden for this 2019 Region 14 Spring Regional Meeting.

Penny's Daylily Patch

Kay Chappell, Reporter

The garden of Penny Stringer is located on two large acres in Lamar County, Mississippi. The sun was shining brightly the morning we arrived at the garden. The home was surrounded with daylilies, companion plants, shrubs and trees. As we began our tour of the garden, we came in beside the tennis court. I observed a large clump of 'Vanilla Fluff' (Joiner 1988). This flower is a cream self that has won ADS

awards. We proceeded on to the 2019 Sally Lake where we enjoyed looking at all the nice unnamed seedlings furnished by Region 14 hybridizers for the 2019 competition. Penny's nephew, Keith Powell, helps maintain the large garden and won the best seedling award.

Looking near a stand of trees we observed 'Lavender Blue Baby' (Carpenter-J, 1996). It was a nice clump that has won many ADS awards. The flower is lavender

blue with lavender blue eye zone and a green throat. The shaded background for the clumps of daylilies made for pleasant viewing and a respite from the bright morning sun.

On our way back to the front of the garden we noticed one of my favorite

daylilies 'Persian Ruby' (Trimmer 1998). The flower is a Ruby Red self that has won ADS awards.

Thank you for allowing us to visit your garden again. We know that it takes a labor of love to display a daylily garden and you are true daylily people.

Suburban Daylilies

Lisa Little, Reporter

A short ride from the motel and the heart of Hattiesburg we came to Suburban Daylily Garden, the curved road gave way to the finely manicured lawn and world of daylily colors in an unbelievably complex array of raised stone flower beds. As the bus rolled to a stop, Earl Watts climbed aboard the bus and invited us to enjoy his garden as if it were our own. And with that we scrambled off the bus into the stifling heat, which way to go first? Any way you go the daylilies are breathtaking along with the knock-out roses standing in the middle of the massive stone beds that Earl built himself. Daylilies from hybridizers near and far and from miniatures to extra-large all expertly grown and maintained. As we climbed the gently sloping ground toward the back of the house there are even more of the stone flower beds laden with beautiful daylilies and knock out roses each nestled happily in its own space. At the back of the garden stands a beautiful massive Oak tree right before the drop off that marks the end of the garden and the lovely Lake Serene begins. As we ponder how lucky we are to be here on such a lovely day and find a cool breeze coming off the lake we realize we are only half the way through the garden and we pass the oriental lilies with their otherworldly scent it's time for a

cool drink. The extra-large patio covered over by an umbrella of hickory trees is the perfect stage for friends to sit and talk about the wonders they have seen and to grab a snack. We meet Jeff, Elizabeth and Alex Salter along with Dan Hansen, each more than happy to chat and share a story. The bus blows the horn and we haven't even seen the seedlings that Earl has on the other side of the garden. I guess we will come again another day to see them. The concrete driveway passes beside blueberry bushes, pecan trees and ginkgo trees. I didn't get to see if the blackberries were still there where I thought years ago that my son, James, would pop from eating so many berries. I hope we can visit again soon. A memorable end to the 2019 daylily region 14 garden tour.



Henry Little and Earl Watts at Suburban Daylilies
Photographer: Lisa Little

Regional Awards

The following photos were taken by Region 14 Photographer,
Lisa Little, at our May 2019 Regional Meeting



Special Award of Appreciation: Keith Powell & Henry Little



The Dixie Daylily Terese Goodson for the article "Siri Is Out, But My GPS Is In". Award accepted by Glenda Woods



Sally Lake Memorial Award: Keith Powell



President's Award: Suburban Nancy Gayle" Suburban Daylilies/Earl & Barbara Watts



Landscape Award: Suburban Daylilies/
Henry Little, Jason Fleishman, Sarah
Lunsford & Earl Watts



Shelton Holiday Memorial Award:
“Lady of Sharon”/Montgomery Garden,
Don & Connie Montgomery



Linda Agins Award: Penny's Daylily
Patch; “Lavender Blue Baby”; Henry,
Glenda Woods & Penny Stringer



Robbie Bush Adams Award: “The
Incredible Earl Watts”/Suburban
Daylilies; Rita Moore & Earl Watts



Nell George Memorial: “Suburban
Nancy Gayle”/Suburban Daylilies; Henry
Little, Chuck Holcomb & Earl Watts



Elaine Smelly Award: “Suburban
Coach Burnham” Suburban Daylilies;
Henry Little, Sydney Dyche & Earl Watts



Danny McCray Award: “Suburban Wren”/Suburban Daylily Garden, Sharon Lunsford & Earl Watts



Ben Author Davis Sr. Memorial Award: “Lavender Blue Baby” Penny's Daylily Patch, Jeanie Kilpatrick & Penny Stringer



Youth receiving their plants at the Spring



Earl Watts accepting “Daylily Ambassador City” Award for Hattiesburg Daylily Club from Judy Branson, ADS President & Melodye Campbell, ADS Daylily Ambassador Chair

PHOTOGRAPY AWARDS

ARTISTIC CATEGORY:



Winner: Oliver Billingslea with "Banana Smoothie"



Runner-up: Henry Little with Blooms

COMPANION PLANT CATEGORY:



Winner: Jerry Cline "Coffee Frenzy"



Runner-Up: Oliver Billingslea "Tidewater Elf" with Blue Salvia

LANDSCAPE CATEGORY:



Winner: Oliver Billingslea--with the flowers "Banana Smoothie"



Runner Up: Henry Immler--with the M.P. Garden

MULTI-BLOOM CATEGORY:



Winner: Henry Little – “Lavender Blue Baby”



Runner-Up: Henry Little – “Suburban Wren”

SINGLE BLOOM Category:



Winner: Nancy Chain – “Suburban Grand Canyon”



Runner-up: Henry Little – “Malibu Twilight”

CLUB REPORTS

Birmingham Daylily Society

Kay Chappell, Reporter

3rd Sunday-2:00 P.M.

January, February, March

4th Saturday - 11:30 A.M. September

1st Saturday-11:30 A.M. December

Birmingham Botanical Gardens

President: Jim Riddle

Vice President: Phyllis Riddle

Treasurer: Jim Chappell

Recording Secretary: Kay Chappell

Corresponding Secretary: Phyllis Riddle

We began our meetings on January 20, 2019. Our speakers were David and Doris Bishop of Shady Rest Garden in Cartersville, Georgia. They introduced us to all things interesting in their garden. They shared many pictures of beautiful daylilies, companion plants and their arrangements. They also shared information on how to help your flowers grow and look their best. They offered to send us daylilies later at growing time. We had an auction of the flowers they donated to our club. We enjoyed having them come visit!

On February 17, 2019 our members, Jim and Kay Chappell, showed pictures of daylilies grown in their garden last year.

Our guests on March 24, 2019 were Bill and Diana Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylilies. They have visited us

multiple times over the past few years. It is a pleasure to have them visit us and share pictures of beautiful daylilies and stories of what has been happening. They brought many beautiful daylilies to auction. Thanks for coming and visiting again!

In April we prepared many daylilies to sell for our fund-raiser at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

In May several members attended the ADS Region meeting in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Several members also attended local garden tours in May and June.

We will have our annual picnic and auction at our September 28, 2019 meeting.

On October 5, 2019 we will attend the fall ADS Region meeting in Huntsville, AL. We will close out our year on December 07, 2019 with our social.

Blount Iris and Daylily Society

Sandra Little-Reporter

4th Tuesday – 10 am

Frank Green Building

415 5th Ave. East

Oneonta, AL 35121

President: Sandra Little

Vice President: Delois Dunn

Secretary: Ellen Hallman

Treasurer: Hazel Jones

I attended the Spring Regional, and first and foremost, I'd like to give a huge heartfelt shout out to Patricia Folks for her work with the youth. Thank You!

In May, we visited the beautiful home and garden of Jim & Phyllis Riddle in Wilsonville, AL. Their daylilies were bright and colorful and a delight to tour. We were envious of the wonderful collection of old favorites and newer daylilies in their well-kept raised beds. Then the Riddles treated us to a tasty lunch while we relaxed and talked.

June was a double delight. The 1st weekend of June, Delois Dunn's Bloom-N-Pie Days was attended by many of our members along with hundreds of other daylily lovers. Her daylilies are immaculate, and her pies are heavenly. As always it was a great event.

Later in June, we toured the garden of Jim & Kay Chappell. Their garden is

perfect, overshadowed only by their hospitality! Every available space is filled with either a daylily or companion plant. So much to see...so little time. After the tour, Kay & Jim took us to Phil's Grill for a delicious lunch. Thank you, Jim & Kay!

July's tour of a member's garden was cancelled due the extreme hot and dry weather we were having.

Next on our schedule, was our annual Ice Cream Social at Delois Dunn's in August. Thankfully, it rained shortly before we gathered at 6 pm, making it a cool and pleasant evening. Everyone brought a dish and Delois made homemade banana and vanilla ice cream. The meal, dessert and fellowship were great. I am already looking forward to next year and more of that homemade ice cream.

Like us on Facebook for upcoming events and meetings.

Cullman Iris & Daylily Society – no report submitted

Montgomery Area Daylily Society

Donna Curington, Reporter

Memorial Presbyterian Church
Montgomery, AL
2nd Sunday – 2:00 P.M.
February, April & October
2nd Saturday – 12:00 noon
August & December

President - Terese Goodson
Vice-President - Jane Martin

Recording Secretary –
Barbara Barnes
Corresponding Secretary –
Martha Barber
Treasurer: Glenda Woods
Parliamentarian – Peg Walker
Devotional Chair –
Paul Furr & Mabrey Whetstone

MADS kicked off 2019 in February with guest speaker, Jacque Foshee, who presented a most informative program on the Montgomery Botanical Gardens located

in historic midtown Oak Park. She outlined the work and plantings that have already taken place plus future plans for the garden.

During the business meeting, club members voted to renew their membership in the Montgomery Botanical Gardens and to partner with the Garden to advise and volunteer in the establishment of a section devoted to daylilies and suitable companion plants.

President, Terese Goodson, reminded the club of upcoming events including the Regional and National Conventions, photography contests, and the club's "Daylilies in Bloom" and three-day bus trips. She also announced that MADS is a **Platinum Club** again this year. At the conclusion of the business session, door prizes were awarded.

The April 14, 2019 meeting of MADS welcomed Region 14 Director, Debbie Smith, who presented Terese Goodson with a certificate of appreciation for services rendered as Region 14 President in 2017-18.

Guest speakers for the day were Glenn and Lonnie Ward from Upatoi, Georgia. Glenn and Lonnie have been hybridizers for many years and have won multiple ADS Region 5 awards. After an interesting presentation of not only daylily seedlings, but also Lonnie's beautiful koi, an auction of many of their introductions was held.

On April 17, several club members and friends met at the Montgomery Botanical Gardens to prepare the daylily bed for planting. Oliver Billingslea created the plan for the daylilies and companion plants and the workers moved dirt into the assigned area and edged it with stone.

On May 29, 2019 members of MADS enjoyed visiting the beautiful garden of Oliver and Nancy Billingslea in Montgomery. Made up of superb daylilies (many of which were the result of the Billingslea' hybridizing efforts) and beautiful

companion plants, the garden retained its beauty of the preceding year when it was on display for the region 14 Spring Meeting. Next MADS members journeyed a few miles to the garden of George and Linda Carlton. Set on thirteen, idyllic acres in nearby Pike Road, the garden and the wonderful swing overlooking the back yard beckoned visitors to relax in its beauty until lunch time. Members were invited into the Carlton's beautiful home to enjoy sack lunches and congenial fellowship. Thanks to the Billingslea and Carltons for a lovely day.

The beautiful Lake Jordan home of Mabry and Charlotte Whetstone was the site of the annual MADS picnic on June 8. Even though many club members had just returned the night before from three-days of touring gardens in Georgia, attendance was good and delicious food was plentiful. The backyard which slopes down to the water showed off the flowers to perfection. In addition to daylilies, the Whetstones grow many Hosta and various other companion plants. The picnic is always a highlight of the summer for members of MADS...

A busload of MADS daylily enthusiasts visited eight different gardens in the greater Atlanta area in early June. The weather may have been a bit hot, but no one on the bus cared as we ventured to many of the gardens that were on tour during Atlanta's National ADS Convention. Our hosts were gracious, the gardens were gorgeous, and restaurants like: Brown Bag Deli, Doug's Place, and Georgio's Family Kitchen made the three days even more enjoyable. The bus was crammed with daylily purchases by the end of the three days and lots more plants had to be mailed! WOW! The tiny rain shower in one garden did not dampen any of the enthusiasm of

the participants. Time on the bus passed quickly as snacks were passed around throughout the three days.

The MADS meeting for August featured a wonderful covered dish luncheon, followed by a visit from Kathy and Bruce Fowler of Kathy's Daylilies in



Moultrie, GA. We thoroughly enjoyed their presentation which gave lots of specific information about how the Fowlers grow and care for their plants. Many of the members took home daylilies that the Fowlers brought to be auctioned.

Photo taken by Terese Goodson.
Montgomery Area Daylily Society's bus trip to Centerpiece Gardens, Suwanee, GA.

North Alabama Daylily Society (Huntsville)

Club website: www.facebook.com/NADaylilySociety

OFFICERS:

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Corresponding Secretary - Madolyn Whitt

Treasurer - Fritz Owens

Scheduling - Randy Whitt

Plant Sale Coordinators -Randy Whitt, Jim Brazelton

This was a tumultuous year for our chapter in the loss of members. In April we lost Terah George, a skilled hybridizer in her own rights and wife of Jesse George also a hybridizer. Next, we lost charter member and three times President, Dave Flanigan and wife Yvonne, a real loss to our chapter. And our faithful member Pam Coward.

We enjoyed a full calendar of renowned speakers this year - Mark Carpenter, David

Kerchhoff & Mort Morss, Phyllis & Jim Riddle, Lucas Holman, Bruce Kovach, Margo Reed & Jim Murphy.

Mark gave us some good advice in how to hold a daylily display in a mall to expand our presence for the public. This event was very interesting to see how the public responds to our favorite flower. Phyllis & Jim presented Nancy Falck's program on grooming daylilies to prepare us for the display.

Our annual daylily sale at The Greenery was a tremendous success giving us a nice cushion in our finances for furthering our program selection for next year.

It was our privilege to host the Region Fall Meeting in October. Sorry that I was not able to attend, but from the comments I have received it was a success. The welcome mat is always out so come visit the Rocket City.

In November we will elect a president for the next term and look forward to new horizons in the furtherance of the daylily and the camaraderie of membership in NADS.

Cordially submitted,
Roger Hooper
President

Northeast Alabama Hosta-Iris-Daylily Society – no report submitted

West Alabama Daylily Society

Jason T. Fleishman - Reporter

Meetings at 11 am at
Fleishman Law Firm
2317 Loop Rd. (office)
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205-886-9764

Meet three times a year

We had our meeting on September 14th. We met at 2 pm. We talked badly about deer and considered hiring a rabbi to concoct a safety blessing over our daylily beds. We lamented the National Convention next year which is not going to

have the type of garden tours we are used to. We voted to compensate any member signed up for the convention with stipends of \$200. We agreed to meet again on 10-12-2019 at 10 am to trade daylilies with each other that need to be separated.

Wireglass Daylily Society

Rita Moore – Reporter

Our society has had a very successful year which saw an increase of six new members.

We completed a much-needed renovation of the Daylily Garden at Dothan Area Botanical Gardens in late September, early October. First a soil test was taken in each individual bed. We removed all plants, removed invasive tree roots, added soil amendments and replanted all ten beds with the loss of only one dead plant. Later the bricks of the raised beds were cleaned.

At our October meeting we conducted an in-club sale and sold all the excess plants that netted over \$1,000.

We had five members to attend the Region 14 Fall meeting in Hattiesburg, MS. We had guest speakers for three of our spring meetings. We hosted a weekend Garden Open House in mid-May followed by our tenth Annual Daylily Show.

Our show winners were:
Best in Show - Sue Ballard
Stout Medal - Pat & Bill Wente
Pop Poll - Rita Moore
Sweepstakes-Sue Ballard
Seedling - B. J. Yance
Extra Large - B. J. Yance

Large - Sue Ballard
Small - Pat & Bill Wente
Miniature - Rita Moore
Double - Sue Ballard
Spider - Sue Ballard
UF- Rita Moore

In conjunction with the Dothan Area Botanical Gardens, we hosted a field trip of about 100 middle school students from Panama City, FL. Rita Moore gave a short presentation on daylilies to eight rotations of students.

Our final activity was attendance at the Region 14 Spring meeting by six members. One member completed exhibition judging class and two other members completed garden judging class.

CONGRATS to the Wireglass Club! Dothan Area Botanical Garden was approved as an ADS official DISPLAY GARDEN!!!

Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society
Chuck Holcomb, Reporter

3rd Sunday – 2:00 PM
Sept., Oct., Jan. through May
Multipurpose Center
Extension Service Conference Room
952 Sullivan Dr., Hwy. 49 South
Hattiesburg, MS

President: Chuck Holcomb
Vice President: Kenny Hatten
Treasurer: Connie Montgomery
Secretary: Karen Blades
Treasurer: Connie Montgomery
Publicity Director: Janette Tibbetts

Following an outstanding year of special events and programs the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society (HADS) held its annual wrap up meeting at Barbara and Earl Watts on June 15th. We enjoyed a wonderful brunch provided by all the members in attendance. A brief review of

the events of the past year and a preview of the guest speakers for the upcoming year was conducted by President, Chuck Holcomb.

HADS hosted the annual Region 14 Spring Meeting on May 23-25 at Hattiesburg's Lake Terrace Convention

Center. A conference highlight was the attendance of ADS President, Judie Branson. Other special guests included: Nikki Schmith CFO of ADS and Melodye Campbell, Daylily Ambassador Chairperson with ADS. A special honor was bestowed upon HADS by Melodye Campbell. She presented an Ambassador award which was received by Earl Watts on behalf of HADS.

The Regional Meeting schedule was a whirlwind of activity with meetings, workshops and training for judges. There were tours of the gardens of Earl and Barbara Watts, Connie and Don Montgomery and Penny Stringer.

Our guest speaker was Dan Hansen of Lady Bug Daylilies out of Geneva, Fl. Dan gave a wonderful presentation on his current hybridizer program. He provided pictures of some of the beautiful flowers he is currently working with. After Dan's presentation there was a spirited auction of the plants he provided.

After a busy weekend with the Regional Meeting, HADS held its annual open gardens on May 27. There were gardens of daylilies open to the public from Perkinston to Sumrall. It was a pleasure to have the public visit these beautiful gardens.

Other HADS Show Winners:

Best Seedling – Keith Powell

Best Double – Big Fuss (J. Joiner) – shown by Janet Green

Best Miniature – Suburban Wren (Watts) – shown by Earl Watts

Best Small – Lunar Chronicles (Bell) – shown by Earl Watts

Best Large – Heavens First Hug (Ball) – shown by Earl Watts

Best Extra Large – Look Here Mary (Cranshaw) – shown by Earl Watts

Best UF – Coach Burnham (Watts) – shown by Chuck Holcomb

Meridian Daylily Club

Beverly Odom – Secretary

3rd Saturday 11:00 am

January, March, July, Sept. & Nov.

Western Sizzlin' Steakhouse, Meridian

The 24th Annual Daylily Show, Daylilies: An International Affair and Plant Sale, was held on Saturday, June 1, at the Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg. The membership of HADS presented 375 entries for judging. After the judging was completed the show welcomed over 400 visitors to the exhibit. Jon Tibbetts once again acted as the Show Chair. Earl Watts took home Best of Show honors with '**Planet Max**'. Earl was also presented with the Sweepstakes award. Klare Lane won the Best Design Division with her inspired entry titled 'Scheherazade'.

President - Mark Flynn

Vice President – Susan Huey

Treasurer – Jeanie Kilpatrick

MS Gulf Coast Daylily Society

Sydney Dyche - Reporter

2nd Saturday – 1:30 P.M. (unless otherwise noted in Club booklet)

Vancleave Public Library, Highway 57

Meetings in January, February, March, April
September and October

Christmas Party in December, Spring Picnic
and Show in May

President: Sydney M. Dyche

Vice President: Debbie D. Smith

Secretary: Deidre DenBleyker

Treasurer: Judy Harris

Publicity Director: Bonnie Lingel

Thanks so much to Debbie D. Smith for her incredible list of hybridizers that spoke to our club (Eric Simpson; Bill & Diane Waldrop; Scott Elliott, Jeff, Elizabeth and Alexandra Salters and Charles Plaisance). Our members enjoyed asking their many questions and bidding on the fantastic plants.

Our annual Christmas party was held at Salvetti's Italian Grill, Ocean Springs, with

30+ members and spouses. Thanks so much to Wayne McLaurin for donating one of his beautiful dishes to the raffle.

Thanks again to Jimmy Smelley for sponsoring our annual Spring Picnic at his country home in Agricola, Mississippi.

With Debbie D. Smith's dedication, we held our 15th Annual Daylily Show on Saturday, May 18th, at Edgewater Mall in Biloxi, Mississippi. Even with the crazy spring weather we had 111 scapes entered.

MSGCDS Show results

Extra Large – Suburban Debbie Smith – shown by Debbie Smith

Large – Buddy's Vampire Lady – James Hall

Small – Just for Breakfast – Debbie Smith

Miniature – Suburban Cherry Bit – Kenny Hatten

Double – Georgia Gee Whiz – Debbie Smith

Spider – N/A

UF – Screaming Pink Twister – Debbie Smith

Youth - N/A

Pop Poll – Suburban Nancy Gayle – Kenny Hatten

Seedling – James Hall

Best-in-Show – Just for Breakfast – Debbie Smith

Sweepstakes – Debbie Smith



Debbie Smith won lots of ribbons!

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3 Years	\$ 70.00
Youth	\$ 10.00
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74th Annual ADS National Convention

May 24-27, 2020

Savannah, Georgia

Hosted by the Ogeechee Daylily Club

Convention Website: www.ahsnational.com

Registration includes one day of garden tours, catered Panera breakfast in the garden, Catered Rusty Pig lunch in the garden, 2 buffet dinners, 2 Joiner and/or Elliott 2020 introductions

Registration is limited to 450 Attendees

Final Deadline is April 15, 2020

CONVENTION CO-CHAIRS

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HOTEL

The DeSoto

15 East Liberty Street, Savannah, GA 31401
800-239-5118. Use the group code Ogeechee Daylily Society National Convention for the discounted rate of \$145/night. A limited number of rooms are available the day before and after the convention. Daily charge for parking. No airport shuttle.

REGISTRATION INFO

Send USD check or money order payable to Ogeechee Daylily Club 2020 to:
Faye Hulst, Registrar: 721 Cleary Rd., Brooklet, GA 30451. 912-687-0665. fhulstodc@gmail.com

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REGISTRATION FORM

Print names as you wish them to appear on name badges. Indicate youth reservations with a "Y" after the name. Put additional names on back.

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Name(s) _____

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Name(s) _____

Number attending: Fees:

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**2020 Intro from Fred Manning's Gardens: "Lillian's Seismic Event"
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