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Cover Photo: *The Stout Silver Medal winner for 2015 is Hemerocallis 'Dorothy and Toto' (Herrington-K. 2003). It is the first double to win the Stout Medal in 22 years, and is described as a 30" tall, 6" rose peach cream blend. The photo was taken by Oliver Billingslea in the Vickery Lane Garden of Claude and Martha Carpenter during the 2015 National Convention in Atlanta.*

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Articles on Daylily Culture
Profiles of Region 14
Hybridizers
Garden Write-ups
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

C. P. WINTERS

Dear Fellow Daylily Associates,

As this hot summer comes to a close, I imagine many of you are like me getting beds ready for winter. With the help of a friend from Mobile, Jane Zeplies, I am ready to start looking for cooler days and time to reevaluate my layouts. I still have flowers from this summer's trips to plant and flowers to possibly divide. We have had some good days to do the important work that will result in great daylilies next spring.

Dothan Wiregrass Daylily Society is busy getting ready for us for next spring, May 19-21, 2016. Our guest speaker will be Jamie Gossard. There will be three gardens on tour with the Sally Lake Bed being located at Lilies of the Field Gardens. Contact Debbie Smith for more information. Registration forms for the conference will be in this special online issue of *The Dixie Daylily*.

We have had a great year of conventions. The Spring Regional Meeting in Hattiesburg was wonderful with Earl Watts and his crew doing a great job. This was followed up most recently by the Fall Convention in Montgomery. Although Teresa could not be there, you could see her hand on the great organization that was evident. There were 62 in attendance. Oliver presented the Photography Contest winners with their certificates and money awards. Congratulations to each of them. It was decided in the business meeting, that we would present an award for the most outstanding purple at the next convention. Oliver agreed to talk to his club, The Montgomery Area Daylily Society, about being the sponsor of this award. We also discussed the dividing of the Spider/Unusual Form award into 2 awards, but this was delayed at this time due to the discussion that is going on at the national level about these 2 categories. The speakers for the day were Heidi and Charles Douglas. They presented their latest introductions and after lunch opened the floor for general questions. It was most interesting to see the two different hybridizers discuss their methods. As the Douglas's left to head home, they were facing the hurricane that was barreling in on South Carolina and their area. They made it home safely and without a lot of damage to their property. The conference ended with the raffle.

At the Fall Conference, Debbie announced the winners of the 2015 Popularity Poll with the winner being *Hemerocallis* 'Double Blue Blood'. Congratulations to Terah George. The complete list is in this journal. This is a good handout to give to new members as a guide as they build their gardens.

Continue to look for ways to increase club memberships, especially memberships in AHS. Our club will give two AHS memberships at the Christmas Luncheon – a good investment.

Bob Goolsby and his nominating committee are looking for nominees for Region 14 President and Region 14 Publicity Director. If you are willing to serve our region, call me. I will get you in touch with Bob.

Wishing for each of you a quiet and peaceful winter, as we look forward to next Spring with our daylilies.

Sincerely,

C. P. Winters

RPD'S REPORT

DEBBIE SMITH

With the alternating record heat, droughts, and flooding rain this summer, we as well as our daylilies have been in shock and the textbook fall weather has been rejuvenating. Fall weather brings football fever in the South and we think that is what contributed to the very slow registration for the Fall Regional meeting in Montgomery, Alabama in October. Despite early worries the meeting hosted 62 members. With their enthusiastic presentation, Charles and Heidi Douglas showed their love and commitment for our favorite flower, the daylily, and also their love and support of each other. The afternoon question and answer period had to be called for time. We had 74 daylilies in the auction presided over by Heidi sans the famous hat. Despite the torrential rains in South Carolina, they eventually made it home safely the next afternoon.

There were 164 popularity poll ballots turned in. Of that, 5 did not have any member information and couldn't be counted and two lived out of our region and were forwarded to the appropriate regions. There is much discussion going on about the many people who live in one state and their club affiliation is across the regional boundaries and where their votes should count. AHS will make a ruling but if you have serious ideas on this, please do not hesitate to let me know so that I can forward this information. So, we had 157 ballots that counted and the results are in this issue of *The Dixie Daylily*. Thank all of you that participated.

I would like to encourage each club to notify me when their officers change so that we have accurate records and important information may be distributed as it becomes available. Also, please notify Paul Aucoin or myself so that club events can be posted on our Region 14 website: ahs-region14.org

Thank you and have a Wonderful Holiday Season and I hope to see you all next year in Dothan, Alabama for the 2016 Spring Regional!

Debbie Smith

SPRING MEETINGS	
2016 DOTHAN, AL	2017 TBA
2018 TBA	2019 TBA

MINUTES, FALL MEETING 2015

JANET GREEN, SECRETARY

The AHS Region 14 Fall 2015 Business Meeting was held in Montgomery, Alabama, on October 3, 2015. Donna Curington welcomed members to the meeting.

President C. P. Winters thanked the Montgomery Daylily Club for hosting the fall meeting. She asked Phyllis Riddle to give the invocation. Barbara Watts, Terry Folkes, and Willie Markus were put on the prayer list.

The business meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Winters.

Regional Secretary, Janet Green, was asked to stand. The Region 14 minutes for the Fall 2015 meeting were published in the Summer/Fall 2015 edition of *The Dixie Daylily*. President Winters 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 \$24,786.24 on hand as of June 15, 2015. After expenses and earnings, Region 14 now has \$19,777.48 on hand as of October 2, 2015. There were no questions and that report will be filed.

Brief reports were given by the following:

**The Dixie Daylily* Editor, Oliver Billingslea: Encouraged photos, garden write-ups, club reports for next edition (3rd edition will be online to save on expense); November 1 deadline.

*Exhibition Judges Liaison, Henry and Lisa Little: Encouraged more members to become exhibition judges. John Falck will be taking over job of liaison.

*Garden Judges Liaison, Barbara and Earl Watts: Nancy Chain encouraged more members to become garden judges. She will be the new liaison.

*Regional Publicity Director, Debbie Smith: Encouraged AHS members to continue to vote in the Popularity Poll; she gave out a list of winners in the 2015 Pop Poll: 1st place was *Hemerocallis* '**Double Blue Blood**', 2nd place '**Suburban Nancy Gayle**', 3rd place '**Look Here Mary**', fourth place '**Lillian's Woman's Touch**', fifth place, '**South Sea Enchantment**'; there were 157 members voting in the Pop Poll.

President Winters recognized the winners of the Region 14 Photo Contest: Multi-Bloom, '**Mayor of Munchkinland**' was Bill Martin of Hattiesburg Daylily Society; Single Bloom, '**If I Were a Shepherd**' was Bill Martin of HADS; Landscape was Fred Manning of Mobile Daylily Club; Youth was Hope Brown; Artistic was C. P. Winters of Gulfcoast Daylily Club; November 1 was announced as the deadline for entering the AHS Photography and Video Awards competition.

Winners of the National Awards: Fred Manning, honorable mention for '**Lillian's Thin Ice**'; Earl Watts, Region 14 2014 Pop Poll for '**Suburban Nancy Gayle**'; Nancy Falck for Region 14 Service Award; Barbara and Earl Watts for the Helen Fisher Gold Medal.

Winter 2015

President Winters 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*.

At the start of new business, President Winters announced that there was an interest in sponsoring an award for the best purple flower; Oliver Billingslea made the motion and Sharon Beecher seconded it and it was approved; President Winters said she had a club who would sponsor the award.

President Winters encouraged all regional members and friends to attend the 2016 Spring Meeting to be held in Dothan, Alabama, hosted by the Wiregrass Daylily Club on May 20-21, 2016. The fall 2016 Meeting will be hosted by the Gulfcoast Daylily Club.

President Winters thanked members who donated plants for both the auction and the plant sale table. The meeting was adjourned.

Donna Curington introduced the guest speakers, Heidi and Charles Douglas. The program, "Sharing the Passion," was enjoyed by all. Door prizes were given throughout the meeting, followed by a great lunch, and a successful auction.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Green

TREASURER'S REPORT JIM CHAPPELL, TREASURER

Editor's Note:

The Treasurer will supply a full report for the Spring 2016 issue of *The Dixie Daylily*, detailing receipts and expenditures since June 15, 2015. At that time it was reported that the Region had \$24,786.24. After expenditures, as of October 2, 2015, before the Fall Regional Meeting, it was reported that the Region had \$19,777.48.

FUTURE NATIONAL AHS CONVENTIONS

2016

Louisville, Kentucky
June 29-July 2

2017

Virginia Beach, Virginia
June 21-24

2018

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
June 6-10

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT OLIVER BILLINGSLEA

City of New Orleans

by Lisa Hammons

The AHS Board of Directors met on November 7, 2015, in Norfolk, Virginia.

As Region 14's representative on the Board, I would like to report several events. After an extensive search and interview of 19 candidates, the Board approved Elizabeth Trotter of Georgetown, Kentucky, as our new Registrar. She began processing registrations full time on December 1, 2015, following intensive, hands-on training with the previous Registrar. If the name Elizabeth Trotter sounds familiar to you, she has been editing the popular AHS "E-News," a free monthly online publication for AHS members and non-members alike. As Registrar, she will work with hybridizers to register their latest daylilies, update the online database, and provide information for the HS Annual Checklist—a publication which lists all of the daylily registrations for the year according to international code requirements. As of October 14, 2015, there were a total of 80,046 cultivars registered in the AHS database.

Secondly, this was Julie Covington's last Board Meeting as AHS President. We owe her immense gratitude for a job well done these past four years. The new President, Nikki Schmith, assumes office January 1.

The sales of publications, such as *Landscaping with Daylilies* (2012) and *The Illustrated Guide to Daylilies* (2015), have slowed somewhat, but the newest book, *Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun*, written by Scott Elliott, after several delays, should be available in early January. It is said to contain everything you should know about double daylilies. Our Montgomery Area Daylily Society has already ordered 20 advance copies.

The Popularity Poll chair announced the top 5 winners in each of the 15 Regions. I find it interesting that some Regions now retire the top vote recipient and remove it from their voting list for the subsequent year—a process which in my opinion doesn't exactly constitute accurate "popularity." On the other hand, some daylilies which top the Poll in other Regions, such as *Hemerocallis* 'Entwined in the Vine' in Region 1, *H.* 'Screamcicle' in Region 3, 'Sun Panda' in Region 4, or 'Little Orange Tex' in Region 6, don't figure at all in our Poll—which is as it should be. I suspect that their absence is merely a matter of distribution.

One of the most interesting events in attending the Fall Board Meeting is the opportunity the directors have in voting for various 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. These awards are kept as a surprise until the following National Convention. Another important opportunity is the selection of the prestigious Lenington All-American Award. The winner for 2015 is *H.* 'Her Best Bloomers' (Herr 2001), a 28" tall, 4" bright fuchsia red with a darker red eye above a yellow to green throat.

Oliver Billingslea

New Orleans is the largest city in Louisiana and also the birthplace of Jazz. AHS has a registered daylily cultivar named *Hemerocallis* 'Jazz' (Sholar 1974). The sights, sounds, smells, food, music, and diverse population of New Orleans create a unique cultural experience like no other destination on this planet. Even law in Louisiana is unlike the other 49 states and is based on Napoleonic Code. New Orleans is also home to my employer Tulane University.

I included the cultivar *H.* 'Lost in Louisiana' (Goudeau 2008) as a tribute to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Daylily Society. MGCDS traveled to Region 13 hybridizer Joe Goudeau's garden and en route got terribly lost in Louisiana. It is inspiring to know that this hullabaloo was commemorated by way of Joe and AHS. The below list including the title reflects a sampling of registered named cultivars listed in the American Hemerocallis Society Online Daylily Database that may be associated with Louisiana and New Orleans. Enjoy!

Bayou Dancer, **Bayou Ways**, Beautiful Cajun Morning, **Big Easy**, Big Honking Hellabalou, **Blue Eyed Cajun**, Blues Music, **Blue Voodoo**, Bold Cajun, **Born on the Bayou**, Bourbon Street, **Cafe Au Lait**, Cajun Accent, **Cajun Beau**, Cajun Beauty, **Cajun Beginning**, Cajun Born, **Cajun Canary**, Cajun Caprice, **Cajun Carrousel**, Cajun Chorus, **Cajun Christmas**, Cajun Collaboration, **Cajun Concert**, Cajun Crankbait, **Cajun Curly Fires**, Cajun Deco Art, **Cajun Delight**, Cajun Dreaming, **Cajun Gal**, Cajun Gambler, **Cajun Heart**, Cajun Lady, **Cajun Lagniappe**, Cajun Moon, **Cajun Queen**, Cajun Rainbow, **Cajun Red Sauce**, Cajun Shamrock, **Cajun Skunk Eyed**, Cajun Sneaux, **Cajun Spicy Bites**, Cajun Spotlight, **Cajun Sunshine**, Cajun Two-Step, **Cajun Wedding Bells**, Canal Street, **Cest Si Bon**, Crawfish Étouffée, **Crawfish Pie**, Crescent City, **Duchesse d'Orleans**, Escort, **Exotic Dancer**, Creole, **French Quarter**, French Quarter Fabulous, **Forsyth Mardi Gras**, Geaux Getter, **House of Blues**, House of the Rising Sun, **Hurricane**, Katrina, **Lady Marmalade**, Lagniappe, **Laissez Les Bons Temps Roulez**, Lap Dancer, **Long Legged Lap Dancer**, Love That Jazz, **Lost in Louisiana**, Louisiana Cajun, **Louisiana Hot Sauce**, Maid of Orleans, **Mardi Gras**, Mardi Gras Ball, **Mardi Gras Beads**, Mardi Gras Dragon, **Mardi Gras Dream**, Mardi Gras Indian, **Mardi Gras Mambo**, Mardi Gras Mask, **Mardi Gras Minnowbait**, Mardi Gras Morning, **Mardi Gras Parade**, Merci, **Merci Beaucoup**, Mighty Cajun, **Napoleon**, New Orleans, **New Orleans Darling**, New Orleans Falls, **New Orleans Lady**, Orleans, **Pole Dancer**, Private Dancer, **Raging Cajun**, Rock 'n Roll Mardi Gras, **Shrimp Remoulade**, Small World Mardi Gras, **Summer in New Orleans**, That Voodoo That You Do So Well, **Tulane Avenue**, Who Dat, **Who Do Voodoo**, Voodoo, **Voodoo Dancer**, Voodoo Doll, and **Yellow Fever**.

AHS Region 14 Spring Meeting

May 20-21, 2016

Hosted by Wiregrass Daylily Society

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Youth #2 _____

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Phone: _____

Email: _____

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 **Wiregrass Daylily Society**.

Region 14 Fall 2015 Meeting Candid Photos



*Love Among the Daylilies
Heidi's hijinks with Charles at the Region 14 Fall Meeting*

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



C. P. Winters (Regional President, 2015-2016), Bonnie Lingel from MG-CDS, Debbie Smith (Region 14 RPD), and Steve Hammons also from MGCDS join in the festivities.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Jim Riddle (Regional President, 2011-2014), Phyllis Riddle (our previous RPD), Nancy Falck (Region 14 Director, 2008-2013) and John Falck (Regional VP, 2005-2008) enjoy the barbecue.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Charles seems to be prayerfully beseeching Heidi among the vestments of Memorial Presbyterian Church during the Region 14 Fall Meeting. Actually, both are speaking about their passion for daylilies. It was no accident that their program was entitled "Sharing the Passion."

(Photos by Oliver Billingslea)



Jim Chappell, Region 14 Treasurer, almost smiles as he readies to auction off the gorgeous plants generously brought to the Fall Meeting by Charles and Heidi Douglas, as well as other Region 14 members. Kay Chappell has stars in her eyes as she perhaps anticipates the much needed support for our Regional newsletter, The Dixie Daylily.

(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

*Results of the Region 14 Photography Contest
for 2015*



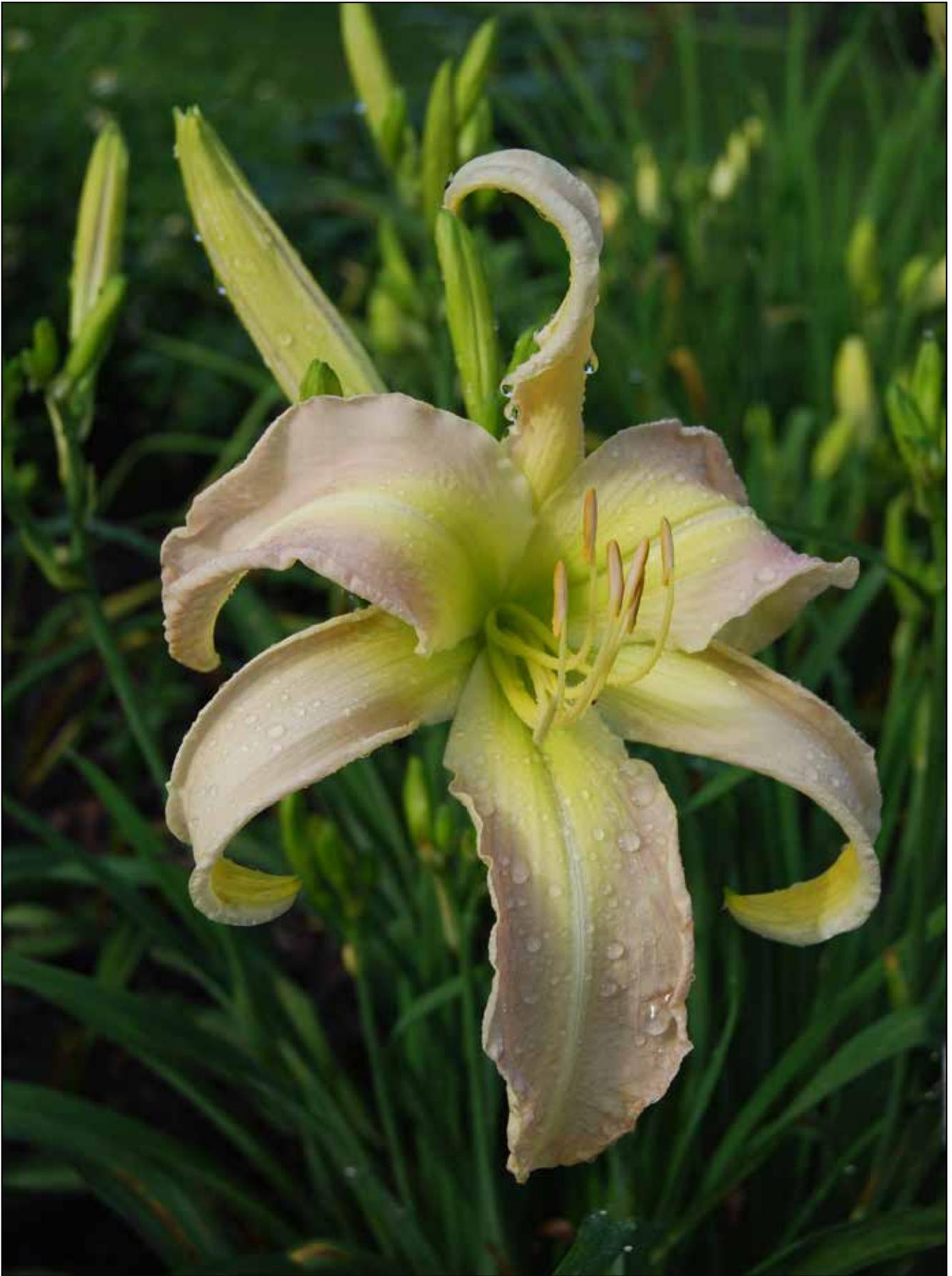
*Artistic Division, "Dragonfly on Daylily Bud"
Winning Photo: C.P. Winters*



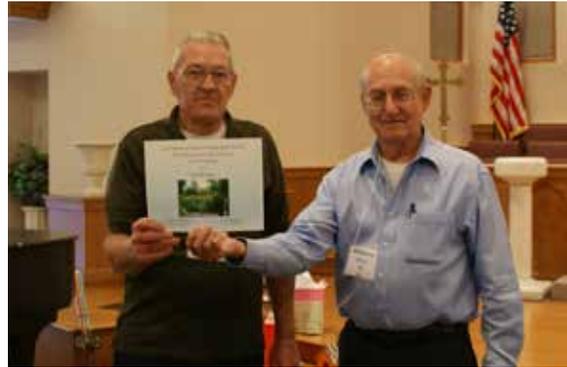
*Youth Division, H. 'I See You' (Grace-L. 1999)
Winning Photo: Hope Brown*



*Landscape Division, Daylily Place
Winning Photo: Fred Manning*



Single Bloom Division, H. 'If I Were a Shepherd' (Shooter-E. 2004)
Winning Photo: Bill Martin



Gary Campbell, President of HADS (left), presents Bill Martin with certificates for winning two of the five divisions in the 2015 Region 14 Photography Contest. At right, Oliver Billingslea presents C. P. Winters and Fred Manning their respective certificates. (Photos by C. P. Winters and Benny Brown)



Multi-Bloom Division, H. 'Mayor of Munchkinland' (Herrington-T. 2010)
 Winning Photo: Bill Martin

Digital Photography Awards Guidelines for 2016

Region 14 is sponsoring Photography Awards for 2016 in two divisions: Youth and Adult.

Images will be accepted until June 21, 2016. Please e-mail as attachments or put them on a CD and mail to the Photography Liaison. Do not reduce the size of images. They need to be sent large enough, preferably 1MB to 6MB, for our editor to be able to print them in our regional newsletter. Images sent at less than 500 KB cannot be accepted.

Rules and guidelines:

Again this year, there are two divisions: Youth (under 21) and Adult.

There are five categories. Photographers may submit up to five entries in each category:

- (1) Single bloom (the photograph may be of any registered cultivar)
- (2) Multi-bloom or cultivar clump (must be of a registered cultivar)
- (3) Daylilies with companion plants
- (4) Daylilies in the landscape
- (5) Artistic image

In the category of single bloom, the photographer must identify the cultivar, its hybridizer, its year of registration, and the garden in which the photo was taken.

The same applies for the multi-bloom or cultivar clump, the latter of which should show the foliage, the scapes, and the flowers to give a total picture.

In the daylilies with companion plants category, the photographer must identify the most prominent daylilies in the picture, as well as the most prominent companion plants. The photographer must also identify the garden in which the photo was taken.

In the landscape category, the photographer may, if he or she wishes, identify some of the daylilies, but must identify the garden in which the photo was taken. No people should appear in the photo.

The artistic category should stress uniqueness in subject and composition.

The photographer must be an AHS Region 14 member.

A panel of three judges will evaluate all entries in respect to focus, color, and composition.

Region 14 will present a certificate plus a cash award of \$25 in each of the five categories, and the winning entries will be published in the 2016 Summer/Fall issue of *The Dixie Daylily*. An awards presentation will be held at the Region 14 Fall Meeting on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

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Please send your images by June 21, 2016, to:

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AHS Region 14 Popularity Results for 2015

<i>Hemerocallis</i>		'Persian Ruby' (Trimmer)	15
'Double Blue Blood' (George-T.)	54	'Alabama Wildfire' (George-T.)	14
'Suburban Nancy Gayle' (Watts)	53	'Barbara Fuller' (Furr)	14
'Look Here Mary' (Cranshaw)	36	'Boundless Beauty' (Stamile)	14
'Lillian's Woman's Touch' (Manning)	33	'Moonlit Masquerade' (Salter)	14
'South Sea Enchantment' (Billingslea)	30	'Sebastian the Crab' (Joiner-J.)	14
'Suburban Golden Eagle' (Watts)	29	'Abilene Lillian' (Maddox)	13
'Coffee to Go' (Anderson-H.)	28	'Beautiful Edgings' (Copenhaver)	13
'Emma's Curls' (Falck-J.)	26	'Clothed in Glory' (Grace)	13
'J. T. Davis' (Grace)	25	'Crazy Ivan' (Grace-Smith)	13
'Dorothy and Toto' (Herrington-K.)	24	'Free Wheelin'' (Stamile)	13
'How Beautiful Heaven Must Be' (Carpenter-J.)	24	'Skinwalker' (Roberts-N.)	13
'Little Red Dumplings' (Anderson-H.)	23	'Double Screamer' (George-T.)	12
'King Kahuna' (Crochet)	21	'Orange Velvet' (Joiner)	12
'Banana Smoothie' (George-T.)	20	'Planet Max' (Reed)	12
'Lavender Blue Baby' (Carpenter-J.)	20	'Bela Lugosi' (Hanson-C.)	11
'Thin Man' (Trimmer)	20	'Big Red Wagon' (Stamile)	11
'Big Kiss' (Joiner)	18	'Primal Scream' (Hanson-C.)	11
'Linda Beck' (Agin)	17	'Santa's Little Helper' (Trimmer)	11
'Tusawilla Snowdrift' (Hansen)	17	'Seminole Wind' (Stamile)	11
'Alabama Jubilee' (Webster)	16	'Strawberry Candy' (Stamile)	11
'Lava Flow' (Smith-FR)	16	'Barbara Mitchell' (Pierce-C.)	10
'Pink Lemonade Party' (Salter)	16	'Mississippi Red Bed Beauty' (Carpenter-J.)	10
'Signature Truffle' (Kirchhoff-D.)	16	'Spacecoast Gold Bonanza' (Kinnebrew-J.)	10
'Webster's Pink Wonder' (Webster-Cobb)	16	'Victorian Lace' (Stamile)	10
'All American Chief' (Sellers)	15	'Coach's Hot Lips' (George-J.)	9
'Bali Watercolor' (Stamile)	15	'Lillin's Lying Eyes' (Manning)	9
'Memphis' (Trimmer)	15	'Lilly's Smile' (Furr)	9

'Mary's Gold' (McDonell-H.)	9	'Coach's Real Deal' (George-J.)	5
'Nancy's Quilt' (Agin)	9	'Feliz Navidad' (Carpenter-J.)	5
'Princess Diana' (Smith-FR)	9	'Lynnstar' (Anderson-H.)	5
'Savannah Debutante' (Joiner)	9	'Stars and Angels' (Billingslea)	5
'Spider Man' (Durio)	9	'Annie Armstrong' (Bell-T.)	4
'Tangerine Horses' (Kaskel)	9	'Bluegrass Memories' (Preuss-T.)	4
'Trahyta' (Childs-F.)	9	'Brake Light' (Anderson-H.)	4
'Wild Horses' (Trimmer)	9	'Elva White Grow' (Smith-F.)	4
'Wonder of it All' (Carr)	9	'Humdinger' (Joiner)	4
'Belle Cook' (Brooker)	8	'Key Lime Special' (George-T.)	4
'Evelyn Gates' (Gates-L.)	8	'Lillian's Sweet Thang' (Manning)	4
'Moses' Fire' (Joiner)	8	'Loose Reins' (George-T.)	4
'Red Volunteer' (Oakes)	8	'Rose F. Kennedy' (Doorakian)	4
'Just For Breakfast' (Threewitts)	7	'Symphony of Praise' (Bell-T.)	4
'Nancy Billingslea' (Stamile)	7	'All About Eve' (Kirchhoff-D.)	3
'Rose Masterpiece' (Stamile)	7	'Bama Girl Tee' (Price-S.)	3
'Shores of Time' (Stamile)	7	'Black Ambrosia' (Salter)	3
'Suburban Barbara Huff' (Watts)	7	'Destined to See' (Grace-L.)	3
'Wiregrass Greenstar' (Cooper-E.)	7	'Lillian's John Falck' (Manning)	3
'Almost a Rainbow' (Anderson-H.)	6	'Lillian's Shadow Dancer' (Manning)	3
'Bill Norris' (Kirchhoff-D.)	6	'Lillian's White Lies' (Manning)	3
'Born to Run' (Stamile)	6	'Sabine Baur' (Salter)	3
'Coach's Laughing Eye' (George-J.)	6	'Seldom Seen' (Brazelton)	3
'Mynelle's Starfish' (Hayward-M.)	6	'Suburban Coach Burnham' (Watts)	3
'Palace Garden Beauty' (Carpenter-J.)	6	'Suburban Wren' (Watts)	3
'Peacock Maiden' (Carpenter-K.)	6		
'Point Clear Jubilee' (Falck)	6	<i>Editor's Note:</i>	
'Tar and Feather' (Kaskel)	6	26 cultivars received 2 votes, while 32 received 1 vote. A complete list will be available in March, 2016, on the AHS website under 2015 Popularity Poll for Region 14. It is the policy of the AHS not to release the complete results until after the Spring issue of <i>The Daylily Journal</i> is mailed.	
'Bill Robinson' (Grace-L.)	5		
'Coach's Class Act' (George-J.)	5		

The 2016 Spring Regional Gardens

by Clint Fussell

Hosted By: Wiregrass Daylily Society
Theme: Down Home Alabama (centered upon “peanuts”)
Date: May 19-21, 2016
Host Hotel: Hampton Inn and Suites
Guest Speaker: Jamie Gossard
Location: Dothan Area Botanical Gardens
Website: <http://www.dabg.com/>

Tour Gardens:

Lilies of the Field:

BJ and Carolyn Yance invite you to visit our Lilies of the Field Daylily Gardens! We believe a beautiful garden begins in the heart and is poured out into the landscape.

Our gardens are a work in progress and we hope you will visit us and share in the joy we find in creating gardens with these beautiful flowers. We are continually making changes and updating our selection and we welcome your visits and invite you to tour our gardens and share our enthusiasm.

Over twenty years of daylily gardening knowledge are represented in our listing. We were formerly known as Huskey Road Daylilies located in Cowarts since 1996. Our new name and larger location is Lilies of the Field, on Highway 134 between Midland City and Headland, just east of the Dothan airport.

We are the host site for the Sally Lake Bed.

Moore Gardens:

Frank and Rita Moore welcome you to their garden in the heart of Daleville, AL, home of Ft. Rucker and Army Aviation, where they enjoy their oasis of beauty and serenity. The design of this garden has evolved since Frank and Rita retired from a career in education and he from worldwide service as an officer in Lions Clubs International. Rita has grown daylilies since 1974 when she was inspired by hybridizer Sarah Sikes who lived near Rita’s family in Crenshaw Co., AL. She has been more focused on daylilies since 2008 when she joined the Wiregrass Daylily Society.

Their home is situated on a side-sloping hill which presents a challenge with water runoff issues and armadillo issues. The wooded background provides backyard privacy. The soil has been amended with pine bark fines, alfalfa pellets, milorganite and Black Hen.

Their garden contains unusual forms, spider, double, miniature and full form daylilies enhanced with companion plants such as amaryllis, azaleas, woodland and tall garden phlox, dahlias, Asiatic and oriental lilies, columbine, bearded and Louisiana iris, gloriosa lily, hibiscus, coral vine, shasta daisies, perennial and annual salvias, rudbeck-

ia, Queen Anne’s lace, spider flower, pentas, vinca, gomphrena, and bat flower. Many annuals freely reseed providing a “cottage garden” effect. The front entrance welcomes visitors with a large rose garden of hybrid teas, miniatures, minifloras, floribundas, and old garden roses. The backyard daylilies share focus with a variety of hydrangeas.

Sandhill Gardens:

Sandhill Gardens was started in 1999, when Pat and Bill Wente retired and moved to Columbia, Alabama. They built on an old home place that was settled by Pat’s Grandfather in 1905 and maintained as farm land until 1975, when it became a sand pit. To reclaim this property a pond was dug. Mushroom compost and pinebark mulch was added to the sand and terraces made. They brought in rock to form the terraces where the daylily, iris and butterfly gardens are located. Reclaimed farm land terraces form hydrangea, rose and camellia gardens.

The landscape around the house consist of pines and hardwoods under planted with ferns and azaleas. Nearby paths lead you through a Stout Silver Medal bed, an unusual form bed, a small/miniature bed, a bed for doubles, and a bed for the large form daylilies. You will have the opportunity to see the guest beds of five hybridizers and the orchard where blueberries, blackberries, scuppernongs and pear trees flourish. Completing the picture, a green house, hen house, barn and pond house and many water features are intermingled with the perennials and annuals that extend the color in this garden throughout the year.

They share the property with the wildlife—deer, raccoons, opossums, armadillos, beaver, rabbits, squirrels, bobcats and feral hogs; also quail, dove, turkeys, geese, bluebirds, cardinals, mocking birds, owls, hawks and hummingbirds. There is also a protected community of gopher tortoise which are listed as a threatened species by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. It is a sanctuary for all native wildlife.

Today fifteen acres of the farm offers several hundred varieties of daylilies and some three hundred rose bushes. Hope you will enjoy the gardens.

Open Gardens:

The Wiregrass Daylily Society is really encouraging attendees to visit the open gardens in order to get a truer view of the representation of the club and a more fuller feel of daylilies. Two gardens will be open starting Thursday, May 19, or before.

Dragon's Mead Daylilies:

9431 N. Holland Road
Panama City, FL 32409

Dragon's Mead Daylily Garden started growing and hybridizing in Panama City in the 1980's. Owners Randy and Cindy Fleming relocated the garden to its current location north of Panama City (about 30 miles south of I-10) in 2001. The garden sits on some 2.5 acres and boast around 1,500 varieties of newer daylilies along with many perennials and shrubs.

Fussell's Daylily Farm:

1565 Gainer Road
Chipley, FL 32428
Phone: 850-638-7657

Fussell Farms is located in the heart of Northwest Florida just 3 miles south of Chipley (I-10 Exit 120). We are located about 40 minutes south of Dothan, AL and 40 minutes North of Panama City, FL. The farm is situated on around 300 acres of open pasture. The farm has been in the family for over three generations. The first bit of land was originally purchased during W.W. II by my great-grandfather, Harvey Fussell. The land was purchased from monies sent home by my grandfather, Julius Fussell (1919-2013) while serving overseas in Africa.

The farm currently consists of around 200 head of beef cattle while the gardens are home to many annuals and perennials, including named and unnamed daylilies (over 1,000 registered varieties). We currently have around 8 acres of gardens surrounded by century old pecan trees, camellias, azaleas, blackberries, grapevines, amaryllis, and other plants.

The gardens were originally established by my grandmother, Frances Fussell in the 1950's, with the original home being built around 1946 followed by a second in 1974, and a third in the process. The gardens have always been home to many daylilies, but until recently (last 3 years), we've not had hybrid daylilies. At the age of ninety, she still enjoys getting out and maintaining the gardens while seeing "God's Awesome Handiwork."

The Fussell Family has been full time farmers for over four generations. We currently raise many row crops including peanuts, soybeans, and cotton along with vegetables (peas, butterbeans, sweet corn, okra, and squash). We have been shelling and selling fresh shelled peas and butterbeans during the summer for over fifteen years.

We invite you to drive or come by and enjoy this beautiful place that has been inspired by many and blessed by our maker, Jesus Christ.

Starting on Saturday, May 21 (PM) the following gardens will be open. Anyone who wishes to visit on Saturday is asked to call ahead since owners may not be able to be present in their gardens.

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Abundant Daylilies:

1400 HIGHWAY 177
Bonifay, FL 32425
Phone: 850-547-0915

Abundant Daylilies' owner Mark Sattelmeier is a well known name to the world of daylilies. He truly knows how to grow daylilies since he has grown them both in Michigan as well as in Florida. Currently Abundant Daylilies grows over 1,000 varieties of daylilies under shade cloth in pots. He provides brand new collections as well as older daylilies at affordable prices on the Lily Auction under abundantdaylilies.

Abundant Daylilies has introduced over seven varieties of daylilies. Abundant Daylilies do not simply put a daylily out on the market based on its 'face,' but rather it must meet many criteria. Abundant Daylilies introductions are well known for their scape height and thickness as well as fertility, and yes, their beautiful faces.

Though Abundant Daylilies does not commonly accept visitors, Mark would like to invite those who wish to come out on Saturday/Sunday to come by, but he does request that if possible, you call ahead.

Ballard Daylily Garden:

Owner: Sue Ballard
252 N. Co. Rd. 9
Hartford Al. 36344
Phone: 334-886-2273
Cell: 866-745-1243
E-mail: msballard2000@yahoo.com

Ballard's Daylily is a beautiful place to visit. The garden boasts many daylilies, especially many tried and true older varieties. The garden is located on the family farm where Sue's husband has just recently retired from farming, but continues to raise cattle. Visitors are asked to call ahead of time, but certainly welcome. We are open Monday through Saturday from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Sunday visitors are welcome after church.

Peace on Earth Gardens:

Owners: Jim & Mary Netherton
113 Dothan Road
Blakely, Georgia 39823
Phone: 229-723-6703
E-mail: poejimbo@windstream.net

We LOVE having visitors, but do ask that you call ahead so we won't miss you. Please find directions to our garden here. Our peak bloom season is mid-May and June, and then we have reblooms all summer. If you'd like to contact us, please try via e-mail or by phone after dark.

Peace on Earth Gardens is a beautiful city garden nestled under tall pine trees located in Blakely, GA. The garden is home to over 2,000 varieties of daylilies. The

hybridizing of Jim Netherton dates back for more than 10 years. According to their website they have been introducing around six daylilies as far back as 2004. These introductions range from miniatures, smalls, doubles to large and even some unusual forms.

As you come up the driveway you will see a century plant that just recently bloomed. This plant is special to the Jim and Mary Netherton since they brought it with them prior to moving to Blakely. As you continue to approach the home you will notice many companion plants as well as a swimming pool that has been transformed into a beautiful koi pond. Behind the home one will find rows upon rows of daylilies from years gone by as well as current and future introductions. Various types of vines gracefully climb along the fence along the edge of the property. Though the main garden is located at the home, they will tell you that the majority of their hybridizing and goals are formed at 'the farm' located outside of Blakely. This is where Jim commonly spends much of his time working with special daylilies such as *Hemerocallis* 'Mary My Love', a large 10" x 36" tangerine yellow daylily that hovers over the garden. Both Jim and Mary's love of their friend's and family can be seen in their hybridizing goals and plant names.

Peace on Earth Garden is very grateful to God for His continued blessings and for allowing them to make so many wonderful friends through this passion of theirs, the daylily! They encourage all to continue to work toward creating "Peace On Earth."

Graceland Gardens:

Owners: Larry and Cindy Grace
12860 West US 84 Newton, AL. 36352
Phone: (334) 692-5903
E-mail: dgrace7847@gmail.com

Larry Grace is no stranger to any daylily grower. He has been a mentor to many and has been promoting, introducing and growing daylilies for decades. His Stout Medal winner *H.* 'J.T. Davis' can be seen in many gardens across the USA. Though Larry did step away, he couldn't resist the joy that growing and hybridizing daylilies had to offer. Just recently he has introduced some amazing daylilies including the tetraploid conversion of 'Rose F. Kennedy' and 'Emerald Starburst'. Both of these have been widely used in gardens across the U.S. and abroad. At present, Larry is looking forward to slowing down a bit more and taking time with his family once again. He does ask that if you are interested in coming by, to please call ahead.

Further information:

WDS is excited to be able to host the Spring 2016 Region 14 Meeting. At present we have many doorprizes, raffle items and small items of donations from major companies including Superthrive, Milorganite, Espoma, National Peanut Board, Greenhouse Megastore, Botanicare, Root Naturally, Dynamite Plantfood, Dyna-Gro, Miracle Grow, GS PlantFoods, Garden Safe, Chapin-Sprayers, Earthway,

Burpee, NeptunesHarvest, Gardeners.com, and many others. We also have items from local businesses, nurseries and fellow members of AHS, as well as new collections from well known hybridizers. It is without a doubt that you will surely receive something of great use if you attend the meeting, but most of all you will have the opportunity to see friends and meet new daylily growers. We hope you will make plans to come out early to enjoy the open gardens and stay late to fellowship with friends.

Clint Fussell

Bonus Tour Garden:

We hope that at some point during your participation in the Region 14 Spring Meeting you will find the time to tour the site of our meeting—the Dothan Area Botanical Garden. Founded in 1990 with construction beginning in 1996 the Gardens have developed steadily under the leadership of an all volunteer Board of Directors.

Currently there are more than 50 acres of cultivated gardens, paved nature trails and undeveloped, wooded landscapes. The cultivated gardens include the Southern Heirloom Garden and Farm House, a Tropical Green House, Butterfly, Azalea and Hydrangea Gardens, Mullen Asian Garden, Michelin Outdoor Classroom and Wetlands Observation Platform, a Wedding Garden and Pergola, an Herb Garden, and a Rose Garden.

Last, but not least, is the Hanahan Daylily Garden which is maintained by members of the Wiregrass Daylily Society. The garden includes some 350 cultivars representing all of the various forms in modern daylilies. The garden will be the site for the Garden Judges II class on Friday, May 20.

Pick up a map at the Registration Desk and enjoy a tour of DABG.



Confessions of a Wanna Be Daylily Grower Or Confessions of a Hemerocallis Addict

by Susie Padgett

Don't get me wrong, I have always grown daylilies in some manner since I began gardening over 40 years ago. I grew up with daylilies that my father had edging the pristinely landscaped yard that I loved as a child. But I never had an addiction as I seem to have developed recently. It started benignly back in the 1990s when I had a small triangular bed that need to be planted with something amid the 5000+ square foot garden proper. I decided to fill it with daylilies that I had brought from our prior property, and they did well with no care for several years until that bed became shadier as the surrounding trees grew.

During that time my husband and I decided that the vegetable garden we were growing year round was getting too much for us to handle as we were both working full time and had a child to care for. We decided to cut the garden back by 3 rows. Shrub roses, strawberries and bearded iris would take the place of vegetables. Then the daylilies needed to be moved as they were starving for light and had stopped blooming, so we put in a walkway and decided to edge it with the daylilies. Unfortunately there was only enough to line that walkway with one plant wide and just about 12 feet. I needed more. We got some at the local nurseries and other stores but still not enough. Then one Saturday at a local flea market there was a man selling daylilies! There were so many all in 1 gallon pots all saying they wanted to come home with me. I can't remember how many we bought from this nice man who spoke so kindly and freely of his love of daylilies and the fact that a lot of these plants he had hybridized himself and these would be my own unique plants that no one else would have. I really didn't care; I just needed to finish that 30+ foot bed I had started. We filled our Dodge Ram truck full.

The plants did very well and I got to see some of the really pretty blooms on the occasions I could go to the garden after work or on the weekend. Mostly I paid little attention to them and had lost most of the labels. I didn't care; I had canning to do along with girl scouts and art lessons. After a while the bed got on my nerves because it was out of proportion with the iris bed and walkway. It needed to be wider. Maybe just maybe that guy would be back at the flea market . . . and he was. I bought enough to add another row and some for a friend of mine at work.

Then I retired. I could spend more time in my beloved garden now reduced again and planted with antique roses on the fence line and approximately 40 shrub roses that I doted on, as well as a new perennial bed. I was in heaven. Then I noticed the daylilies. I watched as they unfolded early in the morning, how they would change through the day and start to give it up as night fell. They didn't get the

attention and care that the roses and other plants got, but they continued to grow and bloom.

Then I was bitten early this year. I decided that daylilies should take the place of the strawberry bed and would be nice planted with some of the roses. I had to find that "flea market" man and I did. I purchased 40 something new plants and had wonderful conversations with him. The addiction was taking hold of my senses. I wanted to pick this man's brains and absorb all I could from his vast knowledge and experience. I was needing MORE. I "stole" the outside row of corn and put in 35 more plants in the original bed and decided the iris bed needed to go and more daylilies could go there. I dug up the iris bed and called my friend the enabler.

The addiction became strong. I had to read everything I could find on daylilies. I took copious notes. I became curious about the hybridizing process and pressed my enabler for his knowledge. I actually crossed a few of my own. I dabbed everything I could find with everything. I couldn't get enough. I could not focus. Sadly as this disease took hold, I realized just how cruel I was being to my precious lilies. They rarely got water except from God, seldom were fed or weeded, and had never been mulched. Did I mention that I am a Master Gardener? Shame on me.

I vowed to clean the original bed and really put forth effort to amend and feed them. I would even spray them, if needed. Again I pressed my enabler who by this time had become my mentor and Obi-Wan Kenobi of daylilies. I pestered him to death and yet his patience and kindness prevailed and he shared his knowledge freely and did his best to get me focused. He convinced me to join the local society which has many other addicts.

The internet is full of daylilies. I began to search daily. I found an online auction that has everything. Facebook is full of daylily groups. I discovered the demigods of the daylily world, Kirchhoff, Gossard, Peat and Kinnebrew, to mention a few. Pinterest is full of addicts that share their boards and pins. Thousands of them.

I have finished planting the old iris bed and have plants reserved for next spring. I have flats of babies growing under lights. It looks like I will have to steal another row from the vegetable garden. Maybe more. I am not alone. There are many us.

Thank you Joe Ponder for igniting this spark in me and being such a great mentor and good friend. Especially for sharing your daylily world with me and helping me become addicted to such a beautiful plant as the Hemerocallis.

Susie Padgett

Club News: ALABAMA

Birmingham Daylily Society

No report submitted.



Blount Iris and Daylily Society

Ellen Hallman, reporting

4th Monday—6 P.M.
Frank Green Building
Oneonta, AL 35121

The slow rains from the remnants of hurricane Patricia were certainly a welcomed sight for Blount County and the Blount Iris & Daylily Society. It has been dry!

The Club has had a good year, including many guest speakers and programs. In March, we had Dr. Jim Jacobi, Extension Plant Pathologist, and Hunter McBrayer, Urban Regional Extension agent. They talked about the maladies and bugs that could attack our plants and ways to deal with these problems.

In April, we welcomed Jim and Martha Brazelton. We enjoyed a slide presentation and an auction followed. In May, we were part of the first Ag Expo held in Oneonta. Over 600 people attended and we had a booth full of flowers to give away. In July, the president of the Blount County Beekeepers Association, Hal Hendrix, had our program. He told us of the perils our bee population is going through and what we could be doing to encourage bee growth and safety.

In August, the club enjoyed an ice cream social in the pavilion at the garden of Harold and Delois Dunn. Delois is known as the “Bloom n’ Pie” lady.

Our congratulations to LaVelle Hawkins, an inactive member, who celebrated her 100th birthday in September.

We mourned the death of two members this past year: Louise Sloan, a founding member, and Brenda Armstrong. We also made book donations to the Oneonta Public Library in memory of Lora Nelms and Mabel Hudson, also founding members of our club.

Looking forward to winter to plan for a great 2016.



Central Alabama Daylily Society

No report submitted.



Cullman Iris and Daylily Society

No report submitted.



The Mobile Hemerocallis Society

No report submitted.



Montgomery Area Daylily Society

Barbara Barnes (with Oliver Billingslea), Reporters

3rd 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)

Club Website: www.montgomeryareadaylilyociety.com

President:	Terese Goodson
First Vice President:	Donna Curington
Second Vice President:	Linda Carleton
Recording Secretary:	Barbara Barnes
Treasurer:	Cecil Barnes
Corresponding Secretary:	Martha Barber
Parliamentarian:	Jack Harrison

The Montgomery Area Daylily Society had a covered dish lunch on the third Saturday in August with Fred and Kathleen Manning as our guests. Fred Manning is becoming a nationally known hybridizer. It was later announced at the Fall AHS Board Meeting that his *Hemerocallis* ‘Lillian’s White Lies’ (2011) had garnered 49 votes to win an HM. His *H.* ‘Lillian’s First Bite’ (2011) also won an HM with 20 votes. The August meeting also gave members an opportunity to vote independently in the Region 14 2015 Popularity Poll and have their ballots collected and sent to Region 14’s RPD, Debbie Smith.



H. ‘Lillian’s White Lies’ (Manning 2011)
(Photo by C. P. Winters)

MADS once again hosted the Region 14 Fall Meeting in Montgomery, AL, at the Memorial Presbyterian Church on Bell Road on Saturday, October 3rd. We were honored to have Charles and Heidi Douglas of Browns Ferry Gardens of Georgetown, South Carolina, as our guest speakers. Charles is an accomplished hybridizer, and Heidi is coming on strong, winning 3 HMs for 2015. Her cultivar, *H.* ‘Papa Goose’ (2011) was second among all the HM recipients, garnering 107 votes.



H. ‘Papa Goose’ (Douglas-H. 2011)
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

Our October meeting was devoted to election of officers and our annual auction of daylilies from our own gardens. We also had a panel discussion with our own members answering questions on “What’s Bugging You.”

MADS voted unanimously to sponsor the proposed “Linda Agin Memorial Award” to be given for the best registered purple daylily seen in a convention tour garden, beginning with the Wiregrass Meeting in 2016. Sponsorship is for five years, with the opportunity to renew.

And last but not least, the Christmas party rolled around on the first Saturday in December. It was a festive occasion, marked by a great luncheon and culminating in a Santa “exchange.” MADS also inducted its officers for the coming year and announced the dates for its meetings in 2016. Those dates are as follows:

- Sunday, February 21, 2:00 P.M.
- Sunday, April 17, 2:00 P.M.
- Saturday, August 20, Noon
- Sunday, October 16, 2:00 P.M.
- Saturday, December 3, Noon



Northeast Alabama Hosta-Iris-Daylily Society

No report submitted.



North Alabama Daylily Society

Madolyn Whitt, Corresponding Secretary

2nd Saturday or Sunday—2:00 P.M.
Huntsville Botanical Garden, Anderson Education Center

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| President: | Sharon Beecher |
| Vice President: | Roger Hooper |
| Secretary: | Samantha Downs |
| Treasurer: | Jim Beecher |
| Publicity: | Cherry and Roger Hooper |
| Scheduling: | Randy Whitt |
| Corresponding Secretary: | Madolyn Whitt |
| Plant Sales Coordinators: | Randy Whitt, Dave Flanigan,
Jim Brazelton, Ross Hunter |

In spite of a heat index of 100 degrees in June, our plant sale volunteers dug, separated, washed and labeled hundreds of plants. Fortunately, the day of the sale was pleasantly cool. Members enjoyed good conversation and a nice Subway lunch. We shared our love of daylilies with customers, assisted them with selections, and answered questions. A great success, the sale will fund outstanding programs for 2016.

Worn out from our June sale, we skipped our picnic this year. In August we welcomed Dan Bachman, from Valley of the Daylilies in Ohio. Most hybridizers have their own unique focus, and his is on spiders and unusual forms. He emphasizes the whole plant, not just the bloom, and he had some good pointers for those who want to hybridize. It was quite an interesting and educational presentation, enjoyed by all.

September featured Lee and Jean Pickles. Lee is a recipient of the “Helen Field Fisher Gold Medal.” His talk included many personal anecdotes (he and his wife are retired educators) and he is very good at establishing a camaraderie with his audience. His focus is red tetraploids; his presentation, both unusual and enjoyable. He provided detailed information on collecting and using frozen pollen. To find out more about his program, or to see his introductions, check out daylilypotpourri.blogspot.com/

We had a good turnout for our October meeting, which featured Jamie Gossard of Heavenly Gardens in Ohio. A degreed microbiologist, Winter 2015

he converts many diploids to support his program, which is particularly known for introductions with teeth, patterns, and clear colors. His presentation was followed by a very successful auction, the perfect culmination to our hybridizer presentations for 2015.

We are very proud of our president for her hard work getting our club incorporated. November was an interactive discussion of low/high points of the year, and we finished the year with a Christmas party at the historic Cooper House. For more information about our club, check out <http://nadaylilysociety.org/> or www.Facebook.com.



The West Alabama Daylily Society

No report submitted.



The Wiregrass Daylily Society

Bill Wenthe, Reporter

2nd Saturday—12:00 Noon
Grace Church, 1401 Cherokee Avenue, Dothan, AL
September, October, November, December,
January, February, March, April, May

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After what seemed like an unusually hot summer, we began the 2015-2016 year with an August planning meeting. In addition to the normal start up activities, we initiated a change in our meeting schedule. The September, October and November meetings were held on the second Monday at 6 P.M. at First Christian Church. This change is to accommodate several conflicts with our Saturday schedule and is also to see if a weeknight meeting will be attractive to potential members.

The big news for WDS is the decision to host the 2016 Region 14 Spring Meeting. It was a last minute decision that when presented to the membership was well received. John and Nancy Flack gave the September program with a very timely and valued presentation on how to conduct a Spring Meeting. Their presentation confirmed we have already made progress but still have a long way to go.

An annual in house auction, featuring cultivars donated by the members, was our October meeting and was a successful fund raiser. In November our speakers were C. P. Winters and Debbie Smith who provided additional Spring Meeting information. In December, we returned to Saturday meetings and celebrated Christmas with our usual daylily exchange. We will have hybridizers who will provide the program for January, February, and March.

Plan to join us in Dothan in May as we again gather to share information and conversation about daylilies.



The following daylily society appears to be no longer active, since it has not reported in over a year:

East Alabama Daylily Society



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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:	Nancy Chain
Secretary:	Vonda Martin
Treasurer:	Connie Montgomery
Publicity Directors:	Bud & Virginia Kirkpatrick

It is only proper that opening the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society (HADS) report should be an update regarding Barbara Watts. If you haven't heard, Barbara fell in their daylily garden, on Wednesday, August 19, suffering a broken leg. Following surgery and a lengthy hospital rehab, she is home, still facing a lengthy rehab, but making excellent progress. If anyone would like to drop Barbara a card, it should be directed to: Barbara Watts, 60 Serene Meadows Dr., Hattiesburg, 39402

Following a couple of months off for the summer, HADS programs resumed on September 20 with a rousing presentation about companion plants by Dr. Gary Bachman, Associate Extension/Research Professor of Horticulture, Mississippi State University Coastal Research & Extension Center, in Biloxi, MS.

The October meeting brought an interesting speaker and topic, Tim Herrington of the Herrington Daylily Garden in Dublin, GA. Tim presented his pride and joy, hybridizing for green, including sidelights from manure to his love for miniatures.



Gary Campbell, HADS President, with speaker Tim Herrington
Photo by C. P. Winters

HADS took November off for Thanksgiving, and held the annual HADS Christmas Lunch on December 5, at the Movie Star Restaurant in Hattiesburg.

In the new year, programs will include: January, Jeff & Elizabeth Salter of Rolling Wood Garden, Archer, Florida; February, Jesse & Terah George of JTM Gardens, Jasper, Alabama; and the March program will be the Annual Business Meeting and a program by local hybridizers.

Heading into the spring, the April program will feature William C. "Bill" Monroe, Chairman of the American Hemerocallis Society's Marketing Committee, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; the May meeting will feature annual show chairman, Jon Tibbetts, with an instruction program: "What's A Daylily Show All About?"

The HADS 2016 event dates are: The Annual Open Garden Weekend will be held Memorial Day Weekend, May 28 and 30 throughout the Hattiesburg area. The 21st Annual Daylily Show will be held Saturday, June 4, 2016 at the Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg.

Following a weekend of open gardens and the Annual Daylily Show, the HADS June meeting will be a Wrap-Up for the year, at a time and place to be determined.

HADS takes pride in its efforts to help beautify the City of Hattiesburg, for which the daylily is the official flower. Two public plantings are especially popular, the daylily bed at the Lake Terrace Convention front entrance, and the bed at the entrance to the Hattiesburg Zoo. With the increased popularity of the Zoo, this bed has become a focal point. Replacing plants, other care all-year and dead-heading during the growing season give HADS folks plenty to do.

A new public planting is on the drawing board for neighbor Petal, Mississippi, just across the Leaf River from Hattiesburg. Earlier a public bed in Petal was instigated by long-time HADS member and Petal resident, the late Truman Roberts. Due to drainage problems, this bed had to be abandoned. It will be relocated to surround the sign for Petal's beautiful Civic Center and Public Library. An etched stone will be included designating the site as The Truman Roberts Memorial Daylily Garden.

For additional information about the Hattiesburg Area Daylily Society or a complete look at Barbara and Earl Watts accomplishments through the years visit the web site: www.hattiesburgdaylily.com



Meridian Daylily Club

Toni Thompson, Reporter

President:	Toni Thompson
Treasurer:	Jeanie Kilpatrick
Secretary:	Lois Smith

The Meridian Daylily Club has had a busy year. We were honored to have John and Nancy Falck of Hem Haven Daylily Nursery in Fairhope, Alabama speak at our March meeting. Mr. John gave us growing and fertilizer tips and we were charmed by the Falck power point presentation of their lilies both old and new. The Falcks brought several of their lilies for auction including John's *Hemerocallis* 'A.W.'s Dream' and H. 'Emma's Curls' and Nancy's 'Fairhope Jubilee'. Nancy's Jubilee series and John's large blooms are always a joy to see.

In April we had our annual plant sale to promote daylily awareness and had a record number of plants and near record sales.

In May representatives of our club enjoyed the Spring Regional in Hattiesburg. It is a joy visit with daylily friends and the programs were very informative. For our May trip the club members met at Lois Smith's El Adamah Farm in Meridian for refreshments and a tour. Brother Jim, Lois, and Maria have spent several years hybridizing, and after the tour Lois allowed us to spend the afternoon wandering through her thousands of blooming cultivars and companion plants to our heart's content.

In July we had Jesse and Terah George of JTM Gardens in Jasper, AL. As always, Terah's pinks, doubles, and unusual forms are a wonder and a joy, while Jesse wowed us with his edges and eyes. The George's breeding program is wonderful and we were thrilled with the plants they brought for auction.

At our September meeting we announced officers for next year; Lois Smith—president; Mark Flynn—vice president; Jeanie Kilpatrick—treasurer; and Toni Thompson—secretary. Scott Elliot of Maneki Neko Gardens in Ellabell, GA. was our September speaker. Scott's power point introduced us to his wonderful daylilies specializing in doubles, spiders, unusual forms and many combinations of these types. His program was wonderfully entertaining and we enjoyed seeing his cultivars and bidding on the many plants he brought for auction. Scott also shared tips for weed and grass control in our gardens, and we enjoyed having visitors from the Hattiesburg and Gulf Coast Clubs at this meeting.



*Scott Elliott speaking at HAD meeting with Steve Hammons listening
(Photo by C. P. Winters)*

October brought us to the Region 14 Fall Regional in Montgomery and again our representatives enjoyed seeing many daylily friends and speakers.



MS Gulf Coast Daylily Society

Debbie Smith, Reporter

2nd Saturday—1:30 P.M.

Vanceleave Public Library, Hwy. 57, Vanceleave, MS

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

Club website: mgcds.web.com

President:	Bonnie Lingel
Vice President:	Edna Shaw
Secretary:	Lisa Hammons
Treasurer:	Steve Hammons

Our year resumed with the nationally renowned Camellia hybridizer Jimmy Smelley giving us information on Camellias as a companion plant to daylilies, and he brought two of his introductions that were raffled.

In October we had Fred & Kathleen Manning showing his breeding program and answering all of our many cultivation questions. We would especially like to thank them for all the thousands of daylily

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*MGCDs Guest speaker, Jim Smelley, with Geri and Ralph McBroom
(Photo by C. P. Winters)*

fans donated that completely paid for our show this year! Thank you, Thank You, Thank You!!!

We had 4 members at the Fall Regional in Montgomery, Alabama (bet you can't guess who) that had a wonderful time and came home with the vehicle packed with plants.

Our Christmas party was held December 12, 2015 at the Tiki in Gautier, MS, where we will draw for 2 yearly AHS memberships.

The New Year will start with Jeff & Elizabeth Salter's hybridizing program followed by Dr. Wayne McLaurin on Crepe Myrtles and ending with Bill Waldrop and the always entertaining Tommy Maddox showing us the latest and greatest. We welcome you to come join us anytime!

We are so glad to meet 5 new daylily converts: Bob and Grace Haddox of Vanceleave, MS; Josh & Erika Reynolds of Biloxi, MS; and Jane Ziplies of Mobile, AL.



North MS/AL Daylily Society

No report submitted.



The following daylily societies appear to be no longer active, since they have not reported in over a year:

Jackson Hemerocallis Society

Marion County Hemerocallis Society

Miss-Lou Daylily Society



Montgomery Area Daylily Society's Christmas Luncheon



At the MADS Christmas luncheon, Peggy Walker installs officers for the coming year: (left to right) Martha Barber, Corresponding Secretary; Terese Goodson, President; Cecil Barnes, Treasurer; and Linda Carleton, Second Vice President. Absent were Donna Curington, First Vice President; Barbara Barnes, Recording Secretary; and Jack Harrison, Parliamentarian.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



MADS members (left to right), Carolyn Young, Mabrey and Charlotte Whetstone, and Evelyn Miller, with guests, Brett Goodson and Terry Young.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



MADS members (left to right), Martha Barber, Freda and William Frye, Arthur Woods, Barbara Fuller, and Glenda Woods.
(Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



MADS members (left to right), Anna Trawick, Nancy Billingslea, Linda and George Carleton, and Peggy Walker. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



MADS members (left to right), Jesse Miles, Debbie Corn, and Rhonda Miles. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



MADS members (left to right), special guest, Henry Alexander; the church's custodian who set up tables, chairs, and provided tablecloths for our luncheon, Joe Ponder; Steve and Nancy Stainsby, Barbara Burkhardt, and Adrianna Ponder. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



MADS members (left to right), Evelyn Miller; luncheon guests, Brett Goodson (Terese's son) and Terry Young (Georgia's husband), Georgia Young, Mabrey and Charlotte Whetstone. (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)



Terese Goodson, MADS President and Cecil Barnes, MADS Treasurer (Photo by Oliver Billingslea)

Newsletter Award Categories

This past year we were able to include some wonderful articles written by Region 14 members in *The Dixie Daylily*. Below is a list of topics that can hopefully give you some inspiration. Please consider writing an article for the Winter 2015 issue. Submissions are due by November 1, 2015. AHS Newsletter Awards are given annually in each category.

Article About Cultivars

This award is given to a feature article written about a registered daylily/daylilies or seedling(s). The article focus is centered on the cultivar(s).

Article About Gardens

This award is given to a feature article written with a focus on a garden or gardens. The article can discuss any plants or landscape of daylilies, but must focus on total garden aspects.

Article About a Hybridizer

This award is given to a feature article written about a daylily hybridizer, or hybridizers, who has/have registered cultivars and also has/have cultivars in commerce.

Article About Daylily Culture

This award is given to a feature article that describes how to get your daylilies to grow better. Examples of subjects might be weed prevention, fertilizer, pest control, natural predators, hydroponics, foliage controls, or similar areas.

Scientific Article

This award is given to a feature article that involves research or expert opinion.

Article Using Humor

This award is given to a feature article that has any daylily or gardening subject and uses humor throughout the article.

Article About Hybridizing

This award is given to a feature article that describes methods, theories, or procedures about the aspects of hybridizing daylilies.

Article Demonstrating a Specific Aspect of Garden Design

This award is given to a feature article that describes single or multiple gardens and the specific aspect of garden design, including subjects of hardscaping, general garden design, or other garden features.

Article About Photographing Daylilies

This award is given to a feature article that describes any methods, equipment, or procedures used to photograph daylilies.

Article About Garden Technology

This award is given to a feature article that describes technologies used in and assisting in the science of daylilies, including subjects of databases, software, and hardware.

Article Featuring Historical Aspects

This award is given to a feature article that describes a cultivar, person, organization, logo, or other from purely an historical point of view.

Article About Daylily Personalities

This award is given to a feature article written about a non-hybridizer(s) in the daylily community, focusing on his/her work for AHS, Region, or local clubs promoting AHS and daylilies.

Youth Article

This award is given to a feature article written by or about a youth member of AHS or local club.

Editorial Special Award

This article is given to a feature that does not fit into a current article award category and is outstanding in content, form, or subject matter.

New Members

June through August, 2015

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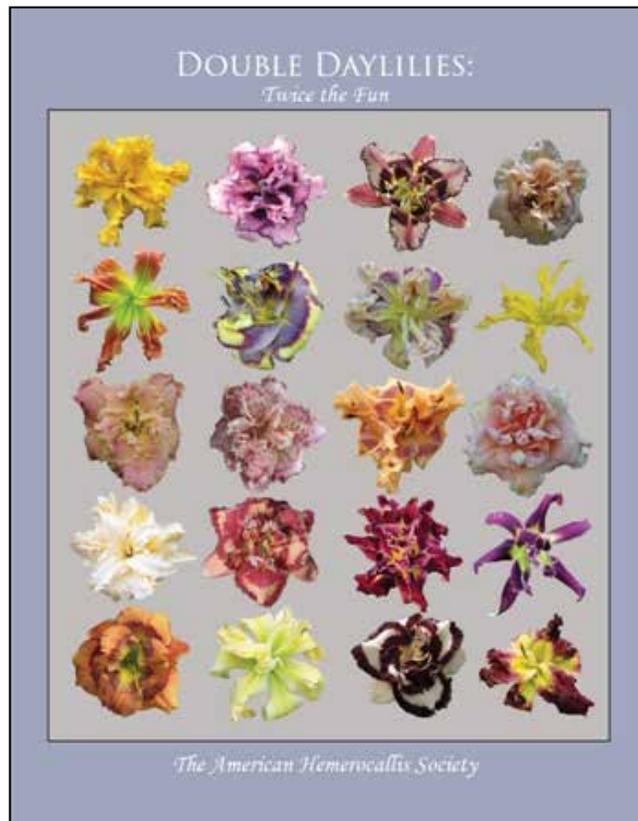
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The long anticipated new AHS publication Double Daylilies: Twice the Fun is now scheduled for publication in early January 2016. Written by Scott Elliott, with contributions from David Kirchhoff, Bruce Kovach, Tim Herrington, Pat and Grace Stamile, Ted Petit, and Bob Tankesley-Clarke, it contains everything you should know about double daylilies. (Photo from AHS website)

Editor's Column:

We are pleased to present our twentieth issue of *The Dixie Daylily*, and we hope you will enjoy it. As always, my wife Nancy has done a commendable job of proofreading.

This is an online issue only, primarily because of fiscal reasons. However, please consider this somewhat of a bonus issue for those of you who have internet access. It is our third issue for the calendar year 2015 and is published primarily as a scouting report for the upcoming Spring 2016 Regional Meeting to be hosted by the Wiregrass Daylily Society in Dothan, AL, May 20-21. My appreciation goes to those members who sent information early, and for Clint Fussell of Chipley, FL, who coordinated much of the material. The Registration Form is included in this issue, so please fill out your registration, mail it, and make your hotel Winter 2015

arrangements right away. The folks in the Wiregrass are working hard to make this an exciting convention. They have invited one of the premier hybridizers in the nation, Jamie Gossard, of Galloway, Ohio, as the guest speaker.

I also want to invite all of you to attend our National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, June 29-July 2, next year. The gardens on tour promise to be no less than spectacular.

This past year we had some great historical articles, garden write-ups, articles on hybridizers, on daylily personalities, on daylily shows, on travel, and even some humorous daylily lists. This issue covers the events and announcements from our Fall Regional Meeting. Enjoy!

Oliver Billingslea

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The Region 14 Popularity Poll Winner for 2015
H. 'Double Blue Blood' (George-T. 2005)

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