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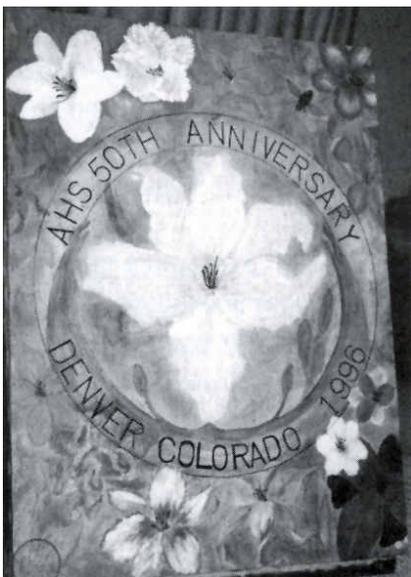
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May 1997	Region 6 Meeting Gulf Coast
June 1998	Region 6 Meeting Dallas
May 1999	Region 6 Meeting Nacogdoches
May 2000	Region 6 Meeting Lake Jackson



American Hemerocallis Society's
50th Anniversary Poster

Dorothy Bigbee's winning poster for the AHS 50th Anniversary may be purchased for \$10 plus \$2 for postage and handling from:

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RVP SAYS

One Size Fits All

Hello daylily fans. We are headed into the short, dark days of Winter; the dormant season so to speak. I always have so many well intentioned plans for the Winter. I can't spend much time gardening, so each year I think I'll get caught up on indoor projects. Get those travel and daylily slides organized. Get my daylily collection computerized. Get caught up on reading daylily publications. Plus normal people things like cleaning out some closets and cupboards, make some travel plans for next year, listen to some new blues CDs, and read a few mystery novels.

Somehow, each year, these Winter days fly by. Blink once and it's Christmas. Blink again and it's Valentine's Day and I need to order some daylilies. Blink once more and gardening is in full tilt. I look back on all the Winter plans and wonder what the heck happened. Well dangit, this year is going to be different; at least I hope so.

One way to get Winter off to a good start is to put in a bid on the mail-in daylily auction as explained in this issue. (Thanks to Bridey for working so hard to organize it.) You can buy something for yourself of course, or buy some daylilies as a Christmas present. What a perfect gift. One size fits all. And this time they will say, "I really like it," like they mean it! You don't have to fight the crowds at the mall. And the money raised goes to a good cause.

Best wishes to all of you for a peaceful, productive Winter. Merry Christmas. Happy New Year. See you in the Spring of 1997.

RICHARD ROSEN

from the Board Room

Kay Day, Region 6 AHS Board of Directors Representative

Wow!!! From the inside, it sure seems like things are happening. The Fall 1996 AHS Board Meeting resulted in the following actions:

- A new procedure for the registration of cultivars to be effective December 1, 1996. The new procedure will result in the use of only one date - the registration date - with the requirement for "introduction" and the need to submit a catalog eliminated.
- A change to the Bylaws to allow RVPs to serve two consecutive two-year terms. While I agree with Rich that Region 6 has enough talented and dedicated individuals that this should not apply here, the change does allow smaller Regions that option.
- The Canadian Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island were joined with the U. S. states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont to re-form Region 4. We welcome about 90 members to this Region.
- The biggest and most forward thinking changes, however, are with our electronic publications. Our own Binion Amerson has detailed those actions on the next page.

Under the leadership of President Earlene Garber, we are progressing toward the three goals she announced in the October 1995 Board Meeting.

1. The use of electronic media to reach out to the membership. I am pleased that members of Region 6 are instrumental in this goal.

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AHS Electronic Media Outreach Update

Binion Amerson, Special Chairman, AHS Electronic Publications Committee

At the AHS Board of Director's Meeting in Lafayette, Louisiana, October 26, AHS President Earlene Garber reviewed progress toward the three goals which she announced in October 1995. One of those goals was, "The use of electronic media to reach out to the AHS membership and to the public."

I am pleased to report that this electronic initiative is showing great advances. Below are examples of the progress which have already been implemented or are about to begin.

- The AHS World Wide Web (WWW) Home Page has been up and running on the Internet since November 13, 1995. More than 6,000 visitors have logged onto this site in its first year of existence. The site provides information about the AHS, membership, publications, awards, popularity polls, frequently asked questions about daylilies, local and Regional activities, display gardens, and Conventions and meetings.
- Cultivar registration information and forms were added to the AHS WWW site October 27, 1996. The ability to register cultivars electronically will follow soon.
- The 1996 AHS Cultivar Award winners are now posted on the AHS WWW site.
- The 1996 AHS Popularity Poll results will soon be posted to the AHS WWW site.
- Information about the various AHS

Daylily Robins also will soon be posted to the AHS WWW site.

- In what will surely be a quantum leap, the AHS Board approved funds to place the various Check Lists on CD-ROM disks for sale to members and the public. AHS Registrar Bill Monroe and I are working on this endeavor. Information about the progress of this project and a sample electronic Check List will soon be available via the AHS WWW site.

The official AHS WWW site may be viewed at the following URL:

<http://www.daylilies.org/daylilies.html>

WWW sites containing information about and photographs of daylilies now number more than 45 and thus are too numerous to list individually. My personal "Daylilies Growing Along the Information Highway" WWW site at URL:

<http://www.daylilies.com/daylilies>

provides links to all known daylily sites in AHS Region 6, the United States, and around the world.

The AHS Daylily E-mail Robin, under the leadership of Tim Fehr, has more than 250 members. To join, send an E-mail message to Tim at fehrtj@uwec.edu. For information about a new daylily chat channel (where one can discuss daylilies via the Internet in virtual time), send me E-mail at aba@daylilies.com

1996 Fall/Winter Auction by Mail

Welcome to the second AUCTION BY MAIL. While not the fun of a live auction, the benefits to you and to the Region are the same. All of the proceeds will be applied as follows:

- The first \$1000 toward Region 6's annual pledge to the W. E. Monroe Endowment Fund Trust
- The next \$500 to the Bertie Ferris Youth Endowment Fund
- All other moneys will go to the General Fund to support the Newsletter and other Regional expenses

This AUCTION BY MAIL has cultivars to appeal to all of the membership - all price ranges and all types of daylilies. The suggested price, with two exceptions are based on the 1996 *Eureka!* average double fan rate rounded down to an even dollar amount or in the case of those so rare or so new, the hybridizer's 1996 catalog price. The two exceptions are for RUFFLED DUDE, which is a single fan offering and SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP which is Joyce Lewis' new introduction. We believe the suggested rate for SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP to be appropriate based on the special friendship we all have for Joyce.

Please submit bids on the cultivars listed on the next page that are at least half the suggested price. To avoid tie bids, make your bid to include some

odd number of cents (or bid twice market value). In the event of a tie, the earliest postmark will be honored.

Written bids should be submitted by mail or FAX no later than Wednesday, December 11 to:

**Bridey Greeson
P.O. Box 409
Victoria, TX 77902-0409
FAX: 512-576-4900**

Winning bidders will be notified by Wednesday, December 18.

Upon notification, please remit to AHS REGION 6 the amount noted to Helen Reynolds, Region 6 Treasurer, 6938 Wake Forest, Dallas, TX 75214-1714. Each successful bidder will be responsible for a \$3 postage fee per plant to offset the shipping cost by the donor. The donors will ship the plants in Spring 1997.

A very special thank you to all the donors. Without each of them, and of course, each of you submitting a bid, this AUCTION BY MAIL is not possible. Please remember this a good deal for everyone who participates.

Winterizing The Region 6 Way

This is the article that didn't develop. I almost just left a blank space under this title. I surveyed a group of Region 6 growers to see what if anything they do to prepare their daylily gardens for Winter. The answers were consistently, nothing. The consensus is to leave in place the mulch that was put down in early Summer. In the early Spring the mulch and dead leaves are removed to expose the crown to let air circulate to help prevent rot. It doesn't get much easier than that. In early September I planted some daylilies in my

mother's garden in Southern Minnesota. I hope it wasn't too late in the season. By the time you read this, Winter will have arrived there in earnest, with a capital E as in *extreme* cold. I know that Rose growers in Minnesota actually dig a grave, tip their Roses over, and bury them for the Winter. I suspect Northern daylily growers also have their rituals as Winter arrives. God bless Region 6.

RICHARD ROSEN

AUCTION BY MAIL

<u>Cultivar</u>	<u>Hybridizer</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>1996 Eureka! Price</u>
ARABIAN MAGIC	Jeff Salter	Bridey Greeson	\$113.00
BRAND NEW LOVER	Bob Brooks	Bridey Greeson	10.00
CALGARY STAMPEDE	Ra Hansen	Bridey Greeson	50.00
CAMEROONS	Bill Munson	Anna Marie & Rich Rosen	19.00
CARIBBEAN ROSE	Dave Talbott	Bridey Greeson	11.00
CASTLE ELEGANT LADY	Aileen Castlebury	Aileen & Bobby Castlebury	75.00
CHERRY CANDY	Pat Stamile	Kay Day & Keith Kinney	41.00
CHINESE SCHOLAR	Jeff Salter	Gene Orgeron	29.00
COURT MAGICIAN	Bill Munson	Bridey Greeson	18.00
CREOLE BLUSH	Nita Copenhaver	Gene Orgeron	75.00
DONNIE DELIGHT	Ra Hansen	Betty Phelps	13.00
DOUBLE COPPER GLOW	E. W. Brown	Kay Day & Keith Kinney	30.00
DRAGON'S EYE	Elizabeth Salter	Gene Orgeron	34.00
EARTH ANGEL	Pat Stamile	Hooker & Bonnie Nichols	11.00
EZEKIEL	Dave Talbott	Matt Reyna	33.00
FIRES OF FUJI	Betty Hudson	Mable Nelson	50.00
FRED HAM	Bill Munson	Mable Nelson	29.00
FROSTED AMETHYST	Jack Carpenter	Elizabeth Greeson	25.00
FUDGE SUNDAE	Roger Mercer	Sue & Zak Jackson	22.00
GOLDEN SUMMER	Jack Carpenter	Elizabeth Hoover	7.00
GRACE AND GRANDEUR	Jeff Salter	Hooker & Bonnie Nichols	93.00
GRAPE SODA	Dalton Durio	Bridey Greeson	25.00
HIGHLAND SPRITE	Bill Munson	Bridey Greeson	75.00
HONKY TONK DREAM	David Kirchhoff	Sharon Umphress	36.00
HOT GLOW	Bob Brooks	Binion Amerson	22.00
JUNGLE BEAUTY	Darrell Apps	Kay Day & Keith Kinney	30.00
LAST FLIGHT OUT	Ra Hansen	Matt Reyna	45.00
LEXINGTON AVENUE	Bill Munson	Elizabeth Greeson	18.00
MIDNIGHT LOVE	E. C. Brown	Gene Orgeron	50.00
NEON PINK	Ra Hansen	Kay Day & Keith Kinney	45.00
NORDIC NIGHT	Jeff Salter	Kay Day & Keith Kinney	31.00
PANACHE	Bill Munson	Bridey Greeson	18.00
PRINCE MICHAEL	Ra Hansen	Kay Day & Keith Kinney	17.00
PRINCE OF MIDNIGHT	Jeff Salter	Elizabeth Greeson	29.00
PURE AND SIMPLE	Jeff Salter	Hooker & Bonnie Nichols	108.00
RASPBERRY SUNSHINE	Jack Carpenter	Sue & Zak Jackson	55.00
RUFFLED DUDE	Bill Munson	Mable Nelson	62.00
SATAN'S CURLS	Nell Crandall	Mary & Eddie Gage	20.00
SILENT SENTRY	Jeff Salter	Bridey Greeson	53.00
SILK MYSTIQUE	Mort Morss	Bridey Greeson	42.00
SKINNY MINNY	Nell Crandall	Mary & Eddie Gage	50.00
SKINNY MINNY	Nell Crandall	Gene Orgeron	50.00
SKINNY MINNY	Nell Crandall	Matt Reyna	50.00
SORCERER'S APPRENTICE	Charles Hamil	Bridey Greeson	15.00
SPANISH SKETCH	P. Brooks	Matt Reyna	20.00
SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP	Joyce Lewis	Joyce Lewis & Jean McNutt	100.00
SUNDAY MORNING	Harris	Zak & Sue Jackson	29.00
SWEET OBSESSION	Elizabeth Salter	Bonnie & Hooker Nichols	49.00
SWIRLING SPIDER	Howard Hite	Matt Reyna	55.00
SWISS LEGACY	Elizabeth Salter	Bonnie & Hooker Nichols	54.00
VIRGINIA PECK	Ken Durio	Snooks Harville	125.00
WHOOPEREE	Lee Gates	Bonnie & Hooker Nichols	12.00
WILLIAM AUSTIN NORRIS	Jeff Salter	Betty & David Burton	60.00
YABBA DABBA DOO	Ra Hansen	Eloise & Gene Koonce	36.00

How do the birdies sing? Cheap. Cheap. Cheap.

by Richard Rosen, et al

Don't like to part with that hard earned moolah? Don't have enough to start with? Too many days left in the month at the end of your paycheck? Bummed out because the bank won't float you a loan for new daylilies? Well don't despair, bunky! There are many options open to you. The kids don't REALLY need to go to college, do they? Have the little woman get a second job! They pay good money down at the blood bank!!

None of these options sounds attractive? Well then, how about buying some quality daylilies at low, low prices. I surveyed some Region 6 members for their opinions on the best cultivars that can be purchased for less than \$10 (using *Eureka!* as a guide). Those responding were: Eddie Raye & Don Andrews, Sue Jackson, Jean Lewis, Gene Orgeron, Jim Petty, Nell Shimek, and Doug Smith.

ANNIE GOLIGHTLY (Hughes '74) 28" EMRe 7" Ev tetraploid - A bright orange red that really makes a show. (Shimek)

BANGKOK BELLE (E. H. Salter '87) 18" MRe 2.5" Sev diploid - Pink with gold halo. Great branching flower show flower, multiplies fast, reblooms, eye-catching in a clump. (Andrews)

BENCHMARK (Munson '80) 30" MRe 6" Ev tetraploid - Very pale large lavender with a huge cream-white throat. (Smith)

BEST OF FRIENDS (Spalding '75) 19" EM 6.5" Ev diploid - Deep pink blend is a garden favorite of our guests. (Shimek)

BOLD WONDER (Harling '81) 18" MRe 5.5" Sev diploid - Pink with purple eye. Puts on a show of blooms in a clump, multiplies fast, reblooms. (Andrews)

BROCADED GOWN (Millikan '79) 26" EMRe 6" Sev diploid - Large beautifully formed heavily creped cream self. (Smith)

CABBAGE FLOWER (Kirchhoff '84) 17" EERe 4.6" Ev diploid. Double - Lemon self. One of the first flowers in the Spring and reblooms later in the Summer. One of the flowers that everyone wants when they visit the garden. (Jackson)

FAIRY TALE PINK (Pierce '80) 24" MRe 5.5" Sev diploid - A beautifully shaped pink that is one of the best. (Smith)

GYPSY CRANBERRY (Cruse '81) 16" EMRe 3.5" Ev diploid - Red self. Small flower that multiplies very well. (Lewis)

HARRY BARRAS (Monette '74) 26" EM Ev diploid - Beautiful yellow, blooms very well, dependable cultivar. (Lewis)

IVORY GATES (W. R. Gates '73) 28" EMRe 5.5" Dor diploid - Ivory self. Our favorite, well formed, lasts all day. (Petty)

JOLLY LAD (Spalding '80) 17" EM 6" Ev diploid - Apricot with orange halo, Zak's very favorite. Color combination is very pretty, Reblooms at least two times, good growth habits. (Jackson)

LEEBEA ORANGE CRUSH (L. Gates '78) 18" EMRe 6" Sev tetraploid - Orange with red eye. Very good foliage and blooms at least 3 times for us. (Jackson)

LITTLE ANNA ROSA (Williamson '84) 14" E 2" Ev diploid - Pink blend Great miniature, multiplies fast, good garden flower. (Andrews)

MAE GRAHAM (Spalding '77) 18" M 6.5" Ev diploid - Hugh clear pink that is sunfast, long bloomer, a real performer. (Shimek)

MARIE BABIN (MacMillan '64) 24" MRe Ev diploid - Yellow with purple eye. Very eye-catching, multiplies well. (Lewis) Long bloomer, sunfast performer. (Shimek)

MAUNA LOA (Roberts '76) 22" EM 5" Dor tetraploid - Large flowered tall daylily in a brilliant tangerine gold blend. (Smith)

MERRY WITCH (Munson '83) 30" MRe 6" Ev tetraploid
- Rose with lighter eye. (Orgeron)

MING PORCELAIN (Kirchhoff '81) 28" ERe 5.2" Ev tetraploid - Pink with yellow halo. Good all around flower that I recommend for all gardens. (Andrews)

RED VOLUNTEER (Oakes '84) 30" M 7" Dor tetraploid
- We love the color, lasts better than most reds and is a vigorous grower. (Petty)

ROSIE MEYER (Alexander '57) 32" ERe Red self Ev diploid - Very dependable, first bloom in the Spring. (Lewis)

RUFFLED APRICOT (S. H. Baker '72) 28" EM 7" Dor tetraploid - Apricot with pink midribs. Large well formed blooms with a nice color and enough ruffles to keep me happy. (Petty)

SCARLET ORBIT (L Gates '84) 22" ERe 6" Ev tetraploid - Consistently gorgeous red with a large yellow green throat. (Smith)

SEDUCTOR (L Gates '83) 18" EERe 6" Ev Red tetraploid - Great rebloomer, dependable. (Lewis)

SERENITY MORGAN (Tanner '82) 22" EMRe 5" Sev Pink diploid -(Orgeron)

SILOAM BO PEEP (Henry '78) 18" EM 3.5" Dor diploid
- Pink with purple eye. Good bloomer, consistent in all gardens, good show flower. (Andrews) (Orgeron)

THY TRUE LOVE (Guidry '80) 21" EERe 6" Ev diploid
- Lovely pink with rose eye, reblooms, all around pleasing daylily. (Jackson)

TOVARICH (Munson '65) 28" EM 6" Ev diploid - Consistent bloomer, good dark red, grows fast, reblooms in my garden at least 3 times. (Andrews)

WIND FRILLS (Tarrant '78) 34" EMRe 7" Ev diploid - One of the best spiders with clear pink petals. (Smith) A favorite with visitors, showy and fast to increase. (Shimek) (Orgeron)

A Touch of Heaven In Ninety-Seven



Are you ready for a heavenly experience?

The Gulf Coast Daylily Society is preparing one for you at the Region 6 Meeting next May 22-24 in Port Arthur.

Ten gardens will be on tour: Dattalo, Faggard, Harman, Lege, Lusignan, Nelson, Orgeron, Pinehurst, Smith, and Tullier.

The plants in the competition beds are well established and will be ready for judging.

Two continental breakfasts, two lunches, and two dinners will be provided.

Be an angel - plan now to enjoy A TOUCH OF HEAVEN IN NINETY-SEVEN.

Creme de la Creme

by Richard Rosen, et al

There are many new introductions each year, typically offered at prices of \$75 to \$200! I don't think I'm giving away any secrets when I say that many of these are no better than previous introductions and may not be worth the big bucks being asked. But among the myriad of new introductions are hidden a few wonderful new creations that advance the Hemerocallis family and may represent true value even at the high prices. But, how does one pick the wheat from the chaff?. One way is to routinely visit the hybridizers gardens to observe the new creations prior to introduction. Observing cultivars first hand is always the best way to judge where to spend your daylily dollars. But most of us lack the time and \$\$ to take this approach.

Fortunately there is another way. You have friends here in Region 6 that grow the hot new introductions and are willing to share their knowledge of what they have found to be the best in their gardens. I asked a group of our members if someone wanted to splurge and spend more than \$40 on a cultivar and still get good value for the money, which cultivars would you recommend and why? Those responding were: Bobby & Aileen Castlebury, Scott Henry, Ken & Virginia Henson, Bill Jarvis, Mable Nelson, and Paula & Leon Payne.

ADMIRALS BRAID (Stamile '90) 21" M 5.5" Sev tetraploid - White with gold edge. Large gold edge, repeats well, good parent. (Henry) Would highly recommend simply because of the edges it throws on its seedlings. (Payne) (Henson)

AFRICAN DIPLOMAT (Carr '92) 29" MRe 5.5" Ev tetraploid - One of the best red-black daylilies because of combination of form, color, sun resistance, and performance. (Henry)

ALPINE SNOW (Stamile '94) 29" MRe 5.5" Dor tetraploid - One of the best near-white daylilies I have seen. (Henry)

BETTY WARREN WOODS (Munson '87) 24" EMRe 4.5" -Yellow self Ev tetraploid - Great form and good parent. (Henry) Produces wonderful seedlings as well as continuous bloom. (Payne) (Jarvis)

BURNING INHERITANCE (J. Salter '94) 28" MRe 5.5" Sev tetraploid Best orange daylily I have seen. (Henry)

CARIBBEAN FRANK LEAGUE (Talbot '93) 24" MRe 5" Ev tetraploid. Very dark, almost black. (Nelson)

CHRIS SALTER (J. Salter '93) 26" MRe 6" Sev tetraploid - A pink beauty, ruffled edged in gold. (Nelson) Huge gold edge and full formed flower. (Henry)

CINDY'S EYE (J. Salter '94) 30" MRe Sev tetraploid - Ivory with purple eye. Striking eye and edge with a very high bud count. (Henry)

COLLIER (E. C. Brown '93) 28" EM 6" Sev tetraploid - Pink polychrome. (Castlebury)

DARING DILEMMA (J. Salter '92) 24" M 5" Sev tetraploid - Pink with plum eye. (Jarvis)

DELORIS GOULD (Gould '92) 25" EMRe 5" Sev tetraploid - Beautifully formed gold. (Henry)

DENA MARIE (J. Carpenter '92) 26" MRe 6.75" Dor diploid - One of the most impressive daylilies I have ever seen in a clump. Multiple out-facing blooms of deep rose pink. (Henry)

DOWN HOME (Stamile '93) 26" EMRe 6" Sev tetraploid - Pink with green blend. (Henson)

DRAGON KING (Kirchhoff '92) 22" ERe 5.5" Ev tetraploid - Excellent red, good grower and rebloomer. (Nelson)

ELIZABETH SALTER (J. Salter '90) 22" MRe 5.5" Sev tetraploid - A real classic, pink-peach very ruffled. (Nelson) Full form, great ruffling and repeats three times. (Henry) A non-stop bloomer (Payne) (Henson)

FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS (Stamile '94) 25" LRe Ev tetraploid - Large clear pink flower on a terrific scape. (Henry)

JOHN KINNEBREW (J. Salter '92) 24" MRe 6" Sev tetraploid - Yellow blend. Double (Henson)

MARY FRANCES RAGAIN (J. Carpenter '93) 26" MLRe 6" Sev diploid - Heavily ruffled pink flower of heavy substance. (Henry)

MASK OF TIME (J. Salter '93) 26" ML 6" Sev tetraploid - Rose with plum eye. One of the most striking eyes I have seen. (Henry)

MOONLIT MASQUERADE (J. Salter '92) 26" EMRe 5.5" Sev tetraploid - Cream with purple eye. (Jarvis)

PIRATE'S PATCH (J. Salter '91) 28" EMRe 6" Ev tetraploid - Cream with purple eye. (Henson) (Castlebury)

POETIC VOICE (Stamile '93) 26" MRe 5.75" Sev tetraploid - Beautiful pink color and full form. (Henry)

SECRET SPLENDOR (Salter '91) 25" MLRe 6" Ev tetraploid - Rose self. (Castlebury)

SEMINOLE WIND (Stamile '93) 23" EMRe 6.5" Sev tetraploid - Excellent large beautiful pink. (Nelson) Large flowered clear pink and a good parent. (Henry)

SILKEN TOUCH (Stamile '90) 23" EM 6" Dor tetraploid - Pink self. (Jarvis)

SOMETHING WONDERFUL (J. Salter '91) 28 EMRe 5" Sev tetraploid - Pink with gold edge. (Castlebury)

TEN TO MIDNIGHT (J. Salter '92) 24" MLRe 6" Sev tetraploid - Only large purple I know of with a short scape but also good branching and is fairly sun resistant. (Henry)

TIGERLING (Stamile '89) 25" MRe 3.75" Orange with red eye Dor tetraploid (Castlebury)

TUNE THE HARP (Hansen '94) 26" EMRe 6" Sev diploid - Lavender with purple ruffle. One of the most beautiful daylilies I have seen. (Henry)

VICTORIA'S SECRET (J. Salter '91) 28" MLRe 5.5" Sev tetraploid - Lovely pink double with a large gold edge. (Henry)

VICTORIAN COLLAR (Stamile '87) 24" EM 6.25" Ev tetraploid - A very large and full form gold with heavy substance and a ruffled edge. (Henry)

WITH THIS RING (Salter '95) Nice gold edge and is elegantly presented on its scape. (Henry)

Scott Henry pointed out in his response that the reputation of the hybridizer plays an important role in his purchases. This helps explain why you see such a limited list of hybridizer names on the above list. The breeders have earned a reputation of bringing to market cultivars of distinction and value. Scott also points out that if you want the cultivar and the price is too high, all you have to do is wait a few years. As the supply increases and demand diminishes, market forces will bring down the price. All things come to those who wait.



BETTY WARREN WOODS



CINDY'S EYE



COLLIER



DOWN HOME



TUNE THE HARP

HEMEROCALLIS HOROSCOPES

By I. C. Dimly

♌ Leo - July 23-August 22

You're so vain - you think SIMPLY PRETTY was named after you! You always have to be in the spotlight, don't you. Well after all, you are God's gift to the Daylily Society. Might as well keep planting only eyed daylilies so that all eyes are on you. Too bad they aren't as gorgeous as you are, baby!

♍ Virgo - August 23-September 22

Never let the outside world see the tortured twisted core of your inner self. Keep that charming smile plastered on your face and they'll never suspect that your twisting spider daylilies are a reflection of the beast within. My, how SATAN'S CURLS makes your pulse quicken. And stop pulling the wings off the beneficial insects!

♎ Libra - September 23-October 22

SEX, SEX, SEX; that's all you ever think about. You have a refrigerator full of seed from last year, and you're already planning your crosses for next year. Where do you think you are going to plant them, the back 40!? Stop and take a look at what you can manage. Get a grip! Besides, is WHOPPER FLOPPER really that good of a pollen parent?

♏ Scorpio - October 23-November 21

Your garden and loved ones can survive without you for a while. Get out of your rut and do something different. Wear your belt backwards. Get out of town. Sign up for the Region 6 Meeting in Beaumont (unless you are from Beaumont, then sign up for the AHS Convention in Jacksonville).

♐ Sagittarius - November 22-December 21

It's easy to be a loser, but now you've failed at that. Stop buying daylilies because "they have a pretty name." And stop planting \$25 daylilies in 25¢ holes. Seek out some counsel and heed it. Attend your local Daylily Society meetings and take notes. Review the Region 6 Popularity Poll results.

♑ Capricorn - December 22-January 19

Are you ever going to actually buy a daylily, or are you just going to keep analyzing the catalogs to find the best value? Don't be so cheap. Look up "analysis paralysis" in the dictionary and you'll find a picture of yourself. Throw a dart, write the check, and put it in the mail.

♒ Aquarius - January 20-February 18

If you keep your wellspring of creativity bottled up inside, you'll get a tumor. Let it out. You've already redecorated your house and overwhelmed your stomach with new recipes. How about redesigning your daylily garden. Or, write an article for the Region 6 Newsletter so we won't have to publish this stupid horoscope column again!

♓ Pisces - February 19-March 20

You've always been a believer that "Honesty Is The Best Policy" for other people. Well, there's no fooling the daylilies, or (as you found out) the daylily judges. So get to work. Add some compost to that sorry excuse for soil. The fertilizer doesn't work sitting in the bag. Put in an irrigation system. And pick up your feet!

♈ Aries - March 21-April 19

You've strayed onto the shoulder of the information superhighway. Last month you bought a daylily and a new computer. The daylily looks great, but the computer is already obsolete. Maybe you should spend less time on the AHS home page (<http://www.daylilies.org/daylilies.html>) and more time in your garden. You remember how to find the garden, don't you?

♉ Taurus - April 20-May 20

Your desire to please all the people all the time (driven by your low self esteem) is going to make you crazy and bankrupt. If you order from every daylily hybridizer and nursery owner you have met, because you "don't want to disappoint them," then it will become a race to see if you run out of space or money first. Please others by sharing your daylilies, not by buying from all of them.

♊ Gemini - May 21-June 20

True to your star sign, the twins, you love your double daylilies. This is OK. This is good. But if you don't stop your two-faced ways and your two-timing malaise, your spouse will get the house and the daylilies in the divorce settlement. Stop thinking with your pistil and clean up your act!

♋ Cancer - June 21-July 22

Hello Mr(s). Know-It-All! You're always ready to tell others how to do everything. Why don't you actually do something yourself for a change. If you're as great as you think you are, then volunteer to work at the plant sale. Enter the AHS photography competition. Don't just jabber about it. Get off your assumptions, put on your Nikes, and JUST DO IT!

Sniff, sniff. . . Sniff, sniff. . . Achoo!!

by Rich Rosen, et al

When you hand a normal person (as opposed to a Hemerocallis fanatic such as yourself) a daylily bloom, what is the first thing they do? Put it to their nose and give it a sniff. Anything that beautiful must surely be fragrant, right? Unfortunately, no. Fragrance in daylilies is the exception rather than the rule. If you are like me, you judge the merits of a cultivar based on visual beauty and garden performance. Fragrance is strictly an unexpected bonus.

Just as hybridizing has given us improved forms and colors after years of refinement, fragrance can also be targeted as a goal by daylily breeders. Certainly fragrance is not being ignored by AHS. It is included in registration information for new cultivars (though not very reliable). And the L. Ernest Plouf Consistently Very Fragrant Daylily Award is voted on each year by Garden Judges, but unfortunately for us in the South, the cultivar must be dormant to qualify. So, the question remains, what are the cultivars that catch your nose, as well as your eye, with their sweet perfume? I surveyed a group of Region 6 members to see what set their noses atwitter. Those responding were: Eddie Raye Andrews, Jean Lewis, Sue Jackson, Nell Shimek, and Gene Orgeron.

SWEET SENSATION (Cruse-Nelson '81) 24" EM 4.5" Ev diploid - Is the cultivar that is the most fragrant in my experience, and got two votes in the survey. Eddie Raye says a lovely bloom, does not die, and you can smell it just standing by it. Sue says one of the most fragrant with a very distinct color of cream with purple eye. It reblooms for Sue but not for Eddie Raye.

Others getting one vote apiece:

Sue Jackson also liked **SPARKLING OPAL** (Hansen '86) 22" MLRe Ev diploid - Pink blend and **CLOSER LOOK** (Lambert '71) 30" EM 5" Ev diploid - Cream purple bicolor.



SEDUCTRESS

Jean Lewis noted **GRACELAND** (Morss '87) 28" ERe 6" Ev tetraploid - Lavender with gold edge. Very fragrant. Blooms early and reblooms, multiplies well; **MOTHERS LOVE** (Tarrant '87) 24" EMRe 5.5" Ev diploid - Soft pink, reblooms, multiplies very well; and **SEDUCTRESS** (Gates '79) 18" EMRe 5.5" Ev tetraploid - Lavender with purple halo - my favorite, very dependable in every way.

Nell Shimek recommends **SHIMEK SEPTEMBER MORNING** (Shimek '93) 25" ERe 5" Ev diploid - Peach with rose band, our garden's most fragrant. A visitor passed a mass planting and stopped, going back saying what is that smell, it smells so good, long bloomer, large green throat, good parent.

Gene Orgeron suggests **ELLEN CHRISTINE** (Crochet '87) 23" MRe 7" Sev diploid - Pink blend and **HEATHER HERRINGTON** (Joiner '91) 30" EMRe 6" Ev diploid - Apricot self both fine doubles and very fragrant. **LITTLE FRUIT CUP** (Guidry '88) 20" EERE 4.7" Dor diploid - Cream with rose eye is double at times. Is there a connection between doubleness and fragrance?

Maybe some day the bard will say, "A daylily by any other name would smell as sweet." Well, maybe not.

I'll Always Grow

by Rich Rosen, et al

I was happy to get two more responses to the request for daylilies that "I'll always grow..." as described in the Spring Newsletter. Especially happy because of the two very special Region 6 members that submitted them. If any of you still wish to send me your list of six, I will try to include them in a future Newsletter.



PROMISES PROMISES

Bertie Ferris - Dallas, TX

LULLABY BABY (Spalding '75) - A good grower and a good mother in most of the Region. Brings beautiful memories of Miss Edna Spalding.

LITTLE GRAPETTE (Williamson '70) - My favorite purple from mid May to July.

PROMISES PROMISES (Warner '81) - A fast grower. Looks like a little tree with 25 little pink blooms for two months, and repeats.

RED RIBBONS (Lenington '64) - A beautiful combination of green and red.

HUDSON VALLEY (Peck '71) - A bouquet of yellow sunshine.

WIND FRILLS (Tarrant '78) - I love spider forms.

Joyce Lewis - Murchison, TX

BITSY (Warner '63) - I was scared and apprehensive when I judged my first accredited daylily show in Dallas. But my judging partner, Lucille Warner, taught me that judging a show is both a learning experience and fun as well. After judging, Lucille said, "I want to show you my newest baby," and led me to a single bloom of this tiny little daylily in an aqua pick. "I'm going to name it BITSY." I've judged many a show since then, but I'll never forget that cute little bright daylily nor its hybridizer with her sparkling eyes and a smile that reached ear to ear as she showed it to me.

LADY LUCY (Williamson-Brown '67) - Registered by Edgar Brown and named for one of my favorite hybridizers, Lucille Williamson. My reason for growing this daylily does not involve either the hybridizer or the great lady it is named for, but is probably the most sentimental reason of any I grow and plan to continue growing 'til the day I die.

JOYCE LEWIS (Herrington '89) - Not only because it was named for me, but mostly because it was hybridized by a teenager (Heather) who won her first show award with one of my Hems when she was 11. It's a great feeling to be honored by one so young.

TEXAS SUNLIGHT (Lewis '81) - My best award winning daylily that did better than I had ever expected. I feel this one will not only linger in my own yard, but will remain in other gardens for decades to come.

BLUSHING PRINCESS (Carson-Lewis '72) - My first introduction, but hybridized by Mrs. W. K. Carson, an aunt of mine who introduced me to the world of daylilies in the early '50s. This pink seedling was admired by everyone who visited her garden, but she gave it to me. If it weren't for Aunt Agnes, I would probably not be a Hem nut today, nor have met hundreds of the finest and most friendly people on the face of the earth.

Our Own Regional Treasure

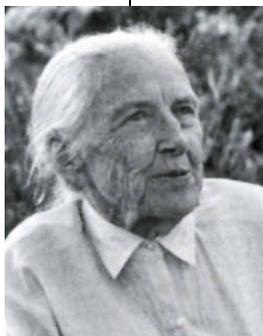
Bertie Ferris

by Kay Day

As we close on this very special year of the American Hemerocallis Society's 50th Anniversary, we have celebrated the Society and some of the living charter members including Mrs. Margaret Kane, San Antonio, Texas. The AHS has many reasons to also celebrate the contributions of a distinguished Region 6 member. While Mrs. Royal Ferris, better known as Bertie or in some groups, Miss Bertie, is not a charter member of the American Hemerocallis Society, she has been an influence in the development of the Society for many years. Currently, she is the appointed Special Chairman, Protocol, and has held a position on the Board since 1963.

Bertie's interest in daylilies was launched as a six year old in her mother's garden. When she had her own home, she had a garden, but the interest intensified after she and her husband moved into the house on Turtle Creek Boulevard in 1949. The next door neighbor gave her a catalog - Dr. Stout's - she still has it. Her husband, Royal Ferris, Junior, told her she could buy some daylilies provided they were red. She knew the road side orange daylily, but thought RED KNIGHT and RED LADY would suit Mr. Ferris' request. From that original purchase her interest grew, just as it does for all of us. Soon after, she was asked to participate in a newly formed club - which eventually became the Daylily Growers of Dallas. The flowers were and are of great interest to Bertie, but it is the people that have kept Bertie involved with the American Hemerocallis Society. Many of us would reverse that: Bertie is one of the primary reasons for our involvement with AHS. A good friend jokingly described Bertie's frequent and numerous phone calls throughout the United States as "her conniving efforts for the AHS." Just ask Mary Anne and Bill Ater about this year's Convention in Denver.

Following the first Dallas daylily show, chaired by



Bertie, Annie T. Giles approached Bertie to join the AHS Board of Directors. Her first assignment was Exhibitions and Exhibition Clinics. Today, this remains her focus. She is not sure how many clinics or students she has taught, but it surely is at least 30% of us throughout the United States and Canada and a greater percentage for those of us in Region 6. A couple of years ago, she was hospitalized for what seemed to be a serious condition. As we discussed the upcoming Dallas show from her hospital bedside, Bertie indicated she would not be there. That possibility was something I was unwilling to pursue; however Bertie quickly clarified her statement. She was teaching a clinic in Mississippi that particular weekend. Since that time she has attended five more AHS Board meetings, at least three Regional Meetings and at least six Exhibition Judges Clinics.

Bertie's first National Convention was in 1958. She has attend almost every one since then and the last 21 for sure. She has also been to most of the Region 6 Meetings. To supplement the Regional Meetings and National Conventions, Bertie and Charlyene Owen would make a month long trip throughout the South visiting the gardens of MacMillan, Spalding, Russell and later Ethel Smith, the Crochets and Sarah Sikes. During one trip to Miss Edna Spalding's, she asked for some of her Crinum Lily, but was politely advised it was not available. The next year she admired Miss Edna's white Rose of Sharon and was also advised it was not available. The following year, she really wanted two of Miss Edna's new introductions LUXURY LACE and DORCAS. Miss Edna offered to sell them for \$25 each. At this price, Bertie thought she should have some soil also - Miss Edna thought the request was outrageous, but for \$25 she gave Bertie the cultivars with soil and even shared the Crinum Lily and white Rose of Sharon. Bertie normally gets her way; after all,

who of us would say no to that sweet smile and those kind eyes.

Bertie has served the AHS and received recognition for that service:

- Revisions to the Judges Handbook in 1964 and 1975
- President in 1969
- Recipient of Helen Field Fischer Medal in 1970
- Various daylilies named after her include Ury Winniford's 1980 Stout Silver Medal winner. BERTIE FERRIS (the daylily) not only represented a color break, but was the first miniature to win the Stout Medal.

Bertie is certainly deserving of all the honors and recognition. She will be the first to share with you the satisfaction the AHS - the Society and its special flower - has brought her. The people, however, keep Bertie here and with us each day. And for that, those of us who are fortunate enough to have her leadership and guidance, thank you.

Board continued

2. Improvement of the Garden Judges and Awards System. A script with slides for judges training is progressing with another Region "testing" the training early next year. A video will also be produced to use in non-bloom season. Additionally, as a result of the change in registration, some changes to the Awards & Honors balloting procedure will be necessary.
3. Improved coordination with the local clubs and the Regions. The committee structure has been changed to allow for better communications with Regional Officers.

My one area of concern is the reported number of Awards & Honors Judges in Region 6 who failed to vote this year. I know that the weather was unusual and that the National Convention was later than usual, but this is an important function and an important responsibility. I would appreciate your comments if the process was the reason for not voting.

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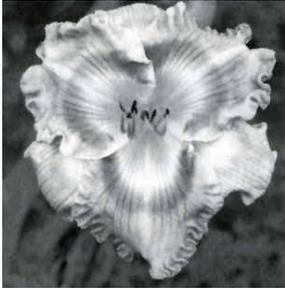
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“In Houston, Texas, bandleader Buddy Brock is so fanatical about the quality of his compost that a neighbor said, ‘I hope I’m never run over in front of Brock’s house. He’d throw me on the compost heap and then boast about what a good source of minerals I was.’”
from *Newsweek*

Recent and Future Introductions of Region 6 Hybridizers

Aileen and Bobby Castlebury's

PINE BRANCH DAYLILY GARDEN Introductions



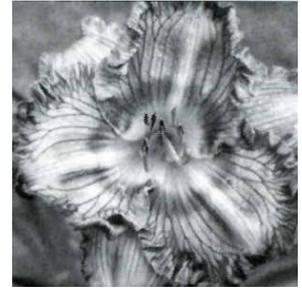
CASTLE CELEBRITY



CASTLE ENCHANTMENT



CASTLE SUNRISE



CASTLE RUFFLED PRIZE

CASTLE CELEBRITY (Castlebury, 1996) 25" EMRe 5 ½" diploid SEV - Pink with rose eyezone and yellow to chartreuse throat - a favorite in our garden. (Future Introduction)

CASTLE ENCHANTMENT (Castlebury, 1996) 24" EMRe 5" SEV tetraploid - Violet with deep violet eyezone and edge - sepals have a cream wire edge that is woven into the deep violet edge on petals - yellow to green throat. (Future Introduction)

CASTLE SUNRISE (Castlebury, 1996) 27" EM 5" diploid - Copper-orange-yellow blend with a small green throat - a bright, showy garden flower. (Future Introduction)

CASTLE RUFFLED PRIZE (Castlebury, 1996) 22' EMRe 6" diploid - Light rose-pink blend with darker halo - white midribs - wine veining - chartreuse throat. (Future Introduction)

CASTLE EXCITEMENT (Castlebury, 1996) 28" EMRe 5 ½" tetraploid - Purple with violet halo and narrow cream edges - yellow to green throat. (Future Introduction)

CASTLE DOUBLE NOSEGAY (Castlebury, 1996) 22" EMRe 2 7/8" diploid - Coral-pink blend - small dark purple halo - chartreuse throat, (Future Introduction)

CASTLE COTTON CANDY (Castlebury, 1996) 23' EMRe 4" diploid - Pink-cream blend - yellow to green throat - reminds me of cotton candy. (Future Introduction)

CASTLE PURPLE FUSION (Castlebury, 1996) 30" EMRe 4 ¾" tetraploid - Pink-cream blend with purple eyezone and edge - yellow to green throat. (Future Introduction)



CASTLE EXCITEMENT



CASTLE DOUBLE NOSEGAY



CASTLE COTTON CANDY



CASTLE PURPLE FUSION



BARBARA BARNETTE



BEAUTIFUL YOU ARE



BI-EYED BABY



LAVENDER BLUE BABY

Jack Carpenter and Josie Bomar's THE LILY FARM Introductions

Our work here at the Lily Farm is progressing well. As you may know, we are now working with both diploids and tetraploids. Since beautiful flowers are abundant in both groups of cultivars, we see no reason to isolate ourselves from the beauty of either group. We have been actively involved in converting some of our diploids to tetraploids for several years, now. The results have been very good for the past year and we have quite a number of new tetraploid seedlings up from this past year's crosses between known tetraploids and our conversions. There will be several thousand tetraploid seedlings to come into bloom next year since they will be two years old. Needless to say it is an exciting time for us being able to see our diploid line merging into the tetraploid realm.

BARBARA BARNETTE is named for the incoming president of the National Council of State Garden Clubs. The cultivar is about 6 ½" and has a wide flat form. The color is a blend of mauve, pink, and peach with nice corduroy and ruffles. There is a large green to yellow throat bounded by a large lavender purple eye. Spring 1997 introduction, diploid. Dormant.

BEAUTIFUL YOU ARE is a 6" flower of rich coral-rose with a tinge of orange throat. The form is round, full, and flat with nice ruffling and crepe texture. Fall 1996 introduction. This cultivar has been brought into the tetraploid line through conversion, diploid. Evergreen.

BI-EYED BABY is a 5 ½" flower of a flesh pink color and interesting eye pattern giving the effect of an eye within and eye. The eye color is purple with additional gray etching lines inward to a

green throat. Fall 1995 introduction, diploid. Dormant.

LAVENDER BLUE BABY is a 5 ½" flower of pure lavender with a large lighter lavender-blue eye. The cultivar is notable for the color of the throat having that hint of blue. The slide picture shown here is of a converted (tetraploid) plant. The tetraploid has a pronounced deeper lavender edge with some of the lighter lavender highlights in the edge, diploid and converted tetraploid. Introduction of diploid will likely be in 1998. Dormant.

MARY JANE CARPENTER is a lavishly full and ruffled 6 ½" cultivar. The color is near-white with rich pink blends on both petals and sepals. The throat is a soft green to chartreuse green. This I consider to be possibly my best cultivar to date. Fall 1997 introduction. Dormant, diploid.



MARY JANE CARPENTER



JCT-93-P.F.



PINK RUFFLED LOVE



PINK SUPER DORMANT



TEXAS WHOPPER STOPPER



TROPICANA TREAT



WAXEN WONDER



JCT-93-"Yellow Knobs"

JCT-93-P.F. is a tetraploid seedling with remarkable color combinations. The overall color is purple and there is a large watermark with veins running through it into the green throat. Petals and sepals have yellow edging. Fall 1997 introduction. tetraploid. Evergreen.

PINK RUFFLED LOVE (B-94-P.R.P.) This is a seedling of Josie Bomar's. The slide is not too good. This cultivar is a soft pink with a rose halo. The form is very full and round and flat with slight recurving. Introduction in 1998, diploid. Dormant.

PINK SUPER DORMANT is a tetraploid of full round form and very heavy substance. Scapes are one inch in diameter where arising from the crown and well branched. The cultivar is from BRONWYN x tetra PINK BEACON. Plants have tremendous vigor. Flowers are 6". Spring or Fall 1997 introduction. Dormant.

TEXAS WHOPPER STOPPER is an extremely large and showy apricot gold color. Eight inch diameter blooms are normal with some blooms having been 9" at times. Remarkably impressive for size and full overlapping form with 3" wide sepals. Substance is quite heavy. Green throat. Introduction in 1998, diploid. Evergreen. This plant has been brought into the tetraploid line through conversion.

TROPICANA TREAT is a vibrant hot coral rose color. The flowers are 7" in diameter. The slide shown here is a conversion to tetraploid and has an orange tinge suffused throughout the hot coral pink unlike the diploid counterpart. Pollen from the conversion has set seeds well on known tetraploids and many seedlings are growing from these crosses. The diploid was released Fall 1995, diploid and tetraploid.

WAXEN WONDER is an extremely flat flower. The throat is extremely large and green to yellow bounded by a silvery-gray-lavender eye which separates the throat from the purple petals and sepals. Notable purple veins traverse from the petals and sepals inward across the eye and into the throat. The 6" flowers are of the heaviest wax-like substance and remarkably flat with no more than a one inch deep throat. Fall 1996 introduction, diploid. Evergreen. This plant has been brought into the tetraploid line through conversion.

JCT-93-"Yellow Knobs" is an attention getter! The tetraploid seedling is a lovely soft pink color with nice green throat. There is a nice bubbly, knobbed edge of yellow on the petals. The flower bloomed three times here, tetraploid. Evergreen.

Introductions of JOYCE LEWIS

TEXAS PEACHES - (#10-15-B-3, 1995) Introduced 1996



TEXAS PEACHES

TEXAS BABY PUMPKIN - (#9-14) 20" Tall, 2 1/2" bloom. To be introduced in 1997.



TEXAS BABY PUMPKIN

Region 6 1997 Plant Auction

It's time once again to plan what daylilies you would like to donate for the 1997 plant auction to be held at the Regional Meeting in Port Arthur. The Gulf Coast Daylily Society will be the host for our Regional. Your Region depends on this plant auction for a large part of its operating expenses, so if you enjoy your Newsletter and the other things our Region does, please donate to next Spring's Plant Auction.

If you are able to bring your donation to the auction, please do so. If you would prefer to have the purchaser receive a card to mail to you for Fall delivery, that is preferred by some. OR if you would like to send the plant to us early in March for us to pot and take to the auction, please let us know. **Either way, please donate!** Also, please take a slide of your donation. When there is a

picture of the daylily on the screen during the bidding, the bids are higher. Please have your donation total over \$25 (either single plant or collection).

Please mail your donation information to Zak Jackson by April 15. Everyone likes to have a printout of all the cultivars in the auction - this can only be done correctly when the information is received in time to put it into the computer and have the list printed. All suggestions or questions are welcome.

ZAK JACKSON
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JEAN DUNCAN

on the way up...

CLEARWATER, FLORIDA - We mere mortals who only grow daylilies as a hobby, tend to look at the daylily hybridizers as so many gods, practicing their craft in the Elysium daylily fields on Mount Olympus. Over time there is some turnover in the pantheon, as new names ascend in prominence, and others fade away. One of the lesser gods came to our attention in the AHS anniversary book *Daylilies, A Fifty Year Affair*. She is Jean Duncan, and the photographs of her stunning new registrations TIVOLI NIGHTINGALE, AZURE VIOLETS, CALLIE KAISER, and CRESTED GOLD SURF raised a few eyebrows.

Most of us in Region 6 are unfamiliar with Jean Duncan. I had the privilege to meet Jean two years ago when Anna Marie and I visited Florida for the Orlando AHS Convention. I was in Tampa on business in April and she was kind enough to grant an interview. I think you will enjoy learning a little more about the woman and her work.

Jean grew up in Tampa and learned to appreciate hard work and the beauty of flowers at an early age. Her dad built a beautiful brick home himself. Her mother and the whole family worked on the extensive garden with a large collection of Camellias, Hibiscus, and many kinds of fruit trees. Before she could go play, little Jean had to pick a bucket of weeds. This many hours of being “up close and personal” with the garden instilled a fascination with all things growing. She still grows her mom’s original yellow daylilies for the sentimental attachment to her mother, Callie Kaiser.

So Jean has been a gardener her whole life. In the early 1980s, when visiting the family Summer home near Cullowhee, North Carolina, Jean met a daylily grower named Tyson Cathey, who grew many of the early tetraploids. This was her first acquaintance with the wide variety of color and

form that is the modern daylily. Jean was fascinated with the fleetingness of the flowers and bloom season. One must appreciate them while you have them, and so it forces you to pay attention to them. Also, Jean appreciated that daylilies could fend for themselves in North Carolina while she was back home in Florida, unlike most flowers.



Jean’s son David (14) and daughter Laura (10) also enjoy the daylilies and help mom in the garden. They had better, or else become daylily orphans, since Jean’s passion for daylilies has advanced to hybridizing. In 1992, Jean contacted Matthew Kaskel in Homestead, Florida, head of AHS’s “Top Flight” Robin, which focused on state of the art tetraploid breeding. He has provided counsel and guidance since. David Kirchhoff was at the first daylily meeting she attended in 1990 and has also been very helpful. Good teachers and a bright student are yielding results.

Jean likens daylily hybridizing to professional golf: First you read the golf books and watch the training tapes (the AHS publications). Then you buy the best clubs and balls (land, soil, and plants). The next step is actually devoting the time and doing it (planning and making the crosses, keeping records, planting the seeds). Then you find out if you really have an aptitude for the game of golf. This would equate to finding if you really have a discerning eye for what advances the modern daylily. An interesting analogy.

Jean advises:

- 1) Purchase and work with cultivars that THRIVE in your area. If it is a poor grower, then don't struggle with it and weaken your breeding line. For Jean this was initially the Munson tetraploids, but also includes Kirchoff's, Salter's, Stamile's and others.
- 2) Purchase and work with cultivars that appeal to YOUR taste. You must first satisfy your own tastes before you can hope to satisfy others. For Jean this is the round and ruffled, with patterned eyes and edges.
- 3) Consciously work toward hardiness for your own climate and others. Even though she has a Zone 10 garden where evergreens flourish, she intentionally works dormants into her "Jean" pool so they will perform well in other zones.

Using these hybridizing tenets, Jean Duncan's daylily work has progressed rapidly. Her first serious crosses, in 1992, yielded 6,000 tetraploid seeds that bloomed in 1993. Along with subsequent crosses, they resulted in 23 registrations in 1995. In addition to round, ruffled form, Jean is looking for clear, saturated colors, roses and pinks preferred; wide open reflexing throats; high bud count (30 plus); 5" or larger flowers on 30" scapes; and rich blue-green foliage. In addition to her four cultivars previously mentioned, you can see SHIVA and SHEPHERDESS SONG in the Spring 1996 *Daylily Journal*. Other favorites are DANCING EYES (MOON WITCH x ELIZABETH SALTER), a 5" blend of pastel pink on a white base with a darker pastel pink eye, 36 buds on a 30" scape; GOLDEN DIMPLES (EVER SO RUFFLED x BOOGER), heavily ruffled, flat, 5 1/2" brilliant gold flowers on 24" scapes; and ERMINE STAR [(SILVER ICE x BETTY WARREN WOODS) x DARING DILEMMA], round recurved form, ivory with a bold plum eye intersected by a yellow star and a green throat and gold edge, 32" scapes with up to 38 buds. These

cultivars should be ready for introduction in 1998.



ERMINE STAR



GOLDEN DIMPLES

To help support her passion for daylilies Jean has formed Garden Path Daylilies, and a price list can be obtained by writing

P.O. BOX 8524
CLEARWATER, FL 34618

The hybridizing and growing garden is close to home and has room to expand. Truckloads of soil were brought in to improve the garden, and a few large trees provide some shade from the Florida sun. Ospreys have been seen overhead and occasionally swoop down to pluck a rodent from the garden for lunch. This little bit of heaven is home for Jean Duncan, lesser daylily goddess on the way up.

Texas and New Mexico Club News

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

Cal Iskra, Reporter

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO - Summer and the bloom season are now history. After the extremely dry Winter and Spring, we finally had a little rain to clear the skies of dust and ease up on the water requirements of our gardens.

The daylily show at Winrock Mall was a great success. Since the bloom season was early this year, we all worried about the exhibits being scant, but our worries were relieved by a good turnout. Mary and Eddie Gage drove over from Texas to help and several of our members attended judging school. Connie Elmore served as Show Chairman, and she compiled a detailed account of all the necessary actions needed to stage a show, which should be helpful to next year's Show Chairman.

The sale had many nice plants to place into the community to enhance local gardens. The plants left from the sale were potted up to be sold in October at a Council of Albuquerque Garden Clubs sale. October is a little too late for bare root planting in this area. Jim and Courtney Petty were in charge and will also be in charge of the October sale.

July 13 was tour day for our club, and we all visited the gardens of Carolyn Kittredge, Kathryn Neely, and Jim and Courtney Petty. A delicious brunch was served in the Petty's yard.

July 17-20 meant a very enjoyable bus trip to the Denver Convention for many of our members. Mary Ann Moreno did a most appreciated job of organizing the trip.

Walter Wood's home was the action scene on August 3, when we all enjoyed a slide program by

Clarence and Beth Crochet. They showed some of the best new cultivars and gave us some tips on how to hybridize. Our annual plant exchange was held and the new slate of officers presented. Our officers next year will be:

President	Barbara Chang
Vice President	Bob Frasier
Secretary	Estrellita Dimagiba
Treasurer	Art Bova

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

Nell Shimek, Reporter

LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS - Our Club was fortunate enough to take a bus to Denver, Colorado, for our National Convention. The bus rolled out of Alvin early one morning leaving the Shimeks bidding them bye. Not to fret, we (Shimeks) caught up with them in Denver, with a big group of our members there. We enjoyed the Convention gardens, the mountains, along with the warmest hospitality.

The August meeting brought forth slides from Regional and National. We had a big Summer attendance of 61 folks. The much needed rains that did not come in April, came in abundance in August with some of our areas receiving up to 16" for the month.

In September we enjoyed Paula and Leon Payne's seedling slides and a yearly proliferation swap. We miss you, Paula and Leon.

As we were leaving our Brazosport meeting place, Betty Barbato was on hands and knees cleaning our daylily beds in front of the library. These beds are looking good, Thank You, Betty.

As this daylily season ends we eagerly look forward to our next bloom season, along with our

Regional Meeting in Beaumont and our National Convention in Florida. We hope to see all of you next May.

CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY CLUB

Catherine Neal, Reporter

HUMBLE, TEXAS - The Cypress Creek Daylily Club meeting took place on September 22, 1996, at Mercer Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

It was agreed that separating plants by color was a marketing technique enjoyed by the public. Flyers and other media exposure are a must for successful plant sales.

Mary Gage presented a slide program featuring the National Convention in Denver and Region 6 Meeting hosted by the North Texas Daylily Society - Fort Worth.

The officers elected for the term 1996-1997 are:

President	Gene Childers
1st Vice President	Clifford Lee
2nd Vice President	Mary Sizenbach
Recording Secretary	Catherine Neal
Corresponding Secretary	Marilyn Overturff
Treasurer	Billy Lewis

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

Binion Amerson, Reporter

DALLAS, TEXAS - Summer 1996 brought hot temperatures and dry weather during the first half and cooler temperatures and much needed rain during the second half. Our daylilies responded accordingly. Leaves began to turn brown at the tips during early Summer. By late Summer, the daylilies had lush foliage and were looking great. Bloom appeared not to be affected. However, hybridizers reported difficulty in setting seed on most cultivars.

July found a number of Daylily Growers of Dallas members attending the 50th AHS National Convention in Denver, Colorado. Those attending greatly enjoyed meeting daylily enthusiasts from around the world. The tour gardens were spectacular and the workshops, seminars, meetings, auction, and banquet were wonderful.

Inspired by the wonderful tour gardens and the many daylily cultivars viewed during the 1996 AHS Region 6 Meeting and the 50th AHS National Convention, many members added new daylily gardens and expanded old flower beds over the Summer. And, a number of members ordered new daylilies to fill these new and expanded daylily beds.

During August, we held our second annual "Summer Picnic" in the AHS Display Garden of Bonnie and Hooker Nichols. Members and friends

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Beaumont, Texas 77707
409-835-4322

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Bill & Mary Anne Ater
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Austin, TX 78731-1504
512-345-3225

Carolyn's Gardens
Carolyn Mersiovsky
1616 Golden Valley Lane
La Grange, TX 78945
409-242-3713

Franklin's Daylily Farm
Franklin Krampota
4103 Tumbleweed
Baytown, TX 77521-3534

Fults Garden Shop
Bertha Fults
Route 2 Box 276
Alto, TX 75924
409-858-4995

Heartland Gardens
Sue & Zak Jackson
Route 3, Box 3086
Cleveland, TX 77327

Hillcrest Gardens
Bonnie & Hooker Nichols
3365 Northaven Road
Dallas, TX 75229
214-352-2191

Hughes Daylily Garden
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Mansfield, TX 76063
817-478-8144

Lone Oak Daylily Garden
Route 4 Box 631
Livingston, TX 77351
409-685-4698

Hurst Park Daylily Garden
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25150 Gosling
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409-233-3839

Ury Winniford
7122 Hazel Road
Dallas, TX 75217

When in these fresh mornings I go into my garden before anyone is awake,
I go for the time being into perfect happiness.
In this hour divinely fresh and still, the fair face of every flower
salutes me with a silent joy that fills me with infinite content;
each gives me its color, its grace, its perfume,
and enriches me with the consummation of its beauty”

CELIA THAXTER (1835-1894)

**Seventh Annual AHS Region Ten
Mid-Winter Symposium
January 31 - February 2, 1997
Chattanooga Choo-Choo Holiday Inn - Chattanooga, TN**

- PROGRAM -

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1997

1:00 to 4:00 Visit the Greenhouse at
Chattanooga Daylily Gardens
1:00 Internet Group and Hospitality
The Gallery Meeting Rooms
6:30 Go to Dinner as a Group (Not
Included)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1997

10:00 a.m. Car Pool to Lines Orchids
1:00 p.m. Internet Group and Hospitality
The Gallery Meeting Rooms
5:30 p.m. Build Your Own Sandwich
(Included)
Cash Bar

The Hybridizing Programs of:

6:00 Mike Longo - California
Pat and Grace Stamile - Florida
David Kirchoff & Mort Morss -
Florida
Bob Carr - Florida
7:40 **Managing a Hybridizing
Program From Miami to New
York** Dan Trimmer - New York
Matthew Kaskel - Florida
8:20 **Daylilies and Gardens of
Region 8**

Patricia Loveland - Oregon

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1997

8:30 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**
Jay Turman, RVP - Tennessee
8:40 **From the AHS**
Earlene Garber, AHS President
8:55 **A Trip Through AHS Display
Gardens**

Dan Trimmer - New York
Stretch Break

9:40 **The South-End of a North-
Bound Horse: Road-Apples in
the Garden of Eden**

10:00 Melanie Mason - New York
10:30 **Tetrifing Daylilies and Other
Forms of Plant Abuse**
Sheldon D. Nelson - Utah

Polyteps

Bobby Baxter

11:30 **Daylilies and Gardens of
Region 15**
Raymond L. Smith - North
Carolina

12:00 Lunch on your own

1:30 **The Next Generation: From
Seed to Bloom at the Speed of
Light**

William A. Potter - Illinois
Dr. Arnel D. Potter - Illinois

2:30 **Daylily Forum -Questions and
Answers**

Kirchoff, Mason, Petit, Potter

3:15 Stretch Break

3:45 **Daylilies and Gardens of Region 7**

Mike Longo - California

4:15 **Slides of 1996 Introductions**

Jay Turman - Tennessee

5:00 Adjourn - Region 10 Business
Meeting

SATURDAY EVENING

6:15 p.m. Reception Cash Bar

7:00 Dinner (Included)

8:00 Auction

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1997

8:15 a.m. **Daylilies and Gardens of Region 4**

Melanie Mason - New York

8 45 **DIRT: What's In It For Me: A**

Daylily's Point of View

Sheldon D. Nelson - Utah

9:15 **Using Modern Techniques to**

**Create an Automated Maintenance
Free Garden**

Ted Petit - Florida

9:45 Stretch Break

10:15 **Pauline Henry: New Directions**

Robert R. Clary - Virginia

11:00 **What The Future Holds**

Bob Carr - Florida

12:00 Adjourn

12:15 **Exhibition Judges Clinic, Part 1
Garden Judges Workshop**

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REGISTRATION FORM

Region 10 Mid-Winter Symposium

January 31 - February 2, 1997

List names as you want them on your name badge

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone No. (____) _____

Names of others who will attend) _____

Number of people to visit Lines Orchids? _____

Number planning to go to dinner Thursday? _____

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brought homemade dishes and everyone had a great time eating hamburgers and other goodies. Of course, everyone enjoyed talking about various daylily subjects. A few cultivars were still in bloom, making the luncheon setting even more pleasing.

The September meeting featured slides and video of daylilies in the various tour gardens of the recent AHS Region 6 Meeting. Binion Amerson furnished the slides and Ron Cohea produced the video. The meeting was well attended by both members and guests. A Nominating Committee was elected for selecting next year's officers. Election of officers was held during the October meeting. Our Fall Daylily Sale was October 12 at North Haven Gardens where we made over \$1900!

Eloise Koonce, 1998 AHS Region 6 Meeting Chairman, announced that the 1998 AHS Region 6 Meeting will be held June 4-6, 1998. Kay Day was appointed Registrar. All Region 6 hybridizers are asked to send 1998 Awards Bed plants to Aileen Castlebury, Pine Branch Daylily Garden, Route 1, Box 93, Brookston, TX 75421. Bertie Ferris, Chairman of the Guest Plant Committee, requests that Guest Plants be sent to Eloise Koonce, 447 Crestover Circle, Richardson, TX 75080. Tour gardens for this event will be hosted by Binion Amerson, Diane Taylor and Barron Bozeman, Aileen and Bobby Castlebury, Barbara and Ron and Cohea, Diane and Robert Land, and Bonnie and Hooker Nichols.

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

Jeanne McNutt, Reporter

TYLER, TEXAS - We're a few days into Fall now and the weather is fantastic - clear blue skies, puffy white clouds and cooler nights. The grass won't need to be mowed as often, but there are plants outdoors that need to be cleaned up, repotted, and brought in to spend the Winter in the house. Winter is enjoyable because there is time again to read old *Journals*, Newsletters, and

daylily catalogs. In my mind there will be pictures of all the lovely things that should bloom in the Spring. When that time comes around next year I'll get to see my first seedlings bloom. Now I realize this is old stuff for lots of you, but have patience with me. I'm learning as fast as I can soak up all the knowledge handed down to me. Seems like I still have to make my own discoveries and mistakes, though. For instance; some sort of varmint has eaten off all the roots from two of my seedlings. The top just wilted, turned yellow, and fell over dead in a couple of days. Reminds me of the time I was growing Crowder peas in that garden and watched as a whole plant was slowly pulled down into the ground by a pesky gopher. But this time there was no sign of that happening. But, to me, my garden looks so much better now than what it did when I joined this club two years ago and began to take daylilies seriously.

I have to tell you this personal thing: At the Regional I took the Introductory Training Clinic I, and after what seemed a long time, I was notified that I passed. I was thrilled and had to tell someone. This person that I told said to me that to his knowledge, no one had ever failed that test. However, I'll just say that no one should ever fail because the instructors gave us so much information before the test began that surely no one who listened could fail. But, it was no lead-pipe cinch, either. If you haven't taken this Clinic I, you might ought to and you'll learn a lot.

Our group has been busy through the Summer with meetings, visiting gardens, and traveling to far away places. We had a good time at our flower show and plant sale, and are now going into Fall, finalizing plans for the seminar.

Its going to be a wonderful, exciting day, and I'm looking forward to it. We all hope many of you will be able to join us and have the opportunity to meet and talk with Pat and Grace Stamile, Davis Guidry and the other guest speakers.

East Texas held our plant sale near the daylily beds that our original group of members planted in the Tyler Municipal Rose Garden years ago. We

had named cultivars, as well as some very nice seedlings from Snooks Harville to sell. Lots of people came beginning at 8 a.m. and they were continuing to come until we sold out after lunch. We did a good bit of advertising in the Tyler area newspapers and it helped to bring the buyers to the sale. And, too, the people around here have learned that we have a Spring and Fall plant sale and plan for it. This year I have been building a card file of names and addresses of those who attend the sales. Shortly after the Fall plant sale I sent cards out telling them about our seminar to encourage them to come and learn more ways to grow and enjoy their new daylilies.

Now this year is coming to a close. It has been such a short year, or so it seems, and with something to do everyday. I just never can say that I'm caught up, or lack for things to do inside and outside the house. I wonder if it's like that with all folks who grow flowers, especially daylilies.

Our nominating committee has been selected and they are busily working on getting together a good slate of officers for 1997. It may be that this is my last club report. If so, I want to thank all of you who read my reports and to wish you all the best for the Holidays. I hope all your dreams come true in 1997. See you at the Regional in May.

GOLDEN SPREAD DAYLILY SOCIETY

Annie Weinreich, Reporter

AMARILLO, TEXAS - Late Summer brought a flurry of daylily activities to the Texas Panhandle. Interesting meetings at members' homes were followed by plans to revamp our Kate Graham Daylily Garden at the Amarillo Garden Center. We edged the entire garden with STELLA DE ORO and other short border plants, and replanted seven of the nineteen bays by color, height, and bloom season. Our "5-year plan" to redo that garden was accelerated into a "3-year plan."

This project provided us with almost 1000 daylily divisions for our September 14 sale. One buyer purchased nearly 100 of our plants for placement

in shopping center gardens around the city. Since the daylily has been the official flower of Amarillo for 50 years, we are delighted to have such public exposure of our favorite flower in Amarillo mall gardens.

The terrible drought here in the Panhandle has finally broken. We had less than 1/4" of moisture in over 8 1/2 months. Since mid-June, however, we have had more rain than normal and the snails are having a heyday. Anyone who is interested in mass producing escargot, let me know.

Our final meeting, as well as a covered dish luncheon, will be held at my home October 27. We will review our past busy year and plan for 1997.

Visitors and new members are always welcome to join us. We generally meet at 2 p.m. the fourth Sunday from February through October. Contact the Amarillo Garden Center at 806-352-6513 for specific meeting information.

GULF COAST DAYLILY SOCIETY

Rita Lege, Reporter

BEAUMONT, TEXAS - The first cold front of the season will be here by September 29th as I write this article. I find it hard to believe that our wonderful Daylily Season for 1996 is already behind us. I have seedlings coming along and when everything dries up, after almost 5 inches of rain just today, I will begin getting my daylily beds ready for our Region 6 Meeting here, *A Touch of Heaven in '97*. My yard will be on tour along with many of our club members. I am in charge of the door prizes and I can say I have had an overwhelming response from the local businesses and there will be quite a few nice door prizes. The fun and good times will be May 22-24. Mable Nelson, Chairman, reminds everyone there will be a silent plant auction, a plant sale, and the Regional auction on Saturday afternoon. Also there will be plenty of good food and fun! Mable invites everyone to be down for *A Touch of Heaven in '97*.

Our Fall plant sale was October 12 at the Central Mall in Port Arthur.

Our next meeting will be December 14 at the Groves Senior Citizens Center. Our National President, Earlene Garber, will be our guest speaker. Everyone interested is invited.

We are looking forward to seeing all our Daylily friends from all over soon. If you have plants for the awards and honors beds send them to Marie Dattalo, 2229 Patricia, Port Neches, TX 77651. Please call before mailing since it is late. Marie's phone number is 409-721-5466.

HOUSTON AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

Martha Gayle, Reporter

HOUSTON, TEXAS - The members of HADS are congratulating ourselves. When Carolyn Jackson, President, asked at the September meeting how many had mailed in the Region 6 Popularity Poll ballot, over two-thirds responded with a yes. Nell Crandall spurred us on by making copies of the ballot from the Newsletter and handing them out at the August meeting. Nell pointed out that with such a large membership, Region 6 should have a much better response. Hopefully by next year, each club in our Region will make this participation a top priority.

This Fall, our club voted to contribute to the Texas A&M Horticultural Studies Scholarship Fund. One deserving student was selected from a list of 12 applicants by a HADS committee, chaired by Lee Gormon. We have already received a letter of gratitude from the student whose text books were provided by our donation.

The July program was a slide presentation of Region 6 AHS Tour Gardens by Scott Henry and Mary Gage. Catherine Neal presented a slide program in August entitled "Daylily Information Around the World."

With so many members now participating in garden and daylily photography, the September

program was of special interest. Logan Rimes, who works in a professional photo lab and who also grows and photographs daylilies, gave a most informative talk entitled "Making Great Slides of our Daylilies." His slides showed how different f-stops affect the depth of field. We learned how to use reflectors and diffusers to cut down on contrast. He suggested the use of a "gray card" on the first picture of a roll to clue the developer as to the correct color. Logan prefers slide film to print film because the color is usually truer. Someone asked him after the talk if he was kin to LeAnn Rimes, the 14 year old Country and Western singer who is now a big star, and he said, "it's possible." The last half of the program was a slide show of the National AHS Tour Gardens presented by Mary Gage. It was a special treat for those of us who were unable to go to Denver for the Convention.

HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Ann Buckingham, Reporter

HOUSTON, TEXAS - Our first meeting since May was held on Thursday, September 26. Many exciting things are going on.

Saturday, October 5, our Fall plant sale was held at Tea's Nursery, a large and popular nursery where we have the opportunity to introduce our flower to gardeners who don't know it or to others who remember only the yellow and orange ones their Grandmother's may have grown.

We have hand-out educational material available; *Basic Guide To the Culture of Daylilies*, a picture describing parts of a daylily, source lists containing names of members of all four local daylily clubs who sell daylilies commercially, and *Dining with Daylilies - a Cookbook*. All are free except the cookbook cost is \$1.00. (Proceeds go to HHS). We'll also have a demonstration on how to plant daylilies as well as posters about the history of the daylily. Publications of our last four Region 6 Newsletters and last four AHS *Journals* will be displayed to encourage membership in local and National groups.

A daylily auction was held at our October 24, meeting. Over 100 plants were auctioned. Some were from Daylily World (Kirchhoff and Morss), Ladybug Beautiful (Ra Hansen), Rollingwood (Salter) and those donated by club members.

On Saturday, December 14, we'll have our catered Christmas Party. I'd like to share with you a game we play. Everyone brings a daylily valued at \$10 or more. We arrange our chairs in a big circle with the plants and other items in the center. A list of numbers is made to match the number of people attending and everyone draws a number from the box. The program chairman (PC) #1 takes the plant from the PC and reads the name of the plant. The PC then calls #2. #2 may take the plant from #1 or the PC. If #2 takes the plant from #1 then #1 gets the plant from the PC and calls out its name. As each number is called, they have a choice of taking the plant from anyone who has one or from the PC. If someone's plant is taken, they can only take the one from the PC and not from someone else. This continues until the highest number has a turn. Then, #1 gets a chance to exchange their plant (or item) with anyone. End of game (not knowing what you are getting or giving up from the PC is lots of fun).

We hope to attend the Region 6 Meeting which will be hosted by our neighbors, Gulf Coast Daylily Society, in May, 1997.

Plans are also being discussed concerning AHS National Convention in Jacksonville/Lake City, Florida. May 14-18, 1997.

Finally, after such a long dry spell, the rains have come and the daylilies responded, just in time to dig, line-out, donate to plants sales, or to share with friends.

If you would like a copy of *Dining With Daylilies - A Cookbook*, send \$1.50 to me (cost plus postage) - Ann Buckingham, 7115 Shelber, Houston, TX 77055-5209 - and I will mail it right away. Come visit us when you can. Times and location are inside the back cover of this Newsletter.

LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY

Nell Shimek, Reporter

ALVIN, TEXAS - The Alvin Senior Citizen's building is our new (permanent) meeting place. It is located at 309 West Sealy, adjoining the Alvin Police Station. We are excited to be able to meet there and have been approved through December, 1997.

There were many of our Lone Star members who attended the National Convention in Denver, the members who did not go were able to see the wonderful slide program put together by Dan Trimmer on our Society's National Display Gardens, with which Texas has been well represented, having 15 of these gardens in our Lone Star State. If you have not seen this program offered by our National Society I recommend it.

At our August meeting we viewed slides taken by Nell Shimek of Regional and National. I want to say a big THANK YOU to all of these garden hosts and hostesses for all of the hard work put into the tours. Everything was beautiful with each garden showing its uniqueness and the personality of the owner.

We have had our September program with attendance up once again. This time we did something different; we divided ourselves into groups and interviewed each other, trying to get to know each other better. Questions asked were: How did your interest in gardening start?, How long have you grown daylilies?, What is your garden size?, etc. We had a proliferations swap, and Doris Rome brought her video of Paula and Leon Payne's garden that was featured on the Eyes of Texas on the Saturday before our meeting. I loved getting to see their garden on that program and sharing with the public our favorite flower. An added attraction was Nelma Martin's "Daylily Collectibles" which were for sale.

Our plant sale was on October 12 at Baybrook Mall in Houston. We were excited to be able to have our sale there, as it is a prime location. Cary

Sheffield was instrumental in getting us space at this Mall. Thank you, Cary.

We are looking forward to our October meeting which is going to be our club's first auction. We have ordered daylilies from Rollingwood in Florida to be on sale at this auction, with members bringing what they would like to donate.

NACOGDOCHES DAYLILY SOCIETY

Sue Casper, Reporter

NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS - Here it is the first week of September and I have had daylilies blooming every day since May. I've had better rebloom this year than ever before. I counted 10 buds on one scape of MOUNTAIN VIOLET this morning. ARTISTIC MASTERPIECE has had a bloom every day for a month. Also blooms on PARDON ME, FAIRY TALE PINK, ROSIE MEYER and several others. It's nice having reminders of why we work so hard.

Rich (Rosen), I was so glad to read in your article that your garden is never quite finished. I thought maybe this crazy Nacogdoches bunch was the only one that keeps changing things. I don't know about the rest, but I'm about ready to stop these heavy-duty projects. I've just plowed up an area where the chinch bugs killed the grass and turned it into flower beds, walkways and sitting area. Maxine has a new area marked off to get ready for more daylilies. Delores has a half finished Rose arbor. Betty's ready to start laying a new cobblestone walk. Barnee (Jean Barnhart) said she didn't have to plow new beds, the armadillos do it for her. At last count she had killed about 20 this year. Ask her sometime how she almost took a finger off eliminating one. Jean Consford said she doesn't even like the phase "Work in Progress" anymore.

Eight of us went to the Regional in Fort Worth and had a great time. My roomies were Norma and Barnee who stayed up nearly all night watching the planes land and take off at DFW. Doesn't take

much to make some people happy. Those of you at the Regional saw Barnee all dressed up and looking pretty (that girl cleans up real well).



Rich Rosen and Jean Barnhart at the
Region 6 Meeting in June

Keeping the road hot is the only way we get to rest from pulling weeds, so it was off to Beaumont to the Garden Judges Clinic and then over to Southeast Louisiana for their August meeting. Mary and Eddie Gage gave a really good slide show and brought several daylilies as door prizes. We went on over to Donald and Nita Copenhaver's - they had everything looking so good.

We are starting plans for the Regional in 1999, which we will host. We have to say a great big **Thank You** to Jack Carpenter who has so generously donated plants for us to grow for table sales and bus plants. So make plans now to come in 1999 because you'll get a new Jack Carpenter daylily! We visited his farm when things were really blooming. As usual he has some really outstanding things. One new one had so many colors it was almost obscene.

A group from our club plans on going to Tyler for their seminar in November. The program sounds wonderful. We've found a neat little nursery close to Tyler, the Blue Moon Herb Farm. They have all kinds of perennials, herbs, and gifts - like birdhouses, watering cans, statuary, etc. Makes for a really fun day for gardeners.

As space permits I'd like to introduce our club members. I'll start with our senior member, Mary

Worth Bolin. Mrs. Bolin has been collecting daylilies for many years and has some real nice older ones. She said he remembers buying top of the line daylilies for 35 cents a fan, except for Spalding's which were 39 cents. Her favorite is what's blooming at the time (Ha!). Right now KING HAIGLAR has been showing off. Barnee gave her LADY IN QUESTION this year and she has really enjoyed it. Mrs. Bolin began her teaching career in 1948 at Kingsville. She then taught at Robstown, Lasara, Rosenberg and then Garrison where she retired in 1990. Her daughter, Jackie Timmons, is also a member of our club and a gardener. She enjoys her two grandsons, Collin and Byron, and reading. A real history buff she loves old towns, buildings, etc. and has been known to take off exploring.



Nacogdoches member - Mary Worth Bolin

As Jean Consford says: Having a garden is like having a husband, you have to work with what you have.

NORTH TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

Jean Durkee, Reporter

FORT WORTH, TEXAS - North Texas Daylily Society elected its nominated officers in August by acclamation. They are:

President	Hooker Nichols
1st Vice President, Programs	Bonnie Nichols
2nd Vice President, Membership	Vernon Wallis
3rd Vice President, Publicity	Kathy Blikken
4th Vice President, Treasurer	Shirlene Holt
Secretary	Carol Plowman

Many thanks to Shirlene and Gene Holt for opening their home to our meeting with an ice cream social for this special August meeting.

September, as always, was our installation of officers and the annual Bingo For Daylilies, called by our good friend from the Fort Worth Iris Society, Joe Conrad. Even I won some!

Chaired by Gene Holt, our 1996 Daylily Sale was held on Saturday, October 5. Our sales seem to have increased due to the publicity we NTDSers have generated for this marvelous plant since we got together.

Columnists, unless political, are not supposed to be other than impersonal, but for once, other than about daylilies, I am going to be personal and wish our outgoing President, Dottie Morris, the best. You carried us through a time of *Eyes Upon Us* with savoir faire.

SAN ANTONIO DAYLILY SOCIETY

Alan Humphreys, Reporter

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS - There are still a few daylilies blooming in my garden (in late September). One of the frequent rebloomers is Lucille Williamson's LITTLE ORANGE BIRD. EUROPA, the old-fashioned orange, too, has been reblooming, even in all the San Antonio heat.

I have just sent in two Fall orders; one for several new daylilies and the other to Mable Nelson for some of her exciting tetraploid seeds. The gardener's watch-word is hopefulness. Even with such a hot Summer and the loss of daylilies, plans for next Spring's blooms are well underway.

After many delays, mostly because of heat and drought, the Daylily Display Garden at the San Antonio Botanical Gardens is ready for planting. We received a call just a few weeks ago letting us know that the soil preparation, the garden watering system and the pathways are complete. Ms. Bobbye Manion, our Newsletter Editor and Ms. Lois Bready, our President will be overseeing the planting which is scheduled for October 19. We should have good turnout of volunteers because this is our most important project for the year.

At our September 15 meeting, Leonard Marshall, our Vice President, spent some time discussing potential programs for the coming year. Among the suggestions were: insect control, how to treat daylilies on receipt from growers prior to planting, the complexities of tissue culture, and two every-year favorites, successful hybridization, and slides and videos of recently introduced cultivars.

And, finally, we decided on a site and a date for our Third Annual Daylily Show. It will be held at Central Park Mall, May 25, 1997. We cordially invite anyone interested in daylilies to visit our show and enter daylilies in the display. We particularly encourage all members of Region 6 to visit.

On the Road to Florida

With the AHS National Convention in Jacksonville/Lake City, Florida, May 15-17, 1997, many of us will head to Florida and Southern Georgia to see some of the best grown daylilies in the world. In addition to the official gardens on tour, the area has a number of other gardens to visit. Thanks to Region 12's Editor, we have a listing of some of those Florida gardens. This listing is not meant to be complete, but simply to provide you with some options. Please call the garden owner if you plan to visit. Note: Area Codes are subject to change.

LePetit Jardin
Ted & Susan Petit
P.O. Box 55
McIntosh, FL 32664-0555
52-591-3227

Lily Pad
Reggie Scott
14136 76th Street
Live Oak, FL 32060
904-364-1537

Garden Path
Jean Duncan
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813-442-4730

Bee Pond
Loria Goldston
1008 Bee Pond Dr.
Palm Harbor, FL 34683
813-785-9426

Bob Carr
9900 NW 115th Ave
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904-629-3081

Ladybug Beautiful
Ra & Dan Hansen
857 Leopard Trail
Winter Spring, FL 32708
305-699-0172

Jarin de Jemelina
Jim & Emelina Harvey
5341 Locksley Ave
Orlando, FL 32801
407-298-2161

Mission Bells
Pierre & Mary Thomas
2001 Bowman Rd
Springhill, FL 34610
904-799-0958

Daylily World
David Kirchhoff & Mort Morss
P.O. Box 1612
Sanford, FL
407-211-3034

Floyd Cove
Grace & Pat Stamile
725 Longwood Markham Rd
Sanford, FL 32772-1612
407-324-9229

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Mike & Kathy Chenet
777 General Hutchison Pkwy
Longwood, FL 32750-3705
407-8315430

Brookwood Gardens (South)
Leo Sharp
5421 Mt. Plymouth Rd
Apopka, FL
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Lake Helen, FL 32744-2033
904-228-3010

Rollingwood
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21234 Rollingwood Trail
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904-589-8765

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Thursday, May 22

Exhibition Judges Clinic II

Thursday, May 22

Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic

Thursday, May 22

Garden Judges Workshop

Friday, May 23

Clinic Times will be announced in the Spring Newsletter.

Cost is \$5 per clinic to be paid at the clinic. DO NOT include clinic fees with registration fee.

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HOLIDAY INN PARK CENTRAL

2929 Jimmy Johnson Boulevard

Port Arthur, TX 77642

Phone: 409-724-5000

FAX: 409-724-7644

Please make motel reservations directly with the motel. Room rates are \$54 per night. To obtain this rate, state that you are attending the DAYLILY MEETING. A block of rooms is being held until May 8th. After that date, reservations will be made on a space available basis.

Registration Form

American Hemerocallis Society Region 6 Meeting

May 22-24, 1997

NAME(S): _____

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23614 Megan
Spring, TX 77373, 713-353-9483
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Mercer Arboretum and Botanical Gardens, Humble

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Dallas, TX 75225,
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