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May 27-29, 1999

Region 6 Meeting
Nacogdoches, TX

June 17-19, 1999

AHS National Convention
Oklahoma City, OK

June 25-27, 1999

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WHAT'S IN OUR SPRING NEWSLETTER?

Bill Ater will have information for the readers on the history and progress of the San Antonio Daylily Society.

Mary Ann Moreno will continue her research on "What five daylilies will you always keep in your garden?"

Jean Consford will have information on the garden tours and other activities at the Region 6 Meeting in Nacogdoches, Texas.

An interesting report from **Alan Humphreys** and the San Antonio Daylily Society on which daylilies their club members like and why.

A congratulatory list from **Sharon Umphress** of the AHS members who voted in the Popularity Poll.

Sue Jackson has arranged for more articles about "People Who Have Been Influential In My Life With Daylilies."

Rich Rosen and Bonnie Nichols will write about judging daylilies and how to show a winner.

LETTER FROM SUE JACKSON, RVP

This has been a very interesting stamina testing Summer. All of us have experienced conditions this year that we have not had in many years. The heat, temperatures and the absence of rain has taken its toll on our patience, but much worse, on our plants. In our area we have lost ancient Oaks and Magnolias, huge Azaleas and different foliage plants. Many of us have lost a large number of daylilies and I bemoan the loss of some expensive and old loves that I have grown for years.



Because of conditions this Summer, the Board has decided not to have the Mail in Auction this Fall. I have had a very limited response for donations. The responses that I have received have been greatly appreciated. I will be asking each of you to hold these donations for the Regional auction and please add to your donation. Most of the comments that I received and shared with the Board Members were, "I have lost plants that I would have donated," or "I'm afraid that if I donated something for Spring delivery I might lose it during the Winter because of the stress and not be able to ship in the Spring." We felt that since we had such an outstanding Regional auction in Plano we could wait until the next Regional and make it just as outstanding. Please, while cleaning beds and dividing plants, put aside several plants to donate for the auction in Nacogdoches. If each of you donate one plant, just think of the wonderful auction we could have. Warren Goza will be your Auction Chairman. Please give him your support.

I have asked several people to write articles on "the most influential person in regard to your daylily mania." The first of two these articles are included in this Newsletter. If you have someone you would like to tell us about please send me your article. We all would like to know how someone else got to this crazy state of mind.

Thanks to everyone who has written articles for the Newsletter. Each of us has talents to share either with our clubs or with the Region. If you have any ideas that would benefit the Region, please send them. This is your Region. Please get involved. The e-mail Robin (AHS) had a Popularity Poll and a Stout Medal Poll. Several people felt they did not grow enough daylilies to contribute. Several felt they could not grow the newer cultivars, so therefore they could not vote, and others "just did not care." All parts of AHS are important. The Region needs Garden Judges and Exhibition Judges. This means a little commitment on each of our part, but it is rewarding and helps us broaden our daylily knowledge.

This past Labor Day my seven-year-old granddaughter was is a very bad automobile accident. As a result she will be wearing a body brace for the next three months. When we had our last long talk about the accident she told me, "God was really taking care of me that day." Sometimes in our rush to get things done and accomplish everything, we forget the most important things; to be thankful for the beauty and blessings we have.

This is the last Newsletter before we start coming out of Winter thaw. I hope you had a happy holiday season. Warm thoughts for each of you this Winter.

MANY THANKS

The Editors of the Region 6 Newsletter would like to thank everyone who wrote articles, and took and sent pictures to make the 1998 Newsletter interesting and informative during our first year. We loved the variety of articles we received and the great pictures, which helped our Region 6

members and subscribers understand all that is happening in our Region. We also want to thank all of you for your constructive criticism and favorable comments. Please keep up your support and help during the 1999 season. We need and enjoy it.

REGION 6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

by Kay Day

As we near the end of 1998, I realize that I have had the opportunity to represent Region 6 as its Board Member for three years. Thank you for that, and for allowing me to continue to serve you for the next three years. Each Board Meeting is exciting and conducted in a professional manner. Jim Brennan and the other Board Members are a dedicated and forward thinking group and the future of AHS is in "good hands" because of each of them and you.

The Fall Board Meeting was held Halloween weekend in Nashville, with only treats for us. The Middle Tennessee Daylily Society was our host for all meals and transportation - and true Southern hospitality was apparent. The areas of particular interest from the meeting are as follows:

For the first time in years, a deficit budget was approved. The projected average is minor and will be covered (if it occurs) with the interest from the W. E. Monroe Endowment Fund. Please be assured that AHS remains financially sound. The Treasurer also reduced his salary to \$6000 annually.

Our staff members are again complete with the selection of Leslie Fischer as Editor of the *Daylily Journal*. Leslie was the most qualified of the three applicants interviewed. We are also assured that she understands the time and effort that the position requires since she served as Interim Editor for the Winter 1998/99 issue. I am sure that you will see the same quality in that issue as we have come to expect in the *Daylily Journal*. She also has new and exciting ideas to continue the improvement of what I consider to be the finest horticultural society publication today.

AHS membership continues to grow. Region 6 as of September 30, 1998, has 891 members; a 2.7% increase from the same time last year. Most other Regions continue to grow with Region 2 increasing 11% and Region 14 by 9%. We are doing something right. Membership fees are due January 1, 1999. For the first time, payment may be with a credit card. That is a cost to AHS, so I suggest a three-year membership, if not a life membership.

Official AHS purple ribbons for shows will be available for purchase for the first time next year. We believe the cost will be the same or less than the Show Chairman can find elsewhere and will have the AHS logo printed on them. They can be ordered with the other show ribbons from Jean Norris.

The Garden Judges Workshop will become a two part course. The second Workshop will now be with a nominal \$5.00 fee. Jean Barnhart has been a significant part of the Garden Judges Committee to improve the quality of the Workshop and make it more meaningful to the participants.

Lastly, but certainly not the least important is registration activity. Binion has found the position of registrar to be a bit larger than imagined. That simply speaks to the excellent job that Bill Monroe did for the last eleven years. Binion has announced his resignation at the end of the year. Jim Brennan has asked me to chair the search committee for a new registrar and interview a limited number of candidates at the Mid-West Symposium at Chattanooga in early February. The announcement and ad will appear in the Winter 1998/99 *Daylily Journal*. In the meantime, please be assured that the registration process continues to function with a lot of assistance and that the Check List will be published in a timely manner.

I look forward to the next three years. Each Board Member chairs a committee. For the last three years, I have had the privilege to chair the Long Range Planning Committee (which I always thought was funny since airline people plan at least two weeks ahead) and for the last six months the Registration Committee. Next year, Chair of Regional Officers will be my assignment and I hope to address my continuing concern of the financial position of the Regions. AHS nationally is financially secure, but the Regions are dependent upon the donations of the membership and the clubs to operate. Region 6 is fortunate to have had a GREAT auction, thanks to the leadership of Bridey Greeson and the generousities of the bidders - especially Lee Causey. Not every Region is as lucky. Your thoughts and ideas are always welcome and may we soon be on the daylily trail.

THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR

by Donna Peck

It's been a few months since the Region 6 Meeting in Dallas, but impressions keep recurring in my memory. This Regional was the first one I attended (not counting the one our Albuquerque club hosted in 1994) and I absolutely loved the experience and wish every daylily club member had been able to attend.



The best part was the people. Of course, the daylily gardens were spectacular and seeing the beautiful flowers was overwhelming for me. I took up many pages in my notebook writing out lists of daylilies that I just had to have in our garden. But getting a chance to meet new friends and chat with those I had met at our Regional or in previous judging was delightful. First, I was pleased to be asked to judge the Regional Daylily Show. And when I found out I was judging with Nell Crandall, I was overwhelmed. I had fallen in love with spiders eight years ago when I moved to New Mexico (through Ned Roberts' interest) when he helped my husband and me establish our daylily beds. And actually to judge with the hybridizer of some of my favorites -

SKINNY MINNY and SLENDER LADY - was an honor.

Since taking on the job of Editor in January 1998, I had emailed, talked over the phone, written to and received articles from so many names. Now I can actually put faces and personalities with those names. It has made my job more fun and interesting. The crossword puzzle in this issue came from a delightful conversation with Gene Orgeron on the tour bus. He had mentioned composing these before and so kindly accepted my offer to try another.

The live auction is one event I will always remember. I had marked a number of daylilies I was going to bid on, but I had no idea of how "crazy" the daylily growers were. I did manage to win in a few "lower" bids and I can't wait till Spring for the winning daylilies to show off in our garden. But when the bids reached the hundreds of dollars, and of course the main bid over a thousand dollars, I finally realized how relentless a few of our members are!

Meeting the 1998-99 officers, and attending our officer meetings, I recognized what a huge responsibility they had all accepted for their term. I give them much credit for volunteering all their time and hope our readers know and appreciate all they do.

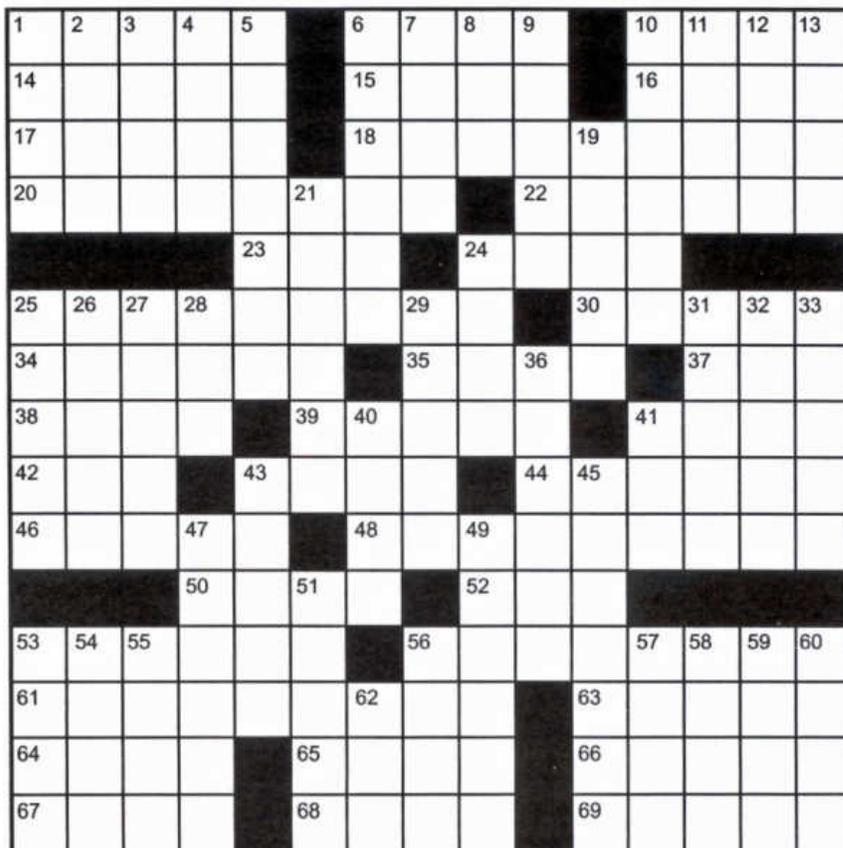
I have already marked my calendar for May 27-29, 1999, and am saving quarters in our quarter jar so I will be able to be at Nacogdoches for the next Regional. I would like to see all of you there.

BILL ATER NEEDS YOU!

Bill Ater is the Historian for Region 6. Sue Jackson has asked him to compile a history of the Region. To help him please send him a history of your Society or club. Compile whatever your members remember about the Region or about your club. Also send pictures from your files to Bill (3803 Greystone Drive, Austin 78731-1505, phone 512-345-3225). These will be printed in the Newsletter to let all of the members understand and learn about our history. It's a great idea.

REGION 6 CROSS WORD PUZZLE

Thanks to Gene Orgeron for this addition to our Newsletter.



ACROSS

1. Venomous snake
6. Greek cheese
10. Speed
14. Bequeath; abandon
15. Chamber for baking
16. Clear red cultivar
17. Consumed
18. POJO's creator
20. Houstonian; spider enthusiast
22. Buries
23. Chemical suffix
24. Remove a word
25. Texas' state tree
30. Upright
34. Sufficient
35. Move suddenly; missile
37. Dernier
38. Ballad
39. Omit
41. Dark reddish purple
42. Fall month
43. It's in some cereals
44. Sergeant's order to troops
46. Biblical land with famous queen
48. Hybridizer from Center
50. Merely
52. Evening (archaic)

53. River of central Nebraska
56. Nacogdoches dynamo
61. He did APPLE TART
63. Kind of fisherman
64. Lover of Irish Rose
65. Vehicle
66. Lasso
67. Prophet
68. Spare; gaunt
69. Slumber

DOWN

1. Writer Waugh
2. Costly
3. Factual information
4. Level
5. Tearing
6. Bird hunter
7. Wicked
8. X
9. Weinreich
10. Beam supporting a roof
11. Succulent plant
12. Florida hybridizer
13. Goals
19. Narrow water passage
21. Part of stamen
25. Mexican money

26. Father of Methuselah
27. Tale of adventure (Fr.)
28. Late Summer month
29. Suburb of Minneapolis
31. Brilliance
32. Had the "Gypsy" series
33. Microwave gadget
36. Crop gatherer
40. _____ DAWN (Spalding)
41. Prison; enclosure
43. African language
45. \$10 bills
47. Annoy
49. Sanity
51. Lawful
53. School groups
54. Part of a lung or ear
55. Girl-friend (Fr.)
56. Follows alpha
57. Greeting for Hitler
58. Wings
59. Anatomical network
60. Carriage or snare
62. Color

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FROM REGION 5 TO REGION 6

The Changs' Daylily Odyssey - Part II

When William Lanier Hunt (*Southern Gardens, Southern Gardening*, 1982) moved from Virginia to North Carolina, he had to hire a truck to move his plants. The Changs lacked the luxury of transporting their daylilies with them from Georgia to New Mexico. We faced an uncertain period of apartment dwelling (extended when we decided to custom build), with no place to put the plants. Furthermore, as noted in Nollane's previous article (Summer 1998), many of our plants were inadvertently destroyed by my husband, who used Round-Up instead of insecticide on plants in Georgia toward the end of our stay(!). Thus, we had to start afresh with a new garden.

Having to reside nearly one year in an apartment was frustrating (for a gardener), but in retrospect, was not such a bad thing. The climate and soil conditions that we faced in our new home were so different that the year gave us time to read about the plants and growing conditions in New Mexico and to get familiar with the micro-climate of our construction site. We also had a chance to visit local/Regional gardens and nurseries, several of which specialize in native or desert tolerant plants.

The contrast between the growing conditions for Georgia and New Mexico is about as great as one can imagine. Augusta is on the fault line between the Piedmont and the Coastal Plains. Soil there is generally acid and either sandy or clay. Fortunately, we lived in the sandy part, which meant that all that we had to do was to add some organic material and fertilizer to the soil. Soils in New Mexico are more variable than in Georgia; however, as a general rule, they tend to be quite alkaline and the water is similarly alkaline (with none of the Eastern U.S. acid rain to buffer it). At our Albuquerque home site, the soil consists of decomposed granite, which is quite rich in minerals and micronutrients. Previous native vegetation consisted of grasses, succulents, Piñon Pine, Juniper, and various wildflowers, and weeds, including "exotics" such as Russian Thistle.

The climate in Augusta was hot and humid (average 80-90% for over six months of the year) with an average rainfall of about 36 to 38 inches. In contrast, Albuquerque has a humidity of about 10%, and with an average rainfall of nine inches, meets the technical definition of a "desert." Whereas in Georgia one planted daylilies in a raised mound to promote drainage, we (the Changs) grow daylilies in New Mexico in a concave depression around each plant to retain water in an imitation of the ancient Anasazi agricultural techniques. Despite the Southern sunbelt location of each city and similar altitudes, the altitude of Albuquerque, 5000 to 6500 ft. (6200 ft. at our house) greatly influences its climate. While daytime temperatures may be similar, nighttime lows are considerable colder in New Mexico. In addition, the scorching sun and wind at 6,200 ft. can make life difficult for a plant. Our residence is at the confluence of the Bear and Piñon Canyons, at the foot of the Sandia Mountains. As the sun sets gloriously over Western mesas and Mount Taylor, the strong canyon winds arise like clockwork.

Our concern as to whether daylilies would grow under the "high desert" conditions in New Mexico was quickly alleviated. An active local daylily Society and the sage advice of long-time residents and members - especially Kathryn Neely, Mary Ann Moreno and many others - dispelled any doubts that we might have had. Nevertheless, I was pushing the limits in terms of altitude in our area. Only Bob Frazier and John Occelli had us beaten in terms of altitude. Their garden in Nambé (see Summer 1998 Newsletter), North of Santa Fe, is at over 7,000 feet - and their main problems appear to be lack of early morning opening and poor rebloom in selected cultivars.

Before we could grow anything, a lot of preparation was needed. First, because of subdivision plant restriction, we had to build an enclosed wall within which to grow any "non-native," or "non-xeriscape" plants. Secondly, we had to amend the soil - with three truckloads of manure! Lastly, an irrigation system had to be

installed - drip only was allowed (for water conservation). The first two requirements were taken care of and we moved into our new home on the Summer Solstice (June 21) of 1996. Fortunately for us, at an early Spring meeting, one of our local daylily Society members, Carol Treat, had given an excellent presentation on how to install a drip irrigation system. Thus, for less than \$400, we were able to put in our own system - whereas hiring someone to do this would have cost \$2500 or more. While there was a lot of "sweat equity" involved, we now have an irrigation system that we can understand, maintain, modify, and add to as necessary - a very basic requirement in a daylily garden, since one is always adding more cultivars.

Amazingly, by the Fall of 1996, we were able to put our first daylilies into the ground. Fall planting was a practice which I began in Georgia. Although daylilies can be planted at almost any time, I found it very frustrating to water and watch a plant for over a year with little hope of bloom. Fall planting in Georgia generally resulted in bloom the following Summer. Indeed, by the Summer of 1997, we had several flowers. Although we (Barbara, Nollanne, and Carla) were able to enter the local daylily show, the night before the show, a gale-force wind decapitated several "sure-winners." However, there were a few surprises and disappointments. JAN'S TWISTER, for example, bloomed on scapes about eight inches tall the first year. Several others had no bloom at all, but at least they looked healthy. Although few died, many increased in size very slowly. Our friends from Salt Lake City, the Sudburys, cautioned us that daylilies often take up to three years to reach their full potential in the Western states. Their information helped greatly to sustain us through the first full Summer in our garden.

What have we learned after three Summers of gardening in Albuquerque? First, the daylily is one of the hardiest, most adaptable plants one can grow. While a few blossoms melted in our high altitude sun, most cultivars and their blooms held up quite well. In our experiments, we lost many other types of plants than daylilies. Frequently, other, non-Hemerocallis plants went through what I would call a "near death

experience" before adapting to local conditions. Those failing to adapt made a straight bee-line to the compost pile. However, the plants that did manage to survive generally flourished, later. Moreover, the great variety of plants that can be grown here - many of which were totally unfamiliar to us - has been surprising and has been one of the most delightful aspects of gardening in New Mexico. Plants that, in Georgia, would die of fungus, insects, or have to be sustained with chemicals (e.g. Roses) grow extremely well in New Mexico using "organic" methods. Many other plants prefer the dry air and alkaline soil (e.g. Irises and herbs).

One of the aspects about Georgia gardening that we missed at first was the ability to keep something blooming nearly year-round. However, the more intense Summer bloom here - similar to what one sees in the Northeast - more than compensates for the longer blooming season. In addition, we are learning about (and experimenting with) plants to extend our blooming season. For example, last Fall, I mass-planted with extra early blooming Kaufmanniana Tulips - they started opening in early March and were unfazed by our late Spring snowfall.

Another pleasure that we have discovered is that of starting a totally new garden - without having to fight the roots of fifty-year old Live Oaks and Magnolias, as well as the structure imposed by someone else's idea of land use. However, we will have native Yuccas to last us the rest of our lives! While I sometimes miss the trees (but never the roots!), the compensation for lack of trees is our view of the Western landscape, which stretches for over one hundred miles in several directions. Nevertheless, dust storms, canyon winds of 50 mph, blazing sun, Yucca roots, frequent rocks and occasional boulders, as well as extremes of heat and cold are all features of New Mexico, which our plants and we must endure. In our on-going trials with Nature, we have found that providing the plants with the right conditions and location to survive and grow becomes a continuous challenge in this harsh desert environment. Luxuriant growth in New Mexico, despite our often inadequate attempts to rise to the ecological challenge, is indeed a tribute to the toughness of the daylily.

TO BUY OR NOT TO BUY

By Mable Nelson

When Sharon Umphress asked Mable to write an article for the Newsletter; she said she would because there was a topic that's been bothering her for a long time. Here are her concerns:

Every Spring we wait for the beautiful Daylily Catalogs to arrive. When we receive them we can't wait to "oooh" and "aaah" over the beautiful new and very expensive cultivars. We hurry and read each word about these beauties and then it's that awful decision as to which to buy. Finally we decide, after checking our wallets and bank balance. We limit ourselves to three and maybe squeeze in four, at the cost of around five hundred to seven hundred dollars. We say, "Oh well, I'll cut back on something else. I just have to have these."

We then hurry to the telephone in hopes they still have our choices. Most of the time the phone is busy and we pace up and down until we finally get through. By then our first choice is usually gone and we settle for something else, but feeling good that we will have a beautiful new cultivar to admire or hybridize in bloom season.

We receive our cherished plants and plant them in our best soil and give them tender loving care for about three months until we see the first bloom. We love them and go right to work using the beloved pollen on anything blooming in the garden.

We enjoy them for a month or so, then one morning our beautiful plant is turning yellow. We run back into the house and return with all sorts of chemicals to pour, drench and sprinkle on our beloved. We watch day after day as our plant begins to fall over, maybe having one fan that still is green. We hurry, dig it up and again soak, dry, pat it and put it in the shade in hopes our \$200 plant survives. Needless to say, it's gone; a victim to the dreaded CROWN-ROT. There has been lots said about crown-rot. We in the South are most likely to experience this malady. It seems our long, hot, dry Summers breed the pathogens that cause crown-rot. On the Internet several passed their thoughts on about crown-rot. The following are excerpts from some of them.

Region 6 **Wade Welch** says: "For bulb mites add Cygon to a soaking solution before planting. For bacterial infections, use Fertilome fine blight spray (Streptomycin Sulphate)."

Dave Talbott in his 1998 catalog states: "You are bound to get genetically included problems. Use Bonnat and Subdue to control rot."

David Kirchhoff in the Fall of 1992 states: "I'd like to urge all of you to Outcross, Outcross, Outcross. It is just that there are some very, very undesirable characteristics which can come with desirable ones, that could ultimately - if they haven't already - weaken the Hemerocallis as we know it."

From another Region 6, hybridizer **Mark Carpenter**: "In discussions with my guru, Jack Carpenter, and other notables, I have come to believe three things about rot.

1. It can occur to any cultivar under the right (wrong!) circumstances.
2. Over-watering in a hot climate, especially in the afternoons or early evening tends to trap the heat in the soil, boiling the water and eventually your roots. (My personal thoughts favor watering at night or evening when the temperature is cooling. It is the best time, as the plants will soak up cool water - just my idea!)
3. Over fertilizing also is probably a major contributing factor. The biggest factor is soil temperature - it is a constant battle to keep your Hems cool in our Southern 90° plus temps from May to October.
4. I would not keep notes on its off-springs."

Joe Agosta from Orlando, Florida says: "I got crown-rot from top dressing of compost (free yard waste from Orange Country) that was not completely "aged." Where I tilled it well in a new bed and let it sit a month, no problem showed up. I was told the culprit was Aureobasidium Microstectum, which is associated with rot."

Several years ago, AHS undertook to study the cause of crown-rot in Mississippi. No conclusive evidence came from that study.

As far back to hybridizers, such as Mr. W. B. MacMillan, the thoughts were that seedlings from plants that were destroyed from rot had genetic problems. Could this be the reason we are now losing so many tetraploids that were supposed to be free from most infirmities by using so many converted diploids into their blood lines? The ever present worry is a grave problem for collectors, growers and hybridizers. As far as we know, no one has the answer.

For me, I have lost thousands of dollars to crown-rot over the past two years. They died in all beds - some in shade and some planted completely in the sun. As for the soil, all was different. This brings me back to the title "to buy or not to buy."

Should the growers have some kind of guarantee? Ted Petit of LePetit Jardin has already begun his guarantee. He guarantees that

his plants will live and bloom wherever you live. If for any reason the plants die, he will replace them, substitute them or refund your money; whichever you prefer. I think this is a step in the right direction. Without some protection we will be even more reluctant to buy.

OPEN YOUR GARDEN?

If you would like your garden to be listed as an open tour garden en route to or from the Nacogdoches 1999 Regional Meeting, please contact the Meeting Chairman, Jean Consford, at 3680 Carrizo Creek Drive, Nacogdoches, Texas 75961, phone or fax at 409-569-8221 or Email at jeancons@hotmail.com. The deadline is definitely January 31st. Jean will sincerely appreciate an immediate response.

EDGEWOOD GARDEN

A Garden from the Lafayette, Louisiana AHS 1998 National Convention

by Bill Ater

Bill Ater recalls his impression of Lou and Voorhies (Slim) Viator's garden in New Iberia, Louisiana, when he was at the National Convention, May 21-24, 1998.

This is the home of serious gardeners. The soil is rich and Lou and Slim know how to make the soil produce - whether it is daylilies, Azaleas, Gardenias, Philodendrons, Liriope, Calla Lilies, Amaryllis, Hydrangeas, Hibiscus, Crinum, grasses, bananas, ginger, Datura, water garden plants, Hosta, ferns and don't forget the vegetable garden that produces abundantly. In talking to a refreshment host she said that every time she came over to view the daylilies, Slim had a large bag of veggies in her car when she started to leave. How's that for Southern Hospitality?

I began taking notes as I began my journey through the garden and found that every daylily not only was correctly named, but the tag also contained the hybridizer and the year it was hybridized.

A few that caught my eye were: UNTAMED GLORY (J. Salter '93), a bronze polychrome; BARNBURNER (Copenhaver '92), a red self; PIRATE'S PATCH (J. Salter '92), a popular cream

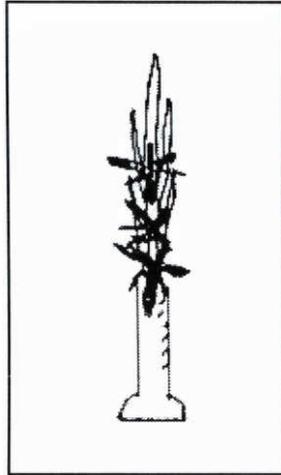
with a purple eye; ABALONE ISLAND (D. Guidry '94), a double cream self; FENTON ROSY SPLendor (J. Gillory '95), a double rose and lavender blend; MARTHA REED (L. Gates '91), a pink self; JEDI DOT PIERCE (Wedgeworth '88), a popular pink with a rose eye; PLUM PLUME (D. Kirchhoff '96), a double violet with a gold edge; CUTTING EDGE (C. Brown '93), a double pink with a red eye; TRIED AND TRUE (D. Kirchhoff '95), a double wine with a lavender watermark; KING KAHUNA (C. Crochet '95), a yellow self that drew much attention in every garden; SMOKY MOUNTAIN BELL (Guidry '92), a smoky blend of several colors that is always a standout in any garden; the award winning BETTY WOODS (D. Kirchhoff '80), a fabulous bright yellow self; a large planting of CONDILLA (Grooms '77), a double gold that is great everywhere; and the distinctive SILOAM BO PEEP (P. Henry '78), a pink with a distinctive purple eye.

And don't forget the fantastic beef jerky made next door by the Viator's son. There was a sample on the refreshment table.

FLOWER SHOW DESIGN CONCEPT TO COMPETITION

By Nell Shimek

Each year our club has a "Name the Flower Show" contest. This contest is a way to select the theme for the upcoming flower show and helps club members get involved. At our last show Carol Horton said to me, "Now, I know how you select a theme for the flower show. You look around and see what you have to work with." When I entered the contest this past year, I happened to have a harp and this gave me the idea for the theme. Therefore, one of the categories I entered was "Heavenly Harp." It's fun to think of different ways a show can be named. Ideas can be taken from books, newspapers, movies, etc. Keep in mind that the design will need to be translated into a category.



Line Design

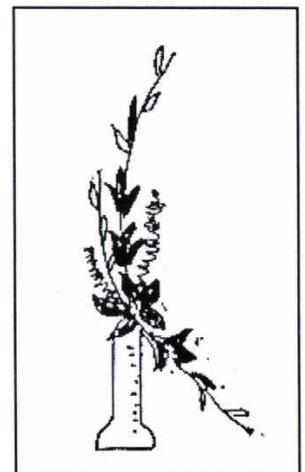
Once the flower show schedule has been published, read the schedule carefully for rules and restrictions which will affect the arrangements. The schedule will determine the size and space allowed in each category. Get a feeling for the theme and select an appropriate container. A container need not be a vase. The container is often one of the most critical parts of the arrangement. Use your imagination and be creative. Keep the container and the design materials balanced. Be sure to fill the allotted space. Do not put a small arrangement in a large space. This will create an out of balance look. Think how a tiny lamp would look out of balance in a large picture window. Always keep in mind that daylilies must be dominant in the arrangement.

Another important aspect of any flower arrangement is selection of line materials. Line materials determine the flow of the viewer's eye through the arrangement. Line materials can be many things - Horsetail, Mother-In-Law's Tongue,

Iris leaves, a vine, etc. Keep in mind that only fresh material may be used in the Tricolor Section. The winner of the Tricolor Section of the flower show is eligible for the National AHS Tricolor competition. Line material should be selected before gathering flowers. The line material will help achieve the height needed in the arrangement. The height is determined by the show schedule. Line materials should never touch the base or backgrounds in a design. Judges will deduct points when this occurs.

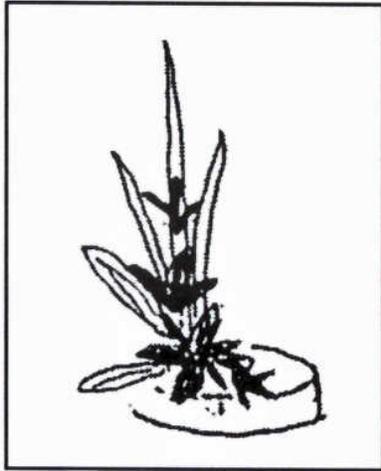
For arrangement depth, try to create a three dimensional effect. Do not position all of the design materials at the same depth in the arrangement. This would create a flat effect. After placement of the line materials, place the flowers so they follow the arrangement lines. It is not always desirable to have all of the flowers facing the front of the arrangement. Try turning one daylily facing toward the rear of the arrangement. This helps to create a feeling of depth. Repeating container images are also appealing and help to create depth.

Most design categories allow accessories. Accessories are items added to a design, intended to enhance the design, but often distract from the arrangement. Remember that daylilies must be dominant in the arrangement. I tend to stay away from accessories, as it is so important that they do not play a dominant role in the design and should be consistent with the design scale. The safest thing is to leave out unnecessary accessories. I like to carry the theme with plant materials, containers, and colors.



Line Design with
Rhythmic Curve

Another very important aspect of a design is the background. The color plays an important part in the background. The background should enhance the design and not distract. Background material must be smooth with no wrinkles or draped with no wrinkles. The background material may be placed on heavy cardboard or poster board for ease in transportation and placement. "Daylily Tango" was an example of how I used the background color and theme together. I used a flared palm (imagine a flared skirt), bright gold daylilies and a royal purple background and underlay.



Simple Triangular Design

An 8" by 10" picture and 35 mm slide of the Tricolor winner must be submitted with the flower show report to the National AHS Exhibition Chairman. Cards and ribbon cannot be visible in the picture. This would disqualify the arrangement from the National AHS Tricolor competition. The complete arrangement needs to be shown in the picture. Pictures may be cropped. I like to take pictures of all arrangements as soon as the designers are finished.

This ensures freshness of the design material in the picture. I take my own pictures of my arrangements.

However, the club may hire a professional photographer or use someone in the club. I use one roll of 400 speed slide film and one roll of 200 or 400 speed print film.



Heavenly Harp

Practice, practice, practice. After the flower show schedule has been announced, practice at home. Use a yardstick to measure the allowable space. Better yet, cut cardboard to size and practice. It's fun and you can make it easy. With practice you may compete with confidence and ease on the day of the flower show.

Nell Shimek is a noted Region 6 designer who has won four AHS Tricolor Awards. Her blue ribbon arrangements have been featured on the cover of the Spring and Summer 1998 Newsletter.

ODE TO AN OLD FRIEND, NOT!!

by Ray Houston

This weekend I lost an old and not too dear friend who had been a visitor to my garden for many years. He has uprooted plants in my garden for years despite my every effort to dissuade him from doing so. Every time my wife and I would till up a daylily bed and replant the daylilies, our friendly visitor would sneak into the garden during the middle of the night, having his way with the freshly planted beauties. We would awake from our peaceful sleep to the horror of roots pointed heavenward. I have used mothballs, ground pepper, and have called him all kinds of names to no avail. Well, he has met his maker, or perhaps a Dodge Ram, for I saw this garden visitor lying in the street this weekend, feet pointing skyward (I don't think he went in the direction of his pointed feet). Now, don't think me cruel when I tell you I was not upset by the death of this visitor. I am speaking of the demise of my friendly garden visitor, *Dasyus novemcinctus* (Armadillo, to those of you who don't speak that language).

Memorial Donations

In memory of Mary Fay O'Quinn
Lufkin Daylily Society - \$50.00

In memory of Celestine Stratton and Forrest Hall
Brazosport Daylily Society - \$100.00

THE BERTIE FERRIS REGION 6 YOUTH ENDOWMENT FUND

By Helen Reynolds

The Bertie Ferris Youth

Endowment fund was formed in 1993. Several of the most active members of Region 6 met to build the idea of having funds available for the educational interest of the young people within our Region. Only the interest from the account is available for use as set up in the by-laws.



To this date the savings account has grown from contributions by local societies, individuals, Region 6 Meeting plant auction, plus auction by mail funds. Now with a balance of \$7,600 the interest can pay for handbooks and the cost of Judges Clinics. Some time in the future it is hoped that money will be available to award a scholarship for deserving young people. No money is to be spent for registrations, travel, food or for purchase of plants.

Special thanks is given to the Societies that have contributed to this fund:

Daylily Growers of Dallas
Houston Area Daylily Society
Gulf Coast Daylily Society
Nacogdoches Daylily Society

Though the fund's namesake and mentor has passed away, the Bertie Ferris Region 6 Youth Endowment Fund will live on to serve. Those on the board are Sue Jackson, Jean Consford, Albert Faggard, Bridey Greeson and Helen Reynolds.

NEWSLETTER DONATIONS

The Editors have been very pleased for all the donations that have been received from Daylily Societies and individuals to help support the printing of the Newsletter. We have tried to keep the Newsletter a professional publication, and with the addition of color, an excellent and pretty Newsletter for our members to read and enjoy. We appreciate all of your kind comments and helpful hints during our first year. We would especially like to thank all of you for your financial help. Here is a list of those who have contributed this past year:

Albuquerque Daylily Society	\$250.00
Austin Hemerocallis Society	\$83.50
Brazosport Daylily Society	\$400.00
Cypress Creek Daylily Club	\$200.00
East Texas Daylily Society	\$376.00
Gulf Coast Daylily Society	\$500.00
for the "color fund"	\$500.00
Houston Area Daylily Society	\$400.00
for the "color fund"	\$400.00
Houston Hemerocallis Society	\$500.00
Lufkin Daylily Society	\$100.00
Nacogdoches Daylily Society	\$150.00
W. D. Everett	\$50.00

NEW ADDITIONS:

Daylily Growers of Dallas	\$538.00
(proceeds from Regional Raffle of Leo Sharp plants)	
Golden Spread Daylily Society	\$50.00
for the "color fund"	
Lone Star Daylily Society	\$400.00
Mrs. James Schultz	\$10.00

Many, many thanks again for those who have helped support the Newsletter. Our wish is that you will continue your support next year, and those who were not able to contribute this year, we hope you will find it possible in 1999. Our next Newsletter will be the Spring issue and any support and comments will be welcome.

DAYLILY DIETS IN NEW MEXICO

By Kathryn Neely

To discover the secrets of producing top prize-winning daylilies is the goal of most growers. A survey of growers in the Albuquerque Daylily Society revealed more diversity than expected in nutrient choices.

In New Mexico soils vary greatly. Looking at the dry gritty unpromising dirt one would assume that nothing would grow. There is no topsoil except where cultivation has begun. Surprisingly, except for humus the soil has good qualities. Needed minerals are in abundance. Most areas have potassium in good quantity. Iron occurs in most soils, but is available only when acidic amendments are added. To supply humus members use all sorts of materials such as compost, ground up tree branches from power company trimmings, manure, bark, peat moss, mushroom compost and shredded pine needles. Until the soil is amended it's difficult to even turn a lot of the soils.



Kathryn Neely received the 1997 Region 6 Service Award

To complicate further, the water from the pumping stations in Albuquerque measures from 6.7 to 9.5 pH. Since there is rainfall of about eight inches a year, irrigation water is very important. Sometimes five inches of rainfall comes in one downpour. Watering methods vary from grower to grower. Failure to water results in a dead garden very quickly. The late Spring freezes result in little rebloom.

The first four growers surveyed live within a six-block area in the Northeast heights. Two had decomposing granite and caliche (better known as aggregate concrete). The third had almost pure sand and the fourth had a mixture of the other two.

One in the South Valley had a mixture of sand and caliche.

The growers in Placitas reported ROCKS and decomposed granite.

The North Valley member has clay. Our Northernmost grower has caliche.

And the garden in the foothills of the Sandia Mountains has decomposing granite.

Needless to say, all of these gardeners now have very much improved soils. The results of the survey are:

Linda Kellerup - South Valley:

Linda broadcasts Soil Tex (16-8-8) containing sulfur and iron in the Spring after a manure application in February. Miracle Gro (15-30-15) is used once or twice in Summer. She flood irrigates once a week and does not mulch since mulch floats with flood irrigation. She uses no pesticides.

Mary Gilliam - North Valley:

Mary applies compost along with ammonium sulfate and Ironite in spring. Miracle Gro is used once or twice in Summer. Watering is by overhead sprinklers. Mulch is not used, as are no pesticides.

Donna and Dick Peck - Placitas:

The Pecks have moved just North of Albuquerque in the Sandia Mountain foothills. They have virgin soil, but Donna says there is little soil, mostly rocks. They built beds above the rocks. Pete Benjamin, Placitas landscaper at Cen Flo Inc., says the soil "is the worst stuff you can probably think of. I think it is a joke from God." He added to the existing highly alkaline, roughly shale, caliche and decomposed granite soil 2-3 inches of organic compost, ("black gold" which was from a recycling plant that recycles all green waste in Albuquerque). He also added 2-3 inches of perlite and composted cow manure. Donna has added Ironite each year and will experiment with Super Thrive next spring. Watering is done

with a drip irrigation system. She also fertilizes every two weeks with 1/2 strength Miracle Gro.

Bob Frazier - Nambé (North of Santa Fe):

Bob prepares new beds six to eight months before planting with pumice, organic material, bone meal, and mushroom compost. When planting he adds kelp, cottonseed meal, alfalfa meal, sulfur and iron. During growing season a foliar food similar to Miracle Gro is applied along with liquid kelp and humic acid. He mulches with fir bark. The pH of the water is over eight and this affects color in edges. Watering is done with overhead sprinklers in Summer and underground pipes in Winter. Severe Winter presents a challenge especially when there is no snow cover.

Barbara Chang - Sandia Foothills:

Barbara applies Desert Green (12-6-4) the end of April with chelated iron and iron and sulfur once or twice during Summer. She uses one half strength Miracle Gro every week. She uses no mulch or pesticides. Overhead and drip systems are used. (For more details on the Chang garden read the article, "The Changs' Daylily Odyssey," in this issue).

The following four gardens are in the Northeast heights (5,280 ft. elevation):

Walter Wood:

Walter uses 8-14-6 fertilizer in the Spring and Miracle Gro three to six times in the Summer. He mulches with wood chips and bark all year. He uses Safer Soap and Pyrethrum as needed.

Courtney and Jim Petty:

This year they used Osmocote (14-14-14) in the Spring and Miracle Gro one or two times. In previous years they have applied composted manure as mulch. For watering they use overhead sprinklers. Orthene is used three times at one week intervals.

Cal Iskra:

Cal broadcasts Soil Tec in early Spring and uses Hooker's Formula when scapes are forming. Flooding and overhead sprinklers are her methods of watering. New plants are mulched with Pine needles and plants in pots are sunk in

the ground for cold weather. She mulches heavily and uses Cygon in the Hooker Formula.

Kathryn Neely:

Kathryn broadcasts Soil Tex in early Spring. Beds are prepared with kelp, cottonweed meal, alfalfa and mushroom compost. Hooker's Formula is applied every month until September. The water pH is near seven and overhead sprinklers are used. A heavy mulch of ground bark is put on in early Spring. To combat spider mites Avid is sprayed twice early in the season and Cygon is applied with the Hooker Formula.

All you Texans out there be thankful for your top soil and rain. But I must admit the rain has been a little overdone for you this Fall.

POLYTEPAL POLL

Bobby Baxter (polytepal@mindspring.com) is coordinating a polytepal poll which will begin in the near future. This poll will be a bit different from other polls in that you will be asked to select your favorite polytepals from a list that is supplied. This way we will all be evaluating the plants that have a high frequency of polytepalness and not the ones that only do it occasionally. Below is the list of plants that is currently being considered as the polytepal poll selection. If anyone knows of any other high percentage polytepalous cultivars that should be placed on the list, please send Bobby Baxter your recommendations.

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| BEWARE THE WIZARD | JULIA BAXTER |
| CHEEK TO CHEEK | PAPA'S PRIDE |
| DEMPSEY FOURSOME | PINK SUNBURST |
| FORSYTH TEPALED DOUBLE | PURPLE PETALOID |
| FOUR STAR | QUAD EYE |
| FOUR-PLAY | SALLIE BROWN |
| FUCHSIA FOUR | SCARLET POLY-ANNA |
| GIVE ME EIGHT | STARRY DAY |
| GUESS WHO | TEPALED TEDDY |
| I'M DIFFERENT | TETRAD |
| ISOLDE | TOWHEAD |

I WILL ALWAYS KEEP

Mary Ann Moreno (Region 6 Co-Editor) continues asking the question, "What five daylilies will you always keep in your garden?" Here are more answers to this question:

Kay Day - Region 6 Representative AHS Board of Directors

LITTLE ROSY CLOUD - one of the first bloomers, with rebloom when all else is fading - great with very great branching.

VANILLA FLUFF - one of the best doubles, a great bloomer and wins shows.

TEXAS SUNLIGHT - because it is a Joyce Lewis daylily and it blooms well and long.

NEON PINK - a strong bloomer and a good pink.

SHIMEK SEPTEMBER MORNING - good bloomer and interesting eye pattern.

K. C. Dignan - Region 6 member who grows and hybridizes daylilies on Goosedown Farm.

"Carved Butter" - a lovely ruffled, yellow cultivar that I was successful in growing - my husband named it - it is a great bloomer, but I have no idea what the name really is - this has great sentiment for me because I bought it in 1991 before I knew what I was supposed to know.



HONEY BLEND (Spalding '86) - a peach and rose eyed beauty that blooms for about four to six weeks - It is still reblooming when many others have quit.

NILE PLUM (Munson '84) - this sits on the street and gets abused, yet it keeps on blooming - I love the rich color and bold statement it makes with the Coreopsis - contrast is striking - provided travelers on our street with over 100 blooms on its many scapes.

GINGER PEACHY (Lankart '71) - new to my yard but gives nicely proportioned scapes and lovely blooms - I look forward to its growth.

SILAM DAVID KIRCHHOFF (Henry '86) - a hardy grower - seems to last in our heat and alkalinity - just when I think it is a goner it comes back with vigor and strength - I like the watermark eye and the gentle colors.



Some scenes from Goosedown Farms

JEAN JOYCE (Mederer '85) - a gift from Bill Ater - has great flowers, branching and bud count - it catches the eye of many evening walkers for several weeks.

K. C. makes this confession to our readers, "Perhaps this is not the best time to make this confession, but I am a lousy gardener. That's the reason I grow daylilies because you can't kill them! Since we are remodeling our house, I do not have the money for some of the fancy cultivars. But what I especially enjoy growing are the tested, tried and true."

RPD REPORT

THE POPULARITY POLL RESULTS

by Sharon Umphress

Thank you for all the Popularity Poll ballots. We had 179 AHS members vote this time out of 759 possible AHS members in Region 6. The total percentage of members voting was 24%. This is up from last year by 9%. I was hoping for at least 35%, but I am very pleased with this year's response.

The winner of the Popularity Poll garnered fifty votes and it was a surprise to me. The second place favorite had 42 votes. That may not seem like a lot, but with over 1230 different cultivars sent in, it really is amazing we could agree on anything. And remember there were 179 of us needing to agree on only 25 favorites.

I have learned quite a lot from this experience and I feel I have come to know some of you better. At least I know many of your favorites and if you are a tetraploid or diploid fan, if you like the ruffled ones or the spiders, and your favorite colors. I have enjoyed it and now for all your hard work we will be sending five lucky winners a daylily for all their work. I did tell you I would publish the names of non-voters, but I found that it took a lot less space to print the voting members, so all of you who did not vote: SHAME ON YOU!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE POLL WINNERS

Out of the 179 members who voted in the Popularity Poll, five names were chosen to receive a free daylily. The lucky winners are:

Binion Amerson
Bill Jarvis
Mrs. D. G. Short
Maxine Soape
Jim Walker



The Winner Is
STRAWBERRY CANDY
Pat Stamile 1989

POPULARITY POLL RESULTS

1. STRAWBERRY CANDY
2. WEDDING BAND
3. WIND FRILLS
4. BARBARA MITCHELL
5. JASON SALTER
6. PIRATE'S PATCH
7. TEXAS SUNLIGHT
8. JEDI DOT PIERCE
9. SMOKY MOUNTAIN AUTUMN
10. PAPER BUTTERFLY
ELIZABETH SALTER
12. DARING DILEMMA
MIDNIGHT MAGIC
BRIGHT EYED
16. ALWAYS AFTERNOON
17. TOUCHED BY MIDAS
JOLYENE NICHOLE
19. TRUE PINK BEAUTY
DRAGON'S EYE
21. IDA'S MAGIC
BETTY WARREN WOODS
23. SILOAM DOUBLE CLASSIC
MING PORCELAIN
25. FAIRY TALE PINK
LAYERS OF GOLD

Hybridizers Of Region 6

Hoover/Umphress



Elizabeth Hoover



97-3



96-7



97-4

Marie Dattalo



Snooks Harville



#5



#4



D5-101



TLF-404



F-2-19-97



F-1-10-97



**Scott
Henry**

NRY-48-C



Joyce Lewis



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NRY-LYA



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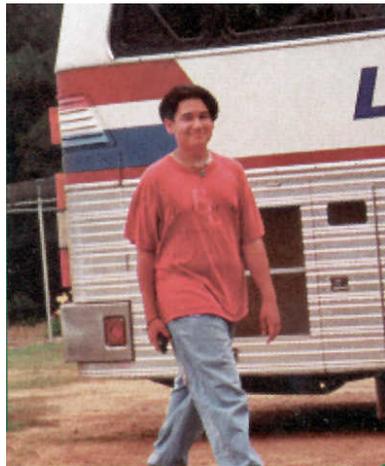


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NRY-NCE

Joe Allen Lewis



REGION 6 HYBRIDIZERS

MARIE DATTALO:

2229 Patricia, Port Neches, TX 77651

Marie Dattalo started growing daylilies nine years ago, but started hybridizing eight years ago. Marie says she has a small operation in her back yard. Marie has friends that also grow daylilies and they trade pollen for their hybridizing. Marie randomly picks her pollen. But what she looks for are good growers, flowers that are rounded and have anything "different" for distinction. Marie has registered five so far. One of her favorites is LITTLE LUCKY STRIKE. It is a small daylily with a 4" bloom and a short scape. It is cream colored with a purple eye and purple edge. It holds up very well in the sun. The two pictures she sent this year are a cross between CHRIS SALTER x BIG BLUE and SOMETHING WONDERFUL x ELIZABETH'S MAGIC.

SNOOKS HARVILLE:

Snooks Harville of Murchison, Texas is hybridizing some great spiders, tetraploids and lately some unusual double spiders. Pat Stamile is converting some of his diploid spider seedlings. Snooks has about two acres of seedlings growing in his large garden. Snooks is also a cattle rancher who has many other interests, from aquariums to many unusual perennials, shrubs and trees. Here are some of his seedlings:

D5-101 28" tall, 8" wide - red double spider

TLF-404 26" tall - tetraploid with strong repeat

#4 30" tall, 10" wide - red spider, prolific bloomer

#5 28" tall, 11" wide - yellow spider with a green heart

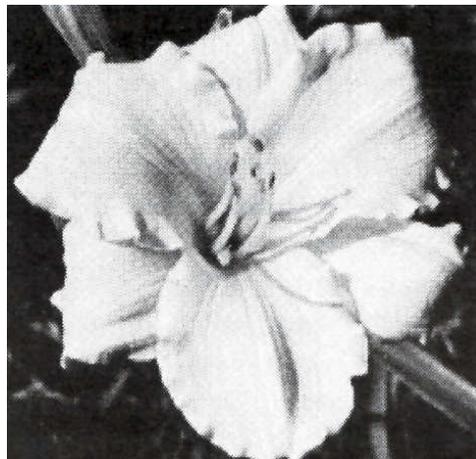
ELIZABETH HOOVER & SHARON UMPHRESS: SASSY TREE GARDENS

Sassy Tree Gardens, located in Arp, Texas, is owned by Sharon Umphress and Elizabeth Hoover. They say they took the name of their garden from a novel that Sharon read and the fact the garden has many Sassafras trees. The biggest tree unfortunately died right after they decided on the name. Their hybridization program is focusing on large flowered tetraploids by Sharon, and Elizabeth is concentrating on spiders and polytepals. They hope to raise heat-hardy plants with the focus on branching and bud count. They say they are greedy and they want it all; performance and looks. Some examples of their seedlings pictured are:

96-7, 24" tall, 5" wide - full double apricot

97-3 23" tall, 6" wide - PURE AND SIMPLE seedling

97-4 (ADMIRAL'S BRAID x SECRET SPLENDOR), 24" tall, 6" wide - tetraploid, repeats, sunfast



98-6 (93-14 x ALMOST ALL GREEN) - repeats often, many blooms

98-6

JOYCE LEWIS:

8572 CR 3613, Murchison, Texas

IN LOVE WITH DAYLILIES

My love affair with daylilies began in the early 1950s when my aunt, Mrs. W. K. Carson of Dallas, moved to LaRue, a little community about twenty miles from my home. She brought her collection of daylilies with her. She had purchased her first daylilies from Hugh M. Russell who was peddling them door to door in Dallas several years before.

My aunt was into hybridizing and selling seedlings from her garden. She liked only the "big, gold and vulgar ones" as she put it, and threw the small ones over the fence to her one cow. My wife, Allyene, and I visited her fairly often and this hurt my whole insides. Seeing my pain, she started letting me bring them home and dab pollen on them myself. During bloom season each year, if we couldn't visit her each Sunday, she would show up at our house with two or three platefuls of her biggest and fullest blooms.

My first daylily show I attended was in Lake Charles, LA, in 1958, when Miss Edna Spalding's LUXURY LACE won the Best Seedling Award. Mrs. Carson's husband had passed away and Allyene and I had gone with her to Lake Charles to visit some old friends. One of who was a judge in the show.

I attended my first National Convention in Dallas in 1965, but wasn't aware I was a "hybridizer" until Natalie Thompson guested three or four of my seedlings at the 1977 Dallas National Convention. Dr. Virginia Winkler from the Chicago area came up to me and asked how she could buy one of my daylilies. I told her I had never sold daylilies and she wrote out a check for one hundred dollars and said, "send me one or two." I still consider myself a hobby hybridizer but may start back to selling a few to help with the bread and milk situation on my table.

As for my garden, I'm a true xeriscaper in every sense of the word except for my daylilies. They have to compete with the natives to survive, as I do no Summer watering. It is still survival of the fittest in my evaluation of my "keepers." Visitors

to my "garden" can view most every annual and perennial plant native to this area (along with a host of natural imports), but very few seem to have the urge to want to accept my invitation to share. I came home for lunch one day last Spring after our Regional Meeting and there were two cars parked in my driveway. I looked out back and counted seven women scattered all over my garden, some of whom I could see their heads. I swear to this day only six left in those two cars. Somewhere out there I assume there is still one poor soul still trying to find her way back out of my personal jungle.

I've had a lot of hobbies during my lifetime, but hybridizing daylilies is the one outlasting all others. I'm even hoping to take some pollen with me when my lifespan on this earth comes to an end.

The following are Joyce Lewis' most recent seedlings pictured:

TEMPORARY #1-31-8 - 4 ½" flower

TEMPORARY #F-2-19-97 - 3 ½-4" flower

TEMPORARY #5-1-8

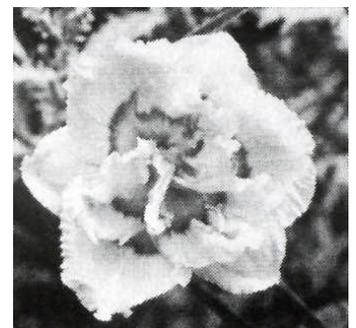
TEMPORARY #F-1-10-97



1-60

TEMPORARY #1-60 - 2 ¾"

TEMPORARY # 1-25-8 - 3 ¼" flower



1-25-8

SCOTT HENRY:

Rt. 5, Box 312-A, Livingston, TX 77351

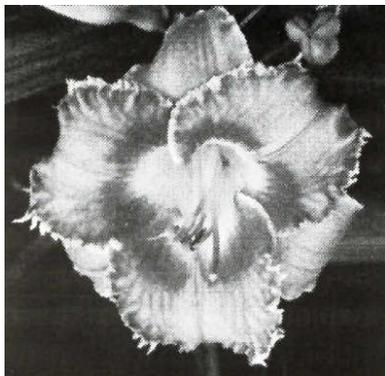
Scott Henry started hybridizing when he met Bill Reeves at a daylily show in Houston. Bill gave him plants and advice about hybridizing. One piece of advice was to look at your seedlings and the seedlings of others. These seedlings will tell you where to go. He was glad he followed this advice because the daylilies have gone places that were beyond his wildest imagination. He had many goals beyond the basics of producing a good plant with distinction. Scott writes, "I would like to produce sun resistant reds and purples, true pink flowers, multiple rebloom, extravagant ruffled edges, and of course, different colored edges. I have had success in some of these goals, while others like sun proof reds remain as just a dream."

NRY-48-C-24" MRE - 5" Light pink seedling with dark pink eye and dark pink edge seedling from (FESTIVE ART x HELLO DARLIN')

NRY-JM37 - 30" MLRE - 6" Beige yellow seedling with a prominent purple eye and edge from (JUNGLE MASK x FESTIVE ART)

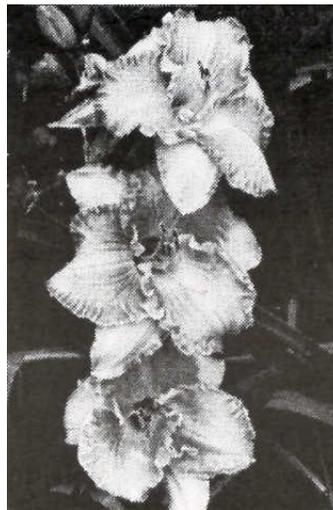
NRY-NCE - 22" MRE - A cream seedling with lavender eye and double edge of lavender and gold from (FESTIVE ART x CREATIVE EDGE)

NRY-LYA - 23" MRE - A lavender seedling with gold halo and gold edge from (CHRIS SALTER x ADMIRAL'S BRAID)



NRY-48A

NRY-48A - 18" MRE - 3.25" Dark pink seedling with dark pink and gold edge seedling from (FESTIVE ART x HELLO DARLIN').



NRY-Rose 2

NRY-Rose 2 - 25" MRE
Ruffled rose pink
seedling from
(SEMINOLE WIND x
ELIZABETH'S DREAM)

MABEL S. MATTHEWS:

"Hurst Park Daylily Garden" - P.O. 1404 Hurst, Texas

Mabel Matthews love of flowers goes back to her childhood where she lived on a small farm outside Charlotte, NC, with her mother and her three brothers and sisters. Next door lived her grandmother and grandfather whose large farm had a nice flower garden. On Sundays the children would ride with their grandparents to go to church. While waiting to leave, her grandmother would walk through her garden Mabel said, "with me right on her heels." She grew the older types of flowers such as Zinnias and Phlox as well as the sweet-smelling Roses of that era. Mabel graduated from high school in Charlotte, later married Marshall, and lived in Florida and ending up after WW II in Fort Worth. Mabel attended Texas Wesleyan College, majored in accounting and went into real estate sales and investments, which is what she is doing presently. She has one daughter, Susan Renee, who is majoring in anthropology.

Mabel says her "general goals are to produce unusual but different cultivars that are extremely healthy and have clear color." She is also working on more gold edges, other edges, and wider petals and sepals. "I always strive to improve insect treatment, fungus, and weed control. I'm looking forward to my 10,000 seedlings in the garden giving me a lot of excitement when they bloom."

HURST COMANCHE BLANKET (SM96-1) (1998) (TAKE A PEAK x RUBY SULLIVAN) - 5" flower, 18" scape EV, diploid - pale mauve, purple etched halo, wide ruffled petals, flat, cream midribs, wide triangular yellow-green throat, 29 buds

HURST GREEN MEADOWS (SM98-48) (1998) (Seedling x Seedling) - 4" flower, 18" scape, diploid - cream peach, wide feathered purple eye, wide and deep chartreuse throat, pink midribs

HURST ANNABELLE LEE (SM97-32) (ALWAYS AFTERNOON x COLLIER) - 5 1/2" flower, 18" scape ERE tetraploid - deep lavender, wide purple eye, wide green throat - very ruffled segments, heavy substance

LEON and PAULA PAYNE:

"The Paynes in the Grass" - 14103 Melanie Lane, Pearland, TX 77581

CHRISTENING SPIRIT (#92-11CRSP) (1998) - 8" flower, 30" scape, EM, evergreen, diploid, exotic form, reblooms - peach, green throat with away branching, 15+ buds

SURE AS SHOOTIN' (#92-110) (JACK CARPENTER Seedling x BRENT GABRIEL) - 5" flower, 24" scape, 4 way branching, 22 buds, EM, evergreen, diploid - white edge is always present.

#95-123 (possible future introduction) - 5.5" flower, 30" scape, 30-35 buds, 4-5 way branching, midseason, reblooms, evergreen, tetraploid - pale pink, light yellow eye and yellow ruffled edges.

#96-119 (possible future introduction) [(WEDDING BAND x PIRATE'S PATCH) x (BORDER BRIDE)] - tetraploid - large cream flower with plum eye and bubble edge.



97BIS (Future Introduction) - 5" flower, 24-26" scape, flesh pink with huge black eye

and edge, green throat, 4-way branching, diploid, evergreen - won best seedling in Houston show in 1997.

BETTY KIRKWOOD:

Betty Kirkwood of Lindale, Texas, four years ago did not know how to plant her seeds she had hybridized that Summer. But now she is getting some excellent seedlings. Betty loves the eyed and edged tetraploids. She has an eye for anything that has good branching and bud count and sets her sights and standards very high. Betty will have many worthy crosses to introduce in the future due to her high standards. Keep an eye out for this lady's introductions. Her seedlings pictured are 2-97-DDXAB and 1-97-VCXAB.

AILEEN CASTLEBURY:

Pine Branch Daylily Garden, Brookston, Texas

#93-478-1 (Will be pre-registered and registered this Fall and introduced in 1999.) Large flower diploid double - A soft rose-red blend with a narrow white edge; sepals are lighter; (Annie T. Giles winner in 1998)

#95-162-4 (future introduction) - Large flower diploid - ivory with magenta eye

#95-111-3S (future introduction) - Spidery diploid - dark wine with darker eye and huge chartreuse throat

#92-93-8 (will be introduced in 1999) Large flower diploid double - a soft peach-pink blend

MABLE NELSON:

326 Yorkshire Lane, Port Neches, Texas

NEL-DLBR-5 (ELIZABETH SALTER x DRAGON'S DAWN) - double brilliant red with gold edge - always a double

NEL-SCS-7 (Seedling x CHRIS SALTER) - tetraploid - heavy gold edging with hooks and knobs - edging can be up to 1/2 inch

HURRICANE ROUTE - NEL-OB-7

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MAY 27-29, 1999

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REGISTRATION

Thursday, May 27

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday, May 28

6:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

FLOWER SHOW

Thursday, May 27

ENTRIES ACCEPTED

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

JUDGING

11:00 a.m.

OPEN TO PUBLIC & NON-SHOW OFFICIALS

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Thursday, May 27

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday, May 28 (if needed)

HOSPITALITY

Thursday, May 27

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday (as needed)

EXHIBITION JUDGES CLINICS, Thursday, May 27

Exhibition Judges Clinic 1

12:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Exhibition Judges Clinic 11

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Exhibition Judges Refresher Clinic

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

GARDEN JUDGES WORKSHOP, Friday, May 28

3:00 p.m.

Registration begins 30 minutes prior to starting times. Cost is \$5 per clinic to be paid at the clinic. DO NOT include fees with registration fee.

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HURST COMANCHE BLANKET



HURST ANNABELLE LEE

Mabel Matthews



HURST GREEN MEADOWS



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Leon & Paula Payne



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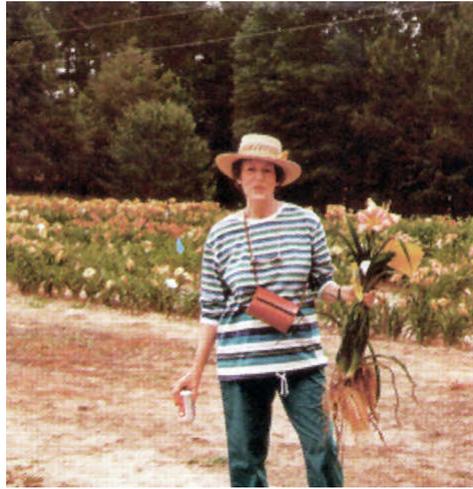
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CHRISTENING SPIRIT



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Aileen Castlebury



95-162-4



NEL-DLBR-5



NEL-SCS-7



HURRICANE ROUTE

PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN INFLUENTIAL IN OUR LIVES WITH DAYLILIES

by Ray Houston

This is the first in a series of articles that Sue Jackson had asked members to write about who has been influential in their "daylily life." Ray Houston writes about Inez Tarrant. Mary and Ray wrote this to the AHS Awards and Honors Chairman when they recommended Inez Tarrant for the Region 6 Service Award. Inez was honored with this Award in 1993.

When we first met Inez Tarrant at a 1984 meeting of the Brazosport Daylily Society we knew we had found a treasure. Upon learning that we knew nothing about this "daylily," Inez immediately took us under her wings as a mother hen would do and began to nourish us in the ways of the daylily world.



Inez Tarrant with her award winning LACY MARIONETTE

She has done for us what she has done for countless others in Region 6 for over thirty years. She has unselfishly provided hours of thoughtful training from her vast store of experience. Inez's method of drawing people into the garden and making them think about what they are viewing is intriguing.

Every year Inez has tirelessly demonstrated to the members of our local club and the Houston clubs the intricate details involved in the proper grooming of a prize winning exhibition entry. Inez's many ribbons are a compliment to her meticulous skills as an exhibitor.

Inez has graciously served Region 6 as Exhibition and Garden Judge for many years. Wherever she travels, Inez strives to promote consistent quality judging to enhance the characteristics which make the daylily such a popular flower. We who have learned under her tutoring are striving to achieve the same high standards.

Inez has traveled hundreds of miles to present programs for Region 6 daylily clubs. She also presents programs within the community in her efforts to promote the love of daylilies.

As part of a community effort to encourage children in the science of gardening, grade school students make a bus field trip to Inez's garden each year. She pricks the childrens' interest as she demonstrates the arts of hybridizing, grooming, and cultivating daylilies. Inez is also active in community beautification projects having donated plants, countless hours of labor, and horticultural advice.

Inez is one of the consistent supporters of Region 6 through her generous giving of daylilies to table sales and auctions. She helped organize the first Region 6 auction. Her new introductions are often proudly displayed gift plants found in Regional tour gardens. It is not unusual for her to give new members of a daylily club numerous quality daylilies to begin their gardens.

Inez has held numerous offices in Region 6 clubs including the office of President of the Brazosport Daylily Society and President of the Houston Area Daylily Society.

The members of Region 6 are proud of Inez's dedication to promoting the public's awareness of the daylily and improving the quality of the flower we love so much. Mary and I have Inez to thank for many of the two hundred fifty plus daylilies we grow in our garden. We will always be grateful to Inez because she introduced us to this beautiful flower, the daylily.

JOYCE LEWIS MENTOR AND FRIEND

by Sharon Umphress



Joyce Lewis teaches and encourages others

My interest in daylilies developed after we moved to East Texas in 1990, after purchasing some from a local nursery. I went to my first meeting of the East Texas Daylily Society and met Joyce Lewis, my friend, mentor, and confidant. Joyce has taught me so much about general growing requirements of plants for this area. Joyce is a farmer and a well known hybridizer of daylilies. Some of his introductions include: TEXAS SUNLIGHT, TEXAS PEACHES, YUM YUM, and the one he named for me, SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP. I know he named this one for me because he told me. Of course, he tells everyone who asks that he named it for them. Joyce is such a wonderful giving friend that he has many special friendships. Everyone who has ever met Joyce has come away from that encounter with a special feeling of time well spent.

When I was elected club President, Joyce kept telling me I could handle it. He encouraged my mother and me to become Exhibition Judges and Garden Judges. When I was asked to serve as Region 6 Youth Liaison/Secretary in 1996-97, he again said I could do this, and told me about his years of service to Region 6. He is a former RPD and RVP. In 1997, when Sue asked me to serve as RPD, he was still there helping me decide if I was capable of doing this job justice. Whenever I have questions or ideas I usually ask Joyce his opinion first and he is always there with sound advice. He has shown me patience, tolerance, and tact; things that sometimes are hard to

remember when you have an idea that is just bursting to get out.

In our hybridizing program my mother, Elizabeth Hoover, and I are using some of the valuable information he has shared with us. He told us to pay attention to the pod parent and opened our eyes to the merits of using more dormant daylilies vs. evergreens in our area. When we have had a "possible" he tells us to watch it, evaluate it and then decide. We are still evaluating and he is still encouraging so maybe one day soon we will have something worth registering.



TEXAS SUNLIGHT

Joyce's friendship has enriched my life and many others will say the same. I am glad he is a special friend and I hope I give back a small part of what I have received from Joyce.

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DAYLILY HYBRIDIZER AIMS FOR QUALITY

Mary Fox for Senior Monthly in Michigan City, IN

Leo Sharp is a name most of us in Region 6 recognize by now. At the Dallas Region 6 Meeting in June, he donated the outstanding daylily that Lee Causey bid and bought for \$1,125. Because of his generosity, the Editors felt he should also be showcased in our Fall/Winter Newsletter hybridizer issue. The following is from an article about Leo that was written for the August issue of Senior Monthly published in Michigan City, Indiana, where Leo has Brookwood Gardens.

Leo Sharp walks through his acres of daylilies with a measuring tape and camera. He is looking for the best of his daylilies. The prime daylilies at his Brookwood Gardens may be set aside to become parents. Leo, who owns the acres at Brookwood Gardens, just East of U.S. 421 on Snyder Road (East of Otis), and a few more acres of daylilies in Florida, hybridizes daylilies.



Leo Sharp pollinating in his fields

“One of the things you look for is distinctiveness,” he explained. Other qualities, too, are prerequisites for a parent. “There is an absolute demand that it be attractive - clear in color, adequate bud count, strong and vigorous.”

Leo measures the flowers and exclaims over ones that are particularly big. But he would not choose a flower to become a parent solely because of its size. “Big doesn’t make the grade unless it’s a quality daylily,” he said. Stopping at the flowers, he notes gold edging on one, the eyezones on another and color on others. He is interested in hybridizing one flower because of its intricate pattern and eyezone.

The daylilies at Brookwood are in a wide range of colors. Leo shows off purples, reds, and pauses at a cream that he has never noticed before. . . But the colors of many daylilies catch his eye. “This color is such a delight because the color is so lustrous. It’s a nice clear peach,” he said. Commenting on another flower, “This is an unusual red. This is a different shade than most reds.”

Hybridizing is not a sure science, Leo pointed out. He can only guess at the color of the new flower after he crosses plants. “You can cross a rose and a lavender and get a deep purple,” he pointed out. “That is not what I thought I was going to get, but I’m not disappointed,” he said. . .

In hybridizing the daylilies, Leo seeks more symmetry in the flowers and fuller petals. He also has taken the flowers from fragile to hardy. Since the early 1980s, he has been selecting daylilies to make a heavier flower. Showing off a daylily, he noted that it weathered two inches of rain without a scratch. “You see, most daylilies after a day of rain are shredded. There’s nothing there. The flowers are just destroyed normally.” He explained that the petals of daylilies have been thin. “They used to be like tissue paper. We’ve bred substance into them,” he said.

An advantage to the farm in Florida is that Leo is able to bring up flowers to hybridize with others that are unrelated. Leo wants to keep the gene pool large. “Many hybridizers inbreed plants,” he said. “The plant may be gorgeous, but it’s weak. When a plant is not strong, it has a lack of ability to withstand extreme temperatures. The daylily value is its vigor. When it no longer has vigor, it no longer has value,” he said.

Leo has spent time this year traveling around the country looking at the gardens of others that grow daylilies. He wants to be sure he is not duplicating what others are doing. . .

His interest in daylilies began when Leo received some as a gift with some shrubs and trees that

he had ordered from a catalog. Even though the plants were dried out when they arrive, they thrived and blossomed. He was impressed with their hardiness and sought out daylilies that he liked more. Soon he was hybridizing flowers. His interest and devotion to the daylilies protected his sanity, he said.

“This passion for daylilies started when I became so loaded up with stress I could hardly deal with it,” he said. He bought the acres of Brookwood Gardens in the early 1980s and began sinking the money into it that would yield his present harvest. He acknowledges putting \$50,000 a year into the gardens before selling a flower ten years later. “I tell everyone who wants to do this that it’s a good way to run a fortune into a shoestring,” he said...

Brookwood Gardens is open all day during July and the beginning of August. After that, customers come by appointment. The people who come looking for daylilies may come from as far away as Mississippi. Daylily lovers from all over the East Coast come to the garden in Florida.

Leo foresees that daylilies may become the most popular perennial in the United States. He said that they are easy to grow. With a little soil, moisture and care, he said, “they will do fabulously.” Taking on hybridizing plants as a business, though, is a different matter. Leo plants about 30,000 seeds a year. Looking over his acreage, he said, “All of this is a result of my getting up at 5 a.m. for 15 years.”

ILYANA MANSFIELD: STUDENT, TEACHER AND HYBRIDIZER and SHE’S ONLY SIX YEARS OLD!

By Michael and Rozalyn Mansfield

In the Spring Newsletter, Rozalyn Mansfield reported about the project of the Huntsville Muddy Boots Daylily Society working with the Alternative School Gardens in the area. This article is about their daughter, Ilyana, and her involvement as Youth Director of their Daylily Society with her various projects.

This Summer has been a busy one for Ilyana Mansfield, Youth Director of the Huntsville Muddy Boots Daylily Society. She donated about a thousand daylily seedlings to the Huntsville Alternative School Gardens to increase the genetic diversity of their daylily collection, already donated by Ilyana and the Huntsville Muddy Boots Daylily Society. She taught the Alternative School junior high and high school students methods of daylily hybridization, including the mechanics of cross-breeding, tagging crosses and record-keeping. She taught them seedling evaluation, selecting for strength and vigor of roots and plants. In addition to working with the Alternative School, Ilyana also conducted similar workshops for local Girl Scout troops who are starting daylily gardens with seedlings donated by the Huntsville Muddy Boots Daylily Society.



Ilyana, age 6, pollinating “Dragonfire”

Ilyana continued her personal breeding projects at her home nursery gardens called Ilyana’s Gardens. In her home test bed she already has a large number of seedlings from crosses she made last year from the daylily she bred and named “Dragonfire,” a large red-orange tetraploid bred from ROCKET CITY and RED VOLUNTEER. This is an extremely drought-resistant, hardy daylily with eight inch blooms, deep taproots and a very long blooming season. It consistently gives the strongest, most durable seedlings of any plant we’ve ever tried.



Ilyana's daylily garden at school

This would have been a very busy Summer for almost any child. But Ilyana fits these and other activities in with romping about, being a kitten, a toad or a dragon, and playing with toads and lizards in the garden, since she is just six years old. She developed "Dragonfire" when she was only four.

Ilyana's favorite tetraploid daylilies are the large-bloomed, hardy ones she has bred such as with "Dragonfire." She has already bred similar red and black daylilies, and is now developing companion plants she is naming "Dragonembers" and "Dragonsmoke." Her favorite diploids are crosses she made from SPIDER WEB with various large exotics and spider daylilies. These flowers have orchid-shaped blooms, some of which are over a foot across. Ilyana loves them because they look like flying dragons.

Ilyana first became interested in gardens at the age of two when she found out that they not only have pretty flowers, but are also homes for toads and lizards, some of her favorite creatures in the world. Ilyana grows everything in her gardens organically, since her gardens exist as much for the toads and lizards as for the flowers. She also knows that toads and lizards are wonderful guardians of the flowers, eating the bugs that would otherwise decimate the plants. Whenever she finds a lizard running along a plant scape or a tree frog sleeping on a daylily leaf, Ilyana knows that her gardens are a place of wonder and delight.

In addition to her work with daylilies, Ilyana is also working with the Alternative School students on related gardening projects, helping the

students hybridize miniature and heirloom Roses as well as Candy Lilies. Ilyana is working on breeding Candy Lilies for similar qualities of color, drought resistance and deep taproots. She went to Summer school, where she studied art, music, accelerated classes on algebra, three-dimensional geometry, beginning calculus and electronics. Reading on a high school level, Ilyana did a lot of Summer reading, especially books about frogs, toad, lizards and friendly dragons.

YOUTH HYBRIDIZER FROM REGION 6 Joe Allen Lewis

The Editors were delighted to receive this information from one of our youngest Region 6 hybridizers, Joe Allen Lewis. Joe is in the process of becoming an Exhibition Judge. He has taken two Garden Judges Workshops and will be eligible to be a Garden Judge next year. Joe is interested in spiders, tetraploids, and small flowered daylilies. He recently raised one acre of eggplants to finance his purchases and future college expenses. We certainly enjoy receiving articles such as this one, and one about another young hybridizer, Ilyana Mansfield (read about her in this issue) and Nolanne Chang (read about her in the Summer 1998 issue). We would also like to congratulate the East Texas Daylily Society for paying youth registrations to the Regionals and Nationals. Two of Joe's hybridized daylilies are featured in our color section.

I am fourteen years old and belong to the East Texas Daylily Society and the Daylily Growers of Dallas. I first became interested in daylilies a few years ago when I went with my granddad (Joyce Lewis), Snooks Harville, Cheryl and Beth Dungan to see Betty Phelps' garden in Athens.

My first seedlings bloomed last year. They were from seeds my granddad gave me, plants Snooks gave me, and many other generous people. The East Texas Daylily Society paid for the youth registrations for the National Convention and Regional Meeting. I attended and received plants at both meetings. I also received plants at the Tyler sale and from other people in the Society. I also buy some myself. Since I have received so many plants I have been adding more space to my garden every year.

What's Happening

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

Cal Iskra, Reporter

The ADS held a meeting in July in the lovely garden of Mary Gilliam in the Rio Grande Valley area, under a magnificent old Cottonwood tree. Then we all went to tour the garden of Kreg Hill and Bill Christensen, where the daylilies share space with over a thousand Rose bushes.



Winterizing the beds at University House
Kathryn Neely, Lucy Woods, Cal Iskra,
Walt Wood, Carolyn Kittridge

On August 15th, we all drove down the valley to the gardens of Linda Kellerup. Linda had a magnificent clump of JEN MELON (Oakes) in full bloom. One of our members, Judy Nickell, talked to us about plants causing allergies. The main thrust of her talk was that "pretty flowers do NOT cause allergies" since they are insect pollinated rather than wind pollinated. At this meeting we elected the officers for 1999. They are:

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary
Membership

Maple Levine
Linda Kellerup
Rozanne Tuffnell
Anna Mulkey
Ed Davis

At both meetings Popularity Poll forms were distributed to encourage everyone to vote.

The September meeting was held at the home of the Chang family. This was the final meeting of the year. The club formed a committee to "watch over" the daylilies at University House where the club had donated daylilies and established the Stout Bed seven years ago. Since Dick and Donna Peck have moved, the club was concerned over the care the beds. In late October a dedicated group with shovels, diggers, clippers and plastic bags spent four mornings cleaning up the beds for Winter.

I hope everyone has had a successful growing season as we have.

AUSTIN DAYLILY SOCIETY

Michelle Ogee, Reporter

The dog days of Summer are still upon us and cool days of autumn are slowly creeping up. The Sumac has started to change color so autumn is coming. This has been a year of trial and tribulation for all of us. We have had one of the driest Summers. The daylilies were tested to see how much abuse they could take. Lack of rain and high heat tested our cultivators on their hardiness. Then we, as growers, were tested as to how far the water bill would go up before we stopped watering. We were also tested to see how hot it could get before we went back into the air-conditioned homes to escape the squelching heat.

The club has been busy with the daylily display beds. Of our two beds the lower bed is almost complete. The rock wall is finished and the irrigation needs to be installed. The rock wall is still in progress in the upper bed. Everyone is chipping in as much as possible so if things go right we might plant soon. Many of the

members will be donating plants. In November, at the Fall Seminar, everyone was able to see our beautiful beds.

In October, the Zilker Garden held the Herb Festival. Our club provided plants at the Festival. The plants came from Cordon Bleu and they were wonderful. They provided us with all tetraploid plants, which were large and healthy. By noon many of the plants were gone. As always, the Festival was a success for our club. We not only sold beautiful plants, but we showed people the advantages of daylilies.

The excitement in the club was the November Seminar. We all looked forward to hosting this meeting. The speakers were informative and fun. We even talked our own C. L. Williams into speak on landscaping. Everyone pitched in with the anticipation of making this meeting enjoyable for everyone. We met on Friday night at Luby's Cafeteria. This gave us time to visit with each other and talk about daylilies. On Saturday the Seminar was in full swing with the lectures. The Seminar was a time for all of us to get together and learn about the plant we enjoy.

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

Nancy McGee, Reporter

Brazosport Daylily Society members were treated to tours of members' gardens in the month of June. We thank the Andrews and the Overbys for their gracious hospitality and the time and effort they have devoted to keep them so beautiful.

In July, we took a break from the heat and viewed some wonderful photography (and blooms) presented by Nell Shimek, Nina Imperial, Warren Goza, Robert Canales, and Inez Tarrant. Their slides included shots from Regional and National events and were greatly appreciated by all members. The July meeting

also included ongoing planning for the Regional 2000 Meeting. Forty-two members and two guests were in attendance.

Plans were finalized for the remainder of the year during the August meeting, with our club auction and plant sale both held in October. We were then privileged to have Dr. Art Imperial present slides from the Castlebury's Garden at Pine Branch.

In September, officers for 1999 were nominated and plans for our annual Christmas party were completed. We were then exposed to some very exciting plants as Paula Payne presented slides of the "Paynes in the Grass" latest seedlings. (I did not intend to leave you out, Leon.) Forty-six members and one guest managed to survive high water and mosquitoes the size of warhogs at the September meeting. As we all ease into the Fall and Winter months, we remember that Mother Nature bats last!

CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY CLUB

Catherine L. Bailey Neal, Reporter

The September meeting of the Cypress Creek Daylily Club was held at Mercer Arboretum and Botanic Gardens. Members enjoyed before and after the meeting the Fall flowers of this garden. The program for September 27, 1998 was a slide show on Region 6 and National Gardens by Mary Gage.



Award Winning
Anna Rosa Glidden



Judges for the Cypress Creek Daylily Show: Ruth Goza, Martha Gayle, Gloria Mutz, Richard Rosen, Nell Crandall

The club held their first daylily flower show in May of 1998. Flower Show Chairman for the May 1999 show is Gene Childers. The show will have a horticulture division only at the Mercer Arboretum and Botanic Garden. The Mercer Botanic area has a large daylily display garden toward the center, just past the Iris display.

The club will hold a plant sale April 24, 1999 at Cornelius on FM 1960.

1999 Officers are:

President	Gerald Overturff
1st Vice President	Jean Lewis
2nd Vice President	Gene Childers
Recording Secretary	Marilyn Overturff
Treasurer	Billy Lewis

Catherine L. B. Neal will be the Reporter for 1999.

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

Binion Amerson, Reporter

The Daylily Growers of Dallas were very pleased to host the very successful AHS Region 6 Meeting in Plano, Texas, June 4-6, 1998. The Regional Flower Show was a big success. The Auction was most exciting as it brought in a record-setting total because of the generosity of Leo Sharp of Brookwood Gardens, the deep pockets of all the Region 6 members and especially Lee Causey who was

high bidder for a special Brookwood cultivar. The garden tours were wonderful. And, the attendees from throughout the Region were delightful. The club thanks Eloise Koonce for a job well done as Chairman of the Region 6 Meeting.

The Summer months in the Dallas area were merciless because of the heat and lack of rain. Diehard daylily growers watered their plants diligently to keep them alive. Summer's end was celebrated with a picnic at the home of club President Kay Day. Everyone enjoyed this social and food was exceptional.

Fall brought a successful daylily sale and meetings resumed at Northaven Gardens on the third Saturday of the month. Members were treated to slides of gardens from the Region 6 Meeting and the National Convention during September and October.

Newly elected officers will be installed at the November meeting. They are:

President	Barron Bozeman
1st Vice President & Program Chairman	Lee Causey
2nd Vice President & Show Chairman	Ron & Barbara Cohea
3rd Vice President & Membership Chairman	Donna Poole
Treasurer	Peggy Kirkland
Parliamentarian	Helen Reynolds
Ways and Means Chairman	Bill & Sharon Cockerham
Librarian-Historian	Joe Lewis

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

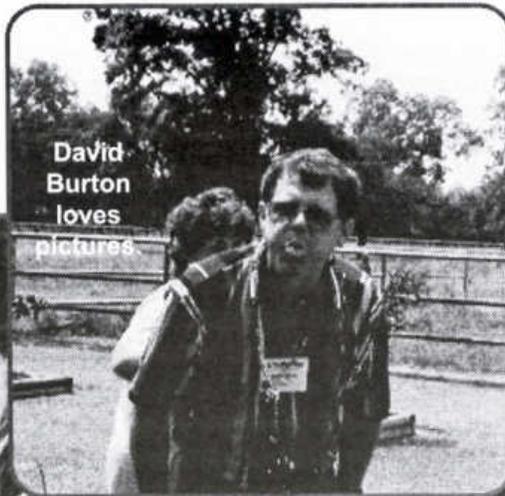
Jeanne McNutt, Reporter

The calendar says it's Fall now, but the temperatures still feel like it's Summer. It is nice to have a little time between Summer

and Winter when you don't need the air conditioner and it is not cold enough yet for the heat to be turned on.. I am thinking that time is going to be short this year.



The latest fashion for viewing daylilies



Whose flowers are these, anyway?

Those of us who made the trip to Plano for the Region 6 Meeting had a great time. We enjoyed the beautiful gardens, the food was super, and the Clinics and programs were helpful. We were proud of our Elizabeth Hoover who won the Ophelia Taylor Award at the Regional Flower Show, also Beth Dungan for winning the Youth Division and David Burton for taking Sweepstakes in the Flower Show. Congratulations to Sharon Umphress on being selected the Regional Publicity Director. We came home feeling that we had learned a lot and seen so many beautiful flowers and friendly people. Many thanks to Joyce Lewis for his donation of SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP to all of the attendees at the Regional Meeting. Now we are planning for 1999 and we will have a grand time in Nacogdoches.

Our Program Chairman is Joyce Lewis and he always comes up with something interesting for us to see. In July it was slides and pictures from the Regional Meeting and National Convention taken by David Burton and Joyce.



Preparing for the annual dig and sale fundraiser at Snooks' garden.

At the August meeting we were still having hot and dry days and it was debatable whether or not we should try to have a Fall plant sale in September. Our gardens were suffering and it was doubtful if we would be able to give our increase to the sale. So we decided to wait until September to make a decision. David Burton will be the Chairman of the Flower Show at the 1999 Regional Meeting in Nacogdoches. The theme will be "Mardi Gras in May" and will include an Artistic Design

GOLDEN SPREAD DAYLILY SOCIETY

by Annie Weinreich

Section. Daylily Growers of Dallas will furnish the niches needed and other clubs in Region 6 who wish are donating show trophies. Our ETDS members are baking cookies for the hospitality room. The ETDS Flower Show is scheduled for June 5th and David is the Chairman for this show, also. Our program in August was presented by our members, Bill and Bonnie Pierson. They practice organic gardening and it works well for them. Evidence the beautiful blooms Bonnie brought to the meeting during this Summer.

Before the September meeting the rains finally came so we went on with the plans for the plant sale. Plants were ordered as members had none to contribute and Snooks Harville's gardens were very, very wet. Too wet to get seedlings this time. The Rose Garden in Tyler is heavily booked in September, but we were able to get space there with the Master Gardeners. At the September meeting a nominating committee was chosen and they will announce their picks to replace President Betty Phelps and First Vice President Joyce Lewis at the October meeting. Other officers are serving their first year in office. Betty and Joyce have done such a good job we'd like to keep them on, but we only have officers serve two consecutive years. Our program in September was viewing slides and pictures of our members taken over the years since the club was organized in 1990. The slides were taken openly and secretly by members and we were happy and sad, too, as we saw how we used to look. We also said "Goodbye" again to members who have passed.

And today, after looking at what is still alive in my own daylily garden, I've decided that there are more plants lost to the heat and dryness where I diligently watered and tended the plants. The others that I neglected went dormant and mostly came back after the first good rain. Maybe next year will be more daylily friendly and I won't fool with Mother Nature so much.

What a Summer! We had only a handful of days with highs below 90 degrees since May. Most have been from 95-100 degrees, with a few days higher than that! Meanwhile, we are currently 7 inches low of our scant annual 20 inches of moisture, after starting the Summer wetter than usual.

Despite these conditions, our Kate Graham Daylily Garden at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens did thrive. Rex Johnston has spearheaded the completion of our garden update, and we have applied for status as an official AHS Display Garden. We continue to add newer Award and Popularity Poll winners and delete less wonderful cultivars every year. This garden is open to the public at all times, and is wheelchair accessible. Please stop by if you are in Amarillo during bloom season. Peak bloom is around the 4th of July.

Our Fall daylily sale was incredible! We sold out (for the first time ever) by 11:00 a.m. Our two local newspaper garden writers have been marvelous in helping us "spread the word."

One very special member of our little group, Maria Escamilla, of Hereford, has been quite ill. We hope you will join us sending her our thoughts, prayers and love.

As always, visitors and new members are cordially invited to join us. Contact Amarillo Botanical Gardens at 806-352-6513 for specific meeting information.

GULF COAST DAYLILY SOCIETY OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS

by Mary Gage

What a Summer! It has been quite awhile since we had had such a long, hot, dry Summer and I hope it will be a long time before we see the likes of it again. We did not lose as many daylilies as I had feared, but we lost some trees in the woods. Armadillos came in from the woods to dig in any place that had some moisture; flower beds, of course. It seems you can't win for losing. Either let things die from being too dry or water and bring in the armadillos and also risk encouraging crown rot. As I write this, we have just had our visit from Frances with her mix of blessings and disaster. While we rejoice with folks who got just enough rain, our hearts go out to those who suffered the disaster of flooding.

Thank you, Daylily Growers of Dallas, for your hard work of hosting a great Region 6 Meeting. It was good to see old friends again and visit the great gardens of Northeast Texas. The trip down memory lane with the slide show of Region 6 people ended all too soon. We would love to have seen more. Eddie Gage was thrilled to win three of the crystal awards in the Flower Show. Clifford Lee, also from Houston, won the miniature and Best In Show, proving that daylilies can be cut the day before the show, transported long distances and still compete handily. Remember this next year and plan to compete in the flower show in Nacogdoches.

On August 1st we had a good turnout for our yearly Garden Judges Workshop at Dorothy's Front Porch, reviewing notes and slides from Regionals and garden tours.

Margaret Jones, long time Gulf Coast member who moved to Denton, has her planting space at the retirement center where she lives. We are pleased to see her recognized in her local paper with a nice article on her and her

daylilies. We miss her, but know that she brightens the corner where she is.

The business of our regular September meeting at the Groves Senior Citizens Center followed a delicious covered dish luncheon (we have some great cooks). Three new members in attendance were welcomed: Joy Burke, Craig and Millie Hoyal. Being so close to the Texas-Louisiana border we have many members from Southwest Louisiana and recently gained four new members from that area: Agnes Dunn, Earline Guillory, Grace Savoie and Louise Lyons.

The Fuqua Trophy, a silver bowl, is a revolving trophy the Gulf Coast Club gives each year for the best seedling or pre-registered daylily in a tour garden of a local club member. This year it was won by Marie Dattalo for MD-7000. The Silver Trophy was won by Bobo Faggard for FT-18993, the best red seedling, this year's color choice. Bobo gets to keep this trophy.

Our program consisted of slides of Region 6 hybridizers' new and promising seedlings and registrations. Those represented were Marie Dattalo, Dr. Eugene Orgeron, Mable Nelson, Nita Copenhaver, Paula and Leon Payne, and Scott Henry. Congratulations to them for the exciting results of their hybridizing efforts.

Gulf Coast planned their plant sale at Central Mall in Port Arthur on October 10, 1998.

HOUSTON AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

Judithe Savely, Reporter

Houston Area Daylily Society (HADS) members visited the innovative, well-planned and very different gardens of Nell Crandall, Martha Gayle, and Mickey Sanders in June.

On entering Nell's yard, one sees a garden integrated with nature. The rich variety of plants in large deep beds have a look of

density, with big open green areas interspersed between beds. This visit was an opportunity to view thoughtfully organized groups of daylilies from earliest hybridizers, as well as new daylilies and Nell's spiders. Her collection of spiders and spider variants are displayed under trees. "Spider Heaven" was one person's description of this lovely garden! Noted in the Crandall garden were tri-colored *Dracaena*, SATAN'S CURLS, SLENDER LADY, SKINNY MINNY, and HANDSOME ROSS CARTER.

Completely redesigned two years ago, and beautifully arranged by individual hybridizers, Martha's new landscape plan features reblooming daylilies. Curved brick pathways and a shade garden resplendent with ferns further contribute to make this garden a visual delight! Many of the latest Salter and Stamile daylilies were in glorious bloom. A standout daylily was MASK OF TIME.

Mickey's yard was designed by David Otahal and features many unusual plants, in addition to daylilies. Ornamental grasses, Black Taro, Kangaroo Paw, Rangoon Creeper, Horse Tail and Texas Laurel were observed in this garden. Mickey's plants are chosen carefully with consideration given to flower show design.

In July, club members visited Washington-on-the-Brazos Park, as well as the museum within the park for a quick review of Texas history. The chartered bus then moved on to the Blue Bell Creamery for a tour, followed by lunch in Brenham. Bluebells were in full bloom along the roadside - a highlight for everyone! Our thanks to Kermit Muske for planning this trip!

Mary Gage and Scott Henry showed slides of the gardens featured at the Regional Meeting and National Convention during our August meeting.

Officers for 1999 were elected at our September meeting. Our congratulations go to:

President	Mary Gage
1st Vice President	Sara Chumley
2nd Vice President	Sharon Shackelford
Recording Secretary	Lee Jacobs
Corresponding Secretary	Leslie Wong
Treasurer	Nell Crandall
Historian	Catherine Neal

The September program featured Shawn Kelley of Mirror Lake Landscapes, Pools and Waterfalls who presented a slide program showing yards he had landscaped, pools he had built, and items of interest in each phase of design. He is well known for his work with rocks and waterfalls. He believes the key to landscape interest lies in the right contrast and utilizes changes in elevation to create visually stunning landscapes.

HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Geraldine Kennedy, Reporter

The first meeting of the Houston Hemerocallis Society for the 1998-99 year was held the last Thursday in September. Members enjoyed good food and good company before attending to club business. A highlight of the evening was a Daylily Art Show coordinated by our first Vice-President Catherine Neal. This extensive and informative exhibit included some beautiful examples of daylily art used to enhance articles of clothing and pictorial displays of activities that related to club history.

Among the articles of clothing exhibited were aprons, hats, vests, tee shirts, and tote bags embroidered or painted with daylilies. On loan from Nell Crandall were a blue dress appliquéd with daylilies and straw hats sporting silk daylilies, including some spiders. Also on display was an afghan provided by William and Joy Pearce of Home Plantation Gardens in

Bunkie, LA. The afghan, bearing the title "Daylilies - Gems of Creation," is an example of articles that can be purchased from the Pearces.

The several pictorial displays included Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., of which we are a member; a tribute to John Denver; highlights of our recent bus trip which included Jack Carpenter's garden; the Cypress Creek daylily shows; named daylilies with swallowtail butterflies and memories of a Regional Meeting held in Nacogdoches. The latter was a reminder that our Regional Meeting this year will again be held in Nacogdoches.

The Fall daylily sale was held October 24th at Teas Nursery in Bellaire, Texas. Members were on hand to talk daylilies and there was the added bonus of enjoying the ambience and shopping at Teas Nursery.

Our club encourages as many members as possible to become members of AHS, and plans for increasing membership in the National Society are in the works. Club President Maurice Petersen informs us that other changes are underway, which, it is hoped, will increase member participation in club events and solidify social relationships within the club. Committees have been established to consider some minor changes to our bylaws and to propose a club budget.

We come together as fellows because of mutual interest in a favorite flower. In this spirit we extend an open invitation to all and sundry interested persons who would like to visit with us on the last Thursday of each month from September to May. You are welcome. Come learn with us.

LUFKIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Edythe Weeks, Reporter

The Lufkin Hemerocallis Society met after Summer vacation at the home of Evelyn Barley. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Frank Cady. Elected to the nominating committee for 1999 were Reba Barrison, Eleene Stephens, and Vivian Scott. Information concerning marking and labeling daylilies was provided.

Members attending the AHS National Convention in May at Lafayette, Louisiana, were Evelyn Barley, Barbara and Garland Picou, and Bernice Poole.

Members attending Region Meeting in Dallas, Texas, in June, were President, Evelyn Barley and Vice President, Barbara Picou. The newest cultivars were shown in gardens. Some of the most beautiful daylilies were on display. Preparation for Regional tour gardens have to be started years ahead.

Barbara Picou waited until the daylily season was over to have a knee replacement. She should be able to be ready for a new start in 1999. We wish her a speedy recovery.

We are sorry to announce the death of a charter member; (Mrs. Jesse) Mary Faye O'Quinn. She was the first President of the Lufkin Club. Mary Faye was left a widow at a young age. She had to work hard to raise daylilies and for years she also grew a truck garden and sold Avon. She was prone to falling and breaking bones, but some way she managed to have a happy outlook and worked her business by phone. She never missed getting her plants prepared and to the sale. She was a very petite lady that has left a very large vacancy with her passing.

NACOGDOCHES DAYLILY SOCIETY

Jackie Timmons, Reporter



Jean Barnhart's Shade House on tour for the Regional

Whatever happened to El Niño? I was all prepared for a short, cool, wet Summer. Was I out of step or what! It is almost October but my thermometer is still set on July. But ... guess what I heard this morning - geese! It's coming, cool weather is coming. Fall will be here. Geese are never wrong. I just wish they had brought rain with them.

Many of our club members were hit with emergency water rationing this Summer. This is almost unheard of for our area. Most of the members on rationing just couldn't water certain days or times. Some of us became nocturnal creatures dragging water hoses around between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Barnee and Sue Casper both went on no outside water use. You know Barnee, she took it in stride. Poor Sue saved her bath water, dish water, everything. (I think I even saw her brushing her teeth outside - leaving her water running into the ferns while she did).

One of the smallest yards that will be on tour during the 1999 Regional Meeting belongs to Maxine Gwinn. Her front yard looks like a well-landscaped subdivision front yard. However, just go through a little gate into her back yard. There you will find many treasures. At last count she had over 400 daylilies in this little yard. Many of them are in a cottage garden behind an arbor on the North end.

She also has several unusual companion plants and lots of bedding plants. Paths through her beds, small statuary, and a bench hidden in trees make this yard seem much larger than it is. A wooden fence makes it into a private oasis. This is an excellent yard to see if you want ideas for landscaping changes to a small lot.

Another yard that will be on tour next year is Betty Commander's. Betty has a country garden to which she made many changes in the last year. It has grown so much and she has added several beds. Betty has several beautiful color combinations. The splashiest is a very dark purple Salvia mixed with deep pink Purple Coneflowers. Other companion plants include Roses growing on the fence, Hidden Ginger, and Shasta Daisies en mass.

NORTH TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

Judy Montgomery, Reporter

The July meeting was held at BRIT (Botanical Research Institute of Texas) in Fort Worth. Fiona Norris of BRIT gave an informative and interesting talk concerning the purpose and work being done by the Institute and took us on a tour of the facility. We were shown several rare antique botanical books in which the drawings and sketches were done by hand. These books, and many others, are stored in a climate controlled, locked room. Prior to the meeting, we all enjoyed a delicious catered dinner at the Institute.

The first annual daylily sale was held at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden on September 26. The sale was the main topic of discussion at our August meeting. The club had purchased daylilies from Aileen and Bobby Castleberry for the sale.

New officers for 1999 were proposed by the nominating committee and were accepted by the members at the August meeting. The new officers are:

President	Vernon Wallis
First Vice President (Programs)	Mabel Matthews
Second Vice President (Membership)	Kathy Blikken
Third Vice President (Publicity)	Nickie Knight
Fourth Vice President (Treasurer)	Shirlene Holt
Secretary	Carol Plowman

Following the business meeting, Margie Peters presented a slide show of The Spalding Legacy (Edna and Elsie Spalding's daylilies).

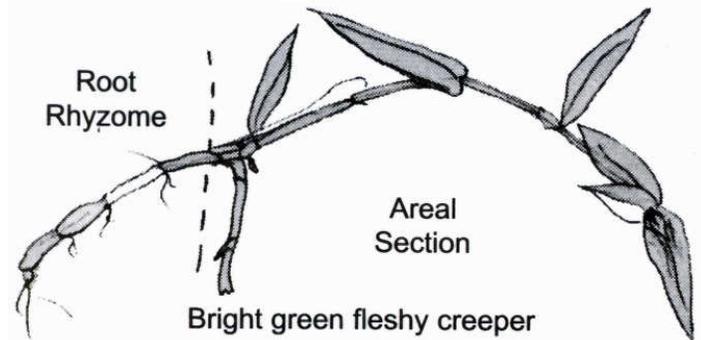
September was our annual Daylily Bingo and Ice Cream Social. The Bingo game was called by Joe Conrad. Daylilies which were brought by members along with other items, were awarded as prizes. Everyone took home a daylily or two. We were also happy to welcome several new members to the Society at the meeting.

SAN ANTONIO DAYLILY SOCIETY

Alan Humphreys, Reporter

The San Antonio Daylily Society does not meet in July and August. I have called several members and most have told me that their big job this Summer and Fall was to keep daylilies alive and begin garden preparations for a new season. We had a drought through June and July, but the rains did come in August. Plants, including weeds and grass, acted as if it were Spring. I mowed, pulled weeds and pruned. Morning Glories grew into a large *Pyrocantia* and for the first time, the bush was covered with purple blooms.

Several years ago a small, green, creeping was introduced into my garden. I suspect that it is a *Tradescantia* relative. It is perfectly equipped to survive despite my best efforts to eradicate it. Weed spray kills the tops, but a week later new shoots emerge from tiny root-like rhizomes. Since both the stem and root are jointed, efforts to pull it fail. I am now removing everything from a mixed bed (*Iris* and daylilies), separating the "keepers" and screening the remainder. Even this does not work too well since the tiny rhizomes, once broken apart, pass easily through my one-half inch mesh screen. I called our President, Dennis Fortassian. His only suggestion was that perhaps it should be called Texas Kudzu. Here is a sketch of the culprit. If anyone recognizes it and/or knows of a sure eradication technique, please let me know at pogohexpress-news.net.



We meet for the first time since June in the Carriage House at the San Antonio Botanical Gardens on the third Sunday (2 p.m.) in September, and every month following until July. At our first meeting, we will establish a nominating committee and get the process leading to new officers underway.

JUST A REMINDER

**DEADLINE FOR SPRING NEWSLETTER
FEBRUARY 1ST**

Please make sure your articles and pictures for the Spring Newsletter are delivered to Donna Peck, Editor, by February 1st. The Editors can't deliver the Newsletter on time if the material is not on time. We appreciate your help and are planning an interesting Spring edition.

**Ninth Annual AHS Region 10
Mid-Winter Symposium
February 5-7, 1999
Chattanooga Choo-Choo Holiday Inn
Chattanooga, TN**

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1999

1:00-4:00 Visit the Greenhouse at Chattanooga Daylily Gardens
6:30 Dinner as a Group - Not Included
Buffet at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1999

9:00-11:00 Visit the Greenhouse at Chattanooga Daylily Gardens or Other Attractions Around Chattanooga
1:00 p.m. Wineception and Internet Robin Social Everyone Welcome - Gallery Meeting Rooms
Tom and Kathy Rood - New York
1:00 Garden Judges Workshop
1:00 Exhibition Judges Clinic - Part 1
5:30 Build Your Own Sandwich Buffet
What's New: Hybridizing Programs of:
6:00 Leo E. Sharpe, Jr. - Indiana
6:20 Oliver Billingslea - Alabama
6:40 Darrel Apps - New Jersey
7:00 Where It All Started!
Daylilies, Gardens & People of Region 1
Lynn Stoll - Iowa
7:30 Daylilies and Databases
Don Williams - Indiana
8:00 The Rapid Propagation of Daylilies
Joel Martin - Massachusetts

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1999

8:15 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
Jack Thompson, RVP - Tennessee
8:25 From the AHS
Jim Brennan - AHS President - Mass.
8:40 Daylilies, Gardens & People of Region 11
John Eiseman - Missouri
9:10 Doubles - Everybody's Doing 'Em
David Kirchhoff - Florida
9:55 Stretch Break
10:15 Awards & Honors - Just What Are They?
Oliver Billingslea - Alabama
10:45 What It Really Means to be in the Daylily Business
Darrel Apps - New Jersey
11:30 AHS Display Gardens:
Past, Present and Future
Melanie Vassallo - New York
12:15 Lunch on your own
1:30 p.m. Integrated Pest Management
Suzanne Wainwright - Florikan, Florida
2:30 Hostas, Myths and Mysteries
Kevin Walek - Virginia
3:00 Come Into the Garden, Maude:
Liabilities For Open Gardens & Daylily Clubs

Patricia Neumann - New York
3:30 Stretch Break
4:15 1998 Introductions - A Slide Program
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 Daylily Plant Auction

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1999

8:00 a.m. Daylilies, Gardens & People of Region 10
Dee Dee O'Conner - Tennessee
8:30 Seeds Into Seedlings: The Culture of
Homespun Black Pearls?
Tom and Kathy Rood - New York
9:00 Garden Design and Companion Plants
Darrel Apps - New Jersey
9:45 Stretch Break
10:15 Utilization of Tissue Culture for Propagation
and/or Conversion of Daylilies
Jamie Gossard -Ohio
11:00 What the Future Holds!
Dr. Bob Carr - Florida
12:00 Adjourn

REGISTRATION

Send name, address and phone number for each person attending (Please list name as you would like it on name badge).

Registration fee - \$85 per person. (\$95 after January 15). Youth Members \$55 (Make checks payable to AHS Region 10).

Return to: Lee Pickles, Chairman, 1736 Eagle Drive, Hixson, TN 37343-2533. Phone: 423-842-4630 evenings.

INTRODUCTION SLIDES

Send your 1999 introduction slides to: Jay Turman, 3505 Ruland Place, Nashville, TN 37215-1811. Deadline, January 20, 1999.

FUTURES (Seedlings) SLIDES

Send your selected seedling slides to: Bob Carr, 9900 NW 115th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34482-8636. Deadline, January 20, 1999.

MEETING and LODGING

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REGION 6 DAYLILY SOCIETIES, PRESIDENTS, AND MEETING SCHEDULES

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Walter Wood
6500 Arroyo Del Oso Ave NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109-2732, 505-884-8596
Meetings: April, May, June, July, August, and September

AUSTIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

President - K. C. Dignan.
8313 Millway
Austin, TX 78757, 512-453-7273
Meetings: 1st Thursday in March, May, August, September, October, November, and December

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Martha Kemp
310 Winston Drive
Richmond, TX 77469, 713-342-1096
Meetings: 2:30 p.m., 2nd Sunday, Lake Jackson Library

CORPUS CHRISTI DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Ziggy Seago
2316 Parkwood
Portland, TX 78374, 512-643-6751
Meetings: 3:00 p.m., 2nd Sunday, February-May, October-November, Corpus Christi Garden Center

CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY CLUB

President - Gerald Overturff
2414 Trenton
Houston, TX 77093, 713-442-0200
Meetings: 2:30 p.m., 4th Sunday February-May, September-October

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

President - Kay Day
7003 Woodridge Dr.
Flower Mound, Texas 75028-5873, 817-430-1406
Meetings: 10:00 a.m., 3rd Saturday, except June, July, August, and December, North Haven Gardens, Dallas

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

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106 Louise Lane
Athens, TX 75751, 903-675-6035
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 2nd Sunday, RTDC Room 108, Tyler

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President - Annie Weinreich
7207 Versailles Drive
Amarillo, TX 79121, 806-359-8090
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 4th Sunday, February-October, Amarillo Garden Center

GULF COAST DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Dr. Eugene Orgeron
1731 Hebert Woods Dr.
Port Neches, TX 77651, 409-727-0219
Meetings: Saturdays, February-April, September and December and members gardens May-June

HOUSTON AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

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Meetings: 4th Thursday, February, March, April, May, September, and October, Hermann Park Garden Center

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President - Michael Mansfield
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Huntsville, TX 77340, 409-291-0863
Meetings: 2nd Sunday of each month

JOHNSON COUNTY IRIS AND DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Myrtle Hodges
Rt. 1, Box 66C
Covington, TX 76636, 254-854-2416
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 2nd Saturday of each month, Johnson County Electric Cooperative, Cleburne

LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Cary Sheffield
P.O. Box 2611
Pearland, Texas 77581, 281-485-5764
Meetings: 2 p.m. 3rd Sunday, Alvin Senior Citizen Building

LUFKIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

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Lufkin, TX 75901, 409-632-6909
Meetings: 2:00 p.m. 1st Tuesdays at Lufkin Room, Lufkin Mall

NACOGDOCHES DAYLILY SOCIETY

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Meetings: 7:00 p.m., third Monday

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Meetings: 7:30 p.m., 3rd Thursday, Fort Worth Botanic Center

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