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SAVE THE DATE BRAZOSPORT REGIONAL MEETING - THE YEAR OF 2000

The Brazosport Daylily Society would like to invite you to the New Year 2000 of Daylilies. The Regional Meeting will be held in Lake Jackson, Texas on the 18-20th of May, 2000. Preliminary plans are being made for the Regional Daylily Show on Thursday, May 18th. There will be two days of touring the following gardens - Art and Nina Imperial, Joanne Berry, John and Toni Kwan, Art and Sylvia Doumas, Faye Reeves, Patsy Tarrant, and Milton and Merle Nollkamper. Other events include a slide show, silent and live auctions, raffle, banquet and other ideas being worked on. David Kirchoff will be our speaker for the Meeting.

HYBRIDIZERS - we need your plants for the awards beds. So far only two have been received for the Edna Lankart Awards Bed. Surely there are more than two hybridizers in our Region.

Remember to mark these dates on your calendar and plan on joining us for fun in 2000.

Any questions contact Eddie Raye Andrews, Co-Chairman, at dera@pdq.net.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 16, 1999 - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Daylily Growers of Dallas
Millennium Fall Seminar
Call Barron Bozeman, 972-270-2282

November 14, 1999

Brazosport Daylily Society
Curt Hanson - from Ohio (Crintonic Gardens)
1:00 St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Willow Dr.,
Lake Jackson

May 18-20, 2000

Brazosport Daylily Society
Region 6 Meeting at Lake Jackson
For details call Joanne Berry, Co-Chairman
(409)-265-6505

PLANTS NEEDED

FOR 2001 REGIONAL MEETING IN AUSTIN

HELP WE HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANY YET!!

Entries for the Annie T. Giles and Edna Lankart Awards Beds should be sent to:

Carolyn Mersiovsky
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FOR 2002 REGIONAL MEETING IN ALBUQUERQUE

The Land of Enchantment is holding the Regional in July 2002. Your plants will need two years to mature, so hybridizers please send your cultivars this Fall to:

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NEWS FROM OUR RVP

Sue Jackson

Best wishes to everyone in Region 6. I hope all of you are enjoying the wonderful blooms that we have here in Evergreen. We had great blooms at the first of the season, and now the rebloom is outstanding.



Many of us were very fortunate to attend the Regional Meeting in Nacogdoches. It was a tremendous Regional. Friday night we had the pleasure of seeing the charming birdhouses that Jerry Consford had been working on for months. Some of us were lucky enough to take one home. The gardens were beautiful along with the Rabbit Hunt on Friday morning. God smiled on us and gave us showers every afternoon after the garden tours.

Thanks to David Burton for a well-organized, beautiful flower show. The number of entrants was remarkable. I especially enjoyed the talented arrangements. Thank you David, Betty and all your helpers. Warren Goza worked on the Regional Auction for over a year and the results were evident! We had a great auction. Glen Tolar, Auctioneer, moved many plants with speed and humor. Thank you Warren. A special thank you goes to all the members of the Nacogdoches Daylily Society. Jean Consford as Meeting Chairperson gave us a special Meeting. The gardens, the food and the fellowship were wonderful. Thank you also to the Gulf Coast Daylily Society for the reception after the banquet Saturday night. The extra time to visit added so much to the short time we have with each other every year.

A special thank you goes to all the members of the Nacogdoches Daylily Society, especially Jean Consford the chairperson. The gardens, food and fellowship were wonderful. Thank you also to the Gulf Coast Daylily Society for the reception after the banquet Saturday night.

The Board met Thursday afternoon before all the fun began. One of the main topics discussed was the Newsletter. Donna Peck and Mary Ann Moreno, Co-Editors, suggested it was of extreme importance for each club to send updated membership rosters. It is very expensive to send Newsletters to people who are no longer club members. It was encouraged that each club send \$8.00 per member to help with the Newsletter expenses. It was suggested that the Spring issue will be sent to all the club members on the roster, and after that the Newsletter will only be sent to AHS members and those clubs who have contributed. We also depend on the Regional auction and mail in auction each year to cover our expenses.

At the National Convention in Oklahoma, two of our members received the Region 6 Service Award - Mary and Eddie Gage. These two are very special to our Region and I am very excited they received this Award. Our own Kay Day will be AHS President for 2000-2002. Congratulations!

NATIONAL CONVENTION REPORT

KAY DAY - REGION 6 REPRESENTATIVE
AHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Once again I am pleased to report that the AHS Board of Directors Meeting was exciting and conducted in a professional manner. The Central Oklahoma Hemerocallis Society was our host - as well as host for the National Convention. This talented group of daylily lovers did everything right from dawn to long into the night.



The Board agreed to authorize a postcard acknowledgement of receipt of funds to all new members. This is the first step in providing improved communication with our newer members. Pat Mercer continues to focus her attention on these important people while keeping those of us "older" folks happy.

A problem noted last year in the registration process has now been corrected. A couple of years ago a rule was added to the Registration Guidelines to protect the integrity of the name of award winning daylilies. Based on the working of the rule, it also precluded the use of suffixes or prefixes to any daylily registered in the last twelve years - and in short - was driving hybridizers and staff crazy. Rule 8 of the Registration Guidelines has been reworded to the following and is effective immediately: the names of AHS cultivars that have won the Stout Silver Medal may not be used with any one word prefix or suffix to create a new name. Since by now I hope you all know that STRAWBERRY CANDY is the 1998 Stout Silver Medal winner, I will use it as an example of this application. Example 1: PINK STRAWBERRY CANDY or STRAWBERRY CANDY JAR would be disallowed since PINK is a prefix and JAR a suffix.

Example 2: STRAWBERRY JAM CANDY could be used since JAM is not a prefix or suffix. Additionally, SUE'S RED STRAWBERRY CANDY could be used since the prefix is more than one word.

Lynn Stoll, Chairman of the Scientific Studies Committee, noted that clubs in Region 15 have generously donated \$1700 to the Joe House Fund for Scientific Research. This fund established by Joe House is used solely for research toward the development and improvement of the daylily. AHS's charter is as a scientific organization. If you or your club believes in this purpose, I would encourage you to remember this particular fund if you have just a little money to donate, and it does not divert funds from other worthy causes.

The Board also approved the establishment of an unrestricted AHS Youth General Fund. Any donation to this new Youth Fund, unlike the Bertie Ferris Youth Endowment Fund, can be used to promote the advancement of the AHS youth members. The difference is that only the interest accrued from the Bertie Ferris Youth Endowment Fund can be used.

Sadly, I must report that as of May 15, 1999, Region 6's membership is down by 11.7% from the reported membership September 30, 1998. While I am confident that our wonderful shows and daylily sales will provide new members, we should be asking why some individuals are not renewing. We are not the only Region to have a decline in membership. Please let any of us know your thoughts. Martha Seaman, Chairman of Long-Range Planning, is focusing on the membership issues.

Lastly, I must excitedly and with some trepidation report that the AHS Board elected this representative from your Region as the 2000-01 AHS President. Over the course of the next six months, I hope to have the opportunity to thank each of you for your support and best wishes. This honor and responsibility is due in large part to the long time experience and knowledge of Region 6 members. I must also recognize Mother's efforts to pass on a love of flowers - particularly, daylilies - and her kind and gracious manner. Bertie's hand, of course, we all recognize. And now I will have to use those Robert's Rules of Order Mother made me learn when I was in Junior Garden Club in Abilene. This is a case study of your mother is always right.

THE REGIONAL AUCTION

by Warren Goza

I am pleased to report that the auction in Nacogdoches raised \$6,785 of which \$495 was for the Youth Fund. The rest goes to the general fund for Region 6.

Anna Rosa Glidden bought LAVENDER BLUE BABY (\$500) that was donated by Jack Carpenter. Sharon and Bill Cockerham bought the daylily (\$325) to be named, that was donated by Bobby and Aileen Castlebury. The major donors were Larry Grace, Austin Hemerocallis Society, Bridey Greeson, Ron and Barbara Cohea, Jay Tompkins, and Jack Carpenter.

A great job was done by our Auctioneer, Glenn Tolar. He sold 109 lots of plants and collections in approximately 100 minutes. There were a lot of people that worked hard to make this auction a success. Jean Consford set the room up for the auction (she did everything). The tabulators were Betty Burton, Helen Reynolds, Sharon Umphress, and Elizabeth Hoover. Master tabulator was Mary Houston. Assistant cashier was Cyndi Ballew. David Burton did the slides. Gene Childers and Kermit Muske kept the plants moving during the auction. Organizing the plants for the auction were Eddie Gage, Kay Day, Jay Tompkins, Bill and Sharon Cockerham, Bill Jarvis, Clifford Lee and my right hand Bridey Greeson. Jackie Timmons took care of the printing for us, and Lynett Sanders, Jean Barnhart and Joe Allen Lewis made sure the right people got the right plants after the auction. My thanks to all.

Reminder, NOW is the time to start thinking about next year's auction. When you are in the yard this Fall dividing plants be sure to set aside and pot a few plants for the auction. It does not take long and it means a lot to the success of the auction and Region 6.

IN MEMORY OF RA HANSEN

What a sad piece of news to hear when I came home from church today. Sincerest sympathies, Dan and all of Ra's many friends and daylily family. I think it's wonderful about the Bertrand Farr Medal. Ra was certainly deserving. She not only had a keen eye for daylilies, but a deep sincere heart and feeling for their people, too. Her kindness to me was evident very early in my daylily life, and she provided guidance, encouragement and some "atta-girls" to me at times when I needed them the most. Ra had a mind that was sharp as a tack. Last week I said I wouldn't want to go on down to Florida if Ra wasn't there. I was quickly told, "Ra's blood runs thick through Dan's veins," and I will see her life, their place and all her things through him.



Sue Jackson, February 14, 1999

LADY RA

To your mountain home
 You've gone;
 Another season of pollen
 And bloom done:
 New seeds of beauty await.
 The clouds caress and welcome you;
 Home at last.
 To rest and sleep until Spring again
 Calls you forth to create beauty
 And love in all you've touched.
 With each dab we'll all remember you.

Ned and Betty Roberts, February 15, 1999

NEWSLETTER DONATIONS

Albuquerque Daylily Society	\$250
Austin Hemerocallis Society	\$200
Brazosport Daylily Society	\$500
Daylily Growers of Dallas	\$500
Nacogdoches Daylily Society	\$225
North Texas Daylily Society	\$250
Color Fund:	
Golden Spread Daylily Society	\$50

The Editors wish to thank all the Daylily Clubs and individuals who donated to the Newsletter in 1998-99. If your club has not donated the \$8.00 per person, please do so immediately. We want the Fall/Winter Newsletter to continue with the professional excellence of the past two years.

MINUTES
REGION 6 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
May 27-29, 1999 - Nacogdoches, Texas
 Submitted by Anne Faggard - Secretary

The meeting convened May 28 at the Holiday Inn in Nacogdoches, Texas, Sue Jackson, RVP, presiding. Sue Jackson requested a moment of silent prayers for deceased members Vada Day, Gertrude Langdon, Mary Pacas, Ra Hansen and all others. Jerry Consford was thanked for making the birdhouses for decorations and all of the Nacogdoches club members for hosting the annual Meeting. Officers in attendance were as follows:

Kay Day	AHS Region 6 Director
Sharon Umphress	Regional Publicity Director
Jean Consford	Treasurer
Anne Faggard	Secretary
Dr. Jean Barnhart	Garden Judges Liaison
Mary Houston	Exhibition Judges Liaison
Bridey Greeson	Youth Liaison
Gene Koonce	W. E. Monroe Endowment Fund Liaison
Bill Ater	Historian and Archives Chairman
Helen Reynolds	Bertie Ferris Youth Endowment Fund Liaison
Donna Peck	Region Newsletter Co-Editor
Mary Ann Moreno	Region Newsletter Co-Editor

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kay Day gave the following report. Gretchen Baxter has been selected as the new AHS Registrar and she is from North Carolina. The National Registration CD-ROM is ready, at a cost of \$25 plus \$3 shipping. When completely finished it will contain all registrations, including those before 1991. To date, it contains about 45,000 names. Version 2 should be completed later this year. She also hopes all would attend the Oklahoma National in June.

MINUTES

Minutes of last year's Meeting were published in the Newsletter. There were no corrections or additions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jean Consford reported on the financial condition of the Region. A full financial report is included in the Newsletter.

Beginning Balance	\$11,534.09
Income	\$16,551.86
Expenses	\$17,597.21
Ending Balance	\$10,488.74

RVP REPORT

Sue Jackson reported that Region 6 has 18 local clubs. We have 112 Garden Judges and have spots for 43 more which we would like to fill. She said we need to work with the new members, giving support and encouragement. We should always keep our clubs fun and enjoyable, always encouraging AHS membership.

CO-EDITORS EDITOR'S REPORT

Donna Peck and Mary Ann Moreno added the unusual, with an entertaining and interesting skit on the happenings of the Newsletter and its Co-Editors. They also thanked everyone for the articles and pictures. It was reported that to survive the Newsletter needs all members to pay their \$8.00 Newsletter cost either through a club or as individuals. Based on the action of the Region Board, next Spring all members will receive a complimentary copy, after that unless they are AHS members, or paid, they will not receive the other two copies of the Newsletter.

EXHIBITION JUDGES LIAISON REPORT

Mary Houston reported the Clinics this past year were very successful and thanked those assisting her in conducting Clinics One and Two and the Refresher Course. The Refreshers, a must, were also well attended. It is being reported that the Lone Star Club is having all three Clinics on July 31, 1999, in Alvin, Texas. This will help those who could not attend the Regional Meeting.

GARDEN JUDGES LIAISON REPORT

Dr. Jean Barnhart reported that 21 people attended the Garden Judges Workshop, 18 of which were for credit. Workshop One and Two were held collectively due to the rain. She also encouraged anyone interested to contact her. Fall Workshops are being considered. As reported, we have openings for other judges.

REGIONAL PUBLICITY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sharon Umphress reported the Popularity Poll is due by September 1. Last year only 170 out of 700 returned their ballots. This year all Club Presidents will be mailed ballots for support. Last year only 22% voted. It is hoped that it would reach 45% this year with support from all. A drawing for three daylilies will be held to encourage the vote. She also announced that we will definitely have a Mail-In-Auction and encouraged all to support it.

YOUTH LIAISON REPORT

Bridey Greeson reported that three youths attended this years Meeting and thanked those who gave youth plants. Gifts or support for the youths attending from the Bertie Ferris Fund had not been decided.

WILLIAM E. MONROE ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT

Gene Koonce thanked all those for their continued support of this fine, worthwhile fund which in turn supports the National. He again encouraged support of the William E. Monroe Endowment Fund.

BERTIE FERRIS YOUTH ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT

Helen Reynolds reported a balance of \$8,828.72 in the fund. Fund contributions included:

1998 Auction	\$590.00
Individual and Club Gifts	\$300.00
Interest	\$247.64

She also reported that only the interest could be used for the Youth. All support is very welcomed.

HISTORIAN AND ARCHIVES CHAIRMAN REPORT

Bill Ater encouraged all to send in historical or other data. Either individual or club data. He also thanked all for the support and material he has received so far.

NEW BUSINESS

Mable Nelson, Chairman of the RVP Nominating Committee, reported that this year there would be a balloting for election of the new RVP. Kathryn Neely and Ray Houston assisted her on the Committee. The Nominating Committee presented Jean Consford's name on the ballot. David Burton's name was also placed in nomination. Harvey Shimek, Bill Ater and Binion Amerson were appointed to count the ballots. It was pointed out that only AHS members should vote, and a vote of this membership was taken.

Dr. Bean Barnhart reported on the replacement for the Edna Lankart Trophy, which is being retired to the Tyler Rose Garden. A plaque had been proposed, as well as a medal similar to the Annie T. Giles Award. After the club voted it was decided on an award similar to the Annie T. Giles Award.

Helen Reynolds suggested that we have the Bertie Ferris Youth Endowment Fund placed in a savings account in order to spend the interest. Mary Gage encouraged a CD, which produces more income, and still will have the interest available.

It was announced by the RVP that Jean Consford, according to the ballots, is the new Region RVP. The Meeting was adjourned.

RECONVENE

The meeting of Region 6 reconvened on Saturday, May 29, 1999, for the Awards Banquet. Sue Casper gave the invocation and presented a gift to Jean Consford. Jean Consford presented a pleasing thanks for the support of the RVP task. She then introduced the garden hosts who were present. Various committees and individuals were thanked for the work on the Regional.

Additional introductions followed by Sue Jackson of the former AHS Presidents, RVPs, past RPDs, past Region 6 Service Award Winners, our Region 6 Director, local clubs, officers and the youths. Out-of-Region guests were also recognized.

REGIONAL FLOWER SHOW REPORT

David Burton reported on the great success of the Regional Flower Show. The show included 25 exhibitors and awards of 254 ribbons. After announcing the following winners he invited all to the Fall Symposium on October 16.

Queen of Show and Spider	Art Imperial
Sweepstakes	Lee Causey
Large Flower	Judy and Jay Farquhar
Miniature	Clifford Lee
Double	Mary Gage
Arrangement	Harvey Shimek
	Nell Shimek

AUCTION REPORT

Warren Goza, 1999 Auction Chairman, thanked all who helped with the great 1999 auction which included 109 daylilies. A total of \$6,785 was raised, \$495 of which will be designated for the Bertie Ferris Youth Fund. It takes a lot of work and support.

REGION AWARDS REPORT

Dr. Jean Barnhart made the following announcement about our Regional Competition:

Winner of the Edna Lankart Award - Marie Dattalo
Winner of the Annie T. Giles Award - Kathy Barnhart

Sharon Umphress reemphasized the need to donate plants for the Fall Mail-In-Auction. Sue Jackson then thanked all for their support since it was her last Meeting, and she hopes the support would continue next year. Winners of the drawings, door prizes and silent auction items were announced.

Dr. David Creech presented a wonderful program to the delight and education of us all.

Edgar Tarrant invited all to the Region 6 Meeting in Lake Jackson, Texas, May 18-20, 2000. Brazosport Daylily Society will provide excellent gardens and lots of coastal history.

The Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Faggard, Secretary

SAVING FOR FUTURE REGIONAL MEETINGS

In the 1998-99 Fall/Winter Newsletter, Editor Donna Peck said she was saving her quarters in her "quarter jar" in order to go to the Nacogdoches Region 6 Meeting. Many readers asked for an explanation. Believe it or not, she really does have a huge quarter jar - a plastic jug that once held Snyder's Pretzels. She never spends a quarter. She and her husband, Dick, save every quarter they get in change. They have been saving quarters for some time and have a few hundred dollars in the "quarter jar." Without any hardship, it was enough to get Donna to the Nacogdoches Regional this year!

Where do we go next? The next four Regionals have already been named. They are:

2000	Lake Jackson
2001	Austin
2002	Albuquerque
2003	Lone Star

So plan ahead. Look for your own big jar and we'll see you at the Regionals!

**American Hemerocallis Society
Region 6**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 5-31-1998 11,534.09

INCOME:

Subscriptions		106.00	
Donations	4,570.00		
Donations (color fund)	50.00	4,620.00	
Memorial Donations		155.74	
Bertie Ferris Youth Fund Donations	300.00		
Transfer BFYF/NationsBank Balance to Money Market Account	329.13	629.13	
AHS Newsletter Allowance		279.75	
Auction - Regional Meeting 1998		9,260.00	
Daylily Growers of Dallas Donation/Leo Sharp Raffle and Silent Auction Proceeds		982.00	
Art Imperial-void reimbursement for Mail-in-Auction expense		39.00	
Interest - Checking Account	108.95		
Interest - Savings Money Market Acct.	371.29	480.24	<u>16,551.86</u>
			28,085.95

EXPENSES:

AHS Insurance	222.75		
Contrib. to Bertie Ferris Youth Fund/Mail-in-Auction	590.00		
Board Member Expense	500.00		
RVP Convention Expense	500.00		
Auction Expense (Regional 1998)	268.00		
Office Expense - Stamps	65.00		
Reimburse RVP Expense	15.56		
RPD Phone-Postage Expense	179.51		
Gift Plant for Auditor	82.00		
Bank Service Charge	10.00	2,432.82	
Newsletters			
Summer 1998	4,169.26		
Fall/Winter	4,798.41		
Spring 1999	6,196.72	15,164.39	<u>17,597.21</u>
Balance 5-25-1999			10,488.74
Checking Account - Commercial Bank	3,882.86		
Savings (Money Market) Account	<u>6,605.88</u>		
			10,488.74

Cumulative Balance due to Bertie Ferris Youth Fund 629.13

Commercial Bank of Texas Bertie Ferris Youth Fund C/D #44235			
Established 9-29-1998, Transfer from NationsBank			
1 year Certificate of Deposit - 5% - matures 9-29-1999		8,000.00	
Current Balance - next interest due on 6-29-1999		8,199.59	
Donations to Fund - held in Money Market Account until C/D maturity	300.00		
Transfer Balance from NationsBank	<u>329.13</u>		
Cumulative Balance due from Money Market Account	629.13	8,828.72	

PLEASE EXCUSE US!

The Editors always appreciate the articles and news that all the members write for the Newsletters. However, the space was really limited in this issue, so please forgive the Editors for editing and shortening most of the articles you sent. The articles which are not in this issue will be printed in the Fall/Winter Newsletter. We hope you understand.

**WHAT EVER HAPPENED
TO THE BROOKWOOD
LEE CAUSEY DAYLILY?**

Last year at the 1998 Regional Meeting in Plano, Texas, Lee Causey paid \$1,250 for a daylily hybridized by Leo Sharp. Lee was able to name it, and did after himself, Lee Causey. At the Regional Meeting, Donna Peck and Mary Ann Moreno heard ... the rest of the story.

After Lee Causey bought the Leo Sharp daylily last year at the Regional auction for the outstanding price of \$1250, and when it was publicized, a gentleman from Minnesota called Lee and offered him \$2000 to buy the daylily from him. Lee refused. Lee really wanted that daylily!

In the Fall, Lee and his wife Anita went down to Florida to Leo Sharp's Brookwood Nursery. There was no way that Lee would let Leo send the daylily to him so he took a truck down to bring it back to Texas. He bought the largest pot he could find, and dug up the biggest ball of dirt that he could. It was 2 ½ ft. by 1 ½ ft. of root ball with two fans. It rained that night so he even brought the pot inside his motel room.

When Lee isn't growing and buying daylilies, he has his own company that sells nutritional products called 1st Fitness International. The product he sells is a bionic tonic for cancer patients. It contains minerals from traces of volcanic ash and Lee thought it would be good for the daylily. He added 1 oz. per gallon of water and fed this mixture to his prized daylily once a month. Lee said the daylily has more than doubled and is very healthy. It did bloom this year and recently rebloomed. This flower is as beautiful as the picture we all saw at the auction (look in the Summer 1998 Newsletter for the picture). We are all anxiously awaiting when Lee enters this in a daylily show so we all can see it.

**IT'S POPULARITY POLL
TIME AGAIN!!**

Every club will soon be receiving ballots for you to vote in the Popularity Poll. This year we will be having another drawing for the Popularity Poll participants. All AHS members who send in their ballot will be eligible for a chance to win one of these cultivars:

- RAINBOW RADIANCE donated by Diane Taylor and Barron Bozeman
- DAWNA'S DAWN donated by Jean Barnhart
- CIMARRON KNIGHT donated by Elizabeth Hoover

Send in your vote by September 1st to:

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THE GARDENS OF NACOGDOCHES

BARNEE'S GARDEN

by Binion Amerson

Jean Barnhart's two-acre Garden is a lovely AHS Display Garden located Northeast of Nacogdoches in the Central Heights Community. This beautiful country daylily garden has many new and old daylily cultivars including a Stout Medal collection, numerous roses, perennials and annuals scattered about the gardens.

The following daylily cultivars caught my eye in Barnee's Garden: BERMUDA BAY (J. Salter, 1993), ALL AMERICAN MAGIC (J. Salter, 1994), DENA MARIE (Jack Carpenter, 1992), POLYNESIAN LOVE SONG (Jack Carpenter, 1996), CREATIVE EDGE (Stamile, 1993), and PARIS OVERTURE (R. W. Munson, 1984). BIG BROTHER (E. C. Brown, 1984), NACOGDOCHES PANSY (Barnhart, 1986) and PAT MERCER (Joiner, 1982) were blooming as polytepals on the morning of our visit.

Jean's daylily hybridizing efforts were in full swing with everyone enjoying the cultivars she is using in her hybridizing program and her many outstanding seedlings. These were being grown under six 20' by 96' shade houses which she recently constructed. Watch for a number of beautiful creations to come from Barnee's Garden in the very near future.

JACK CARPENTER'S LILY FARM

by Paula Payne

A couple of good friends that are fairly new to daylilies, although not to gardening, visited Jack Carpenter's Lily Farm a few weeks prior to the Regional Meeting and told me they had been to daylily heaven. At least that's what their notion of Heaven would be like. I think I have to agree. The Lily Farm was the last stop for the Regional Meeting-goers and I think one could add another 193 votes to that view. In addition to the beautiful drive through the gently rolling hills of the Piney Woods of East Texas, we were greeted by an open gate that led to an easy slope up to our field of dreams. Two acres under shade cloth offered the biggest, roundest, most ruffled daylilies on earth. Jack is literally blazing the hybridizing trail into the new Millennium. What more could we as collectors possibly ask for in our new introductions is certainly beyond my imagination.

As we departed the bus, I was stopped almost instantly by a large hot coral rose ruffled seedling with a gold edge with two huge blooms open. Jack said it was out of his converted tetraploid TROPICANA TREAT breeding. I'm counting on this one being a future introduction because I have to have it.

Another beauty that was at least a hand and a half (a new term I've learned to use to describe Jack's daylilies because of their "hugeness") was a treated plant of TEXAS MOON MAGIC. He's sold out of this one and I can see why. Leon and I both feel that Jack's tetraploid conversions will not only set new heights in tetraploid breeding, but will also be the standard against which all other large flowered, round, tetraploid daylilies will be judged.

For sheer impact, his future diploid introduction of ROYAL PINK TWIST is incomparable in size, ruffles, and color. Bud count and branching were there, too. This daylily has everything. I hope I'm on the list for this.

Another one that attracted lots of attention and is also a J. C. candidate, was a seedling of Josie's, her #B94-97. It was a large eyed, round thing with more ruffles - bigger and wider than a mind could envision. The color was a combination of hues with a very large eye and was unique - really beyond my ability to describe. I think Jack told me that she was thinking about naming this one "Kaleidoscope Dreams." Be on the lookout for it soon.

There were many others, of course - all equally lovely. Some of the babies from Jack's tetraploid LAVENDER BLUE BABY were show stoppers, as well. The shade of purple being produced from this line was unlike any other purple I've ever seen and I think this one could possibly lead us to the first blue daylily.

Even twenty-four hours would not have been enough to stop and give each flower its deserving due. Many visitors left happy, however as they came away toting loads of Jack's seedlings with the beautiful blooms jiggling out of the tops of the sacks. Jack's and Josie's excitement is fueled by their mutual enthusiasm for the love of the daylily and the Lily Farm is truly a place that makes one smile as well as applaud their achievements. That same enthusiasm is also contagious. If one is serious about seeing the cutting edge in modern daylilies, don't miss visiting the Lily Farm during bloom season. I know we'll be...

CARRIZO CREEK GARDENS

by Rich Rosen

Nestled among the tall pines of Nacogdoches lies a little bit of paradise called Carrizo Creek Gardens, also known as the home of Jean and Jerry Consford. Well, maybe it isn't paradise, because deer don't eat daylilies in paradise; but the multi-strand electric fence takes care of that nuisance. The Consfords actually have several gardens around their home. Each has a slightly different character and it is a pleasure strolling from one to the other.

To the left of the drive is a large rectangular garden plot surrounded by a split-rail fence and mixed border that included many colorful Lilies (*Lilium*, not *Hemerocallis*).

Inside were rows of daylily seedlings and empty spaces where our bus plants had grown. In the center people gathered round the Annie T. Giles and Edna Lankart Awards Beds to eyeball the many worthy seedlings, and to cast their votes.

From here I moved around to the left of the house and came upon a tranquil circular retreat ringed by Begonias, newer daylilies and sheltering Azaleas. Ra Hansen's PAIGE'S PINATA, DOTTIE'S ROMPERS and BOGIE AND BACALL were putting on a show. Josie Bomar's HEAVENLY HORIZON and RAINBOW RADIANCE were looking good. Several of Jack Carpenter's introductions were drawing their share of oohs and aahs, including PINK ICE BALLET, BI-EYED BABY, and WATERCOLOR FANTASIA. ORCHID HARMONY by Mary Gage was a pastel vision. There were also some handsome Stamile daylilies like ISLEWORTH, ENGLISH CAMEO and especially pretty ALAQUA. But the one drawing the most attention that I heard people talking about even the next day was John Shooter's PRISCILLA'S DREAM, rolled back form with its distinctive purple eye on a lavender base.

Past the hot tub and deck where tasty treats were being served to the ever-ravenous daylily fanatics was a sloping garden with well-grown cultivars in descending terraces. JEDI DOT PIERCE looked lovely as usual; and so did politically incorrect, INDIAN GIVER. Copenhagen's BEAUTIFUL EDGINGS looked great everywhere we saw it. Several Munson tetraploids caught my attention: DAZZLING SONATA, ETOSHA and LEXINGTON AVENUE.

Beyond all the daylilies was a tranquil raised fish pond with a fountain, backed by a wooded garden shaded by the pine trees. So many places for quiet reflection, but I don't think Jean and Jerry have had much time for that. This garden paradise has been built in just five short years. And Jerry has obviously put in countless hours building the many birdhouses scattered around the garden. Just to imagine the amount of effort they have invested is enough to tire me out. Our thanks to the Consfords for opening their lovely garden to us, and for the great time we all had in Nacogdoches.

THE COMMANDER GARDEN

by Mary Anne Ater

While riding along on this country lane on the bus, I had the feeling of being in an arboreal tunnel. Being cloaked in the arms of the trees overlapping as we drove along gave a sense of calm and rest. Then we came to a clearing at the end of the lane where we found several gardens; two vegetable gardens and several daylily gardens. There were many companion plants as well as a "dry" brook, which was spanned by an arching bridge.

Some of the daylilies which caught my eye were clumps of LEPRECHAUN'S LACE, HEARTS AFIRE, RED FLAG and SINGLETON.

Betty became "addicted" to daylilies with the help and encouragement of her sister - Sue Casper. Sue gave Betty some daylilies and enticed her to join the Nacogdoches Daylily Society about four years ago. She now serves as President.

So much has been done in so little time! I am certain that Roy deserves some of the credit for all of the work which went into the gardens. Of course, we all envy the space they enjoy to spread out their beds.

Thank you, Betty and Roy, for sharing your gardens.

THE GWINN'S GARDEN

by Norma Rice

As we stepped off the bus at Benny and Maxine Gwinn's garden, we were greeted by J. Carpenter's PINK ICE BALLET and GARDEN SHOW, which had three large beautiful blooms. As we walked up the driveway, we saw J. Carpenter's TALK ABOUT RUFFLES, Webster's BAMA BOUND, Wedgeworth's JEDI TEQUILA SUNRISE, Carr's RUE MADELAINE, Crowell's BRIGHT EYED and Gates' CHARLIE BAKER.

As I entered the back yard portion of the garden, I observed a group of our visitors oohing and aahing over four live, wild baby rabbits. They were very cute, but they weren't large enough to eat daylilies, yet.

The design of the contoured beds and flagstone pathways contributed to the serenity of a small garden setting that was extremely peaceful and relaxing. The pine straw mulching contributed to the natural setting and the ornamental squirrel, turtle, jackrabbit and cottontail rabbit were a real contribution to a country like scenario. Their cute birdhouse and sundial enhanced the overall setting.

Their Lace Cap Hydrangea and cultivar LULLABY BABY, a small near-white daylily that was really showing off, impressed me.

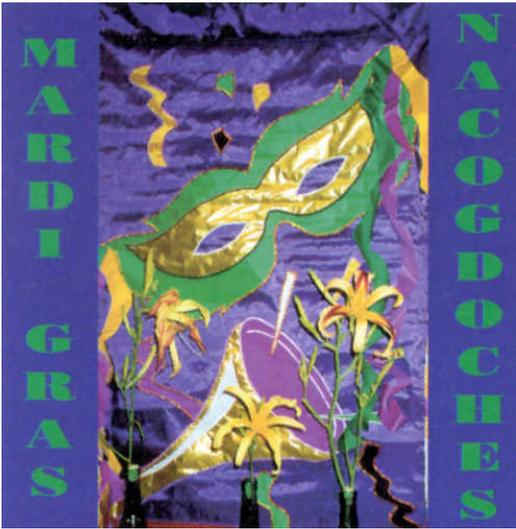
This garden is a prime example of what can be done with limited space and utilizing daylilies and companion plants in a park-like environment behind a privacy fence. We thank them so much for letting us enjoy the fruits of their labors.

THE JONES GARDEN

by Elizabeth Allbright

The Jones Garden was visited after a delicious buffet lunch at The Californian Restaurant. Upon arriving at the garden we were served ice-cream sandwiches, our lunch dessert. What a wonderful cool treat on that hot afternoon.

The home and garden were an impressive sight, set on forty rolling acres and beautifully manicured.



Stout Medal Garden at Stephen F. Austin



Carpenter Seedling



BECKY LYNN & NATURE'S JEWELRY
in the Carrizo Garden



WILD MUSTANG



LEPRECHAUN'S LACE
in the Commander Garden



FULL FORMED BEAUTY



One that stood out in the Singleton Garden



New introduction donated by the Castleburys for the auction to be named by the Cockerhams



BEAUTIFUL EDGINGS



CELESTIAL SERENADE in the Gwinn Garden



BACKWOODS VIOLET BOUQUET in Barnee's Garden



CHANEL PATRICE at Sue's Place



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Nacogdoches Photo Album



PEARL JAM in the Gwinn Garden

Many daylilies from newer varieties to the "golden oldies" are in formal beds centered with a fish pond. The raised beds are in a geometric design with wide paths of stone. Entrance was through an arbor, anchored, as are many of the beds, with a lovely pink Antique Rose, blooming in all its glory. JEALOUS REFINEMENT (Jack Carpenter, 1992) was putting on quite a show along with JOLLY LAD (Spalding, 1980), MERRY MISTRESS (Moldovan, 1986) and SILOAM DOUBLE ROSE (Henry, 1979). DERRAL LEE (Jack Carpenter, 1981) was beautiful and one of my favorites. Dolores has an extensive Stout Medal collection and many of Jack Carpenters. Accenting the daylilies are Cannas, Daisies, Salvias, Yarrow, purple Coneflowers and several varieties of ornamental grasses. Cleomes were abundant and added to the colorful display making the garden a delight.

After strolling the garden, through several arbors, we headed for the sitting area; but what's that? The dreaded whistle -time to go! We could have rested right there for quite awhile enjoying the Jones' beautiful garden.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN MAST ARBORETUM

by Cheryl Dungan

Visiting the Mast Arboretum at SFA was a real pleasure. Upon departing our bus we walked between two wide and long beds filled with a large variety of plants. There were Cuphea, Firebush, a small blooming Hibiscus, numerous varieties of Salvia (including my favorite, Salvia Guarantica), Malva and others.

Next came the section now named the Jean Barnhart Daylily Garden. This was a real delight. The Stout Medal Collection there was interesting as many of the cultivars were blooming. I noted RUFFLED APRICOT, WEDDING BAND, FAIRY TALE PINK, RUFFLED PINAFORE and others turning their smiling faces our way.

The daylily garden was lined on one side with magnolia trees and featured a water pond in the center. Other daylilies blooming in the garden were: SIMPLY PRETTY, JUDY ROSS (Jean Barnhart), LITTLE GREENIE, SILOAM BO PEEP, STRAWBERRY CANDY, LITTLE ANNA ROSA, PICASSO, RED VOLUNTEER and ROBBIE SALTER.

Beyond the daylily garden was an herb garden filled with wonderful scents. I noticed a bush on the outer edge of this garden that I was not familiar with. It was called a Morning Glory Bush and the flowers did indeed look like the flower of the climbing Morning Glory.

Under an arbor were delightful refreshments. Around the arbor were Turk's Cap, Nicotiana, and white and pink Vitex.

Unfortunately, time did not allow us to see the entire Arboretum. Dr. Creech, his students and members of the Nacogdoches Daylily Society are to be commended for putting together such a pretty garden.

SUE'S PLACE FELT LIKE HOME

By Nell Shimek

As we were arriving by bus we heard oohs and aahs as the view of the Casper Garden came into sight. Sue Casper was on hand with a welcoming smile and two little girls in tow.

The large flowing beds were calling all, and of course everyone sought out the daylilies and their many perennials. The cottage garden that was enclosed with a cute white picket fence was the first place that I wandered. Sue had plants in there that I have never seen. Examples of unusual plants were yellow Jacobinia carnea, and a white flowering vine that she got at Blue Moon Nursery called White Lace which graced the corner of the cottage garden.

The next spot to get my attention was the long curving bed along the pond. What huge daylily clumps that were grown to perfection. I was happy to see the white Datura growing so well there. There were Hollyhocks, purple Iris, mass plantings of white Daisies, and Althaeas placed in artistic composition along with the many daylilies.

The daylilies that drew my attention were FINE CHINA (Spalding), DIAMONDS AND PEARLS (Salter), ANTIONETTE EMERSON (Barnhart), and SAUCY ROGUE (Hudson). There was also TEXAS SUNLIGHT (Lewis) which every time I saw this daylily it was a bouquet.

At every turn there were focal points that would draw your eye. The pond, the wooden deck, the bed fronting the woods and the huge flowing bed in the front garden filled with fern and Impatiens.

I ended up wandering around the back of the house and found the two white rockers. Mary Anne Ater was occupying one. Of course, I needed to try the other rocker. We decided that this is what Sue meant by feeling at home as we rocked along admiring the collection of the many birdhouses and the calming affect of the sound of the fountain's running water. It was such a peaceful setting it was hard to get up and leave that garden.

THANKS FOR COMING TO REGIONAL!

On behalf of the Nacogdoches Daylily Society, thank you so much for making the 1999 Regional Meeting a success by sharing it with us. It has been our pleasure to have so many of you here; the mistakes and glitches must not have happened to the same people as your hugs, compliments, e-mails and cards have warmed our hearts.

Thank you, Region 6 Jean Consford, Chairman

HUSBAND BEATS WIFE

by Ray Houston

I become extremely upset when I hear news about a husband beating his wife; however, I must make an exception in the case of Harvey vs. Nell. Many of you know Harvey "Rabbit" Shimek as a man of tireless energy who keeps the Shimek gardens in excellent shape. The Shimeks have a beautiful AHS Display Garden which is a wonderful place to visit. Harvey is also a very creative person and has become involved with artistic design in daylily flower shows. After only a couple of years of exhibiting, Harvey won the Tricolor Award at the Region 6 Flower Show held in Nacogdoches, Texas. Harvey's wife, Nell, has won the AHS National Tricolor Medal more than any other person in the history of the award. Harvey beat Nell at the Region 6 Show. You might think Nell would be disappointed when she did not win. However, Nell is a person who delights in seeing other people exhibit and win in the design section.

Harvey's first attempt at exhibiting an artistic design was created to help fill a spot when a person who was scheduled to exhibit failed to show up. His design scored high and was only one point under Nell's design, which won the Tricolor Award in that show. Harvey's lowest score since he began exhibiting artistic designs was 93; his highest score was 99. This is a pretty good record for someone who has never taken any courses in artistic flower design.

Since the Region 6 Show, Harvey added another feather to his cap by winning the Tricolor Award in the Tyler Daylily Society Flower Show and you guessed it, he beat Nell again.

This year alone, Harvey and Nell have accumulated five Tricolor Awards at daylily flower shows held in Texas.



Congratulations, Harvey (and Nell)

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DAYLILIES IN AMARILLO THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF IT The History of the Golden Spread Daylily Society by Annie Weinreich

This is the fourth article in the series of the history of Region 6 Daylily Societies. Previous Newsletters have highlighted Albuquerque, Nacogdoches and San Antonio.

Although the history of the daylily in Amarillo is long, the history of the Golden Spread Daylily Society is short. During the 1940s and 1950s, interest in daylilies ran high. Kate Graham, a woman who later continued to have a profound impact on our Golden Spread group, was very active in planting daylilies in public parks and around public buildings. Many of these daylilies were ordered from Hugh Russell of Russell Gardens in Spring, Texas. On March 6, 1945, the daylily was adopted as the Official Flower of the City of Amarillo. The next year Hugh Russell honored Amarillo by introducing a new cultivar, CITY OF AMARILLO, a beautiful golden yellow daylily.

Over forty-five years later interest in growing daylilies in the Texas panhandle was rekindled. Jane Meyers, an official of the then Amarillo Garden Center, organized a bus tour to Doug Smith's Pampa, Texas garden, about 60 miles Northeast of Amarillo. On Saturday, June 29, 1991, fifty-five visitors oohed and aahed over the beautiful garden full of daylilies. Doug had been a member of the AHS for a number of years, and his garden contained well-grown cultivars from a wide variety of national hybridizers. Several of the visitors asked Doug if he would help to organize a daylily organization in the area.

This nucleus began to have monthly meetings at the Garden Center and on October 29, 1991, the Golden Spread Daylily Society was formed with fourteen charter members, including Kate Graham. The name, Golden Spread Daylily Society, was selected so that everyone across the Texas Panhandle might feel welcome to join the group. Maxine Gault was elected as the first President, with Doug Smith the Vice President in charge of programs. Ruth Malacara was the Secretary-Treasurer. The first program consisted of slides taken at Doug's garden earlier that year, as well as a program from the AHS Slide Library. Doug shared several of his cultivars with the group and the club placed a group order with the Lone Star Garden. Because of the upcoming holidays and possible bad Winter weather, it was decided that the GSDS would not meet again until the next February. This schedule of meetings, from February through October, continues even to this day. The above history is based on an article written in 1992 by Doug, himself.

The goals that the group set before itself were to create daylily plantings around the Garden Center, to learn more

about basic cultural practices, companion planting and landscaping with daylilies, and to visit and enjoy each other's gardens. These early goals are expressed in the By Laws' stated objective: "...to foster and encourage the use of daylilies in personal and public gardens for the enjoyment of this beautiful and well adapted plant by the people living the Texas high country."

In 1994, the GSDS hosted its first daylily exhibition, open to the public. A display of cultivar blooms, displayed on Styrofoam in water picks, amazed all that attended. Several years later a clinic was offered with the yearly exhibition, with demonstrations of planting and dividing daylilies, techniques of hybridizing explained, slides of daylilies and their use in landscaping, etc.

To honor Kate Graham's outstanding contribution to the distribution of daylilies in the Panhandle, the developing daylily garden at what is now called the Amarillo Botanical Gardens was named in her honor. Although now in her 90's and no longer able to actively participate, she has provided a real inspiration to all of us over the years. We are additionally proud that our Kate Graham Daylily Garden, which contains close to 250 of the newest and most popular daylilies, has recently been declared an AHS official Display Garden.

Another one of the group's early members was Billee Johnson, mother of the Florida hybridizer, Ra Hansen. Billee was wonderfully generous in her gift of Ra's more recent introductions to the Kate Graham Garden, as well as plants which she donated for the twice yearly plant sales. Billee was aided by Maria Escamilla, who also joined the GSDS, and they both traveled more than 60 miles from their homes to Amarillo for the monthly meetings. Billee's knowledge and energy and enthusiasm were contagious, and "digs" at her trailer home in Summerfield became fun outings, rather than drudgery. The groups who gathered there were known as the GSDSDB (the Golden Spread Daylily Society's Digging Brigade).

When Billee passed away in late 1994, at age 96, the GSDS was greatly saddened. In early 1995, we were offered Billee's entire garden at a wonderful price, IF we could dig it out immediately. Our little group, over the span of two weekends, drove the 60 miles and dug and dug and dug that entire garden, clump by clump, trying to keep the labels with the proper plants. Over the years, Billee's ability to chart her newer acquisitions from her daughter had become less accurate, so we were trying to identify them, with Maria's help, and often ended up with questions about the correct names.

We moved them to Kate Graham's vegetable garden. While Kate's guidance and inspiration had been of vital help in the earlier years, now her vegetable garden became equally as vital as our stockpile of daylilies for both our sales and the daylily garden that bore her name. The clumps of daylilies dug from Billee Johnson's garden were planted "cheek to jowl" with name labels between them, and served as our source of sale plants for several years, while dear Kate Graham, bless her heart, obviously lost the

use of her vegetable garden. Her enhanced soil was incredible, and resulted in increased growth of the daylilies which often made it hard to tell where one cultivar started and another left off.



Visiting the memorial in Oklahoma City on one of our bus trips

As we offered these plants for sale, if we were not sure what they were due to mislabeling, or loss of label, we would call them "B.J.U.s" (Billie Johnson Unknowns) and sell them as lovely but unidentified orphans for \$1.00 a fan. People didn't realize that they may have bought some of the wonderful newer introductions from Ra Hansen, via her Mom, and via the GSDS, for only a dollar, just because we were unwilling to sell plants to the public unless we were absolutely sure what they were.

Thanks to all of these stockpiled plants, additional ones donated by club members, and others, which we bought from commercial daylily gardens, we have been able to offer wonderful modern daylilies to people in the Texas panhandle who previously only knew of the orange roadside Fulva. At a recent plant sale, we sold out within an hour for the first time ever. People are looking forward to our sales, and arriving early with specific "shopping lists," based on plants they have admired in our Kate Graham Daylily Garden during the previous bloom season. Our group has used the profits from our plant sales to underwrite several trips to Oklahoma and one to Albuquerque to see AHS members' gardens. These profits have also paid for our members' dues to the AHS for several years and most of the members of our group will be attending the 1999 AHS National Convention in Oklahoma City, further underwritten by the plant sale profits. We will look forward to future trips to Region 6 Meetings as a group, also covered by these plant sales.

However, we still have been unable to increase our roster as we would like to. Growth in the GSDS has been slow, and attrition has counterbalanced the small growth we have experienced. (Among others, our very special Maria Escamilla, who helped as well as learned from Billee Johnson for all those years, passed away last year after a courageous battle with cancer.) We have given numerous public daylily talks, donated daylilies to many public

plantings, contributed local newspaper articles and coverage of sales and other club events, sent mass mailings, and encouraged others to join us at any time. We still have only about a dozen members but each and every one of them is extremely active. We are an amazingly close group, which loves to get together, to laugh, to dig, to eat, to tour gardens, to travel and to learn. Despite our short GSDS history and our relatively small number of members, we feel a real sense of accomplishment in having introduced countless thousands of modern daylily plants into public and private plantings in the Texas high country.

And now....
**FOR THE REST OF THE
STORY**

Anna Rosa Glidden enjoyed Nell Crandall's article in the Spring Newsletter on the history of the Malcolm Collie Award and how it changed to the Edna Lankart Award in 1988. She approached Donna Peck at the Regional Meeting and asked why Nell didn't finish the article. So here is the rest of the story.



Anna Rosa Glidden had won the Malcolm Collie Award (a metal sculpture designed by Malcolm Collie to be awarded to the best seedling of a Region 6 hybridizer) many times. Because Anna Rosa had won The Malcolm Collie Award the last three years before it was retired, Region 6 decided she should keep it. In 1985, she won it in Austin for SISTER SARAH (Jack Carpenter seedling), in 1986 in Beaumont she won it for JACK CARPENTER (a seedling named by Anna Rosa), and in Brazosport in 1987 for VELVET CURTSY (a Glidden cross of NIGHT SHADOWS x CATHERINE NEAL).

But, Anna Rosa believes the Malcolm Collie Award should also have a permanent place because of its history. She would like to have the Region 6 members think about it and find a special place for it just as we are doing for the Edna Lankart trophy. Any ideas?



The Malcolm Collie Award or "Hemmie"



Golden Spread Daylily Society's first daylily exhibit, June 1994



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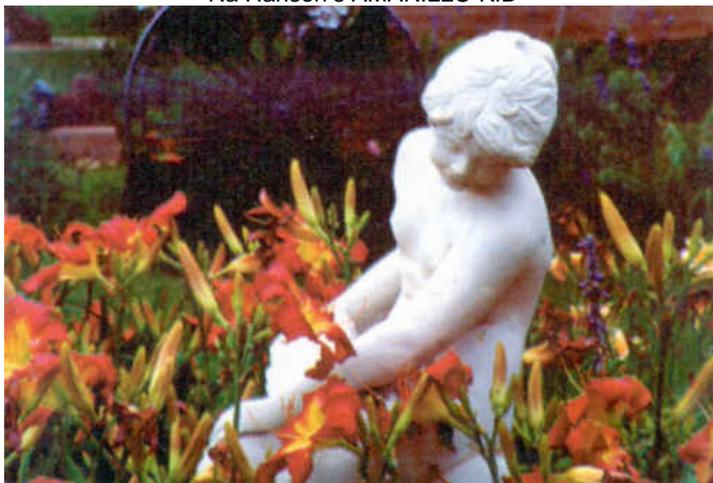
One of the covered dish socials at Annie Weinreich's



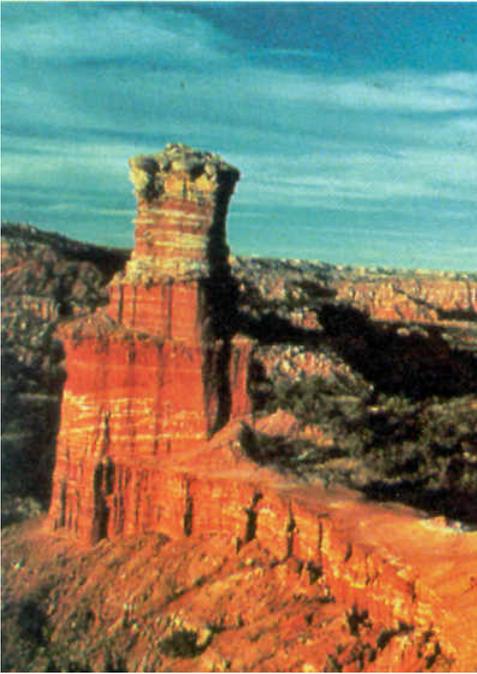
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Kate Graham is honored at the Botanical Gardens



Billie Johnson's daylily garden at Summerfield



Palo Duro Canyon - The Place



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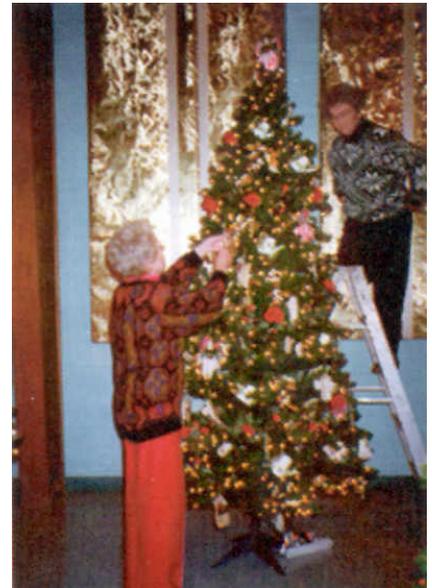
The Play



Kate Graham before and after
In her "vegetable garden"



Annie Weinreich & Doug Smith prepare for the Fall Daylily Sale



Maxine Gault and Joanie Heron
decorate a tree for the
Festival of Trees - November, 1997

THE GOOD GUYS

Aphid Mummies, Syrphid Flies, Ladybugs, Lacewings and Others

by Judy Nickels

Have you ever seen an aphid mummy?

There's excitement in finding aphid mummies on the leaves of a prized plant. It means you have some good guys out there doing work for you - for free!

Mummies are bloated, tan and will have a hole, usually on the top. Almost any hand lens can bring these to better view. Mummy bodies are no longer soft, as with live aphids. Instead, they tend to be stiff and papery. They're also a little larger than live aphids.

What happens is that an aphid enemy, usually a tiny wasp, lays an egg in the body of the live aphid. The wasp uses her ovipositor to puncture the body of the aphid. The egg hatches inside the aphid, and uses the aphid's "inerts" as food. It leaves the hole when it exits the aphid body.

Look for these wherever aphids are found. On daylilies, look toward the base of the plant, where the leaves emerge. On Roses or other woody plants, look for them on the bottoms or tops of leaves. But don't expect to see the wasp that does this wonderful work.

Other helpful garden critters eat aphids for breakfast, lunch, and supper.

Syrphid fly larvae crawl about plants that have aphids and eat aphids as they move. These larvae are about a half-inch long and either tan or light green. There's nothing special in their appearance, and they could look like the "little green worms" that eat flower buds of Petunias and Geraniums. Before smashing one, make sure it's doing something harmful and not good to your plants. As adults, syrphid flies are smaller than houseflies and hardly noticeable in the gardens.

Easier to identify are the larvae of Ladybird Beetles. (Lady bug is somewhat of a misnomer, as these beetles are not true bugs). These larvae look like miniature alligators, black with red markings. Sometimes they can be found on structures or other non-plant places. If you find one there, gently move it to a location with aphids.

It's fun watching these guys eat aphids. See them crawl around your plants, eating as they go. The adults, of course, are familiar to all. They are usually red with black spots. A few are black with red spots. Related is the Mexican Bean Beetle, which is orange with black spots. Unlike Lady Beetles, the Mexican Bean Beetle is a vegetarian.

Ladybug eggs are little yellow barrels, somewhat pointed on top. They are laid in groups in or near the ground. Find them on a piece of bark mulch, stone or other private hideaway. The pupal stage is an orange and black spotted

case. You won't see any activity with pupae, but that doesn't mean nothing is happening. Inside, the original larva is turning into an adult beetle.

Even more interesting are eggs of Lacewings. Eggs are laid on thin rods, on leaves, or stems of plants. As the eggs hatch, the larvae crawl down (or up) the little thread to the leaf. Larvae are cannibals, so the hair-like threads protect the larvae from eating each other as they hatch.

Larvae are grayish brown with savage looking pincers in front, "the better to grab aphids, my dear." They also eat mealy bugs, mites, and other bad guys.

Pupae are white cocoons, usually on the under side of leaves. As they emerge, adults cut a round opening to exit the cocoon. Adults are small, green or brown and have translucent wings. Antennae are long and curve forward.

Nearly everyone recognizes Praying Mantis egg cases. They resemble a wad of chewing gum stuck on a twig. If you find a series of little holes along the spine, it means a carnivorous insect has parasitized the eggs inside and your good guys became dinner for a different guest. At any rate, Praying Mantises are not as effective as one might wish. They generally sit still and wait for dinner to come in range.

Holes are also left by beneficials that parasitize Katydid eggs. These eggs, laid in neat rows on twigs or even on an abandoned electric cord, would produce the leaf-like and leaf eating Katydid. When you see the holes, you know a friend has been around and saved the foliage of some of your plants.

Two tiny beneficials you may never see are predatory thrips and predatory mites. These minute cannibals eat others of their own kind. The predatory thrips eating vegetarian thrips and predatory mites eating vegetarian mites.

Even smaller are predatory nematodes. These feed on larvae of beetles or moths, including white grubs and peach borers.

Generally, adult insects will lay eggs near breakfast. When eggs hatch, the young should be able to get to food quickly. Thus, eggs will be laid on or near plants that will provide food. That food may be another insect or a plant part. The important thing is that food must be nearby, or the hatchlings will starve. Thus, leaf beetles will lay eggs on leaves of their plant of choice. And insect-eating insects will lay eggs where prey can be expected.

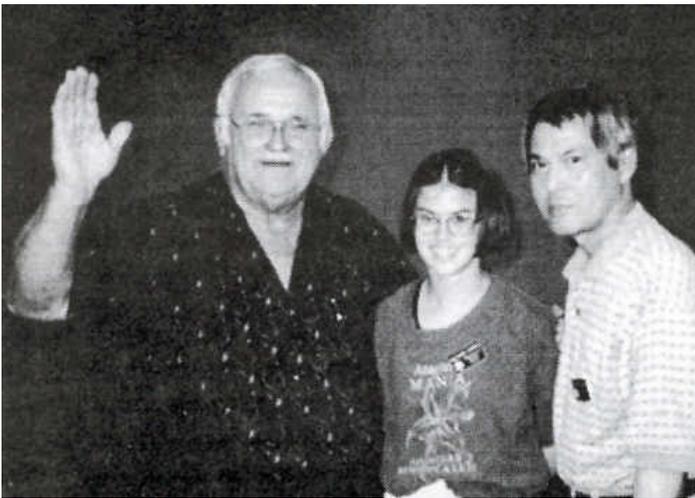
When puttering in the flower beds, look out for these beneficials. They work for you when you're not around.

What's Happening

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

Cal Iskra, Reporter

The Albuquerque Daylily Society met in March at our Garden Center to enjoy a program put on by Dave Talbott. He showed slides (between cracking jokes) of some of the newer cultivars in his garden, and then had an auction of some very nice daylilies. He also showed slides of alligators swimming in his swimming pool in an effort to escape the terrible forest fires near his property last Summer.



Dave Talbott with Nollanne and Joseph Chang

We put on a sale of daylilies the last week of April, as part of the annual Spring Garden Fair at the Garden Center, during which everyone helped. We have a great membership when it comes to doing "daylily things." Of course, we all like to eat while doing these chores.

The April meeting was held at the Albuquerque Botanical Gardens with a brief meeting outdoors and a tour of the gardens.

June 26 was our annual tour of members' gardens. This year we met at the home of Kathryn Neely and then went on to Jim and Courtney Petty's and Cal Iskra's gardens and ended at Walt Wood's. Walt has a lot of nice high shade trees around his garden, which is so welcome as the morning wears around toward noon.

July was a trip to the Northern New Mexico garden of Bob Frazier and John Ocelli at Nambé. They have a later season for peak bloom, since they are at a higher elevation.

Albuquerque had a strange Spring, since March was nice and seemed to be pretty much normal. Who knows what the Summer has in store for us. Our daylily blooms are

bound to make the mornings a joy, and afternoon monsoons should help water the gardens and cool down the extreme Summer heat.

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

Milton Nollkamper, Reporter

Isn't this a beautiful time of the year? The daylilies are beginning to get serious about displaying their beauty by putting forth their scapes with a promise of dazzling color. It's an invitation each morning to take your cup of coffee with you and slowly amble among the beds of daylilies to see which blooms will be open for your enjoyment today. Tuck away in your memory the joy you experienced in late April, May and early June seeing all the beauty that our favorite flower, the daylily, gave to you.

Slides of daylilies (the flowers) and daylilies (the gardeners) was the program for our February club meeting. Their slides and pictures of gardens, daylilies and the "characters" that can be found enjoying those gardens are always an entertaining program. Our club will begin having a raffle for several daylilies each meeting for members to acquire some of the newer cultivars for their gardens.

With our flower show and plant sale scheduled to occur in May, our March program was devoted to reviewing the various aspects of flower demonstration and discussion of this subject and encouraged the membership to participate in this part of our daylily show. Nell Shimek illustrated her verbal presentation with vases, flower holders, floral display accessories, and ended with slides of arrangements that had been designed and shown in several shows in the area.

Chuck Schrieber showed us how to design our flower beds with his presentation of Perennials in the Brazosport Landscape at our April meeting. By choosing irregular shaped beds with graceful curves rather than "squared off" or rectangular beds and placing well-chosen companion plants with our daylilies, we can present our daylily collection in a very pleasing way.

Inez Tarrant gave us the second half our April meeting program. Inez is one of our most experienced members for teaching us how to groom our daylilies for the flower show display. She supplemented her instruction by demonstrating with several scapes from her garden what to do to "put the best face" on the scape to be entered in the show. Inez gave many useful tips on how to minimize the stress of choosing and grooming daylilies and delivering the prized flowers to the show in tiptop shape.

We held our annual flower show at the Brazos Mall on May 8. We had a total of 223 entries in the flower show. As the

daylilies were being judged our plant sale committee was busy selling plants to a throng of customers. It was reported that we broke all previous records for amount of sales.

CORPUS CHRISTI DAYLILY SOCIETY

Marie Marburger, Reporter

We have enjoyed a wonderful daylily season in the Texas Coastal Bend. Well-spaced rains since the first of the year undoubtedly helped bring about this abundance of flowers.

Our members have been making an extra effort these past months to bring the daylily before the public and attract new members for the club. Marie Marburger and Ray Briones attended the Corpus Christi Council of Garden Clubs flower show in March. In April, Ray and Boyd Farrar were on hand for the Botanical Garden Spring sale with daylily information and a display of blooms.

On May 2nd, members toured Boyd's garden and admired RESPIGHI (Munson) and JASON SALTER (E. Salter) among others. Two weeks later the club visited Marie's garden. Causing comment were several of Munson's: LEXINGTON AVENUE, MATISSE and CEZANNE.

Marie Marburger attended the Nacogdoches Regional and enjoyed the beautiful gardens, hospitality, and seeing friends old and new.

We welcome a new member, Sami Hicko of Calallen. If you happen to be in our area meeting day, do join us.

CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY CLUB

Catherine L. B. Neal, Reporter

The Cypress Creek Daylily Club Show, *Chinese Expressions*, was held on May 16, 1999. The Chairman was Gene Childers. The Educational Exhibit was large and informative. The "Appreciation Award" winner was Catherine Neal. Many daylilies on scapes were entered and the public was able to pick favorites from the named varieties.

Sweepstakes
winner, Clifford Lee



Cypress Creek's Officers

The club programs for 1999 included *Hybridizing for Beginners*, *Companion Plants*, *Garden Ornaments*, *Landscaping with Daylilies*, and Flower Show at Mercer.

A change has been made in the meeting dates. We will now hold our meetings January-April and September-October. A club Christmas Party will be held at a different location.

We invite you to attend our September 26th meeting at 2 p.m. to see the slide show of Region 6 and National Gardens.

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

Binion Amerson, Reporter

Led by club President Barron Bozeman, the Daylily Growers of Dallas experienced a fantastic 1999 Spring.

First Vice president and Program Chairman Lee Causey provided us with a lineup of great programs. In January, we were enthralled by a colorful video of Florida daylilies. In February, we enjoyed a most informative presentation about growing daylilies organically by Ron and Barbara Cohea. Mary and Eddie Gage of Houston presented Daylily Genealogy in March. We learned how some of our newest daylilies of today were developed by carefully hybridizing select older cultivars. In April, Binion Amerson, Eloise Koonce, and Ken Henson presented a panel discussion on Planting and Care of Daylilies in Dallas and the North Texas Area. In May, Bonnie Nichols demonstrated how to groom daylilies for our show.

The Daylily Growers of Dallas Spring 1999 Daylily Sale on April 10 was a great success thanks to the generous donation of daylilies from the estate of Vada Day, Kay Day's mother. Club members Binion Amerson, Pat Blackburn, Barron Bozeman, Ron and Barbara Cohea, Bill and Sharon Cockerham, Kay Day, and Don Grotfend went to Abilene on April 3 and dug all daylily clumps from Vada Day's Estate. The night before the sale, numerous club members converged on the Cohea's back yard to divide, label and price daylilies. The club made more than \$9,000 on the plant sale.



The members from the Dallas Club who dug the plants from Vada Day's Garden for the sale

The Spring Daylily Show held on June 6 and chaired by Ron and Barbara Cohea was also a fantastic success. Out-of-town judges came from various locations in Texas and New Mexico.



David Burton shows Jay Tompkins & Ron Cohea his garden

A number of Daylily Growers of Dallas members were joined by North Texas Daylily Society and Albuquerque Daylily Society club members for a club-sponsored bus trip to Nacogdoches for the 1999 AHS Region 6 Meeting. The bus trip was organized by Bill and Sharon Cockerham. On the way to the Meeting, we stopped at Snooks Harville's Garden and David and Betty Burton's Garden. On the return trip, we stopped at Jack Carpenter's famous Lily Farm. A number of club members will attend the 1999 AHS National Convention in Oklahoma City.

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

Elizabeth Hoover, Reporter

Here we are in that busy time of year again. Pulling weeds, mulching, pulling weeds, fertilizing and pulling more weeds.

Our March meeting was held at Blue Moon Gardens in Edom. Sharon Lee Smith, co-owner, gave a wonderful program on what to plant so your garden looks good before, during and after the daylily season.

On April 24th we had a big plant sale at the Tyler Rose Garden. Mary Jernigan is doing a wonderful job as Ways and Means.

David and Betty Burton were in charge of the Regional Flower Show and did a super job. Several of our members showed flowers in the show, and worked the Region 6 auction, which grossed over \$6000.

Our big plant sale and flower show was held June 5th at the Rose Garden. It was called "Star Spangled Daylilies" with

David Burton, Chairman. But hang in there gang, only one more week to go then we can go back to pulling weeds again and slowing down a little.

GOLDEN SPREAD DAYLILY SOCIETY

Annie Weinreich, Reporter

The Golden Spread Daylily Society has enjoyed a rather quiet and comfortable period since our last report. The Winter snow and Spring rains have brought sufficient moisture for a change, the temperatures have been pleasantly mild, and even our notorious winds have not been all that bad. Under the capable leadership of President Joanie Hernon the group has had several informative meetings and a successful plant sale. The Spring Sale is held in conjunction with the Amarillo Botanical Gardens' sale. Our total sales were down, but it might have been because of a five inch rainfall which caused all potential plant shoppers to arrive at the ABG doing the back stroke.

Seven of the GSDS members are excitedly anticipating the Oklahoma City AHS National Convention. For six of them this will be their first Daylily Convention of any kind and Doug Smith, a long time member of the AHS and an experienced hand as a conventioneer, will act as Daddy for the group. The proceeds from many of our recent plant sales are underwriting their attendance, and those unable to attend have requested lots of slides and photographs upon return.

Our group was delighted to learn that our Kate Graham Daylily Garden at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens is now an official AHS Display Garden. I chuckled when I was "surfing the net" and found that within just a few weeks we were already listed as a Display Garden while another AHS page still had Ruth Malacara listed as our President. That hasn't been the case since 1995! Rex Johnston, our AHS liaison, is a tireless worker and instrumental in suggesting new acquisitions and deletions as well as keeping the garden in tip-top shape. We invite anybody heading out way to stop and visit.

GULF COAST DAYLILY SOCIETY

Mary Gage, Reporter

All those great plans we made over the past Winter months have now materialized into flower shows, plant sales, conventions, garden tours, bus trips etc. - not to mention the personal plans of those who hybridize. The excitement of seeing new seedlings bloom for the first time, making crosses for next year's crop and buying new potential parent plants from catalogs and garden visits is what it is all about.

The Gulf Coast Daylily Society started off the year in February with an informal meeting at our favorite seafood restaurant, Dorothy's Front Porch.

Our April meeting featured a plant auction. Some plants were purchased especially for the auction from well-known Florida gardens and other plants donated by our membership. This not only upgrades our gardens but also pays for our "foolishness," as Mable so aptly refers to our obsession driven activities.

Our very successful Flower Show and Plant Sale was held on May 22 at Central Mall in Port Arthur. Tours of our local gardens were on May 19 and 26, by which Gulf Coast hybridizers compete for two trophies. The Silver Trophy this year is a white or near-white seedling and the Fuqua for the best seedling regardless of color. Winners will be announced in September.

Speaking of trophies, we are proud of our own Marie Dattalo for winning the Edna Lankart Award at the Region 6 Meeting in Nacogdoches. She is the first winner of the newly styled non-traveling award. A world traveling daylily won the Annie T. Giles Award for Kathy Barnhart. The pale peachy cream double was born and bred in Spain, traveled with Kathy and Richard Barnhart to Washington D.C., finally coming home to Nacogdoches. It will be registered as BUBBA'S WAY, being named after Kathy and Richard's son, Jean Barnhart's grandson.

Another major activity was the much anticipated trip to Florida. Because your reporter could not make the trip, Dr. Eugene Orgeron has graciously written the account for this report.

A DAYLILY ODYSSEY by Dr. Eugene Orgeron

On May 4th, 27 members set off on a weeklong journey to the famous daylily hybridizing centers of Florida.

Led by bus captain Mable Nelson, we first visited Larry and Cindy Grace at Graceland in Southern Alabama. We were astounded by the beauty and variety of their flowers.

The next day we visited Rollingwood Garden home of Jeff and Elizabeth Salter. A hailstorm had devastated their home garden, but we were able to see acres of flowers in their nearby growing fields.

The next afternoon, we visited Floyd Cove Nursery (Pat and Grace Stamile), Walter Mill Gardens (Dan and Jane Trimmer), and John Kinnebrew's Garden, as well as Kirchhoff's Daylily World; four gardens in one whirlwind afternoon. We had known what to expect from Kirchhoff and the Stamiles, but Trimmer and Kinnebrew were pleasant surprises.

The next day we visited Dr. Bob Carr, LePetit Jardin of Ted Petit, and Munson's Wimberleyway Gardens. Carr and Petit had many fine new seedlings, and each has his own unique way of growing daylilies.

The Florida daylilies, growing in very sandy soil, received daily watering in some cases, and frequent fertilization. One grower uses a liquid fertilizer every three days.

Our last Florida visit was to Countryside Daylilies of Ottis Houston and Eddy Scott. They had a great many cultivars growing in pots - daylilies to go - you might say. These were popular, and we added much more to our great store of newly purchased plants.

On the last day, we killer bees returned to the scene of our original raid, the garden of John and Ann Arledge in Hautier, Mississippi.

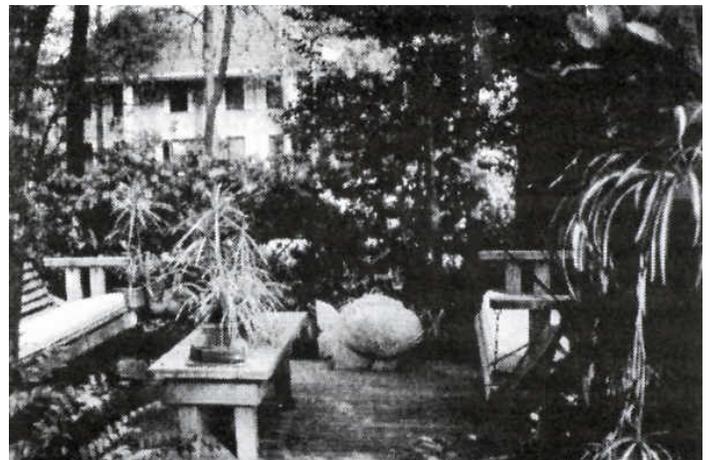
Our weary but happy group arrived home on May 10th, well fed, loaded with new daylily treasures, and ready to go again at the next opportunity. And this occurred on May 15th, when we went by bus to Louisiana to see the Crochet Garden in Prairieville, the Brad and Sharon Ortego garden in Opelousas, and the Kenneth and Melissa Begnaud garden near Lafayette. What a busy month of May we had.

HOUSTON AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

Eddie Gage, Reporter

Helen Spears was our guest speaker in February. Her presentation on Begonias was very educational. Cuttings of her various Begonias were given to anyone interested.

Mary Ellen and Bob Holley invited our club to meet in their lovely home for the March meeting. White and pink Azaleas, Geraniums, Hibiscus, Camellias, Bridal Wreath, Coleus, and Nandinas were blooming. It was too early for the daylilies. Their home was filled with artwork and souvenirs from all over the world. Grace Alexander, our member from Burnet and two of her friends drove six hours to attend this meeting and then drove home the same day. Talk about dedication! We love you, Grace. Several other members also brought guests. Our next stop was Mercer Arboretum. Not too much was in bloom due to the drought. Then on to Neal's Restaurant for a tasty Dutch treat lunch. Neal's serves the best catfish in this part of Texas. Just ask Nell Crandall.



One of the many settings inviting visitors to take in the scenery of the Holley's garden

In April Catherine Neal invited members to bring Daylily Convention Table Favors and other daylily artwork for a

Show And Tell program. You can't imagine the things that have been collected over the years.

Martha and Gib Gayle's garden was featured on Channel 8 in Houston on May 13th. One of Martha's seedlings (MASK OF TIME x MOONLIT MASQUERADE) stole the show again. It won Best In Show last year. Brenda Buest Smith, The Lazy Gardner, interviewed Martha the week before to publicize daylilies and the upcoming flower show.

We lost a dear member recently when Betty Barbato passed away suddenly. She was our President in 1993-94 and kept attendance records for many years. She was the first person to arrive at our meetings and was always ready to do her part. We all miss her.

HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Geraldine Kennedy, Reporter

It has been a busy Spring and Summer for members of the Houston Hemerocallis Society. In addition to the joys of Spring cleaning our gardens and the planting of all those new daylily cultivars ordered from catalogs that tempt the soul and decimate the pocketbook, club members have been involved in various activities related to our favorite flower. Many of our members have spent time on the road, traveling to the Regional Meeting in Nacogdoches, and then, to the National Convention in Oklahoma City. Others traveled to Branson, MO, on the club's annual bus tour.

Members of the HHS voted to install officers for the upcoming year at the April meeting. For some of the officers, it was a repeat performance, a testimony to a job well done. Officers for the coming year include:

President:	Maurice L. Petersen
1st Vice President:	Catherine Neal
2nd Vice President:	Herbert M. Peake
Treasurer:	Hershal Theilen
Recording Secretary:	Lana Nelson
Parliamentarian:	J. C. Neal

Members would like to extend a special warm thank you to outgoing Treasurer Margaret Standard, who is retiring after having held that position for over 20 years. Margaret has done an outstanding job for the duration of her tenure, and Mr. Theilen will have a tough act to follow; although I am sure he is up to the task.

David Otahal presented a very interesting and different program at our April meeting. David spoke about the lengthy and difficult process of evaluating the characteristics of a good commercial daylily. He knows what he is talking about, since he is in the business of growing daylilies for mass culture and for sale to nurseries and landscapers in numbers that are mind-boggling.

The flower show, which was held in conjunction with the Houston Area Daylily Society, took place on Saturday, May 22, at the First Christian Church in Houston. There were daylilies of every color and description to enjoy and

appreciate. Only a few awards were given, but judging was difficult due to the many worthy entries. Betty Clifford from the Houston Area Daylily Society delighted members and guests with her piano playing. HHS member Karen Wright did a great job of organizing a daylily sale that was held concurrently with the flower show at the Houston Garden Center in Hermann park.

Some members of the HHS and their friends and families spent the fourth of July weekend in Branson, MO, attending shows and visiting gardens in the area. It was a hectic but fun-filled weekend. We would like to express our appreciation to organizers Nancy and M.L. Petersen, who worked hard to insure that a good time was had by all.

LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY

Carolyn Jackson, Reporter

Lone Star Daylily Society has had an educational Spring with three meetings devoted to hybridizing given by Dave Talbott, Jack Carpenter, and Dr. Bob Carr. All were very interesting and well attended by members in other Societies in the area.



Clifford Lee and Patsy Tarrant enjoy the show

On July 31, we have the answer to the shortage of judges. Since several shows are held on the same Saturday, it is difficult to get nine judges unless you begin inviting them in September. Our solution to the problem is a Judges Clinic other than those held at the Regional Meeting or National Convention. Some of our members work and are unable to leave town for the long weekend.

Mary Houston has graciously agreed to be chair of such a clinic. It will be held in Alvin on July 31, from 9-3. The clinic will be at the Senior Citizens' Building. She has lined up instructors and will make it a fine way for us to improve our knowledge of daylilies. I know the food will be great too! Yawl come.



Paula Pane prepares one of her entries

I have a question for all of you. Do you think it would be fair to have two divisions in the Horticulture entries in future Flower Shows? It was pointed out to me that if a commercial grower entered one of their cultivars, it might be the best of 40 clumps. In my yard, I'm lucky to have one of my better varieties bloom on the day of the show. There are those who plan to bring this matter to light at the Convention. Be thinking about it.

Our Flower Show was beautiful and well attended in the Mall.

LUFKIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Edythe Weeks, Reporter (substituting for Barbara Picou)

The Lufkin Hemerocallis Society had their annual picnic at the home of Maggie Koon. Many beautiful daylily blooms brought by members decorated the table. The bloom season was about three weeks early.

Dorothy Hale, Pilgrimage Chairman, urged all members to meet Saturday, the 8th to start on the trip to Gunter Garden at Jasper, Oleo Garden, and Copenhagen Garden at DeRidder, LA.

Tuesday, May 11th, the local gardens of Evelyn Barley and Dorothy Hale were toured starting at 7:30 a.m., brown bag lunch at Hales and then on to the Lily Farm owned by Jack Carpenter at Center.

May 19th, the group met again to visit the gardens of Mable Nelson, Marie Dattalo and Nancy Orgeron at Port Neches, Nita Harman's garden in Beaumont and Pine Hurst Garden in Orange.

The last trip was planned for June 7th and 8th to travel to Louisiana to visit the gardens of Rudy Pacas, Lee Gates and Clarence Crochet. Dorothy and her committee are to be commended for such lovely trips.

Final plans were made to meet at Evelyn Barley's on Friday, June 5th at 8:30 a.m. to prepare the plants for the annual plant sale held at Susan's School of Dance in Gas Light Mall on Saturday, June 6th, at 8:30 a.m. The sale lasted until plants were all sold out.

The Region 6 AHS Meeting was held in Nacogdoches with many members attending.

NACOGDOCHES DAYLILY SOCIETY

by Jackie Timmons

We hope that all who came to Nacogdoches for the Region 6 Meeting had a wonderful time. You will never know how glad we are that you came.

I was very proud of the quality of the gardens presented for tour from our small club. I felt we had good bus plants, too.

(Jack Carpenter's 1999 introduction, MOUNT HERMAN TREAT, was the bus plant on Saturday.) Shoot - I was even proud of our ditty bags - especially since Nacogdoches is such a small town.

Our theme had to do with rabbits - Texas Jackrabbits wearing sunglasses. My bus's very first garden to tour was Sue Casper's and she not only had the concrete bunny, she had two real live wild bunnies nibbling leaves in her flower beds. Maxine Gwinn had found a nest of bunnies in her yard and on tour day mamma bunny had her babies all lined up on a log for display. Another endearing thing on our tour: my bus went to Barnee's first thing Saturday morning. Her place is out in the country, the dew was still on the grass and the rooster was crowing.

We had our usual gamut of oopsies, too. The worst was that the hotel manager went out of town early Thursday and forgot to leave instructions with her staff. Couple that with the fact that we were the largest Regional (192 registered) ever to be based at that hotel so we had the makings of a disaster before we ever even got started. Enter Jean Consford to the rescue. What she and Jerry didn't do themselves, she organized. (Trust me, she will make a wonderful RVP.) All of this while her only daughter was in and out of labor with her first grandchild. (Her grandson was born Wednesday in Austin.) One thing I thought cute as a result of the hotel: the Judges Clinic was held in the Pub.

I would like to thank all of our club members for all of the work you did - you are amazing. I would also like to thank the bunch from Tyler and the East Texas Daylily Society for bringing cookies and for organizing the flower show. The Gulf Coast Daylily Society also deserves thanks, as they sponsored a party for everyone Saturday night.

Our club is looking forward to our next project: a Thank God It's Over Party! Trust me, it will be a simple affair and will not involve a hotel.

The Nacogdoches Daylily Society's members would like to thank you for coming, and pray that you will forgive any bloopers that came your way. We truly enjoyed having you!

NORTH TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

by Judy Montgomery, Reporter

Nothing chases away the dreariness and chill of Winter like being able to see beautiful daylilies in bloom. A video featuring the cultivars and gardens of hybridizers; E. R. and Jan Joiner of Savannah, Georgia, was shown at the February meeting. This was followed by a lively auction of daylilies hybridized by E. R. Joiner.

An interesting and informative program was presented in March by Ron Cohea and Diane Taylor on the growing of daylilies organically. Useful information, advice and tips were shared by Ron on the use of organic products.

Daylilies were again in bloom via slides of the recent and future introductions of Aileen Castleberry which were shown at the April meeting. Many outstanding and beautiful daylilies were seen.

The meeting in May focused on the grooming of daylilies for showing and preparation for the show.

Several garden tours were planned for June. First we visited the garden of Kathy Blikken and then on to Aileen and Bobby's Gardens on June 9th. The annual tour of members' gardens was on June 12th. We visited the gardens of Wanda Bentley, Binion Amerson, Jay Tompkins, and John Turrentine.

The North Texas Daylily Society was well represented at the Region 6 Meeting in Nacogdoches. Jay Tompkins found and won a large stone rabbit at the first garden we visited. Even though our bus got stuck at Jean Barnhart's garden, (a wrecker was called to pull it out); that didn't hold us up.

The North Texas Daylily Society Show was held on June 6th at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center in Fort Worth. This was our largest show ever with 352 entries. Kathy Blikken was Show Chairman with Nickie Knight and Bonnie Nichols assisting as well as all members. This year's show theme of Cowtown Daylilies was proposed by Bob Montgomery in keeping with the city of Fort Worth's celebration of 150 years.

The Society acquired 20 new members at the show. The super salesmanship and promotion of our welcoming committee, namely John Turrentine, accomplished this. He gave them a bargain that they couldn't pass up. New members were given a copy of the AHS publication, *An Illustrated Guide to Daylilies*, and (a six-dollar value), and a free daylily (a three dollar value). With the single membership dues being only ten dollars; they actually only paid \$1.00 to become a member. In addition, each one received six daylilies from Vernon Wallis, our President. This proved to be a great way to attract new members and we plan to repeat it next year.

Winners of the AHS membership drawings for the past three months were: Robert Mote, Carolyn Womack and Bob Montgomery.

The annual daylily sale will be held on Saturday, September 25th at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center. We hope to have a large turnout this year.

SAN ANTONIO DAYLILY SOCIETY

Alan Humphreys, Reporter

What an exciting Spring. First, we have had rain, at least once a week for more than a month leading up to the SADS daylily show. The rain, coupled with a very mild Winter, encouraged daylilies to bloom several weeks early.

We visited six members' gardens on May 15 and 16. Every garden was a delight. Diane Dignan's garden was first on the list. Although she has a small back yard, with the exception of pathways, every square inch is devoted to daylilies. Our next stop was at Dick and Dana Griffin's garden a few miles north on I-10. The first thing you see is the bright display along the front fence. There's something nice about being greeted with sparkling daylilies when you first drive up. Then on to Mark Carpenter's garden. Mark is Jack Carpenter's nephew and the fantastic display testified to that relationship. Mark tells us that he is looking for a suitable site to raise daylilies commercially and hopes to locate near San Antonio. This writer, for one, hopes he does for we will all be his customers.

The next day, Sunday, found us at Bobbie Manion's garden. You all know the tale of the swimming pool being converted into a raised daylily bed. (See 1999 Spring Newsletter.) The garden has so many wonderful daylilies.

We left Bobbie Manion's garden and headed off to visit Barbara Kay. When you step into Barbara's back yard you step into a fairy wonderland. Barbara has incorporated a variety of lovely companion annuals and perennials among her daylilies.

At noon on Sunday, we arrived at Mike Conrad's digs. "The Colonel" as he is often called, greeted us riding astride a peppy 3-wheeled scooter. In the middle of the lawn, sectioned with a dozen raised beds of daylilies, he ceremoniously lit the portable grill and piled on the hamburger patties. This has been a Conrad tradition for more years than I've been a member of the daylily club. This was a weekend with daylilies, comrades, and calories galore!

The next weekend was the Daylily Show. It was held in Central Park Mall. Tables were arranged to hold well over 100 entries. Rich Rosen from Austin, and Gene and Eloise Koonce from Dallas were kind enough to judge our show. Miss Lori Potrykus was the Show Chairperson. She did a superb job organizing. Your reporter along with Diane Dignan, Thelma Pratt and Lucy and Ruben Valdez, were judges assistants, took the judges to lunch and received valuable recommendations for improving entries in the years to come.

Early the following week, three members, Thelma Pratt, Marilyn Greenlee and your reporter picked up a perky little Ford from Hertz and headed for Nacogdoches to the Regional Meeting. To Sue; Betty Commander, the Nacogdoches Daylily Society President; other officers; and all of the Region 6 Meeting Committee, including Chairman Jean Consford, IT WAS A WONDERFUL MEETING.

As we slide into what will probably be a long, hot dry Summer in San Antonio we bid our friends, the daylilies good by until next Spring. For all the joy you bring, we promise to weed, water, fertilize, spray and mulch, and to plant new companions for you for the coming years.

MAIL-IN-AUCTION FOR 1999

Thank you all for your generous donations for the Mail-in-Auction and please enjoy this with your generous bid on these wonderful plants. All bids must be at least half of the listed price. Final bidding date is September 15. You will be notified if you are the winner and you must mail your money and cost of shipping (\$3.50 per plant) to Jean Consford by October 5. Good Luck. Send your bids to:

Sharon Umphress, 11294 FM Rd. 3226, Arp, Texas 75750, FAX 903-566-6546, email shar@tyler.net OR
 Kathy St. Onge, 3103 Lake Vista Circle, Tyler, Texas 75707, email stonge@gower.net OR
 David Burton, 14410 Ash Lane, Tyler, Texas 75703-4730, FAX 903-561-0964, email dburton@tyler.net

NAME	DESCRIPTION		DONOR	COST
WIDOW'S WEEDS COLLECTION			Liz Hoover	\$ 55
TUSCAWILLA BLACKOUT	Hansen 92 32" MLRe Black/Red	DF		
CONGO DANCER	Roberts 88 36" MLRe Black/Red	DF		
ACAPULCO NIGHT	Roberts 88 28" EMRe Black/Red	DF		
VINO DI NOTTE	Kirchhoff 88 ERe Black/Red	SF		
BRIDE'S COLLECTION			S. Umphress	\$ 120
ADMIRAL'S BRAID	Stamile 90 21" M White/gold edge	SF		
CLOUD BARON	Harris 88 30" M White	DF		
LENOX	Munson 84 24" EMRe White	DF		
MOON SNOW	Munson 83 EMRe White			
BOBO'S QUALITY DBL COLLECTION			Bobo Faggard	\$ 50
PINK, WHITE, GOLD LAVENDER, AND YELLOW FOR THE BEGINNER				
LAND OF ENCHANTMENT COLLECTION				\$ 40
WOMPAS CAT	Lewis 24" M Gold hard to find	DF	Donna Peck	
SANDIA SUNRISE	Lewis 84 20" yellow miniature	DF	B. Amerson	
SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP	Lewis 92 brown/mauve polychrome	4F	Taylor/Bozeman's	
TEXAS PUMPKIN BABY	Lewis 96 20" miniature orange/red eye	4F	Taylor/Bozeman's	
HEAVEN IN TEXAS COLLECTION				\$ 30
TEXAS FOUNDLING	Lewis 81 yellow miniature	DF	S. Umphress	
TEXAS SHOGUN	Lewis 84 red small	DF	S. Umphress	
TEXAS PUMPKIN BABY	Lewis 96 orange/red eye	DF	B. Amerson	
SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP		DF	B. Amerson	
CASTLE CREPED BOUQUET	Castlebury 99 26 EM Cream		Castlebury's	\$ 60
CASTLE DOUBLE FRAGRANCE	EMRe pink/peach double	DF	Castlebury's	\$ 60
CASTLE SUNSET	Castlebury 99 EMRe copper/orange	DF	Castlebury's	\$ 60
CASTLE STRAWBERRY DELIGHT	Castlebury 94 Pink	DF	Boyd Farar	\$ 50
BINION AMERSON	Ferris 96 25 M yellow blend Bertie's last		B. Amerson	\$ 80
PEGGY BASS	Joiner 93 26" MRe Pink Double	DF	B. Amerson	\$ 40
PEGGY JEFFCOAT	Joiner 95 MRe Pink Double	DF	B. Amerson	\$ 60
LOST IN LOVE	Joiner 95 MRe Pink self	DF	B. Amerson	\$ 50
RIVIERA RAPTURE	Kirchhoff 95 Yellow/gold edge	DF	B. Amerson	\$100
KINGS BUSINESS	Olsen 92 L red self tetraploid	DF	B. Amerson	\$ 65
GRAM HANSEN	Hansen 96 MLRe peach/copper blend	DF	B. Amerson	\$ 25
PINK DIAMOND FANTASY	Hansen 96 Pink self	DF	B. Amerson	\$ 40
TRUE PINK BEAUTY	Copenhaver 92 22" M Pink self	DF	Kay Day	\$ 60
TRUE PINK BEAUTY		SF	J. Consford	\$ 30
BEAUTIFUL EDGINGS	Copenhaver 89 MRe Cream/rose edge	DF	J. Consford	\$ 19
RASPBERRY STAR	Hansen 94 MRe Raspberry self	DF	J. Consford	\$ 20
MARY ETHEL ANDERSON	Salter 95 MLRe Cream/red eye	DF	J. Consford	\$ 50
RUBY SPIDER	Stamile 91 red self tetraploid	DF	J. Consford	\$ 17
BERTIE FERRIS	Winniford 69 20" miniature of self	6F	S. Jackson	\$ 15
MAGIC CARPET RIDE	Kirchhoff 92 EMRe red tetraploid	DF	S. Jackson	\$ 30
RAYE'S PASSION	Tarrant 92 25" EMRe Yellow DBL	DF	S. Jackson	\$ 30
SILK STOCKINGS	Morss 94 Rose/gold edge	DF	M. Nelson	\$ 75

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EXQUISITE EDGE	Nelson 94 24" ERe Yellow tetraploid	DF	M. Nelson	\$ 80
VIRGINIA PECK	Durio 90 White/rose edge	DF	M. Nelson	\$ 75
SOPHIA PAYNE	Payne 99 Pink workhorse bloomer	DF	The Payne's	\$ 50
RED EYED RUFFLES	Carpenter 95 apricot/red eye	DF	The Cohea's	\$ 25
AUGUST MORN	Carpenter 95 Yellow/Cinnamon halo	DF	The Cohea's	\$ 50
CAPTAIN CHRIS	Faggard 92 Red tetraploid	DF	Bobo Faggard	\$ 30
LOOSE CABOOSE	Faggard 92 MRe Red	DF	Bobo Faggard	\$ 25
TEXAS TWO STEP	Faggard 92 25" Red/black eye	DF	Bobo Faggard	\$ 50
SENIORITA SUNTAN	Faggard 99 tan/wine eye 2 nd one released		Bobo Faggard	\$ 50
TOUCHED BY MIDAS	Winniford 79 Gold always on Pop Poll	3F	The Houstons	\$ 10
ELIZABETH SALTER	Salter 90 M Red/Pink	DF	ETDS	\$ 35
BOTH SIDES NOW	Kirchhoff 85 coral/rose eye Double	DF	ETDS	\$ 25
ON CLOUD NINE	Hansen 92 Ivory/gold edge	SF	E. R. Andrews	\$ 15
ORIENTAL DANCER	Brown 94 Yellow/lavender tetraploid	SF	E. R. Andrews	\$ 30
PRINCE OF MIDNIGHT	Salter 90 purple self	SF	E. R. Andrews	\$ 20
ED BROWN	Salter 94 28 EMRe pink/gold edge	SF	E. R. Andrews	\$100
SPELL FIRE	Salter 88 lemon/red eye	SF	E. R. Andrews	\$ 10
STILL NIGHT	Stamile 92 EMRe Purple self	SF	David Burton	\$ 20
UNTAMED GLORY	Salter 91 26 EMRe Bronze polychrome	SF	David Burton	\$ 25
CHANCE ENCOUNTER	Stamile 94 Rose/gold edge tetraploid	DF	The Gozas	\$ 80
LADY ARABELLA	Salter 92 Gold blend tetraploid	DF	The Gozas	\$ 70
IDA'S MAGIC	Munson 88 Peach lavender/gold edge	SF	The Gozas	\$ 40
BUNNY EYES	Kirchhoff 94 pink gold edge tetraploid	Clump	B. Greeson	\$ 67
TANGERINE HORSES	Kaskel 96 tangerine ruffled self	DF	The Gage's	\$ 100
LISA PUCKET	Barnhart 2000 intro tetraploid	DF	J. Barnhart	\$ 50
CHRIS PUCKET	Barnhart 2000 intro tetraploid	DF	J. Barnhart	\$ 50
PEPPER POT	Barnhart 2000 intro tetraploid	DF	J. Barnhart	\$ 50
BUBBA'S WAY	Barnhart 2000 intro tetraploid	DF	K. Barnhart	\$ 50

THE NOTABLE ANNA ROSA COLLECTION

BLACK VELVET	Glidden 88 23 ML Re purple	DF	A. R. Glidden	
SALMON PUFF	Glidden 92 Rose/purple halo Double	DF	A. R. Glidden	
HERMIE	Glidden 87 MRe Red/red halo	DF	A. R. Glidden	
TEXAS TALL TALES	Glidden 95 variant beige pink blend	DF	A. R. Glidden	\$ 50
WEDDING BAND	Stamile 87 M Cream/yellow edge	DF	Jim Caldwell	\$ 20
SANFORD GIFT HORSE	Kirchhoff 92 Violet Double	DF	Jim Caldwell	\$ 20
ALL FIRED UP	Stamile 96 orange/red eye BLOOMS	DF	Ginny Kessel	\$ 75
HOT WHEELS	Calhoun 92 Red/yellow eye	DF	Ginny Kessel	\$ 30
LEONARD BERNSTEIN	Kirchhoff 91 EMRe Red self	DF	Ginny Kessel	\$ 50
CALCASIEU ROSE	Guillory 95 EMRe Pink self	DF	Bozeman/Taylor	\$ 60
YOU ANGEL YOU	Stamile 92 MRe Cream/red eye Double	DF	Bozeman/Taylor	\$ 25
LITTLE DREAMER	Stamile 96 miniature purple darker eye	DF	Bozeman/Taylor	\$ 20
LOTS OF HOOPLA	Gates 94 ERe Ivory/gold edge	DF	Bozeman/Taylor	\$ 55
GROOVY GREEN	Lankart 79 24 EMRe yellow green	DF	Bozeman/Taylor	\$ 8

A special thank you to David Kirchhoff for his generous donation of:

JEAN HIGH	Kirchhoff 94 EMRe Coral Double	DF	D. Kirchhoff	\$ 100
EYE FOR EYE	Morss 99 intro peach/fuchsia eye	DF	D. Kirchhoff	\$ 100
MARIA CALLAS	Kirchhoff 99 intro 28 E Red tetraploid	DF	D. Kirchhoff	\$ 150
MITCHELL LEICHHARDT	Kirchhoff 99 intro E orange/yellow	DF	D. Kirchhoff	\$ 125

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REGION 6 DAYLILY SOCIETIES, PRESIDENTS, AND MEETING SCHEDULES

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Maple Levine
9905 Eldridge Rd. NW
Albuquerque, NM 87114, 505-889-8255
Meetings: April, May, June, July, August, and September

AUSTIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

President - Velia Sanchez-Ruiz
1213 Southwood Road
Austin, TX 78704, 512-477-3082 vsanchez@texas.net
Meetings: 1st Thursday in March, May, August, September, October, November, and December

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Edgar Tarrant
2101 Old Alvin Rd.
Pearland, TX 77581-3511, 281-485-9805
etarrant@texas.net
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 Overturf
2414 Trenton
Houston, TX 77093, 281-442-0200
Meetings: 2:30 p.m., 4th Sunday, February-May, September-October

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

President - Barron Bozeman
302 Meadowcreek, TX 71500, 972-270-1530
Meetings: 10:00 a.m., 3rd Saturday, except June, July, August, and December, North Haven Gardens, Dallas

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Sharon Umphress
11294 FM Rd 3226
Arp, TX 75750, 903-565-4051
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 2nd Sunday, RTDC Room 108, Tyler

GOLDEN SPREAD DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Joanie Hernon
107 Sunset Terrace
Amarillo, TX 79106, 806-379-9784
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

President - Mary Gage
25150 Gosling
Spring, TX 77389, 218-351-8827
Meetings: 10:00 a.m., 2nd Thursday
Hermann Park Garden Center

HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

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Livingston, TX 77351, 409-327-9470
Meetings: 4th Thursday, February, March, April, May, September, and October, Hermann Park Garden Center

HUNTSVILLE MUDDY BOOTS DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Michael Mansfield
929 Robinson
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 - Richard Johnson
15810 Havenhurst
Houston, Texas 77059, rjohn2@flash.net
Meetings: 2 p.m. 3rd Sunday, Alvin Senior Citizen Building

LUFKIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

President - Evelyn Barley
Rt. 13, Box 5890
Lufkin, TX 75901, 409-632-6909
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T. V. Electric Meeting Room

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President - Betty Commander
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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

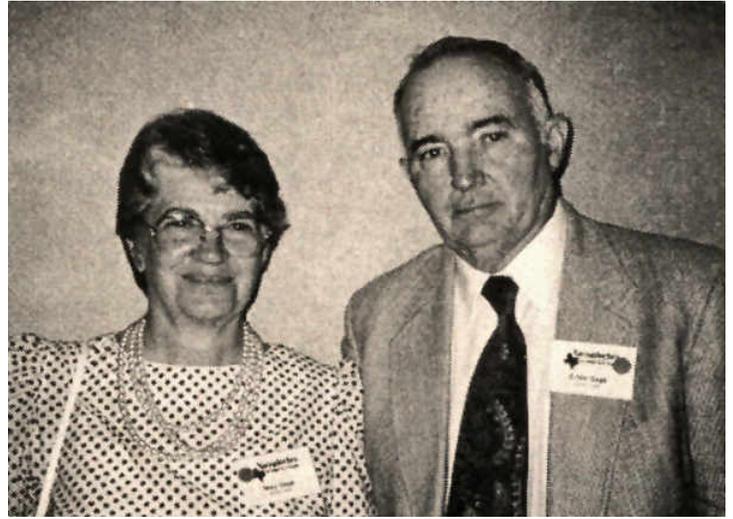
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President - Marilyn Greenlee
6017 Rue Sophie
San Antonio, TX 78238-1639, 210-520-9199
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San Antonio Botanical Garden

CONGRATULATIONS MARY AND EDDIE GAGE

Region 6 Service Awards Recipients

Mary and Eddie Gage join Region 6's prestigious list of Region 6 Service Award winners. Mary and Eddie are well known for their continued service to Region 6, especially in the area of show exhibitions and daylily programs. Their devotion to daylilies and the AHS has been almost as long as their forty-seven year marriage. They started growing daylilies in 1954. In the early years, while Mary was rearing four children, Eddie was the more prominent one in the Houston area clubs and with other daylily advocates. He served as President of the Houston Hemerocallis Society in 1976-77. Mary was later president in 1982-83. Both have chaired daylily shows and are Exhibition and Garden Judges. Mary is an Exhibition Judges Instructor. Mary has served at the Region 6 Awards and Honors Chairman and Regional Publicity Director. Most recently she was Region 6's representative to the AHS Board from 1993-96. With her decision to serve only three years on the Board, we all were concerned that both Mary and Eddie would retire to enjoy their family and daylilies. Fortunately for us, Eddie agrees to most invitations for Mary's fabulous and inventive slide program. Eddie is always welcome at a Region 6 raffle and auction. Both Mary and Eddie are well deserving of the award. We only hope they do not think this will provide them the opportunity to truly retire and enjoy their garden and family. Region 6 needs their steady guidance and loving nature.



To nominate a Region 6 member for the Service Award, please write Jean Barnhart, Region 6 Awards and Honors Liaison, or Oliver Billingslea, AHS Award and Honors Chairman, with a list of the accomplishments of the nominee(s) by September 1. The AHS Board selects a limited number of nominees at the Fall Board Meeting each year for presentation at the next year's National Convention.