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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR SUMMER NEWSLETTER?

All about the Regional Meeting hosted by the Lone Star Daylily Society - who was there, what we covered in the meetings, articles and pictures of all the gardens, meals, meetings, etc.

More Suggestions for the Beginning Gardener

Educational Articles

Region 6 Rust Update

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 15-17, 2003

Region 6 Meeting
Lone Star Daylily Society

June 18-21, 2003

AHS Convention
Piedmont & Mid-Carolina Daylily Clubs
Charlotte, NC

May 16-17, 2004

Region 6 Meeting
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Pensacola, FL

Thanks!

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Ramblings from Your RVP

by Bridey Greeson



Holidays are over and I hope that Santa brought everyone daylilies for Christmas! Lone Star Daylily Society is hard at work getting ready to welcome Region 6 members to the 2003 Region 6 Regional Meeting in Alvin, Texas. From the e-mails that I have received from the members of this club, they are really organized. I know that we will see great gardens and have fun at the same time.

Speaking of Regionals! I am looking for clubs to host the 2005 and 2006 Regionals. Some of the most recent past Regionals have been: Brazosport-1993, Albuquerque-1994, Houston-1995, North Texas-1996, Gulf Coast-1997, Dallas-1998, Nacogdoches-1999, Lake Jackson-2000, Austin-2001, Albuquerque-2002, Lone Star-2003, and San Antonio-2004. Consider hosting one of these two upcoming Regionals with a one day or two day tour Regional. If your club is interested, please contact me to discuss the details.

Regional Newsletter In order to keep our club information correct, Donna Peck and I have spent time calling and e-mailing the various clubs for the most current President and address information. Please check your club information for errors and let Jim Petty, Donna or myself know if we need to correct any part of the information. As RVP, I receive the Newsletters from all of the Regions. Region 6's Newsletter was the only Newsletter to have the correct new address for our AHS President, Luke Senior, Jr. The Region 6 AHS President monopoly continues as Luke has moved to Arlington, Texas. Welcome to Region 6, Luke!

Regional Auction Please support the Regional auction in Alvin with your generous donations of plants and/or money to buy plants. This auction is the only source of income for the Region as we need the money to pay the Regional expenses like the Newsletters. Think about your donations as you prepare your garden for Spring and the bloom season. When you are dividing your clumps, pot a clump for the Regional auction. If you know of a new hybridizer, donate their cultivars for great exposure to our Region.

Youth Members As you have seen in our last Newsletter, we had two articles about Region 6 youth members, Nollanne Chang and Jettie Tromza. Jettie wrote a wonderful article for the Newsletter and I thank you for taking the time to give us your perspective. We are seeing an increase in youth members in some of our clubs, which is great for the future of our Region. If you know of any youth gardeners, ask them to join you as your guest when you go to your club meetings.

It won't be long and we will be spending time getting our gardens ready for bloom season. I look forward to seeing everyone in Alvin!

Exhibition Judges Liaison Report

By Mary Gage



By the time this report is published and in your hands our daylilies will be well on their way to creating the lovely blooms we expect to see in our flower shows. Which brings us again to the subject of Exhibition Judges and Exhibition Judges Clinics. We will be holding Clinics I, II, and III at the Region 6 Meeting in League City on May 15.

Please remember that owning the newly revised 2002 edition of *Judging Daylilies* is a requirement for all Exhibition Judges. It is available from Jimmy Jordan, Publication Sales, 276 Caldwell Rd, Jackson, TN 38301. Price is \$18.00 or \$12.50 for the filler only. We will have some copies available at the Clinic, but it is very beneficial to study ahead of time. Payment of AHS dues by January 1 each year is also required.

One requirement for taking Clinic I is 24 consecutive months of AHS membership. That means that to apply for Student-In-Training accreditation (Clinic I) one would need to have paid AHS dues by May 15, 2001. Someone with less length of AHS membership may audit the Clinic and certainly learn a great deal but will not get credit toward judges accreditation. Anyone planning to take Clinic I - Introductory Judges Training, needs to study Chapters C1 and C2. There is a lot of material to cover so it is advisable to study it beforehand.

I am extremely pleased that we have so many Students-In-Training eligible for Clinic II and expect to have a good class. Clinic II students need to study Chapter C3 and become familiar with words used to describe faults and merits of daylily characteristics when point scoring.

RAMBLINGS - PERKS - DATA

RPD REPORT



One of the wonderful “perks” I have as your Region 6 RPD is that I receive most of the other Regional Newsletters. For those of you who don’t, I’d like to share with you some of the more interesting “bits.”

From Region 3 (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia): The Pittsburgh Iris and Daylily Society has added a new Exhibition Award at their flower show called “The Lehman Family Award.” I talked to their President, Elaine Modrak, to find out more about this award which was instituted, chosen and sponsored by the family of Leonard Lehman (RVP for Region 3). This award is for the best specimen hybridized by a PIDS member. The purpose of the award is to promote and recognize their local hybridizers. This year a pinkish apricot blend daylily with a dark pink edge above a

chartreuse throat, BARBARA WELLS, hybridized by Henry Bach, won this award. The PIDS have over fifteen hybridizers in their club, and the winner gets a plaque and a nice check. What a good idea for our clubs to start.

From Region 4 (Connecticut, Maine, Mass, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, New Hampshire, New York, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Rhode Island, Vermont): The information about the Canadian National Convention in their Newsletter intrigued me. Wouldn’t you enjoy going to Montreal, Quebec, July 24-27, 2003? The slide presentation will be presented by Canadian hybridizers. It would be interesting to be informed of Canada’s future introductions. I also read that one of our esteemed members we all know, Mark Carpenter, was the speaker at the Long Island Daylily Society in January.

From Region 5 (Georgia): I enjoyed the “ramblings” of Tim Herrington about a Christmas list for a daylily enthusiast. Some of his suggestions were: “a big bag of prize Georgia earthworms to aerate my soil and make it so people like me can grow daylilies to my heart’s content.” A bird feeder that is not a device for storing squirrel food. A Slug Zap Gun - right out of Star Wars technology. “You plug this laser-controlled weapon in, pull the trigger and point the muzzle at your daylilies. Your slugs are demolished, without any part of your daylily being harmed.” To receive at least \$300 in cash so, “I can bid on one of my favorite daylilies at the next Regional auction.” Having a contract with someone like DeerBusters, Inc., a wildlife and garden specialist, who would stop deer coming in the garden. And lastly some “night vision goggles to view my daylilies in darkness” when preparing for a daylily show the next day and to have an “integrated infrared illuminator so flaws on the bloom or scape can be identified.”

From Region 10 (Kentucky and Tennessee): I was very envious of the boast of their RPD, Russ Johnson, stating that the Popularity Poll participation “data” was between 35% and 45%. Their top winner, AUTUMN WOOD hybridized by one of their members, Hazel Dougherty, has been a winner for three years in a row. Their next four winners were similar to ours, BARBARA MITCHELL, RED VOLUNTEER, STRAWBERRY CANDY and MOONLIT MASQUERADE.

I enjoyed this limerick that appeared on the AHS e-mail Robin. It was written by Anita Hartshorn, Walnut Creek, CA. Anita said, “I do love limericks, so just made up this one.”

The Sad Tale of Millie, the Hemaholic

There was a young lady named Millie
Who fell for a charming daylily
One led to another
So she said to her mother
“I’ll just plant them all willy-nilly.”

She labeled them all in their beds
Her purples, and yellow, and reds
She spent all her free time
With no reason nor rhyme
Gleefully snipping all the dead heads.

Her Mother said, “Millie, my dear,
Your actions all seem very queer!
Won’t you please stop to eat?”
But, not missing a beat,
She said, “I’m addicted this year!”

She crossed pollen in sun and in shower
In the garden for hour after hour!
“I’ll be beat, I do fear,
In my quest oh so dear
To breed that elusive blue flower!”

The last that I saw of poor Millie
Her wide grin looked ever so silly
Her eyes, vacant and glazed -
Her demeanor all crazed!
Started with just one daylily!

Poor Millie!

USING THE AHS AWARDS & HONORS

by Rich Rosen



In the Spring *Daylily Journal*, you will find the 2002 Awards and Honors results. These are awards voted on by AHS Garden Judges and given to hybridizers for achievement in various categories. Why does the Society give these awards? Well, obviously to recognize excellence in hybridizing. But also as a guide to help you, the daylily consumer, select daylilies of distinction that perform well in the garden. Often these are newer cultivars that are still somewhat pricey, that you have not had a chance to observe in your area. By perusing the award lists, you should be able to improve your chances of selecting cultivars that you will be happy with. No Annabelle, you do not have to rely on the pretty pictures in daylily catalogs.

The first way to use the Awards and Honors results is to see which cultivars scored well in your own Region, Region 6. In Award of Merit (AM) voting, BEAUTIFUL EDGINGS (Copenhaver 1989), MOONLIT MASQUERADE (J. Salter 1992), MARY ETHEL ANDERSON (E. Salter 1995), and TRUE PINK BEAUTY (Copenhaver 1992) garnered the most votes. The Honorable Mention (HM) section generally has newer cultivars, but the Awards and Honors Committee can throw some older overlooked cultivars into the mix. Region 6 really liked PURE AND SIMPLE (J. Salter 1993), CAROLICOLOSSAL (Powell 1968), MY SPECIAL ANGEL (E. Salter 1996), SABINE BAUR (J. Salter 1997), BROOKWOOD LEE CAUSEY (Sharp 1998), and EXOTIC RHYTHM (Tarrant 1995) this year. By buying cultivars that have already proven themselves in Region 6, you can be confident that you are spending your daylily dollars wisely. But the downside is you will be getting the same cultivars that many others already own. All you wild and crazy types are asking yourselves, "What's the fun in that?"

So, the second way to use the Awards and Honors results is to look at what scored high in other Regions, but has perhaps been overlooked here in Region 6. Now, we don't really care what is favored in Fargo. We instead want to look to those Regions that have climates not too different from our own. You might want to look at Region 13 (AR, LA), Region 14 (AL, MS), and Region 5 (GA). In some cases, cultivars received very high vote counts in one or two Regions, but didn't get enough total votes to have won an award. As the Awards and Honors Chairman, I have all the results; so let me share some of that information. Shown below are cultivars which received many votes in a Southern Region, but few votes here in Region 6.

Cultivar (Hybridizer, Year)	Region - Votes	Votes in Region 6
YAZOO ELSIE HINTSON (W. H. Smith 1986)	Region 14 - 20	0
SHERRY LANE CARR (Carr 1993)	Region 14 - 24	5
CHARMING ETHEL SMITH (Terry 1991)	Region 14 - 16	2
BARBARA KIRBY (Joiner 1995)	Region 5 - 15	0
RAINBOW OVER GEORGIA (Perkerson 1994)	Region 5 - 15	0
BIG KISS (Joiner 1991)	Region 5/14 - 23/21	5
CONNIE BURTON (T. Wilson 1999)	Region 13/14 - 11/17	2
LINDA AGIN (T. Wilson 1998)	Region 13/14 - 8/22	2
ONLY BELIEVE (L. Grace 1998)	Region 14 - 21	1
FRILLY BLISS (J. Joiner 1998)	Region 5 - 25	0
SAMUEL BELL (T. Bell 1999)	Region 5 - 23	0
DESTINED TO SEE (L. Grace 1998)	Region 14 - 14	1
EDGE OF HEAVEN J. Salter 1996)	Region 14 - 17	2
RUTH WHITTEN (J. Joiner 1997)	Region 5 - 13	0
THUNDERATION (Joiner 1997)	Region 13 - 13	0

Notice that often the hybridizer is from the Region where they got a lot of votes. Is this a case of "home cooking?" I don't think so. I think these are probably quality daylilies that need better distribution outside of their home Regions. You might consider trying them here in Region 6.

EARLY SPRING DESIGN REVIEW

Start Planning Now for the Garden You Want

by Sylvia Fee Chattin

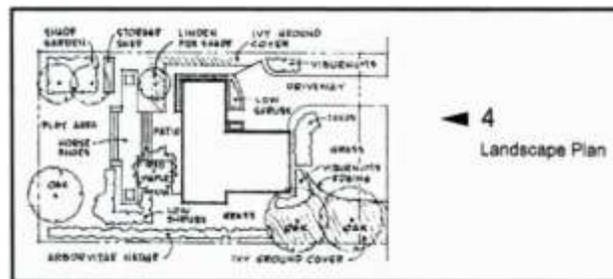
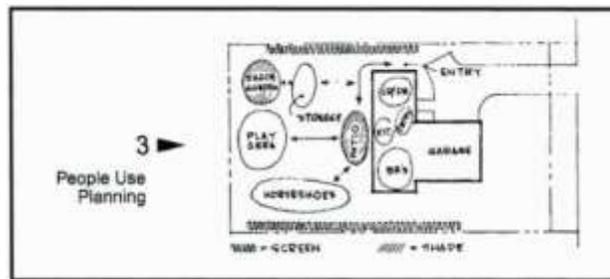
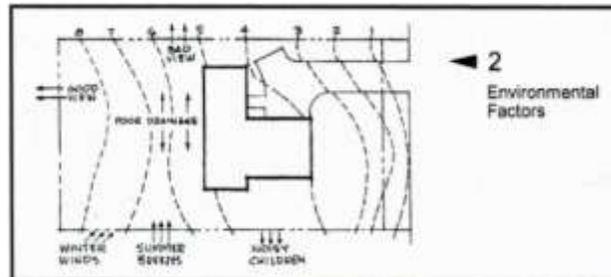
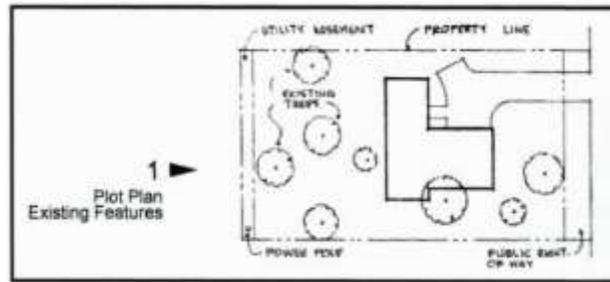
Early Spring marks the close of the armchair gardening season. But before you start digging in that garden, take some prime time to review your garden plan. And I'm not talking about those seductive plant catalogs. Put them aside for awhile and consider your resting garden. Dream of its potential. When I began gardening I knew it was all about plan. Through time and observation I learned that a garden is all about its place, that unique spot unlike any other on earth.

Nowadays my definition of a garden is "Working with site advantages and disadvantages to bring a place into a harmonious and ever changing entity." A garden is a place to linger. Last September I visited the gardens at the Getty Museum complex in Santa Monica, CA. The lyrical Central Garden was interpreted from a painting by the artist Robert Irwin. He observed the site and painted his concept of an ideal garden for that space. Irwin's art functioned as the working plan for the garden. I was enchanted with its many surprises as I followed its pathways. Selection of plant materials was a piece of the plan. However, the utilization of the site was the genius of it all. It was a place to linger.

For many of us the cultivation of that glorious genus *Hemerocallis* is the focus of our gardens. Personally, I always made a better garden when the effect I desired was my first consideration, before a single plant was selected. All garden sites have their challenges and give up their best when those situations are recognized at the outset. Is the grade too steep? Too shady? Too exposed to wind, salt spray, soil in poor condition? How about irrigation and drainage? These are impediments best tackled way before the plant catalogs. Access must be considered when designing plant beds. How does one make way in the plant beds for necessary maintenance? Keep in mind that edges and walkways can enhance a planting bed as a frame enhances a picture.

Readers of these phrases have already built gardens and may wish to make them even more attractive or resolve some difficulty they perceive. Steep grades and abrupt changes in grade may be utilized into terraces, attractive walls and water courses. Opportunities for bridges (no matter how slight) enhance the experience of the garden, and may invite unique planting

placements. The layout and placement of planting spaces is accomplished by a comprehensive survey of the site. In addition the views from inside the home may beg special attention.



Look at your garden from the highest window in the house. See unity and flow in the layout? Interesting stop and go spots? Perhaps the garden would prosper from a major make-over; installing a background of plants or fence or wall. Maybe a space needs to be opened up by removing tired plants and pruning trees. I like the term space in reference to a garden because "space" immediately conjures up 3 dimensions and time in my mind. Not merely a place to be viewed down upon, but a space with butterflies, bees, people and time. A few quick garden fixes include getting edges sharp or crisp along geometric path intersections because paths are the frame around your "picture."

Cutting diagonal paths through squares or rectangles or designing triangles adds interest and jazz to geometric beds. Try some neatly jutting and retreating zigzag edges, perhaps leading in to a special space or niche. Circles and arcs add focus and serve as important "stops." Water features have become a part of many gardens.

Geometric paths enhance vistas. Sinuous pathways suggest mystery and invite a slower pace and they give a sense of shelter, rest and secret places. Contrasts may be subtle. This is not to suggest that

square plots dictate geometry and irregular areas call for asymmetry. Let the site speak to you of all its possibilities. You know that clutter is neither pretty nor interesting, so choose a set-aside spot for your trials or irresistible oddities.

Treating garden areas as open-air rooms can give cohesion to a plan and leaves a place for special plant collections or seasonal displays. Late Winter can be your best time to make these big changes. So layout your garden plan, plot the changes you want and need, then dig in before the digging begins.

Sylvia Fee Chattin is a member of the Albuquerque Daylily Society. She is a retired landscape designer, author and past President of the Association of Professional Landscape Designers.

STARTING A DAYLILY GARDEN

By Donna Peck

(with help from Jim Petty and other veteran growers)

What daylilies should a new daylily gardener begin growing? Think of daylilies that are easy and prolific growers in our Region and spend no more than \$7.00 apiece. Which daylily would you chose if you could splurge on one?

These were the questions we asked a number of “experienced” daylily growers. **Jim Petty** and I thought this would be a good collection of daylilies to help beginning daylily gardeners. Our club gets these questions often from new growers when we have our plant sales. We all have our “favorites” so we thought this would be an interesting and helpful survey.

When I asked **Kay Day**, she answered, “Donna, that is a tall order.” However, Kay’s suggestions were excellent. Here are her choices and comments:

CONDILLA (Grooms 1977) and **POJO** (Winniford 1972) are good small yellow/gold doubles that are very reasonably priced.

MING PORCELAIN (Kirchhoff 1981) is the most recent Lenington All-American selection and is a good one.

LULLABY BABY (Spalding 1975) is also a Lenington Award winner (1988) and every garden should have this daylily. **JERSEY SPIDER** (Grovvatt 1973) is a good Spider for beginners.

MAGIC CARPET RIDE (Kirchhoff 1992) is Kay’s splurge, about \$9.00, because for a red you can’t beat this one.

Linda Kellerup from Albuquerque gave us the names of seven daylilies “that have consistently given lots of bloom:” **ALWAYS AFTERNOON** (Morss 1987) is a medium mauve with a buff edge and a purple eye. It is a Stout Award winner.

CALIFORNIA SUNSHINE (Chesnick 1985) is a 6.5” intense yellow.

CHICAGO APACHE (Marsh-Klehm 1981) flowers are a bright scarlet. It loves growing in the Southwest.

JADE TIP (Monette 1977) was new to me. It has a 7” near-white bloom.

JERSEY SPIDER has another vote from both Kay and me! **LITTLE FRED** (Maxwell 1977) is good for those who like miniature daylilies. Linda enjoys the 3” black blooms.

WOMPUS CAT was hybridized by our Region 6, Joyce Lewis. This daylily isn’t even listed in the 2003 *Eureka* but many of us in Albuquerque grow it and enjoy the large bright yellow blooms.

The splurge daylily Linda suggests is **BERMUDA CORAL** (Marvin 1986). The price, around ten dollars, is a real bargain. She says, “it’s a late daylily with lots of bloom.”

Jim Petty said his criteria were “that you might want to encourage a new daylilyist to bring some of these to a show- so I wanted some that would be potential winners of blue ribbons. I have always had these seven in my garden and will probably always have them.”

KINDLY LIGHT (Bechtold 1949), a great true Spider that always performs and still wins shows after 50 years.

RED VOLUNTEER (Oakes 1984) is a good, color-fast red and Jim’s favorite red.

RUFFLED IVORY (E. C. Brown 1982) performs well and has a nice cream color.

SILOAM TOM HOWARD (Henry 1985), a prolific creamy small, rose eyed bloom with great branching and bud count.

A potential winner on the right day.

ATLANTA FULL HOUSE (Petree 1984) is his favorite yellow with enough ruffles to keep him happy.

WOMPUS CAT of Lewis, Jim agrees with Linda that it is a great gold with super scapes, good branching and bud count.

DREAM EXPRESS (Morss 1991) grows like a weed. This is a good eyed daylily, lavender/peach with a purple eye. It has nice branching and bud count.

As for myself I would certainly add **RED VOLUNTEER**, **CONDILLA**, and **JERSEY SPIDER** to my list for the same reasons as those given above.

Others I would also suggest are:

LITTLE GRAPETTE (Williamson 1970) grows so easily for me and makes a lovely intense purple border to a bed.

JASON SALTER (E. Salter 1987) would give the new gardener the look of a new daylily with its washed purple eye without spending big bucks.

EZEKIEL (Talbot 1991) really shows off in my garden. The dark red double daylily looks expensive, but isn’t, and grows very easily here.

MARY TODD (Fay 1967) has been separated, moved, shared and it just keeps growing better and better. It is a bright gold Stout Award Winner.

How could any list be completed without our Popularity Poll, and Stout Award winner **ELIZABETH SALTER** (J. Salter 1990)? This is my recommendation for a small “splurge” of \$10.00. A lovely pinkish 5.5” flower that grows so easily.

Do you agree with these choices? Please write your ideas in to us and we will include them in the next issue. Check our e-mail on the front cover. We would love to hear your suggestions.

REVISION TO REGION 6 BYLAWS

Kay Day, Parliamentarian

AHS made a number of changes to the AHS Constitution and Bylaws at the Annual Business Meeting in July 2002. Most of them were minor in nature, and for the most part, either to bring the Bylaws in line with the most current Robert's Rules of Order or for easy reading. Two changes, however, affect the manner in which nominating committees for RVP and Director are formed. Previously the current RVP appointed the chair for each committee and the membership elected two other members for each committee. The policy has been changed that all members of each committee are now elected by the membership.

In changing that, I noted that our Bylaws are not current with a change made by the Board in October 1996. At the time, and likely now, we did not believe it necessary within Region 6. The change will allow an elected RVP to serve two consecutive terms - currently Region 6 Bylaws allow for only one two-year term. While a number of us continue to believe that we have the talent within the Region so that two two-year consecutive terms are not necessary, we may wish to simply bring the Bylaws inline with the Bylaws of other Regions. It will also allow us to elect an RVP for a second term, in the event our talent pool becomes limited. By voting on this amendment, the membership can make that decision.

The following are the proposed changes to the Region 6 Bylaws. Membership will have the opportunity to vote on each change at the Regional Meeting in Alvin, May 2003.

American Hemerocallis Society Region 6 Bylaws

Created from AHS model in 1990 (as a result of tax exemption status)

Amended in 1994 to bring in line with AHS bylaw changes
Proposed Changes 2003

Article I: Name

The name of this organization is Region 6. It is an affiliated member of the American Hemerocallis Society.

Note: changes association to organization.

Article IV: Officers

Section 1: The Regional officers are the Regional Vice President (RVP), Regional Publicity Director (RPD), Editor, Exhibition Judges Liaison, Garden Judges Liaison, Youth Liaison, Secretary, and Treasurer. The RVP is the chief executive officer of Region 6. Additional officers may be appointed by the RVP based upon the recommendation of AHS or the needs of the Region.

Note: Adds Editor as an Officer

Section 2: Term of Office: The Regional Vice President shall serve a term of two (2) years. Any Region 6 RVP may be elected to serve a second consecutive two (2) year term. Any Region 6 RVP who has been out of office for two (2) years may be elected to serve another two-year term.

Note: Changes possible term to two two-year consecutive terms from a maximum of 2 calendar years with an exception of a third year in the case of emergency.

Section 3: At the first business meeting of the first year of a two (2) year term, the membership shall elect by majority vote a nominating committee of three members who shall be responsible for the nomination of an RVP candidate to serve the Region in the subsequent two (2) year term. Only one member of the nomination committee may have served on the previous RVP nominating committee and under no circumstances can a member serve more than two consecutive nominating committees. The committee shall report at the next annual business meeting. Nominations may then be taken from the floor. The members then vote by ballot for the succeeding RVP. The name of the newly elected RVP and the ballots must be presented to the American Hemerocallis Society Board at the Fall Board Meeting for ratification. After ratification the RVP shall take office on January 1 of the following year. The RVP then appoints the Regional Publicity Director (RPD), Editor, Exhibition Judges, Liaison, Garden Judges, Liaison, Youth Liaison, Secretary, and Treasurer or other officers as recommended by the AHS Board or as needed by the Region.

Note: Changes the appointment of the nominating committee chair by the RVP to the election of the entire committee by the membership.

Section 4: At the first business meeting of the year prior to the last year of the term of the current Director, the membership shall elect by majority vote a nominating committee of three members who shall be responsible for the nomination of a Director candidate to serve the Region in the subsequent three (3) year term. Only one member of the nominating committee may have served on the previous RVP nominating committee and under no circumstances can a member serve more than two consecutive nominating committees. If the incumbent Director is eligible to serve a second three-year term and unless an indication is given in writing of an unwillingness to do so, the name must be included on the ballot. The election of an AHS Director from the membership of Region 6, who shall serve a three (3) year term as a member of the American Hemerocallis Society Board of Directors shall take place by published ballot in the Fall Newsletter prior to the election year or in accordance with the then current AHS Bylaws provided that the membership of Region 6 shall have the opportunity to vote at least three months prior to any term of office. The election year is the year prior to the three-year term. The elections ballots shall be returned to the chairperson of the nominating committee for tallying and certification.

Note: Changes the appointment of the nominating committee chair by the RVP to the election of the entire committee by the membership. Additionally adds the provision for the incumbent Director to be included on the ballot unless a written indication of an unwillingness to serve a second term is provided.

Kemah Boardwalk

Thursday, May 15, 2003

by Charlotte Howard Selvera, Region 6 Meeting Chairperson

Liz Gillis, Region 6 Meeting Co-Chairperson



The Lone Star Daylily Society is looking forward to welcoming you to the 2003 Region 6 Meeting, May 15-17, 2003, at the South Shore Harbour Resort & Conference Center (www.sshr.com). It's located just minutes South of Houston's Hobby Airport. In addition to its many resort amenities including a 27-hole golf course and a fitness center complete with sauna and massages, each guest room offers a view of the surrounding lake. Arrive early or stay after the meeting to enjoy some of the many excursions located near South Shore Harbour, including the recently opened Magnolia Creek Golf Links, ranked #5 in the state of Texas. Other interesting activities in the area include Space Center Houston, NASA, Gulf Greyhound Dog Track, Galveston's Moody Gardens, and the Kemah Waterfront.

The Region 6 Meeting will consist of a Regional Daylily Show and Plant Sale on Thursday, three Exhibition Clinics and two Garden Judges Workshops, garden tours on Friday and Saturday mornings, a slide show, an auction, and banquet and award dinners on Friday and Saturday evenings. We are privileged to have renowned gardening author, Felder Rushing, as our guest speaker at the Saturday evening banquet. Mr. Rushing is a 10th generation Southern gardener and his book, *Gardening Southern Style, Pass-along Plants* was recognized by the Garden Writers Association as the "best written" garden book in the country.

Kemah Boardwalk: Old-Fashioned Seaside Fun

For those of you arriving early enough on Thursday to enjoy a unique and special "underwater" dining experience, we have reserved a private room at the upscale Aquarium Restaurant located at the Kemah Boardwalk on the shore of Galveston Bay (approximately 10 minutes from South Shore Harbour). The Aquarium Restaurant, in addition to its excellent food, boasts the world's tallest fish tank (a 35 foot cylindrical aquarium holding 15,000 gallons and hundreds of tropical fish). A second aquarium located in the main dining room is a floor to ceiling wonder holding 36,000 gallons and more than 100 species of tropical fish from oceans all over the world. If we're lucky, we may be there during feeding time when one of the staff marine biologists enters the tank to hand-feed the fish, including sharks over 6 feet long!

Before or after dinner, take a stroll reminiscent of days gone by along the waterfront boardwalk promenade which features numerous specialty shops, a water garden, a decorative fountain, and an amusement park complete with a 65 foot Century Ferris Wheel with gondola seating, and a 36 foot classic carousel. Or, if you prefer, take a ride through the entire property on a gas-powered, handcrafted replica of an 1863 Central Pacific train. Whatever your taste, there's sure to be something for you to enjoy.

Please note that you must provide your own transportation to the Boardwalk. Dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Aquarium. Hope you can join us!

Kemah Boardwalk Registration Form

There is a \$40.00 fee per person joining us at the Boardwalk. Please make checks payable to: LDS Region 6 Meeting and mail with completed registration form to arrive by May 1, 2003, to: Liz Gillis, 434 Mignon Lane, Houston, TX 77024 (713-827-8502 or lizabethgillis@yahoo.com).

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

E-Mail Address _____

AHS Region 6 Meeting May 15-17, 2003

South Shore Harbour Resort & Conference Center

League City, Texas

Meeting Registration

\$130 per person if received on or before April 10, 2003; \$145 per person if received after April 10
 \$65 youth (17 and under) - must register before April 10 to receive this rate

Cancellations: No refunds after May 1, 2003. Please note that we cannot guarantee seating on garden tour buses for registrations received after April 30, 2003.

Please contact Liz Gillis (713-827-8502 or lizabethgill@yahoo.com) for questions related to registration

Flower Show and Plant Sale

Thursday, May 15

Clinics*

Exhibition Judges Clinic I	12:15 p.m., Thursday, May 15
Exhibition Judges Clinic II	12:30 p.m., Thursday, May 15
Refresher Clinic	1:30 p.m., Thursday, May 15
Garden Judges Workshop I	10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 15
Garden Judges Workshop II (Richard Johnson Garden following garden tours)	Friday, May 16

*\$5.00 registration fee per Clinic payable at the Clinic.

Evening at the Kemah Boardwalk (optional)	Thursday, May 15
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Banquet Guest Speaker, Author, Felder Rushing	Saturday, May 17
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Hotel Registration

Hotel reservations should be made directly with the South Shore Harbour Resort & Conference Center, (800-442-5005 or 281-334-1000). Room rates of \$109 per night will be honored for stays between May 13-19, 2003, subject to availability. Please advise that you will be attending the "Region 6 Meeting" to receive the group rate. Reservations will be made on a space available basis after April 10, 2003.

Meeting Registration Form

Fee per person is \$130 (\$145 after April 10, 2003) and does not include hotel expenses. Please make checks payable to: LSDS Region 6 Meeting and mail with completed meeting registration form to Liz Gillis, 434 Mignon Lane, Houston, TX 77024.

Registrant(s)

Name(s) _____	Please indicate number planning to attend:
Address _____	_____ Judges Clinic I
City/State/Zip _____	_____ Judges Clinic II
Phone _____ Fax _____	_____ Refresher Clinic
E-Mail Address _____	_____ Garden Judges Workshop I
	_____ Garden Judges Workshop II

Shimek Gardens

Harvey and I both have a love of gardening - Nell from her grandmother. As a child, Nell remembers her grandmother letting her help gather flowers for the dinner table. Nell's grandmother always had daylilies.

Harvey, on the other hand, was raised on a 200-plus acre farm. He knows how to garden on a large scale. We decided we would enjoy being a National Display Garden for the American Hemerocallis Society. A National Display Garden represents the National Society by growing hundreds of different daylilies from hybridizers all over the United States. The names of the daylilies and their hybridizers are labeled, with beds that are maintained year round.

The idea of Display Gardens is to have a place where people who are interested in daylilies can come and see them growing in a garden setting. We grow about 850 different cultivars, plus thousands of our own seedlings, which means as a result of spreading pollen from one daylily onto the pistil of another, a unique daylily evolves. We also grow Roses, Hibiscus, Jatrophas, and many unusual plants.

Shimek's Gardens is on 4.3 acres of land. Our original goal was to have year-round color in the garden, and we are pleased that we have achieved our goal.

We want to WELCOME YOU TO OUR GARDENS.

Barney and Sandra Roberts

We live in Friendswood on a modest residential lot. Sandra and I had hoped that we could have you visit our new house during the Regional. Sorry, but Mother Nature disagreed. The rains that we have this Summer and Fall have postponed the construction to the point that we are probably still going to be in our current house during the Regional. Too bad, the new house has 2-1/2 acres of places to grow daylilies. But, the good thing about that is that the beds in our current house are more mature.

We have about 250 different cultivars in 5 beds around the house that somehow have coexisted with our 5 Golden Retrievers, two grandchildren and a large number of squirrels that keep trying to convert our beds into a pecan grove. We will be hosting the Annie T. Giles Award Bed for the Lone Star Daylily Society's hybridizers. Our hybridizers are very impressive with what they have done. I always try to have their registered daylilies in my beds and often beg them out of a seedling or two. You will enjoy the Award Bed!

We enjoy the diversity of the daylily flower and try to keep a good selection in the gardens. Sandra has her small bed and her bed of doubles. I have a bed of Spiders and Unusual Forms. Of course, we have a good number of large flowers, too. We favor the pink, rose, cream, and purple colors - Sandra says, "No reds!" We have a lot of the old standbys such as FRANK GLADNEY, MING PORCELAIN, WIND FRILLS and my personal favorite because of its texture and substance, JENNY LYNN. We also have a lot of the newer ones such as ELIZABETH SALTER, BROADWAY BOLD EYES, MOONLIT MASQUERADE, and we always are trying the new introductions such as EARLY FRAGRANCE, ROYAL REFINEMENT, and CANADIAN BLUES. We enjoy found and antique roses and have a few dispersed in our beds. We have a CECIL BRUNNER climber that is 30 feet across and 12 feet tall and provides nice Summer shade for one of our daylily beds.

We are looking forward to your visit. Bring your swimsuit so you can cool off before the next garden. (You will, of course, have to request permission from the Goldens to use their pool).

The Garden of Leon & Donna French

This garden is what you could call a country garden, with a little of this and a little of that. We have about 200 named daylilies, some new and a lot of older ones. We are hybridizers for the fun of it. Our first registered daylily was in 2001 - it is named after our daughter, Jana Renee. There are about 20 or more we are watching closely. Since starting to play with daylilies, we now have about 5,000 seedlings.

Now that we're retired, we have many hobbies such as playing old time string music, metal detecting in ghost towns in New Mexico, and collecting musical instruments. Donna does a lot of charity work: Meals on Wheels, Needy Children, etc. We have a son, Ricky, and a daughter, Jana. In his spare time Leon is the music director at Alvin Missionary Baptist Church.

There is a square foot garden for veggies and a stock pond with 10-20 pound blue and channel catfish. There are many types of flowers, including many Louisiana Iris - a gift from the Copenhavers, and all kinds of fruit trees. Some of our favorite daylilies are RUFFLED PERFECTION, BORDER BRIDE, MASK OF TIME, and many others. As you can see, we are enjoying retirement. Where does all the time go?

Payne's in the Grass Daylily Farm

Leon and I became addicted to daylilies in 1989 and have been nursing the habit ever since. Our home garden is located in what used to be a rural area of Pearland and expanded into a business venture when the commercial property behind our house became available several years ago. We maintain an AHS Display Garden and grow over 800 different registered cultivars and approximately 10,000 of our own seedlings and many different perennials. Leon is guilty of the act of hybridizing and I guess I've become more than an enabler since I have joined him in the practice. It is a lot of work but there is something special about going out early in the morning and seeing a daylily bloom its maiden bloom and knowing that we are the first people ever to see it. It has turned into a labor of love but worth the rewards.

Leon became interested in Bamboo several years ago on a trip to Australia and joined the American Bamboo Society when he got home. We now grow about six different species of large clumping Bamboo. I'm keeping my fingers crossed that he doesn't begin to hybridize them! We welcome all of Region 6 to our garden and hope you find something you like while visiting us.

The Eskine Garden

The Eskine garden was created by my father, Ernest Eskine. He was always an avid gardener. He had a large vegetable garden, along with many types of fruit trees and tropical plants. My mother (Mildred) added her flower garden with many different perennials and annuals. My father's first daylilies were given to him by his Aunt Teel. These were some of the "old style" daylilies that she had bought at daylily farms over the years. Our daylily garden is in the central part of the town of Pearland, Texas. My father, several years ago, noticed a "new style" daylily blooming down the street. This was the yard of Edgar and Becky Tarrant. He had spotted the daylily BRIGHT EYED (Crowell). This one daylily started the daylily fever. He and Mom became charter members of the Lone Star Daylily Society. My father started with one daylily bed and then began to add one by one. He began hybridizing and was beginning to look into naming one of his seedlings. In the Spring of 2000, my father passed away, without fulfilling his dream of his seedlings. At that time, my mother and I (Paul) made a decision to continue on with the daylilies. I joined the Lone Star Daylily Society and got the daylily fever. We have continued to collect daylilies and raise my father's seedlings. We currently have over 800 different cultivars from over 100 hybridizers. We have a wide array of the many different types of daylilies.

Guest plants to look for include SQUASH DOLLY and HOLY PROMISE (Bell); LEGALLY BLOND, NORTHERN NOCTURNE, LUCK OF THE DRAW, and TWILIGHT ILLUSION (J. Salter); AWESOME CANDY (P. Stamile); SQUARE DANCER'S CURTSY, Seedling 95-321, RODEO CLOWN, SUNSET ILLUSION, Seedling 99-197, and Seedling 98-BIS (Payne); UNIVERSAL SOLDIER, AFFAIR D'AMOUR, and SAFE ISLAND (Kirchhoff); KATE ADKINS, PEACOCK'S TAILFEATHERS, SWEET VIDALIA, SECRET INGREDIENT, SNOWING DOWN SOUTH, and SANTA FE SPARK (Scott); LAVENDER EYE AND EDGE, WOODY'S SURPRISE, RUBY HOLLEY HOUSTON, POCONO BELLE, and LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL (Houston); CASTLE JEWELLED CAMEO, and CASTLE PURPLE FRILLS (Castlebury).

We look forward to hosting Region 6 in our daylily garden.

Nancy McNulty's Garden

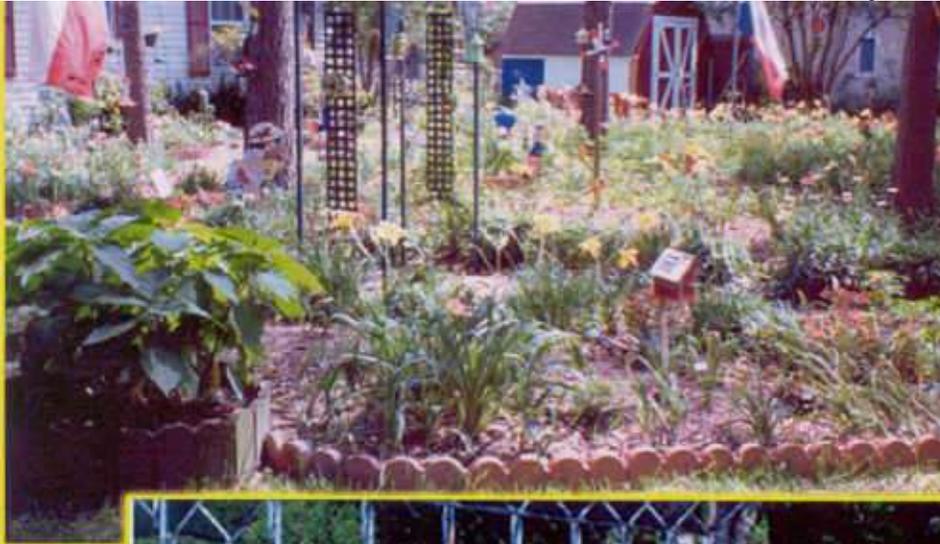
My love of daylilies goes back to the year 1958, when my husband Alton and I were driving to Baytown from A&M on Mother's Day weekend. We stopped at Russell Gardens in Spring and purchased plants for our mothers. I oohed and aaahed over them when they bloomed and the next year when we had moved to Alvin, I received daylilies for Mother's Day. All my neighbors had daylilies and we would share and exchange varieties. In 1993, I really got busy in my yard. My son Rodger helped me with my "Texas Bed" and I filled it with plants 20" and under. I ran out of room in my old flower beds and in 1996, I asked for Rodger's help once again in drafting up my "Texas Star" bed. This star bed was formerly our garden where we would grow corn, tomatoes, peppers, etc. I filled this bed up and went to the Brazosport Flower Show and Daylily Sale and had to add another bed by the "Texas Flag Building." Next came the English Garden area on the West side of the house. Another son, Ronnie did all the brick work on the porch and sidewalk as well as the mailbox. In 2001, I went to my first Regional Meeting in Austin and here again I had to add another flower bed after the auction because I got carried away. The "Texas" bed has markers of towns where my family was born, plus towns where Alton and I loved to hunt and fish at our clients ranches and farms. I am a 5th generation TEXIAN and my Texas Star bed has a "Texas Ranger" at each point on the star. The brick sidewalk has bricks from all over Texas and Star bricks and Texas bricks are mainly at each point, as well. I really enjoy my yard when I can take time to just look and not have to work in it all the time. Another son, Randy did the trellis work for my antique climbing rose. I have 400+ varieties and I sometimes laugh at the prices I started buying daylilies at and where the prices are today. My yard is Hummingbird and Butterfly friendly and I hope you enjoy it as much as I do.

Garden

Lone Star

A visual preview of the gardens and gardeners on tour from left to right:

The McNulty Garden, Payne's In The Grass Garden, Leon and Donna French in their garden, the Roberts Garden, Nell and Harvey Shimek, the Shimek's Gardens, the Eskine Garden



Previews

Regional Meeting



The Garden of Beverly and Melvin Winkelman

I have always loved to be in a garden. When I was a child growing up I would spend time in the yard watering and cutting all of the different varieties of flowers and vegetables that my mother and aunt would grow. I have fond remembrances of my mother cutting flowers and letting me and the other neighborhood children take them to our teachers or to their mothers. I love to work with plants and have always loved to be outside. When Melvin and I moved to our present home I dug up the plants I had at my previous home and began to figure out how I could possibly landscape a yard on 6 acres to a "small degree." I was working at the time and had three small children in school that we accompanied to baseball and band activities. I was determined somehow. I first planted my courtyard as an English type garden with sections. This didn't work because of the rain and drought we experience in the Houston area. We tiled that and I moved my plants to the walkway alongside the entrance to the house. Then one day Melvin and I were working on the end-of-the year high school band's banquet across the street from Paula and Leon Payne's home. The lady of the home we were visiting told me that it was good to be the neighbor of a hybridizer that threw their unwanted plants to the garbage man. That's how she had started her daylily beds. She took me across the street and introduced me to the beginning of a yard enhanced with daylilies and a long-lasting relationship with Paula and Leon. My daughter and I began purchasing daylilies from the Houston Hemerocallis Society's plant sale in the Fall. Each year our daylilies and beds grew. The hybridizing of the blooms was soon to become part of the science fair project. Kim's interest grew along with mine and she entered one of the flowers she had used for the science project in the Lone Star's Flower Show and won the Best Seedling award. Eventually my oldest son got involved as our beds began to multiply. He bought a tractor to help me keep the grass mowed. He soon found out that his tractor worked wonders building beds and walkways, as well as transporting pot plants to the greenhouse between my mother's mobile home and garage that is now on the side of our home. She tends the plants in the greenhouse and helps me with getting plants started from seeds. Chris began to help with the installation and design of the arches and walkways. Melvin has since become my "fertilizer and pesticide" specialist. I have made my love for flowers a family project. My yearly trips to the Florida hybridizers and the plant sales from the Lone Star and Brazosport Daylily Societies keeps me very busy. When you visit our garden I would like to think that you would feel the love that I have for working in the great outdoors and as my husband so named it - "The Weed Patch." It is a never-ending challenge of constant rewards - the very bloom of each and every daylily.

Lone Star Regional Flower Show Thursday, May 15, 2003 Sun and Sea in 2003

Section 1: Tricolor

- A. "Walking On The Beach"
(Staged on a table with a 24" x 36" niche)
- B. "Sunset On The Horizon"
(Staged on a table with a 24" x 36" niche)
- C. "Moonlite On The Water"
(Staged on a pedestal. Accessories permitted. All fresh plant material - no dried wood)

Section 2: Designers Choice - Club Award

- D. "Small Found Treasures"
(Staged on a table with an 8" x 8" niche, furnished by Lone Star)
- E. "Sunbeams Bouncing Around"
(Staged on a table with an 8" x 8" niche, furnished by Lone Star)

Instructions: Accessories permitted. Fresh, dried, or treated plant material may be used.

DESIGN RULES:

1. Exhibitors are allowed only one entry per class. Entry reservation accepted by contacting Betty Shirley (281-328-3308) Design Chairman.
2. Daylilies must be dominant in all arrangements.
3. Classes "A" and "B" will be staged in niches 24" x 36". Class "C" will be staged on white pedestals with no backgrounds. All niches and pedestals will be furnished by Lone Star Daylily Society. They will be in place before the show.
4. Designs must be arranged by the exhibitor.
5. Tricolor Classes (A, B, C) require all fresh plant material.
6. Three classes with four entries in each class are required to qualify for Tricolor.
7. A 3" x 5" card may be placed by the design to explain your interpretation of class title.
8. Plant material does not need to be grown by exhibitor. Lone Star Daylily Society will have extra material available at the show.
9. Design Divisions will be judged by National Garden Clubs, Inc. Judges, according to National Garden Clubs, Inc. standards.
10. Tricolor winner must be an AHS member or can join at the show.
11. Designs with top award must score 95 or better to receive the award.
12. Tricolor winner can compete for a National award.

Betty Shirley, Design Chairman
bnsr@ev1.net

Recent Changes to AHS Specialty Awards

Rich Rosen, AHS Awards and Honors Chairman

The AHS Garden Judges play an important role in our organization. They visit daylily gardens and observe the garden performance of our favorite flower. Each year they receive a ballot with the various AHS award categories and nominees. Based on their votes the AHS presents its various cultivar awards at the National Convention. These awards serve both as recognition for the hybridizers and as recommendations for all AHS members. To become a Garden Judge you take two workshops and submit an application. If you aren't a Garden Judge, you're missing a little responsibility and a lot of fun. I hope you will consider it.

When you attend Garden Judges Workshop I, you get a review of all the various AHS awards. Frankly, I found it to be a little overwhelming the first time. Not as bad as my first kiss, but that's another story. It seems like every award has different requirements and no two awards are alike. There are good reasons for how this came about, but I didn't think there were good reasons to let it continue. It is intimidating to the Garden Judges, who should be focused on garden performance rather than worrying about minutia. And it is confusing to the hybridizers when they make their nominations. So the AHS Awards and Honors Committee, including our own Bridey Greeson, came up with suggestions to simplify the awards, which were reviewed and approved by the AHS Board of Directors this past Fall. Here are the changes.

1. The Don C. Stevens Award for outstanding eyed or banded daylilies can now be won by the same hybridizer in consecutive years. This was the only award that had this type of restriction. We want to recognize the best cultivars and shouldn't care who created it.
2. The Eugene S. Foster Award for outstanding late-blooming cultivars and the Don C. Stevens Award were tabulated differently from all other awards. It required that the winner must be one of the top 3 selections in at least half of the Regions. Rarely, if ever, has this affected the selection of a winner, and it creates additional work for the tabulator. We have eliminated this requirement from these two awards.
3. Four of the nine specialty awards required a nominee to have previously won an Honorable Mention. The other five specialty awards required a nominee to have been registered at least five years. One can make a good argument for either requirement, but not for different requirements for different awards. Since the specialty awards are intended to recognize niche categories of special interest, we decided to keep their requirements separate from the main award pyramid, which includes the Honorable Mention. Now all nine specialty awards require registration at least 5 years prior to balloting. This affects

the Donn Fischer, Annie T. Giles, Ida Munson, and L. Ernest Plouf awards.

I trust you will find that this simplifies the garden judging process. The changes are basically just housekeeping, nothing earth shaking. The real challenge comes in the future when the Awards and Honors Committee proposes some new specialty awards! Stay tuned.

Attention!

**Plants are needed
for the
EDNA LANKART
and
ANNIE T. GILES
Awards Beds
for the
2004 REGION 6 MEETING**

Send them to:
Steve Wingfield
415 Starlight Pass
San Antonio, TX 78258

CALL FOR SLIDES

Hybridizers are invited to send slides of their recent introductions to be shown to attendees of the Regional Meeting.

Send your slides and brief descriptions of the cultivars depicted to:

Jay W. Tompkins
P.O. Box 473027
Garland, TX 75047-3027

Slides **MUST** be received by May 10, and will be returned immediately following the Meeting.

Questions? Write to Jay at daylily@ottersan.net
or call week days 214-480-2642

Region 6 AHS Exhibition Judges

Name	Status	Date	Instructor	Name	Status	Date	Instructor
Grace Alexander	EX	2006		Linda Kellerup	EX	2005	I
Binion Amerson	EX	2005		John Kwan	EX	2006	
Bill Ater	EX	2006	I	Judith Kyser	EX	2005	
Mary Anne Ater	EX	2006	I	Patricia R. Kyser	EX	2005	
Jeri Baker	E/h			Billy Lewis	E/j	2004	
Jean Barnhart	EX	2003		Jean Lewis	E/j	2004	
Dorothy Bigbee	EX	2003		Joyce W Lewis	E/h		
David Burton	EX	2005		Mabel Matthews	EX	2Q04	
Mark Carpenter	E/j	2003		Mary Ann Moreno	EX	2003	I
Nolanne Chang	EX	2003		Gloria Mutz	EX	2002*	
Barbara K. Chang, MD	EX	2006		Wayne Mutz	E/h		
Wynelle Clifton	EX	2003	I	Mable L. Nelson	EX	2005	I
Barbara Cohea	EX	2004		Bonnie Nichols	EX	2005	I
Ron Cohea	EX	2004		John Occelli	EX	2004	
Nell Crandall	EX	2003		Mrs. Paul J. Offer	E/h		
Jo Crisp	EX	2005		Michelle Ogee	EX	2005	
Beth Dungan	EX	2004		Dr. Eugene B. Orgeron	EX	2005	I
Cheryl Dungan	EX	2006		Leon Payne	EX	2006	
Albert C. Faggard	EX	2004		Paula Payne	EX	2006	
Robert Frasier	EX	2004		Donna Peck	EX	2005	I
Eddie Gage	EX	2006		Cecilia P. Perez	EX	2006	
Mars Gage	EX	2006	I	Jim Petty	EX	2005	
Martha Gayle	EX	2003		Mrs. M. J. Ratliff	E/h		
Anna Rosa Glidden	EX	2006		Helen Reynolds	EX	2005	
Ruth Goza	EX	2006		Fred Rice	EX	2004	
Virginia Henson	EX	2005	I	Richard H. Rosen	EX	2006	I
Kreg Hill	EX	2006		Harvey Shimek	EX	2006	
Elizabeth Hoover	EX	2002*		Nell Shimek	EX	2006	
Carol K. Horton	EX	2006		Inez Tarrant	EX	2005	
Mary Houston	EX	2005	I	Patsy Tarrant	E/h		
Ray Houston	EX	2004	I	Thomas Tynan	E/j	2003	
Arturo D Imperial	EX	2005		Sharon Umphress	EX	2002*	
Nina Imperial	EX	2005		Maureen Valenza	EX	2005	
Cal Iskra	EX	2006	I	Robert Valenza	EX	2005	
Carolyn Jackson	EX	2004		Beverly Winkelman	EX	2006	
Richard Johnson	E/j	2006		Walter Wood	EX	2006	

Legend

- Ex = Senior Exhibition Judge
- E/j = Junior Exhibition Judge
- E/h = Honorary Exhibition Judge (not eligible to judge)
- I = Accredited Clinic Instructor
- Date = Expiration date of accreditation
- * = One-year hardship extension in effect

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Status as of 24-Jan-2003. Accreditation for 2003 is subject to payment of AHS dues by 1-Jan-2003

This list was submitted by Mary Gage, Region 6 Exhibition Judges Liaison, and is subject to revision by Kevin Walek upon examination of Clinic records.

WHAT'S HAPPENING FROM AROUND THE REGION

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

Anna Mulkey, Reporter

So at last, Hustle-Year-2002 was coming to a close, and we could end our business chores with a nice quiet congratulatory meeting. Or so all thought. The meeting was held in Rozanne and Alan Tuffnell's back yard. And... those two had some business that was anything but quiet. They both greeted arriving members cordially, the meeting's old business ended, and Alan stood up. He casually mentioned that both gates to their back yard had been locked (one source told me the gates had guards with peashooters. I wasn't there so I'm not sure about this). Alan continued emotionally saying that all extra plants (and there were quite a few) that he and Rozanne had nurtured for many, many months now must find new homes, the plant orphanage was closing. (It's tough saying goodbye to little friends.) "Bidding will start immediately."

Bank accounts dwindled, and still Rozanne and Alan held their ground, mentioning the great refreshment waiting once all plants had homes. But, bank accounts do intrude, so intriguing schemes and compromises began to emerge, sort of a "trick or treat" mentality took over (or so I am told). And at last, all plants had a future, the guards pocketed their peashooters, and Rozanne made good on her promised magnificent goodies.



A group enjoys the mood, and a great New Mexico sunset at the Pecks' home in November

Then, in November Donna Peck, one of the Co-Chairmen of our Regional decided another get together was needed. Donna opened the Daylily Café on her mountaintop domain. Members arrived to find many little tables beautifully set with green tablecloths and wonderful doodads for centerpieces. Everyone had brought their favorite covered dish (gourmet cooking is a requirement for this Daylily membership though some of us do slide a bit on this) and the group had a wonderful time just chatting and "blowing off steam." (I wasn't there that time either, but I soak up gossip.) Folks were mentioning to our new President, Rozanne Tuffnell (she survived hosting that other meeting) that there was a bunch of formerly very busy chairmen and detail people that wanted to relax this coming year. Mushy deadlines were okay, in fact, no deadlines would be even better. We will see if our Vice President, Barbara Shapiro, is of like mind. Treasurer Ed Davis will no doubt

have his thoughts, too, and Membership Chairman Nancy Tupen is never without an idea. Should be interesting, stay tuned.

AUSTIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Suzanne Adair, Reporter

The Austin club hosted two great speakers this Fall. Mark Carpenter presented a slide show in September highlighting daylilies hybridized by Jack Carpenter. The slides prompted a lot of Oohs! and Aahs! Jack has some very lovely daylilies. This was the second program that Mark did for our club this year. In the Spring he presented one on rust. Several of our members instituted Mark's recommended spraying schedule and can attest to its effectiveness.

In October, the club held its plant auction, which was a very successful fundraiser for the club. October is also Herbstfest at the Zilker Botanical Gardens. Our club routinely has a booth where we sell daylilies and provide literature and information on daylily horticulture.

In November, Jay Marie Butross presented a program on Ikebana. In the space of an hour Jay Marie created six or seven arrangements highlighting different elements of Ikebana arranging. This was a fascinating program presented by someone who has studied Japanese flower arranging for over 20 years.

The club held its holiday party in early December and installed officers for 2003. The club will meet again in March of 2003.

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

Nancy Hackney, Reporter

In November, the club enjoyed a visit from Dan Hansen of Ladybug Gardens. Dan presented a slide show of some old favorites and some spectacular new introductions. He was very generous in bringing a selection of plants to be auctioned off to club members. The bidding was spirited. Our thanks to Dan and to our Program Chairman for arranging for his visit.

On December 1, we had our Annual Christmas Party at the Riverside Country Club. The 2003 officers were installed. They are: President, Lois Hall; 1st Vice President, Martha Hight; 2nd Vice President, Eddie Raye Andrews; Secretary, Nancy Freshour; Treasurer, Marilyn Overturff; and Flower Show Co-Chairmen John and Toni Kwan. After lunch we played the "game." Everyone brings a present, frequently a daylily, and then by number drawn can accept a new present or take one away from someone else. It is a lot of fun especially as sometimes the exchanges can become quite heated.

At our January meeting, Doctor Richard Hosack spoke on growing Roses in Lake Jackson. Dr. Hosack and his wife run a bed and breakfast located on the San Bernard River with marvelous Rose beds. It is called Roses on the River. If you are down in this area you might want to visit it.

CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY CLUB

Catherine L. B. Neal, Reporter

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Valenza at 2 p.m. on October 27, 2002. The meeting was held at Mercer Arboretum and Botanic Gardens, Humble, Texas. The program was on tetraploid conversion by Richard Johnson.

The Oakfest sale at the Klein Oak High School was a fun day and the club fattened up the treasury.

The Christmas Party was held December 15, 2002, at Mercer. The Arboretum had a Christmas tree decorated with different herbs tied with bows. The tree gave a person a glimpse back into the past when there was not so much glitter and glass for sale in the stores. The tree showed everyone what can be made from nature when a bit of design and ribbon are combined.

The January 26, 2003, program was "Through the Garden Gate," by Mary Gage.

The new officers for 2003 are:

President	Robert Valenza
1st Vice President	Maureen Connolly
2nd Vice President	Billy Lewis
Recording Secretary	Catherine Neal
Treasurer	Jean Lewis

The club is looking forward to the plant sale in March at the Klein Methodist Church on Hwy 2920.

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

Anne Simpson, Reporter

The Daylily Growers of Dallas had a great Fall 2002. At the September 21 meeting, Dan and Jane Trimmer were our out-of-town guests. Dan talked to us about his "Daylily Hybridizing Program" and showed slides of his beautiful introductions. After the meeting, we auctioned off several of his newer daylily introductions. Binion Amerson hosted a garden reception and dinner for Dan and Jane the night before the meeting. October was a busy month. On October 5, we held a very successful Fall Daylily Sale at North Haven Gardens. On October 19, we held our second annual "Daylily Bingo" meeting. It was fun and everyone took home lots of daylilies. At our November 16 meeting, Binion Amerson showed daylily slides from the AHS Region 6 Meeting in Albuquerque and we installed the following officers for 2002:

President	Binion Amerson
First Vice President-Programs	Ted Tompkin
Second Vice President-Flower Show	Malcolm Avaritt
Third Vice President-Membership	Ron & Barbara Cohea
Secretary	Mary Alice Caffarel
Treasurer	Helen Reynolds
Ways and Means	Jerry Arledge
Newsletter Editor	Anne Simpson

On December 21, Lee and Anita Causey hosted our annual Holiday "Pea Patch Party" at their beautiful home in Flower Mound.

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

Don Gill, Reporter

We had some interesting programs this Fall, chief among them being Melvin McConnell, who spoke to us about general daylily care and answered many questions from the group. Melvin has moved from Shreveport to Marshall, Texas, and we are hoping that he will join us here in Tyler.

We had an enjoyable Christmas party/dinner, and members were able to relax and become better acquainted.

New officers have been elected for 2003. They are the following:

President	Dr. Don Gill
1st Vice President	Lucille Wynne
2nd Vice President	Jerri Helbig
Secretary	Loretta Wilson
Treasurer	Andrea Rathbone
Historian	Elizabeth Hoover
Parliamentarian	Joyce Lewis

Shawn Brandenburg will be our new Editor of the newsletter. Shawn brings a great deal of youthful enthusiasm to our club.

We continue to add new members to the East Texas Daylily Society. Club members assemble occasionally to maintain our AHS Display Garden at the Tyler Rose Garden.

We had a successful Fall daylily sale and are preparing for our Spring sale on April 12. Although East Texas has been blessed with a rather mild Fall and first part of Winter, with LOTS of rain, many of us are already studying daylily catalogs with dreams of rows and rows of blossoms. We can't wait until Spring!

GOLDEN SPREAD DAYLILY SOCIETY

by Linda Leopold

Our daylily collection is being safely kept in member Don Glenn's garden, while the Amarillo Botanical Garden Center is undergoing renovations and construction. Don is a Master Gardener who keeps a watchful eye on his own beautiful gardens as well as the Golden Spread Daylily Society's plants. We are hoping to be able to move them back to the Amarillo Botanical Gardens in the next couple of years, as they plan out their new gardens.

Ruth Malacera, one of our founding members, has re-joined us and we are glad to welcome her back.

Our Fall daylily sale at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens was a great success. The publicity was wonderful. We had a large layout in the newspaper the weekend before with several photos, then, an interview on the radio the night before, and finally, the local TV station gave us air time with a taped interview the day of the sale. There weren't any plants left by 11 a.m.! Once again, our group proved that even though we are small in number, it doesn't mean that we can't do big things.

October was our end of the year meeting. Each member brought a favorite covered dish, and we watched the slide show, "Gardening with Daylilies," available from the Slide and Video Library of the American Hemerocallis Society. We held our elections and Doug

Smith will remain as our President, Don Glenn will serve as Vice President, and Betty Sproul will once again serve as the Secretary/Treasurer.

Our next meeting will be held February 23rd, 2:00 p.m. at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens.

GULF COAST DAYLILY SOCIETY

Mary Gage, Reporter

Gulf Coast Daylily Society members met at Ann Mark's home for a day of socializing and work preparing plants for the October 12 plant sale at Central Mall in Port Arthur.

At our Christmas meeting we again enjoyed the efforts of our many good cooks as we sat at tables, beautifully decorated by Vera Peterson. Vera has served admirably in that capacity for many years and will now be retiring from that duty. We will miss her sense of style and her eye for interesting, often whimsical, pieces, which were then given as door prizes. Three AHS membership dues were also given. Winners were Jay Farquhar, our outgoing President, and two new members, Sylvia Pattisen and Jull Dumesnil. No one went home empty-handed as everyone drew for a daylily.

Two trophies were presented, having been won last May at our tours of local members' gardens. The Fugua Award was won by Bobo Faggard for the best eyed or banded seedling. The Allie Swafford Award (formerly the Silver Trophy) for the best overall seedling of any color was won by Anita Harman.

Our first meeting of 2003 was February 8 at Dorothy's Front Porch. We all look forward to this informal get-together for a preview of good times and work planned for us this year, and of course, the great seafood for which Dorothy's is famous.

We will be adding a new event to our calendar for March, a Barbeque Social. The club will furnish the meat and members will bring side dishes. We will have games and everyone is asked to bring white elephants, garden related items and daylilies. Food, flowers, fun and friends - is there any better way to spend a day?

HOUSTON AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

Nell Crandall, Reporter

Our Christmas potluck lunch on December 12 turned out to be a veritable feast, with turkey, dressing, ham, many side dishes and a separate table loaded down with wonderful desserts. As usual, Catherine Neal had the tables decorated beautifully. There were many toys for the Star of Hope children. It was a great way to start the holiday season.

Mary Gage had spent many hours over the holidays, getting our 2003 yearbooks ready for distribution at our January meeting. There were seven newly listed names: Tracy Ridenour, Kay Goss, Betty Conn, Nancy Bettisworth, Bobbie Brossa, Nelda Newton and Marta Olovets. Marta is Anna Rosa Glidden's 11-year old granddaughter and our only youth member. Welcome to all.

Nell Shimek gave our program on Floral Designs for Flower Shows. Nell has won more Tricolor Awards than she could "shake a stick at" but she freely gave away some of her winning secrets,



Nell Shimek and one of her designs

especially on how to make your own containers. She also gave us tips on what the judges count off for and what they like to see in arrangements. It was a very enlightening program.

Our program in February will be on Landscape Design, and in March we have our annual plant exchange. It's going to be a great year.

HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Bonnie Hess, Reporter

The Christmas party was held at the home of Hershhal and Kae Theilen. The usual good time was had by all. But now the holidays are over and the new catalogs are coming in. Such Colors! It makes me want to go out to start digging and squeezing in a few more plants.

The January meeting was a slide presentation by Catherine Neal on "Daylily Hybridizers of the South" plus a display of catalogs. In February, Catherine also did the program along with J. C. on "Companion Plants and How to Use Garden Ornaments in a Garden Retreat."

In March, the club is having an exhibit on "Things that Fly in the Garden." The plant exchange will be in April along with a slide presentation on the 2002 Flower Show. We will also have a demonstration on doing a design for the 2003 show with questions and answers following.

JOHNSON COUNTY IRIS AND DAYLILY SOCIETY

Myrtle Hodges, Reporter

Here we are, back to normal after Christmas, anticipating the warm days ahead to clean, fertilize, plant daylilies and look forward to the first bloom.

We had a great year. Peggy Hammel gave us a program on the culture of daylilies. In June we had a daylily display at the Nolan River Mall in Cleburne. I made a display of seedlings that I had purchased from Snooks Harville in the last five years in memory of him. We took a trip to his garden and met his nephew and wife who will be operating his garden. We are looking forward to seeing some of his daylilies introduced. From there we went to the Tyler Rose garden to see the AHS Display Garden beds there.

Binion Amerson gave a program on the Albuquerque Regional Meeting. We all enjoyed the slides of Albuquerque and of his yard.

We will bring a daylily increase from last year's club plants for exchange in March when each member will receive a newly ordered plant. If there are extra plants, they will be auctioned off to the members.

LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY

Elizabeth Allbright, Reporter

Lone Star Daylily Society was busy this Fall with the usual plant sale in October, followed by the Society's auction the next day during the regular meeting. The auction was loads of fun as usual, with spirited bidding for top cultivars, and went a long way in increasing our treasury. November meeting was quite eventful as LSDS sponsored a Garden Judges Workshop I. Bill Ater presented this Workshop which was well attended. Approximately eleven took the Workshop, with approximately six taking it for credit.

December meeting brought members together in the traditional Christmas potluck dinner. New officers were installed by outgoing President, Nell Shimek, in which each officer participated in making a group design by placing one item of plant material in the one design. When completed the whole represented the cohesiveness of the group. Incoming officers for 2003 are:

President	Barney Roberts
1st Vice President	Betty Shirley
2nd Vice President	Beverly Winkelman
Treasurer	Dick Johnson
Secretary	Nancy McNulty
Flower Show Chairman	Ruth Goza

After the installation, the group exchanged gifts by playing "The Game." This was very lively and lots of fun, as each member decided if they would accept the unknown gift they had drawn or if they would "steal" an already opened gift from another member. Everyone enjoyed the game and especially the fellowship and the good food.

LSDS is busy planning and making preparations for the upcoming Regional Meeting and hoping for good attendance when we can all enjoy our favorite flower in all its glory.

NACOGDOCHES DAYLILY SOCIETY

Jean Consford, Reporter

Our January meeting was at the home of Candace Hughes for our third annual soup supper and roundtable discussion. Our "creative juices" were flowing when we met previously at Candace's home and each of us created their own "work of art" (well, some of us did!), making delightful decorative stepping stones (my creative bubble was burst when someone told me my dragonfly wings were upside down.) Many thanks to Candace and her husband, who not only furnished all the materials, built the frames AND poured the concrete, etc, but the finished products were also delivered to the next meeting.

We met at the home of Sigrum Hughes, where club members enjoyed making pine cone bird feeders with peanut butter and bird seed. I'm sure the birds enjoyed it, too.

Our Christmas meeting was hosted by Linda Clifton in her lovely home, decorated for the Holidays, where we over-enjoyed our Mexican food feast and swooned over the desserts. Our Chinese gift exchange was filled with laughter as always, and it seems the gifts are getting better every year.

We welcome two new members, C. L. and Frances Jones. Our daylily plant sale is scheduled for April 26 from 8 until noon at the home of Sue Casper in Appleby on Hwy 59 North. In the meantime, we await the "real" Winter here and look forward to the next sighting of scapes and buds in the Spring.

NORTH TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

Judy Montgomery, Reporter

A Great evening of excitement and fun with daylilies and garden items as prizes, describes the October meeting, which featured Bingo, called by Joe Conrad. Everyone always enjoys playing the game, not to mention taking home a special daylily or two. There were a large number of people in attendance at the meeting with an immense quantity of prizes to be won. We played until all the prizes were claimed, which took awhile. This is, also, our ice cream social, with the new officers of the Society providing and serving the ice cream to everyone. Midway through the game, we stop and enjoy the ice cream refreshment. On a warm evening, as it usually is, ice cream is just what you need to cool off.

Our Society was well represented at the Region 6 Fall Seminar in San Antonio with 9 members attending. They were Binion Amerson; Tom, Diane and Jessica Bevel; Bob and Judy Montgomery; Nicki Knight; Vernon Wallis; and Gwen Pennington. Everyone enjoyed the meeting. We really appreciate the great job that the SADS did in hosting it.

In November, we not only enjoyed a very delicious meal at our Thanksgiving dinner, but we also had our annual Plant and Seed Exchange. There was an abundance of plants, seeds and garden related items to share, with everyone contributing. Members went home with many items to plant and grow in their own gardens.

A Chinese Auction/Gift Exchange was a lot of fun at the December Christmas party. A Christmas dinner was enjoyed by all attending, then we began the game. It got real lively after awhile with several gifts being exchanged numerous times before becoming "frozen."

Our Society is both happy and saddened at the same time. We are happy that the current AHS President, Luke Senior, Jr., and his wife, Joan, have joined our Society. They recently relocated to Arlington, Texas, from Washington. Then, again, we are saddened at the loss of Kay Day, who moved to Missouri.

Daylily catalogs are arriving daily in the mail. Looking at the beautiful pictures of the daylily blooms that they contain helps to get us through the dark, dreary days of Winter. What wonderful new daylily shall we add to our garden this year? Decisions- Decisions! We look forward to Spring with great excitement and anticipation.

SAN ANTONIO DAYLILY SOCIETY

Marilyn Greenlee, Reporter

We were very happy to have so many daylily friends from Region 6 attend the Fall Seminar hosted by SADS on October 26. We hope everyone will plan to visit us in San Antonio in May 2004 when we host the Regional Meeting.

What a delight it was to hear from hybridizing experts David Kirchoff of Daylily World and Dan Trimmer of Water Mill Gardens. Following their slide presentations and a delicious chicken and beef fajita luncheon, they held an extensive question and answer period covering a wide range of topics.

At our November 17 meeting, Steve Wingfield and Barry Shadrock demonstrated how to plant daylily seeds, and discussed their care in germination. They handed out packets of seeds to interested club members.

We are proud of SADS member and artist, Barry Shadrock, who was chosen to participate in the 2002 Cow Parade, a huge public art exhibit that displays life-size fiberglass cows in various locations throughout the San Antonio area. Depicted on each cow is some aspect of local history or cultural influence. Following the tour, the cows will be auctioned off to benefit the American Cancer Society. The Cow Parade originated in Europe and has since been hosted by various U.S. cities. Samples of Barry's paintings may be found on the Internet at Nanette Richardson's Fine Art Galleries, San Antonio, Texas.

Another artist in our group is Lorna Francis. Lorna's note card sketch of Mark Carpenter's new introduction, PASSIONATE PRINCE, was included in the bags received by attendees at the Fall Seminar. Lorna also enjoys singing duets with her husband, Frank, who accompanies on acoustic guitar. Both of them, along with Robert Green, also on acoustic guitar, entertained us at our holiday dinner held Saturday afternoon, December 21, at the Garden Center. We also enjoyed a "friendly" Chinese gift exchange of gardening items and plants.

We were saddened to learn that Mary E. Smith, age 84, died on Christmas Day. Mary joined SADS in 1976 and, prior to a decline in health, had been a faithful member who contributed much to our club and to Region 6.

The club presented out-going President Mark Carpenter with a plaque expressing our appreciation of his dedication to and leadership of SADS for the past two years. The following officers will lead us through 2003:

President	Steve Wingfield
Vice President - Programs	Janice Green
Vice President - Newsletter	Kimberly Keith
Vice President - Yearbook	Sandy Brown
Treasurer	Ray Jordan
Secretary	Thelma Pratts
Assistant Secretary	Barbara Kay
Hospitality Chairman	Jean Vanderhider

At our first meeting of the new year, Jean Vanderhider spoke on companion plants. The following programs have been planned for the remainder of 2003:

- February 16 - A Daylily for Your Valentine
- March 16 - History of San Antonio Daylily Society
- April 13 - Photographing Daylilies
- May - Annual Tour of Club Members' Gardens
- May 25 - Annual Daylily Show - Rolling Oaks Mall
- June - Trip to a Daylily Farm
- July 20 - Crazy Plant Swap

- August 17 - Daylily Bingo!
- September 21 - Bugs, Fertilizer and Blooms
- October 19 - Annual Club Auction of Daylilies
- November 16 - How to Draw Your Daylilies
- December 13 - Holiday dinner

SADS Webmaster Kimberly Keith has our site up and running. Check out www.sa-daylily.org for more information about our club, and for details about scheduled events.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

by Ray Houston

In 1947, the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS) consisted of 10 Regions. Charter members of AHS from Texas were Mrs. J. D. Alexander, Mrs. Paul Kane, Mrs. N. D. Riddle, Mrs. M. J. Sheridan, and Dr. Lloyd H. Shinnors.

Region 6 consisted of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Arkansas. Mr. F. E. Rice of Bartlesville, was the first Regional Director for the Region. The Regional Director title later was changed to Regional Vice President (RVP). In 1951, Oklahoma and Arkansas became Region 11, and in 1955, Louisiana became Region 13, leaving Texas and New Mexico in Region 6.

The following is a listing of all Region 6 RVPs from 1947 to 2003. The Region 6 Newsletter archives only go back to 1961 and I was unable to determine who held the office of RVP during the years 1955-1960. If you know, please send me this information.

1947-49	F. E. Rice
1950-52	Mrs. W. R. Mathews
1953-54	Mary F. Stevens
1955-60	???
1961-63	Lula Mae Purnell
1964-66	Edna Lankart
1967-69	Martin McMillan
1970-71	Mildred Schlumpf
1972-73	Roger Croker
1974-75	Tom Hughes
1976-77	Betty Davis
1798-79	Bill Ater
1980-81	Clarice Foster
1982-83	Joyce Lewis
1984-85	Mable Nelson
1986-87	Nell Crandall
1988-89	Eloise Koonce
1990-91	Eugene Orgeron
1992-93	Ray Houston
1994-95	Keith Kinney
1996-97	Rich Rosen
1998-99	Sue Jackson
2000-01	Jean Consford
2002	Sharon Umphress
2002-03	Bridey Greeson

HAPPY 50TH TO THE HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

The Houston Hemerocallis Society will celebrate 50 years
of service to the community at large, September 25, 2003
by Catherine L. (Bailey) Neal

The word daylily means beauty for a day.

We love daylilies because they add beauty to our gardens in Houston, Texas, from late April through June with some repeating into Fall. Dabbing pollen and producing seeds allows a person to have bloom for a longer period of time because the first year of bloom is often in late Summer when the named daylilies have finished their bloom cycle.

Mr. Jake Russell in 1953 presented a daylily program to a garden club at the request of Lucille Bureson. Jake raised the question, "Why don't you start a daylily club right here?" A dream was born that day at Dollie Wheeler's home. The group organized at Mrs. L. Z. Bean's home at 613 Gale St, Houston, Texas, in September 1953. The first daylily meeting was held at Mrs. E. W. (Nancy) Wood's home, 619 Sue, Houston, Texas. It is here that they drew up the aims and purposes of the Houston Hemerocallis Society on October 24, 1953. Records show they enrolled 18 present members and five absent, making a total of 23 members. Mrs. Wood was elected temporary President and Mrs. Bean temporary Secretary. The meetings were held in homes, then as the membership grew, the regular meeting place became the Garden Center, 1500 Hermann Drive, Houston, Texas. The first public planting of daylilies was at the Heights Library. The group closed their first year with gratitude to Norene Greenstein for her study and work with the daylilies. The goal of the group was to make Houston the daylily center of Texas. Thus, historical records show in September 1953, the Houston Hemerocallis Society was formed and became the first daylily club in Texas.

From the records of the *Hemerocallis Journal* we see pictured Hugh Russell of Spring, Texas. In the picture he displays the President's Cup and its winner MARSHA RUSSELL in 1958. MARSHA RUSSELL was judged by Convention goers as the best variety growing in the Convention gardens. Mr. Russell had moved from Alabama to Oklahoma then to Spring, Texas, and set up 40 acres of daylilies just off the now I-45 and Spring-Stuebner, Spring, Texas.

How do I know this Russell History? Because in the 1956-1962 period, I lived on Spring-Stuebner and Goslin Road a few miles from the Russell Lily Farm. Both of my boys were brought home from Tomball to the Goslin home. Today, one of the Neal sons lives on Goslin, Spring, Texas, and has a nice garden. The other son lives in Arlington, Texas, and they have daylilies in their back garden.

In 1989, Henry Theiss of Spring, Texas, told me that when Mr. Russell first planted his daylilies in Spring, Texas, he did not plant them on raised rows. He came from a hilly country side that drained well and continued planting his daylilies as he did

in Oklahoma. Mr. Theiss watched for some time the struggling plants and then he went over to Mr. Russell and said, "This is flat land and it does not drain well, if you will make rows that are raised your plants will do better." Mr. Russell took Mr. Theiss' suggestion and then his plants multiplied faster. Mr. Theiss was Mr. Russell's neighbor. His wife went to some Conventions later with members of the Russell family.

The membership of The Houston Hemerocallis Society from the yearbook 1958-1959 is as follows: Mrs. J. W. Alexander, Mrs. G. A. Alviset, Mrs. F. D. Arthur, Mrs. John X. Barkley, Mrs. L. Z. Bean, Mrs. H. C. Beckerman, Mrs. W. H. Bennett, Mrs. J. Creel Brockman, Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Buckles, Mrs. Bertha Cone, Mrs. S. W. Davis, Mrs. Jim Dezendorf, Mrs. E. K. Doak, Mrs. Lucille Duncan, Mrs. Homer Fort, Mrs. Maydel Flagg, Mrs. C. T. Gordon, Mrs. A. L. Hammond, Miss Dixie K. Harris, Mrs. Harry Hartley, Mrs. Sadie Mae Hogan, Mr. E. F. Horn, Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Kuehne, Mrs. John R. Ligon, Mr. F. A. C. McCulla, Mr. & Mrs. H. B. McKnight, Mr. & Mrs. J. F. McLane, Mrs. R. C. Meysenberg, Mrs. Roger Morrison, Mrs. Marguerite Palmer, Mrs. A. S. Parks, Mrs. Maureen Parkhurst, Mrs. Charles C. Perry, Mrs. L. Z. Pledger, Mr. & Mrs. D. S. Porter, Mrs. Ilse N. Richardson, Mrs. J. E. Rockett, Mr. H. M. Russell, Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Russell, Mr. L. M. Russell, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Sauer, Mrs. Robert W. Schlumpf, Mrs. James T. Seddon, Mr. & Mrs. John Schmidt, Mrs. George W. Sheffield, Mrs. Helen Spiller, Mrs. C. J. Thibodeau, Mr. & Mrs. F. Mell Thomas, Mr. A.M. Unger, Mrs. Jimmie Walker, Mrs. E. H. Watson, Mrs. Ben Wheeler, Mr. & Mrs. A. V. Williams and Mrs. E. W. Wood.

If any of the named 1958-1959 Houston Hemerocallis Society Members are on this earth please mail your address to me, so I can mail you an invitation to our 50th.

If any of the Russell Family would like to come to our 50th celebration please contact me with your mailing address. My address is at the end of this article.

Mr. Russell's daughter, Jennie Lee (Russell) Kleb, moved a number of daylilies to Stuebner Airline. During her daylily sales on Stuebner Airline, I purchased some daylilies for our home on Strack Road at Wunderlich, Houston, Texas. It was in Jennie Lee's garden that I met Mildred Schlumpf.

I was told that Jack Robinson purchased many of her daylilies. He had a large farm on Bailey Road in Tomball, Texas. The Bailey Road Farm was on tour when the 1988 Convention was in Houston.

In the 1960s, Jack Carpenter lived on our street and I helped him by gathering his seed pods while he was at college one

Summer. Bertha Cone had given him many seeds from her garden of super daylilies. He purchased plants from Jennie Russell, also. It is from Jack that we learned of the daylilies being grown by MacMillan.

The *Hemerocallis Journal* 1958 Yearbook Issue page 7, H. M. Russell, by D. R. McKeithan of Oklahoma gives a report. Here you will find H. M. Russell received "Member of the Year." "His oldest son, Jake, has in recent years relieved him of many of the details connected with the operations of the business." This was because the father was in ill health. "Jake is also the Chairman of the 1958 Convention Committee." Mrs. A. V. Williams joined Jake Russell as Co-Chairman. The Shamrock Hotel was the Convention site. Gardens on tour were: Mr. & Mrs. W. B. McKnight, Mr. & Mrs. C. J. Thibodeaux, Mr. & Mrs. Asbury Parks, Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Woods, Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Seddon, Mr. & Mrs. R. W. Schlumpf, and Russell Gardens, Spring, Texas.

In 1961, some members left the Houston Hemerocallis Society and formed a group called the Daylighters, the daytime branch of the Houston Hemerocallis Society.

In 1964, the group became an independent organization and the name was changed to Houston Area Daylily Society. Years rolled by and more people from the North side of Houston attended the daytime meetings. It was determined with the beautiful daylily garden installed in 1988 for the National Convention at Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens, on Aldine Westfield Road, Humble, Texas that a club could meet there. After, one of the HADS meetings a group held a meeting and elected temporary officers and selected a name.

The Cypress Creek Daylily Club meeting was called to order on September 24, 1995, by Anna Rosa Glidden in the absence of temporary President, Virginia Vargas. Temporary Secretary Catherine Neal recorded the minutes. The Cypress Creek Daylily Club holds an annual flower show. Meetings are held January through April. The Fall session of the current year begins again in September and October. Their daylily sales in the Klein area have been successful.

The public today learns of the beauty of the daylily by attending our May Daylily Shows to see scapes in bloom and daylilies in artistic design. We hold daylily plant sales so the public may plant daylilies in their gardens. The purpose of our club is to educate the public to the joys of growing daylilies in private and public gardens.

The 2008 National Convention in Houston, Texas, will be a real treat. Nearby Galveston offers additional vacation delights such as Moody Gardens. Check it out on the web site.

Any history you wish to share with the Houston Hemerocallis Society may be directed to: Catherine L. (Bailey) Neal, (Historian), 4911 Strack at Wunderlich, Houston, Texas 77069.

REGION 6 FALL SEMINAR RECAP

Thank you to all who helped make the Region 6 Fall Seminar such a huge success. A special "thank you" to David Kirchhoff of Daylily World and Dan Trimmer of Watermill Gardens for making this event so terrific. Attendance was a little over 60, which is higher than many of the previous Fall Seminars, so it's always great to see an increase at special events such as this. We also were encouraged by the attendance of some youth members.

The future introductions of both hybridizers look outstanding, and one can hardly wait to receive their next catalogs. Both David and Dan showed us where their programs have been and where they are going, and without a doubt the future of our beloved daylilies looks superb! For those who missed out on the event, the food was also absolutely mouth-watering.

Thanks again to all those who helped make this event a success. The San Antonio Daylily Society looks forward to seeing all of you back in 2004 for the Regional.



REGION 6 PLANT AUCTION

The Region 6 Meeting is just around the corner and we need your plant list for the live auction. We have a number of outstanding plants already promised, but we need yours to make this the best Region 6 Auction ever. I ask you to take a few minutes today to plan your donations and send me your list as soon as possible. If you are able to bring your plant to the Auction, please do so. If you prefer to have the high bidder receive a card to mail to you for Fall delivery, (this option is preferred by some), this too can happen. If you would prefer to send us your plants early for us to pot and take to the auction, please let us know.

If you have a 35 mm slide of your donation, please include it with your Donation Form.

An image of it on the screen while it is being auctioned reminds us all of how special it is and how badly we need to have it. Any slide that you send will be returned to you, either at the Regional Meeting or by mail. (Please include your name with all slides.)

As most of you know, the monetary proceeds from our Regional Auction help finance the Region 6 expenses. Acknowledgement of donations is available. Mail your donation information as soon as possible to:

Richard Johnson
 15810 Havenhurst
 Houston, TX 77059
 281-480-8213
 You may also e-mail me at: rjohn(@ev1.net

DONATION FORM

Mail to: Richard Johnson
 15810 Havenhurst
 Houston, TX 77059

Contributor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

CULTIVAR	DESCRIPTION (Please include hybridizer and year of introduction)	SLIDE		PLANT or CARD	
		YES	NO	P	C
1. _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	P	C
2. _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	P	C
3. _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	P	C
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REGION 6 DAYLILY SOCIETIES, PRESIDENTS AND MEETING SCHEDULES

ALBUQUERQUE DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Rozanne Tuffnell
2112 Blue Corn Maiden Ct. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87112, 505-298-8992, rituffnell@aol.com
Meetings: Mar - Aug, and Oct

AUSTIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

President - Suzanne Adair
11519 Antigua
Austin, TX 78759, 512-256-6192
Meetings: 1st Thurs in Apr -May, Aug - Dec

BRAZOSPORT DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Lois Hall
3711 Murworth
Houston, TX 77025-3531, 713-666-8543
Meetings: 2:30 p.m., 2nd Sun, Lake Jackson Library

CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY CLUB

President - Robert Valenza, valenza@kingwoodcable.com
5903 Riverchase Trail
Kingwood, TX 77345, 281-360-0765
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 4th Sun, Jan-Apr, Sep-Oct

DAYLILY GROWERS OF DALLAS

President - Binion Amerson
13339 Castleton Circle.
Dallas, TX 75234-5111, 972-241-1726, aba@daylilies.com
Meetings: 10:00 a.m., 3rd Sat, except Jun, Jul, Aug and Dec
North Haven Gardens, Dallas

EAST TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Dr. Don Gill
3210 Birdwell Dr.
Tyler, TX 75701, 903-533-1311, dagill@tyler.net
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 2nd Sun, Tyler Rose Center

GOLDEN SPREAD DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Doug Smith
726 Lefors
Pampa, TX 79065, 806-665-3410
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 4th Sun, Feb-Oct
Amarillo Botanical Gardens

GULF COAST DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Margie Dumesnil
907 Neches Dr.
Port Neches, TX 77651-2530, 409-727-0482
Meetings: 1st Sat, Feb, Apr, Aug, Sep, Dec

HOUSTON AREA DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Clifford Lee
315 East Helm
Houston, TX 77037-1603, 281-448-4153
Meetings: 10:00 a.m., 2nd Thurs
Hermann Park Garden Center

HOUSTON HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

President - Margaret Sinclair
850 Sara Rose
Houston, TX 77018-5031, 713-694-4515
Meetings: 4th Thurs in Jan-May, Sep-Oct
Hermann Park Garden Center

HUNTSVILLE MUDDY BOOTS DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Bonnie Strub
1327 15th Street
Huntsville, TX 77340
Meetings: 2nd Sun of each month

JOHNSON COUNTY IRIS AND DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Beth Griffith
501 Sunset
Cleburne, TX 76033, 817-645-7875
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 2nd Sat of each month
United Cooperative Services, Inc.

LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Barney Roberts
1312 Wilderness Pines Dr.
Friendswood, TX 77546, 281-992-1117, sandbar2@prodigy.net
Meetings: 2 p.m. 3rd Sun, Alvin Senior Citizen Building

LUFKIN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

President - Evelyn Barley
Rt. 13, Box 5890
Lufkin, TX 75901-8543, 979-632-6909
Meetings: 2:00 p.m. 1st Tues at T.U. Electric Meeting Room

NACOGDOCHES DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Lynette Sanders
15 Hunters Ridge Dr.
Nacogdoches, TX 75961, 936-569-6125, lsanders@txucom.net
Meetings: 7:00 p.m., 2nd Tues

NORTH TEXAS DAYLILY SOCIETY-FORT WORTH

President - Nickie Knight
1201 Crockett Dr.
Burleson, TX 76028-6922, 817-551-7260
Meetings: 7:30 p.m., 3rd Thurs, Fort Worth Botanic Center

SAN ANTONIO DAYLILY SOCIETY

President - Steve Wingfield
415 Starlight Pass
San Antonio, TX 78258, 830-980-5230, swingfield@satx.rr.com
Meetings: 2:00 p.m., 3rd Sun
San Antonio Botanical Gardens

Please notify the Newsletter Editor of any changes of names, officers & addresses.

FINDER'S KEEPER'S PRIZE

The Lone Star Daylily Society has a very special prize for the Regional Meeting Guest who finds the hidden symbol. The symbol will be placed in one of the tour gardens during the Regional. The Regional Guest who first finds the symbol will receive \$50 CASH! The description of the "symbol" and a photo will be available at the beginning of the tours. Have some fun! Win some money, AND you get to keep the symbol to display in your garden.

